ULTIMATE ADVENTURES

Guided Self-Drive 4x4 Tours

2019 TOUR COLLECTION
About Us

The name really speaks for itself! – Ultimate Adventures. It all started 11 years ago, with the dream of exploring Africa’s wildest destinations while delivering top quality self-drive tours that the whole family could enjoy. Attention to detail and personalized service was the foundation of our business and hasn’t changed throughout the years.

We offer off-road adventures in all corners of Southern and Eastern Africa. From the snow-capped mountains of Lesotho, to the wide open plains of the Serengeti.

Ultimate Adventures is our baby, and with a husband and wife partnership comes passion and dedication, differentiating ourselves from the rest. Our mission is to make every adventure memorable and to create stories that will be told for years to come. Every person on an Ultimate Adventures trip arrives as a guest and leaves as a family member! This is the Ultimate Adventures ethos.

One thing to remember….you don’t have to have the best 4x4 by far and you don’t have to be the most experienced camper. What you have to be is a lover of the outdoors seeking new adventures and new friends. One that enjoys sunsets and sunrises with a twist, may it be elephants in your view, or the never ending valleys and mountains of Africa’s finest destinations….let’s be honest, no one could say no to this!

Our Ultimate Adventures guarantee to you is that we will make sure that every tour is run professionally and efficiently, ensuring you make memories to last a lifetime and become a member of our ever growing family!
Simon Steadman is a registered Professional 4x4 Trails and Overland Tourist Guide, 4x4 driver training instructor and assessor and sat on the founding committee of OGATO (Overland Guides and Tour Operators). I have been guiding off-road trails and tours since 2006 to some of Africa’s wildest destinations including a 44-Day expedition to the Serengeti. One of his greatest assets as a tour guide is his ability to remain calm in the most trying of circumstances and to think clearly and logically while under pressure. Other good traits that go down well with his clients are his fine cooking skills, warm and gentle nature, and the great hospitality that anyone enjoys. The co-author of the very successful “4x4 Routes of Southern Africa” book published by Mapsource in 2011, contributing two chapters to the publication. The host and executive producer of the successful off-road DVD, “Ultimate Off-Road Guide Volume 1 & 2.”

Desiree Steadman has a passion for the outdoors and the great desire to make every adventure memorable. She works well with groups of people and always brings the fun factor. With 5 years of corporate Sales and Marketing experience, it is in her to build relationships, and understand the needs and requirements of every client, ensuring Ultimate Adventures continuously delivers top quality service. She is passionate about conservation, making her the ideal candidate to head up our conservation department and is continuously on the lookout for new conservation initiatives for Ultimate Adventures to support. All of these qualities ensure that clients of Ultimate Adventures will always leave us feeling part of our adventure family.
About Our Tours

Prestige Tours

Our Prestige range of tours are aimed at the off-road adventurer that enjoys a bit more luxury on their travels and the intimacy of small groups. These tours are limited to a maximum of 4 guest vehicles and no children under 12 are permitted. Our qualified bush chef will spoil you with a delicious breakfast and dinner every day so you have more time to enjoy the bush and not worry about cooking. We pride ourselves on our exquisite bush cuisine and attention to detail.

Accommodation on our Prestige tours is a mixture of camping while out in the wild and lodges or guesthouses when on the road travelling to and from our destination. Reliving you of the task of pitching tent for just a one night stopover.

Our Prestige tours will take you to unique destinations that you have always dreamed of visiting but have never been brave enough to tackle alone. While exploring these exciting destinations, you will experience everything that the area has to offer to make sure you maximize the experience and don’t leave any rock unturned. All these activities and cultural experiences are included in the tour price so you don’t have any unexpected costs to worry about.

All of our Prestige tours are personally guided by Simon and Desiree Steadman themselves, along with Esrom, our qualified bush chef.

Our Prestige tours include the following:

- All accommodation costs
- All park entry fees
- All activities
- Guide fees
- Breakfast & dinner daily
- Gift pack
- Photo book
- VHF radio hire
About Our Tours

Adventure Tours

Our Adventure range of tours are aimed at the off-road adventurer that is looking for a true bush experience, camping in Africa’s wildest destinations. These tours are limited to a maximum of 10 guest vehicles and children of any age are permitted. Our qualified bush chef will spoil you with a delicious dinner every day so you have more time to enjoy the bush sunsets and not worry about rushing back to camp and start cooking. We pride ourselves on our exquisite bush cuisine and attention to detail.

Accommodation on our Adventure tours is purely camping in order to keep them as cost effective as possible. We only utilize the best campsites in each area with most campsites having full ablution facilities. We spend a lot of time camping in unfenced campsites so you get the ultimate bush experience on every tour, with some great animal encounters all part of the deal.

Our Adventure tours focus on visiting Africa’s premier wilderness areas with new destinations added to the tour calendar every year. Destinations for these tours include gems such as the Okavango Delta, Serengeti National Park and the great Zambia migrations of wildebeest and fruit bats.

All of our Adventure tours are guided by our experienced overland guide, Laurent Changuion with dinners prepared by Esrom, our famous bush chef.

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• Dinner daily
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### Southern Namibia Explorer

**Tour Date**
30 March – 13 April

**Tour Cost**
- R29 500 per person sharing
- R7 500 single supplement

**Tour Details**
This tour to southern Namibia encompasses infinite open vistas, wild and lonely landscapes, and the stark contrasts of sea, sky and ancient desert. We will re-energise our souls in the hot springs of Ai-Ais and marvel at natural wonders such as the Fish River Canyon, Sossusvlei and Spitzkoppe. A trip to southern Namibia would not be complete without visiting the historical seaside towns of Luderitz and Swakopmund and experiencing their cultures and cuisine.

**Tour Highlights**
- Spectacular desert vistas
- Fish River Canyon
- Spitzkoppe
- Sossusvlei & Dead Vlei
- Luderitz
- Kolmanskop ghost town tour

### Tanzania Ruaha Selous Expedition

**Tour Date**
29 July – 23 August

**Tour Cost**
- R68 500 per person sharing
- R17 500 single supplement

**Tour Details**
Tanzania is best known for the famous great migration that takes place in the Serengeti National Park. What few people know is that Tanzania has some other fantastic parks, namely Ruaha National Park and Selous Game Reserve. Ruaha is the largest national park in Tanzania and east Africa and is a predator paradise with the second largest lion population left in the world. Selous is the largest game reserve in Africa with diverse landscapes, hot volcanic springs and sporadic lakes not to mention some of the largest concentrations of elephant and buffalo in Africa.

**Tour Highlights**
- Victoria Falls
- Kapishya Hot Springs
- Ruaha National Park
- Selous Game Reserve
- Great predator sightings
- Lake Malawi
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Ultimate Kgalagadi Experience

Tour Date 16-27 October
Tour Cost R25 000 per person sharing
R6 250 single supplement

Tour Details
The Kgalagadi Transfrontier Park is a wildlife photographer’s dream with its wide open spaces, red sand dunes and concentration of predators and birds of prey. The South African side of the park’s game viewing routes are in and around the ancient riverbeds that run through the park, namely the Auob and Nossob, while the Botswana side of the park in Mabuasehube is made up of numerous pans, which provide good grazing and hunting grounds for its wild inhabitants.

Tour Highlights
• Kielie Krankie Wilderness Camp
• Spectacular vistas
• Unfenced camping in Mabuasehube
• Great predator sightings
• Sunset game drive at Nossob camp

General Tour Info
• A full tour info pack will be sent to you upon receipt of your booking forms and deposit. This info pack contains the detailed daily itinerary, fuel stops, border requirements etc.
• Cross border insurance for your vehicle is required on all of our tours due to the remote destinations we visit. Should you not have suitable insurance, we can assist and make recommendations
• Off-road driving experience is not a pre-requisite for any of our tours as we are able to give on-tour training as we go in order for you to feel comfortable driving your vehicle in any terrain
• You will require your own camping equipment for all of our tours. Most tours are suitable for off-road trailers and caravans
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ULTIMATE BOTSWANA ADVENTURE

Tour Date: 15-24 February
Tour Cost: R11 500 per person

Tour Details:
This tour is for the adventurer that doesn’t have too much time on their hands and wants to experience as much of Botswana’s attractions as possible in a 10 day tour. You will explore three of Botswana’s prime wildlife destinations, camping in unfenced campsites with the wild inhabitants of the Okavango Delta and Chobe National Park. Ihaha campsite situated on the banks of the Chobe river is possibly one of the best campsites in Africa and will leave you wanting to return over and over again.

Tour Highlights:
• Okavango Delta
• Savuti
• Chobe National Park
• Unfenced campsites
• Fantastic wildlife encounters
• Scenic flight over the Okavango Delta
• Elephant encounters at Elephant Sands

CENTRAL KALAHARI GAME RESERVE

Tour Date: 25 April – 5 May
Tour Cost: R12 500 per person

Tour Details:
The CKGR is the largest, most remotely situated reserve in Southern Africa, and the second largest wildlife reserve in the world, encompassing 52,800 km². Waist-high golden grasses seem to stretch interminably, punctuated by dwarfed trees and scrub bushes. Wide and empty pans appear as vast white stretches of saucer-flat earth, meeting a soft, blue-white sky. At night the stars utterly dominate the land; their brilliance and immediacy are totally arresting. Nothing prepares you for the immensity of this reserve, nor its wild, mysterious beauty. There is the immediate impression of unending space, and having the entire reserve to yourself as we explore the game-rich northern region of the Park.

Tour Highlights:
• Deception Valley
• Passarge Valley
• Solitude and serenity of the Kalahari
• High concentration of predators
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Kaokoland Expedition

Tour Date: 14-29 April
Tour Cost: R14 500 per person

Tour Details

Kaokoland is one of the last remaining wilderness areas in Southern Africa. It is a world of incredible mountain scenery, a refuge for the rare desert dwelling elephant, black rhino and giraffe and the home of the Himba people. On this epic off-road adventure you will tackle the notorious Van Zyl’s pass and camp under the stars in some of the most remote locations in Northern Namibia such as Marienfluss and Puros. Kaokoland never disappoints when it comes to delivering an adventure of a lifetime.

Tour Highlights

- Etosha National Park
- Epupa Falls
- Visit a traditional Himba village
- Van Zyl’s pass
- Marienfluss
- Desert elephants in Puros
- Spectacular mountain vistas

Makgadikgadi Pans Baobab Adventure

Tour Date: 11-17 May
Tour Cost: R9 000 per person

Tour Details

The Makgadikgadi Pans are one of the harshest environments on Earth and a 4x4 adventurer’s paradise. Come and join us as we explore some of the untouched gems these enormous salt pans have to offer as we venture off-the-beaten-track and head into the heart of the Pans. We will be visiting places that are rarely visited by other travellers so this is a totally unique Pans experience. We will however include a night at the mystical Kubu Island as no trip to the Pans is complete without visiting this magical destination.

Tour Highlights

- Baines Baobabs, Nxai Pan NP
- Kubu Island
- Kukonje Island
- Camping wild with 360° views of the Pans
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OKAVANGO DELTA ADVENTURE
TOUR DATE 8-16 June
TOUR COST R11 000 per person
TOUR DETAILS
The Okavango Delta (or Okavango Swamp), in Botswana, is the world’s largest inland delta. The delta provides a seasonal habitat to numerous different species. Among these are Elephants, Buffalo, Hippos, Lechwe, Crocodile, Lion, Cheetah, Leopard, Wild Dog, Spotted Hyena as well as over 400 species of birds. The Delta is a wildlife photographer’s dream with spectacular sunsets and wildlife encounters second to none. You will also have the chance to experience the Delta from the air on a scenic flight as well as from the water in a mokoro.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS
• Unfenced campsites in one of Africa’s wildest destinations
• Prolific game viewing
• Spectacular sunsets
• Scenic flight over the Delta
• Mokoro excursion

RICHTERSVELD FISH RIVER CANYON ADVENTURE
TOUR DATE 11-18 May
TOUR COST R9 500 per person
TOUR DETAILS
The Richtersveld National Park is a mountainous desert landscape characterised by rugged kloofs and high mountains. It offers great biodiversity and camping next to the Orange River is something that every adventurer should experience. This tour combines the Richtersveld with a visit to the Fish River Canyon, the second largest canyon in the world and the largest in Africa. After a long day exploring the dusty vistas you can cool off with a swim in the Orange River and rejuvenate your soul in the natural hot springs at Ai-Ais.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS
• Richtersveld National Park
• De Hoop campsite on the Orange River
• Fish River Canyon
• Ai-Ais Hot Springs

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**LESOTHO SANI PASS KATSE DAM ADVENTURE**

**Tour Date**  7-10 August

**Tour Cost**  R7 900 per person

**Tour Details**
The notorious Sani Pass is on every off-roader’s bucket list and for good reason. This is definitely one of the most scenic mountain passes in Africa and offers some good off-road challenges during inclement weather conditions. Hopefully at this time of year we will encounter some snow which turns this mountain kingdom into a winter wonderland. Enjoy a warm drink in the highest pub in Africa as well as some great off-road driving amongst some of Africa’s most spectacular scenery.

**Tour Highlights**
- Sani Pass
- Highest Pub in Africa at Sani Mountain Lodge
- Spectacular mountain scenery
- Katse Dam
- Great off-road adventure

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**SERENGETI MIGRATION EXPEDITION**

**Tour Date**  22 June – 21 July

**Tour Cost**  R45 000 per person

**Tour Details**
If there is one place you have to visit in your lifetime it is the Serengeti National Park to experience the annual wildebeest migration. You have all seen it on countless documentaries on National Geographic but nothing compares to actually experiencing it first-hand. The vast plains of this magnificent wilderness will leave you breathless and leave you with memories to last a lifetime. The route will take you through Botswana, Zambia, Tanzania, Malawi and Mozambique with highlights from start to finish.

**Tour Highlights**
- Kapishya Hot Springs
- Ngorogoro Crater
- Serengeti National Park
- Lake Malawi
- White sandy beaches of Mozambique

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**Tour Details**

The Molopo River is one of the main and oldest rivers in Southern Africa and snakes its way through some of the most spectacular scenery the Northern Cape has to offer before disappearing into the Orange River. Starting at the source in Mafikeng we follow this ancient river's 960 km course all the way to its mouth near Riemvasmaak. Along the way we will enjoy some great dune driving at Loch Maree and soak away our troubles in the natural hot spring at Riemvasmaak, one of the best camping spots you will ever experience.

**Tour Highlights**

- Follow the course of the Molopo River from source to mouth
- Spectacular scenery of the Northern Cape
- Driving the red dunes at Loch Maree
- Riemvasmaak

### Gonarezhou National Park

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**Tour Details**

Gonarezhou National Park is one of Zimbabwe's best kept secrets and not visited by as many tourists as Mana Pools and Hwange. However, it is on a par with these well known Parks and despite what you may have heard this is a genuine wilderness area teeming with wildlife, unique landscapes and self-drive haven for 4x4s. The low number of tourists visiting the park is one of the biggest draw cards for 4x4 adventurers as most of the time you will have the entire Park to yourself. Come and explore this natural wonder before it gets too busy and over crowded.

**Tour Highlights**

- Unique landscapes with great game viewing
- Chipinda Pools
- Chilojo Cliffs
- Complete solitude and remoteness
- Unfenced campsites
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**Zambia Migrations Expedition**

**Tour Details**
Each year, Zambia plays host to 2 of the best kept secrets in the natural world. These 2 wildlife spectacles are only ever witnessed by the avid adventurer due to the remoteness of the areas in which they occur. Liuwa also forms part of a remarkable annual wildebeest migration route. Herds cover 200km from an area to the northwest of the park in June to concentrate in the southern region of the park by November. Up to ten million “straw-coloured fruit bats” converge upon Kasanka National Park as the fruits of a local tree ripen. These bats roost in a specific woodland and literally cover the trunks of the trees like thick icing. Then at sunset they all take off and fly out to forage. This experience should be on every offroad adventurer’s bucket list!

**Tour Highlights**
- Wildebeest migration at Liuwa Plain National Park
- Bat migration at Kasanka National Park
- Tiger fishing on the Zambezi River
- Sioma Falls

**Tour Date**
3-16 November

**Tour Cost**
R16 500 per person

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**Mana Pools National Park**

**Tour Details**
This unique park is a World Heritage Site, based on its wildness and beauty, together with the wide range of large mammals, over 350 bird species and aquatic wildlife. Mana Pools is one of Zimbabwe’s most popular parks, and it is easy to see why it falls into this profile. Once you have experienced Mana Pools, you will understand what all the hype is about and will be longing to go back over and over again. Camping at Chitake Spring in the middle of the park and then along the banks of the Zambezi will engrain memories that you will cherish forever.

**Tour Highlights**
- Game viewing from your camp chair at Chitake Spring
- Camping on the banks of the Zambezi River
- Unfenced campsites with lots of animal encounters
- Prolific bird life
- Some of the best game viewing in Africa

**Tour Date**
12-21 October

**Tour Cost**
R16 500 per person
Terms and Conditions

• 30% non-refundable deposit required to secure booking. Balance payable 6 weeks before tour date

• Children aged between 6 & 12 years of age pay half price

• Children under 6 years of age are free

• Itineraries may change at our discretion depending on availability and size of group

• Tour costs subject to change due to exchange rate fluctuations

• Cancellations will only qualify for a 100% refund (not deposit) if cancelled 45 days or more before tour date. Cancellations within 45 - 30 days of tour date will forfeit 50% of amount paid. Cancellations within 30 days will forfeit 100% of fees paid

• Group sizes will be limited to a max of 10 vehicles. In certain areas this will be less

• VHF radios are compulsory on all 4x4 Self-Guided tours and can be hired from us

• All our tours are designed for the entire family to enjoy so bring along the whole family

• No rowdy or unruly behaviour will be tolerated on our tours

• No generators will be allowed on any of our tours

• No previous off-road experience is necessary as we provide on-going training/guiding on each tour

• All guide vehicles are fully equipped with all the necessary recovery equipment

• While travelling in remote areas, the guides will make every effort to create a safe and fun environment for you and your family

• All litter is to be carried with you as there are no dustbins in most of the wilderness areas visited

• Cross-border insurance is compulsory on all of our tours. Should you not have cross-border insurance, we can assist with recommendations and obtaining the correct insurance
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