

## Volunteer Vacation in Africa

*8-Nights/9-Days, all-inclusive experience in Zambia and Botswana - \$2,000*

*Value: up to \$3,500 (42% Discount)*



### **In a Nutshell...**

- Nine days, unforgettable travel, accommodations and meals in Africa.
- Volunteer in Zambia with an organization meeting the needs of orphaned and vulnerable children.
- Gain a deeper understanding of Zambian culture through a tour of important historical sites and local markets.
- Safari in Botswana and come face to face with the amazing wildlife of Southern Africa.
- A 4-star hotel stay at the glorious Victoria Falls, one of the seven natural wonders of the world.

### Details...

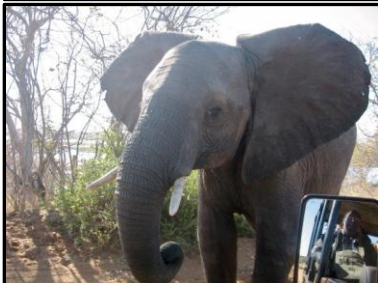
Prepare yourself for a life-changing journey in Southern Africa. On this adventure you will not only get to see some of the most spectacular natural wonders of the continent, but you will also have an opportunity to give back to a community in need. Volunteering with a local organization running a school, orphanage and clinic, you will come away with fond memories of the smiles on the faces of the children you served, knowing you have left an impact on them. They will undoubtedly leave an indelible impact on you.

Spark Ventures, your host for this adventure, partners with a Zambian organization serving vulnerable children in the Twapia community. You will have the opportunity to spend time playing games with the children at an orphanage, read books with the children of a community school and serve meals to hundreds of children through the regular nutrition program run through Spark's partnership.

After building countless memories with the children of Twapia, you will head to Lusaka, the Zambian capital, to visit a commercial poultry farm recently launched to help sustain the programs serving the children you met. You'll enjoy interesting culture experiences as you visit markets, eat traditional African meals in a Zambian home, and tour landmarks while learning about Zambia's history, politics and economy.

After saying good bye to the children and the chickens, you'll fly to Livingstone to see Victoria Falls, one of the seven natural wonders of the world. And the last day of the trip you will indulge in an unforgettable safari through Botswana, seeing wildlife you may have only ever seen before on the pages of National Geographic!

*"You come out of this very moving week seeing Spark's impact with the children and creating sustainability, and then you find yourself in this outdoor paradise..."*



*The trip ended with a phenomenal stay at a 4 star hotel, a top rated safari in Botswana and Victoria Falls – one of the 7 Wonders of the World. Little compares with sitting in an open truck with a herd of elephants just 25 feet away, but what I will remember most is being up close and personal with the kids. We had a front row seat to an organization having an impact. I came away a changed person." -A Recent Trip Participant*

### Trip Itinerary:

Sunday, July 15 - Travel Day: Arrive in Zambia. (Most flights will depart from the US on Friday, July 13.)

Monday, July 16 - Partner & Programs: Learn about Spark's Partner, Hope Ministries and its programs as you meet with key community leaders, enjoy welcome programs with the children of Hope Community School and Hope House (orphanage), tour Hope Village and dine with Hope staff and the children they serve.

Tuesday, July 17 - Mission & Model: Experience firsthand Spark Ventures' mission and unique model as visit a class, see Hope's progress through tours of its previous facilities and serve the meal program to the student of Hope Community School.

Wednesday, July 18 - Culture & Context: Gain insight into the culture and circumstances in which the children live as you visit the Slave Tree, Kantolombo gravesite, important local historical sites and two local markets.

Thursday, July 19 - Investment & Impact: See the impact that Spark and its investors are having on the children of Zambia as you spend time with the children and hear their stories of transformation in their own words.

Friday, July 20 - Mission & Model: Drive to Lusaka to be among the first investors to tour the poultry farm that will allow Hope to be financially independent and discuss Spark Ventures and the plans for sustainable child programs as you dine with Hope's staff and board.

Saturday, July 21 - Travel Day/Culture & Context: Fly to Livingstone to see Victoria Falls, one of the seven natural wonders of the world, and visit another organization serving vulnerable children.

Sunday, July 22 - Culture & Context: Come face to face with the amazing wildlife of Southern Africa with a safari in Botswana and spend the day with Hope staff that will share how issues like HIV/AIDS and illiteracy have affected their own lives.

Monday, July 23 - Travel Day: Depart Zambia. (Most flights will arrive in the US on Tuesday, July 24.)

### The Fine Print...

The Zambia Summer 2012 trip will run from July 15 to July 23. These dates do not include travel time to and from Zambia. Participants should book their flights from the U.S. to arrive Ndola, Zambia (NLA) on Sunday, July 15 or Lusaka, Zambia (LUN) on Saturday, July 14\*. Departure should be from Livingstone, Zambia (LVI) on July 23. In Zambia, all local flights and ground transportation, meals, lodging and scheduled excursions will be provided by Spark Ventures.

\*Arrival in Lusaka will require an additional cost of an overnight and domestic flight that Spark Ventures will help to arrange.

### What It's Worth

5 Nights	Accommodation at local motel in Ndola
1 Night	Accommodation at <a href="#">Protea, Lusaka</a>
2 Nights	Accommodation at <a href="#">Protea, Livingstone</a>
1-Way Flight	Lusaka to Livingstone, Zambia on <a href="#">Proflight-Zambia</a>
Meals	Daily breakfast, lunch and dinner included (excluding alcoholic beverages)
Victoria Falls	Park Entrance to <a href="#">Victoria Falls National Park</a>
Safari	<a href="#">Bushtracks</a> half-day river/half-day land safari in <a href="#">Chobe National Park</a> , Botswana
All ground transportation	