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*Royalties of the Chobe River* Deep in the heart of the African wilderness, where the mighty waters of the Chobe River run through Namibia into Zimbabwe, only to crash over the iconic Victoria Falls, you'll find the majestic Zambezi Queen and Chobe Princesses. These floating hotels combine the very best of luxury and elegance with the wild essence of Africa.



#### Zambezi Queen

This leisurely river safari allows you to experience the thrill and tranquility of a bushveld adventure with all the civilized comforts of a luxury hotel. 14 tastefully furnished suites are located on the lower and middle decks. They all feature magnificent views from floor to ceiling windows. An outer deck allows you to step outside to experience the warm African breeze.



#### Chobe Princesses

Each houseboat offers guests a personalised experience. The Chobe Princess Safari boats do not have any set departure dates and no minimum number of nights so are able to fit in with any itinerary. Princess 1 has five suites whilst Princess 2 & 3 have four large double/twin suites, and a minimum of three attendant tender boats. This is an ideal option for families or group of friends.



#### Life on the River

The view is ever-changing: elephants wading in the shallows, fish eagles wheeling overhead, sunsets that will take your breath away. A unique chance to get up and close to wildlife on the river's banks by tender boats offer great photographic opportunities. Just 80km away by road, you'll find the Victoria Falls. Why not combine a boating safari with a visit to this incredible sight.



## Monthly Features



### Restaurant of the Month

Zambezi Reflections is a dedicated floating restaurant offering gourmet meals on the mighty Zambezi River above the Victoria Falls. Similar to its sister vessel, The Zambezi Explorer, it is quickly gaining the reputation as the premier dining experience on the river and is perfect for either group bookings or individual travelers. The Sunset Dinner Cruise has proven to be a very popular option.



### Tour of the Month

Our touring division in Zimbabwe is offering a new sunset cruise activity, operated by Dingani Tours. This two-hour cruise on the Zambezi River is aboard the *Wanuka Queen* boats, which are fully carpeted and have rest rooms, a bistro and bar-type furnishings. Guests get the opportunity to see a variety of game. Finger snacks and drinks are served.



### New Product

The new Strand Hotel in Swakopmund is destined to become the social epicenter of the town with its extensive and entertaining restaurants, bars, lounges, deli and sea facing terraces. Uniquely located on the iconic and historic Swakopmund Mole and surrounded on three sides by the Southern Atlantic Ocean, its 125 rooms and suites offer the finest sea views.

## Specials & General Updates

**Please note:** we encourage you to take a look at the Specials and Packages that are on offer by some of our partners through the Wilderness Window platform (under Associated Product / Information).

### SPECIALS

The **Ulusaba Lodge** stay pay deals have been extended to all new bookings travelling until 31 December 2015 (was 31 Oct 2015). Stay 4 Pay 3, or Stay 5 Pay 4 or Stay 6 Pay 5 offers available.

**Camp Jabulani** has released a Stay3/Pay2 Special applicable to all new bookings travelling between 10 January 2016 and 10 March 2016.

**Mont Rochelle** in Franschoek has various deals:

- Stay 5 Pay 4 – valid March to Sept 2015, Stay 4 Pay 3 – valid May to Sept 2015
- Last Minute booking offers, valid until 31 Oct 2015 – 2 night stays get 50% off 2<sup>nd</sup> night and 4 night stays get last night free.
- Suites free night offer, valid until 31 Oct 2015 – stay 3 nights in a suite and last night is free.
- Run of House Offer groups 2015, valid Aug to Oct 2015 – groups of 5 -10 rooms staying 2 nights all qualify for merlot room rates. (Also valid for 2016 from May – Sep 2016)
- Exclusive Use Offer - valid May – Sep 2016 –book exclusive use of all 22 rooms for 2 or more nights and get 50% off the final night.

**Taj Cape Town** has offered us a Stay4/Pay3 Special for new bookings within 1 April 2016 and 30 September 2016.

**Camp Jabulani** is offering a Stay 3 Pay 2 Special for all new bookings and stays valid till 1 April 2016. Excludes 15 December to 15 January.

**The Blue Train** has extended their value add Special for 2016. Guests get to experience one complimentary nights accommodation at Castello di Monte, Shearton Hotel, Taj Hotel or The Westin.

**Ghoha Hills** have a new 2 night shoulder season fly-in special offer for the period 01 April to 30 June 2016. Air transfers are included from Maun or Kasane to Savuti and Savuti to Kasane, with Major Blue Air. The offer represents savings of up to 14% off standard rates. There is also a Green Season Special, valid from 01 November 2015 through to 31 March 2016.

**Jacis Lodges** (Madikwe) has opened the Terapine Hide which boasts 8 Gimpro hide arms & single/double pano heads. Some vehicles also have this special equipment fitted, which makes for outstanding photographic safaris.

**Leeu Collection** - Reservations are now open for these Franschoek properties. Leeu House (ex Rusthof Guest House) is set to open on the 1<sup>st</sup> Dec'15. Leeu Estates to open in 2016 (tba). From the 1<sup>st</sup> September Le Quartier Francais also belongs to Mr Singh and his Leeu Collection.

**Desert Quiver Camp** (in Sossusvlei) opened in August 2015. It is the latest addition to Taleni Desert Camp. 24 rooms, with 2 boma areas, reception, swimming pool and bar area. Common rated with Desert Camp.

The new wing of **Ilala Lodge** in Victoria Falls is almost completed. It will offer an additional 22 new rooms plus 2 executive suites, with all the modcons.

Streets across **Sandton** will be closed off for the entire month of October, while the City of Johannesburg hosts the world's second ever 'EcoMobility World Festival and Exhibition'— a month-long car-free district event.

*Terms & Conditions apply to above Specials and Packages. Please contact us for details.*

## Shows and Events

30 Sep – 03 Oct

Sarafina! is a South African musical by Mbongeni Ngema depicting students involved in the Soweto Riots in opposition to Apartheid. It represents a school uprising on 16 June 1976. Baxter Theatre.

24 Oct

Natalia Lavrova together with Vassily Primakov perform a powerful and emotional program of works for two pianos. Baxter Theatre.

21 Nov

Engelbert Humperdinck – on stage! With four Grammy nominations, a Golden Globe for "Entertainer of the Year" (1988), 63 gold and 24 platinum records and a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame, Humperdinck has endeared him to millions of fans around the globe. Grand West Arena

21 – 28 Nov

Cape Town Opera, in collaboration with the UCT Opera School presents an evening composed of four new home-grown operas. Four notable South African composers have teamed up with four acclaimed writers to create half hour works that are powerful and innovative, telling contemporary African stories in imaginative new ways. Artscape Theatre Centre

Running currently till 21 Nov

Shiza iKapa playing at The Theatre at the Rockwell, is a vibrant local song, dance and dinner experience. The 3-course menu changes regularly and has been specially crafted to match the culture behind the story, with authentic flavours and traditional dishes from places like Bo-Kaap.

Open daily (except Wednesdays)

Richard's Supper Stage Restaurant, situated in Sea Point, offers an evening of fun, entertainment and a buffet dinner. The Musical Revue of Cape Stories from the Mother City is filled with unique humor, intoxicating rhythms and soulful songs that celebrate the challenges and triumphs of the people of Cape Town.

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