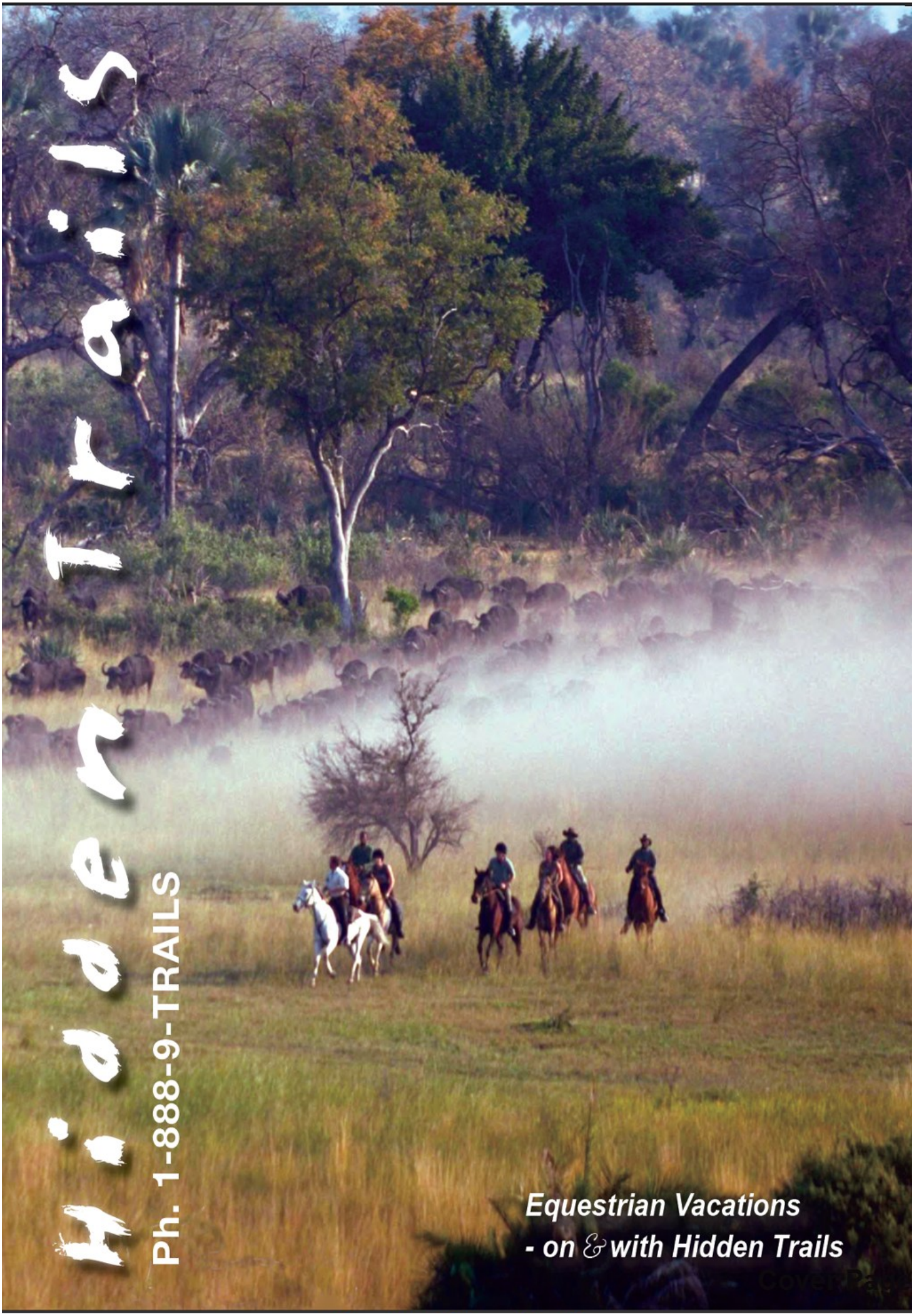
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# About Hidden Trails

Hidden Trails is owned and operated by nature enthusiasts who love horses and adventure activities. We have been involved with riding and other outdoor vacations for over 20 years.
With our partners Voyage du Cheval (France), Pegasus (Germany) as well as Equitour (Switzerland and France) we have collected the best riding destinations all over the world in some hidden places we would like to share with you.

These rides are about galloping on endless beaches, forging rivers, cantering through forests, trotting along age-old trails, gazing at beautiful vistas and encountering foreign cultures. But most of all, these trips are about getting away from the cycle of too much work and never enough free time.

Escape from the rituals, which long ago froze our nights and days into little more than routine and away from the worries of our new tense times. It is so satisfying when we take the plunge of adventure - it's unfortunate that we invent so many reasons to put aside living our dreams of adventure. It is sometimes a tangled web that we weave through life. Some of the threads reveal a work-a-day world of commitments, duties and obligations. Other threads are of a quiet fabric of hope, responsibility and refreshment.

On our adventures you see the real country, its back country and meet the locals. The love for horses has no boundaries but possesses a common language we all speak and understand. The majority of the overseas rides are from inn to inn, some from castle to castle and a few are camping rides.
You will experience new countries and their customs and make new friends. The Hidden Trails trips are the best you can find.

They have been tested by our staff or associates and received our stamp of approval. If you are considering a special riding vacation anywhere in the world, call us first and let our experienced consultants match the perfect trip with your dream.
We will listen to you and give you objective advice to help you choose the best destination and adventure.

Your vacation is the most precious time of the year and we are committed to making it the most memorable time of your life. Wherever you go, have a great time and bring back some peace of mind.

Thank you for your continued support.

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# Zambezi Riding Safari - Zimbabwe, Southern Africa

**Tour Code: IT-ZMRT06**
4 days / 3 nights ~$2,740.00
Dates: Available all Year

Trip Rating :
Difficulty :
Lodging:

Tack: Australian Stock saddles. English on r...
Horses: Anglo Arab, Thoroughbred, Cleveland Ba...
Pace: Moderate with trots, canters and some ...
Walk,Trot,Canter,

Airport: Victoria Falls International Airport (VFA)

## Introduction

Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe
Experience the wonders of Victoria Falls and mighty Zambezi River witnessing exciting wildlife scenes and stunning landscapes close up on horseback.

In the starkly beautiful african bush, your guide provides you with a unique safari experience. Visit one of the most magnificent natural wonders of the world (Victoria Falls), whilst enjoying the privilege of close wildlife encounters on horseback.
Here, you can and canter through open bush veld, explore hidden game paths, ride on to secret islands and then follow the natural pathways to the wilderness areas beyond.
Surrounded by National Park and Game areas, this riding safari gives you access to rugged and varied riding country, providing a superb wilderness experience.

## Accomodation

**Accommodations**
All nights are spent at the same location (Wallow Lodge).

**Description**
Located in a Private Game Reserve, this beautiful, tented camp offers a very peaceful stay! Sixteen suites are thoughtfully placed to capture the best views of the Masuwe River and surrounding wilderness. The imaginative use of canvas evokes a classic safari atmosphere, accentuated with all the modern creature comforts. Each room is raised beneath the shade of ancient riverine trees, and from this elevated vantage point, guests can enjoy uninterrupted views of the river from their private balcony. The décor and attention to detail strikes a perfect balance between contemporary, homely touches without detracting from the surrounding wilderness.
There is a small infinity pool where you can relax after your ride.

Room Occupancy
Single supplement is mandatory if we are unable to find another rider to share.

**Meals**
All meals are included in the program.

Meals are simple, but tasty, with plenty of fruits, fresh vegetables, and salads.

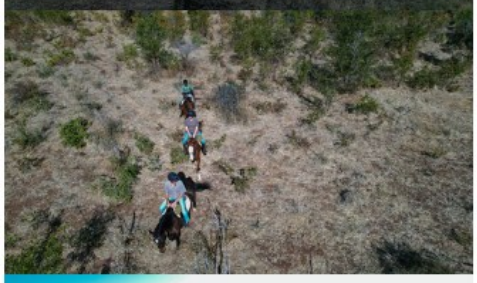
Dietary Restrictions
We can cater to most dietary restrictions with prior notice.

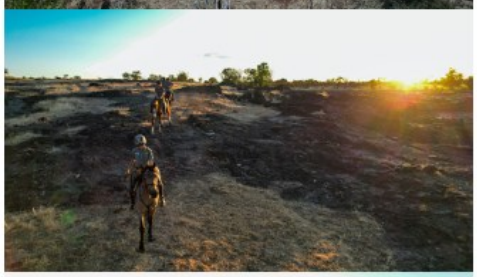
## Riding

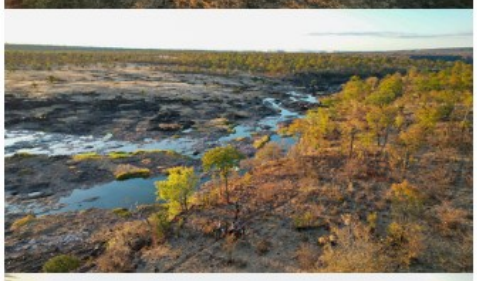
**Riding Experience**
This trip is suitable for strong intermediate riders. Keep in mind we ride through highly dense game areas. Clients must be fit and confident at all paces, including rising trot, and capable of trotting at a rising trot for a minimum of 15 minutes at a stretch. The more proficient and fitter you are the more you will enjoy your trip.

**Riding**
We spend between 4-6 hours in the saddle per day. This includes refreshment breaks and a short 10-minute walk for every 2 hours spent in the saddle (for the horses back, and your own muscles). The times given for rides are an estimate – we do not clock watch and may decide to alter and adapt the route.
Within reason, we like to tailor our trips to suit you. If you do not like what is happening let us know.
At the end of each riding day, we meet to discuss with you and amongst ourselves what we have seen, and plan our next day accordingly. We get continuous updates on game movement patterns throughout the area to ensure the best experience, so we may change a route – but only for your benefit.

**Terrain**
Magnificent and varied terrain, from the shady banks of the Zambezi, to rugged mopane woodland and wide







Magnificent and varied terrain, from the shady banks of the Zambezi, to rugged mopane woodland and wide ranging Kalahari sand dunes and teak forests. Riding on the banks of the Zambezi at any water level is an experience itself. All rides start here, moving away after the first morning through other varied terrain. Kalahari sand fire breaks are the best places to gallop.
The rural areas up to Gorges offer the most dramatic and beautiful scenery – rugged and starkly beautiful in the dry season, the experience of seeing black eagles soaring in the gorge below you is unforgettable.

**Horses**
The owner personally chooses and schools the horses herself, before they are used on safaris. She is assisted by a dedicated team of staff, who also ensures that the horses are happy and healthy.
The horses are mostly thoroughbred, some mixed, some Anglo Arabs. Between 14 – 16.2hh. They vary from gentle hacks to top polocrosse ponies.
As the stables are in a world heritage site and surrounded by National Park, everything the horses eat is brought in, ensuring that each horse has an excellent and closely monitored diet.

**Guiding**
Qualified, licensed guides lead all rides, and are accompanied by a back up rider. Both are dedicated, knowledgeable and enthusiastic. A keen interest is taken in the environment as well as the flora and fauna of the area. You will also learn many of the traditional uses of plants and trees, basic principles of tracking, and aspects of traditional village life.
All guides and back up riders are trained in first aid procedures and emergency situations. Each ride starts with a safety talk, and you will be reminded of details should circumstances require.

**Weight Limit**
We have a weight limit of 85 kg. This is your weight in your riding clothes and should include anything else you wish to carry. Our guides will carry your water for you. To avoid embarrassment be warned that you may be required to step on the scales!
An extra charge of 50% is required for riders above our weight limit if allowed to ride. Please note this is at the discretion of the company and subject to individual experience and circumstances. Allowances may be made only for very experienced riders, or for those who are tall and fit.

**Children**
We do accept children but they must be strong competent riders. Please inquire. There is no adjustment in price for children.

**Insurance**
You will need to be covered by your own full Medical/Travel Insurance, of which we ask you provide us with details prior to the start of your ride. Please check whether your insurance covers you for riding without a helmet, should you wish to do so.

**Wildlife**
Birds and other wildlife abound, of all colours, shapes and sizes. Lilac-breasted rollers, white-fronted bee-eaters and trumpeter hornbills are common, and if you are lucky you may glimpse the brilliant green and bright scarlet colours of the elusive Schalow's Turaco, which is found along the riverine forest.
Depending on the season you may see elephant, buffalo, kudu, impala, bushbuck, waterbuck, banded mongoose and warthog. Along the river can be found hippo and crocodile, and occasionally cape clawless otters may also be spotted. There are several resident leopard and hyena are also present in the area, but rarely spotted, and even wild dog are sometimes seen during the rains. But remember, no game is guaranteed!

## Itinerary

**Sample Itinerary** - *subject to changes*

*Note: Availability and weather conditions may cause us to vary the order of lodges used. This will be done with the guest's best interests in mind and will increase the value of the experience.*
*Weather and game movement patterns may cause us to amend the itinerary – possibly riding in different areas. This will always be in the guests' best interests and calculated to increase the value of the safari.*

*Please note that our rainy season is from November to April and that the weather patterns can directly influence game viewing opportunities. Heavy rains could result in conditions that may cause the wildlife to disperse. Some safaris may have to be postponed or altered due to weather patterns. We cannot be held responsible for this.*

**Day 1: Arrival**
You will be met at Victoria Falls Airport (your guide takes care of your pickup transfer) and transferred to your accommodation. After check-in you will be transfered to the stables for a safety talk and pre trip briefing.
This afternoon will be your first introduction to this area and a chance to see if you are happy with your horse, your saddle and so on. Lovely sunset end.
*Meals included: Dinner*
*Overnight at The Wallow*

**Day 2: Riding at The Wallow**
Horses will be waiting and ready for you outside the lodge at sunrise for a long morning ride on this fabulous Concession.
In the afternoon, we visit the Victoria Falls Wildlife Trust. Then, back on our horses for a fabulous ride ending at sunset.
*Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner*
*Overnight at The Wallow*

**Day 3: Victoria Falls Visit**
Long morning ride – where we go and what we do will depend on our inclination and game movement patterns. Maybe into Zambezi National Park with guides and our anti—poaching unit (a truly immersive and exciting experience).
After your long ride, transfer to visit the magnificent Falls. After visiting the Falls, you can explore the town at leisure or spend the late afternoon on horseback.
It is also possible to go on an optional game drive to a very special part of the National Park – a local residents secret where you could see hyenas amongst other things (extra charge applies - please inquire).
*Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner*
*Overnight at The Wallow*

**Day 4: Departure**
After breakfast, the lodge will take care of your transfer to the airport for your outgoing flight. Depending on your flight departure time you might be able to go on a last morning ride.
*Meals included: Breakfast*

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Non-Riders
Talk to us about a custom itinerary for you while your partner is out on horseback. Activities could include a walking safari, canopy tour, village tour, etc.

## Other Info

**Meeting:** Victoria Falls
**Airport:** Victoria Falls International Airport (VFA)
**Train station:** --
**Transfer:** Victoria Falls
**Distance:** 22km
Pick-up/ drop-off from Victoria Falls International airport (VFA). Please book flights arriving before 1:00pm. Drop off at airport around 11 am on last day.

**Tack:** Australian Stock saddles. English on request. All horses go in snaffle bridles.

**Horses:** Anglo Arab, Thoroughbred, Cleveland Bay , Thoroughbred cross and Warm bloods Between 14-16.2hh.

**Pace:** Moderate with trots, canters and some gallops, 4-6 hours daily. Riders do need to have a firm seat and in control at all paces. You should be able to post to the trot and gallop i necessary.

Walk | Trot | Canter |

**Level:** (3.5 to 4 out of 5) Intermediate +

**Age:** Min 12

**Weight:** 185 lbs

**Riders:** Min 1 riders Max 6 riders
Riding helmets are mandatory for this ride.

## Rates and Dates 2026 - IT-ZMRT06

**Rates include:** Accommodations, All meals, 3 or 4 riding days & Transfers
Limited range of half chaps, jodhpurs trousers and shirts available for loan

## Packages and Options

| Season | Description | ~US$ |
|---|---|---|
| A 2026 | 4 day trip (High) | $2740 |
| B 2026 | 4 day trip (Mid) | $2680 |
| C 2026 | 4 day trip (Low) | $2470 |

## Transfer Option

**Description**

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|---|---|---|
| 2026 | Conservation fee, pp | $355 |
| 2026 | Single supplement | $345 |

**Tour Dates**

| Season | | Tour Dates | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| C | 2026 | 01/11/2026 - 03/31/2026 | 4d / 3n | 4 day trip (Low) |
| B | 2026 | 04/01/2026 - 05/31/2026 | 4d / 3n | 4 day trip (Mid) |
| A | 2026 | 06/01/2026 - 10/31/2026 | 4d / 3n | 4 day trip (High) |
| C | 2026 | 11/01/2026 - 12/20/2026 | 4d / 3n | 4 day trip (Low) |
| A | 2026 | 12/21/2026 - 01/09/2027 | 4d / 3n | 4 day trip (High) |

**Min/Max:** 1/6

Rates do not include:Conservation fee (mandatory), Entry Visa (please bring cash for this), Park fees where applicable (cash payment is usually best), Gratuities, Medical and tra
insurance (mandatory) & Optional Extras

# Reservation Form

**Tour :** _____ **Code #:** _____ **from:** _____ **to :** _____

| ***The Travelers*** (Last Name, First Name) | Male Female | Single room / or tent | Birth Date MM/DD/YY | Height | Weight | Special diets | Beginner | Novice | Intermediate | Strong Interm. | Advanced | ride English | ride Western | mostly arena | mostly hacking |
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Special Diets: _____

Your fitness level: Excellent ☐ Moderate ☐ Poor ☐ How long have you been riding? _____

How often do you ride? _____ Have you been on other riding tours? No ☐ Yes ☐ last trip when? _____

If Hidden Trails offers a transfer from the local airport/station: I would like the transfer to be included: YES ☐ NO ☐

In an emergency, name and phone number of contact: _____

Attention: Please, if there is more than one participant, all have to sign the reservation form - make copies if needed

With my signature I confirm my reservation of the listed program(s) under the Hidden Trails Booking Conditions. I'm aware, and I made all participants aware of the risk involved with these outdoor adventure activities. All participants have read and agree with the Hidden Trails *Booking Conditions* and the Hidden Trails *Recreational Activity Release and Indemnity Agreement* in this brochure or as listed on the Internet.
I (we) will sign and forward the *Recreational Activity Release and* Indemnity Agreement at least 10 weeks before trip starting date.

***Last Name and First Name (The Traveler)*** _____

***Street*** _____ ***e-mail*** _____

***City*** _____ ***State*** _____ ***Postal/Zip Code*** _____

***Phone (wk)*** _____ ***(hm)*** _____ ***Cell*** _____ ***Fax*** _____

***Date*** _____ ***Signature (mandatory)*** 1. _____

Please, charge a 25% deposit (minimum $ 350 per person) now and full payment 10 weeks before the travel date to my credit card.

***For payments by VISA*** ☐ ***or Mastercard*** ☐ (no debit cards)

Cardholder: _____

Card # _____ 3 digit Security # _____

Exp.Date: _____ Signature _____

Billing Address for Credit Card (if different than maling address):

_____

I have enclosed a check for the deposit ☐

Additional Signatures:

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

***Travel Cancellation Insurance*** Credit Card required

Sign me (us) up ☐ initial _____

No, we will provide our own ☐ initial _____

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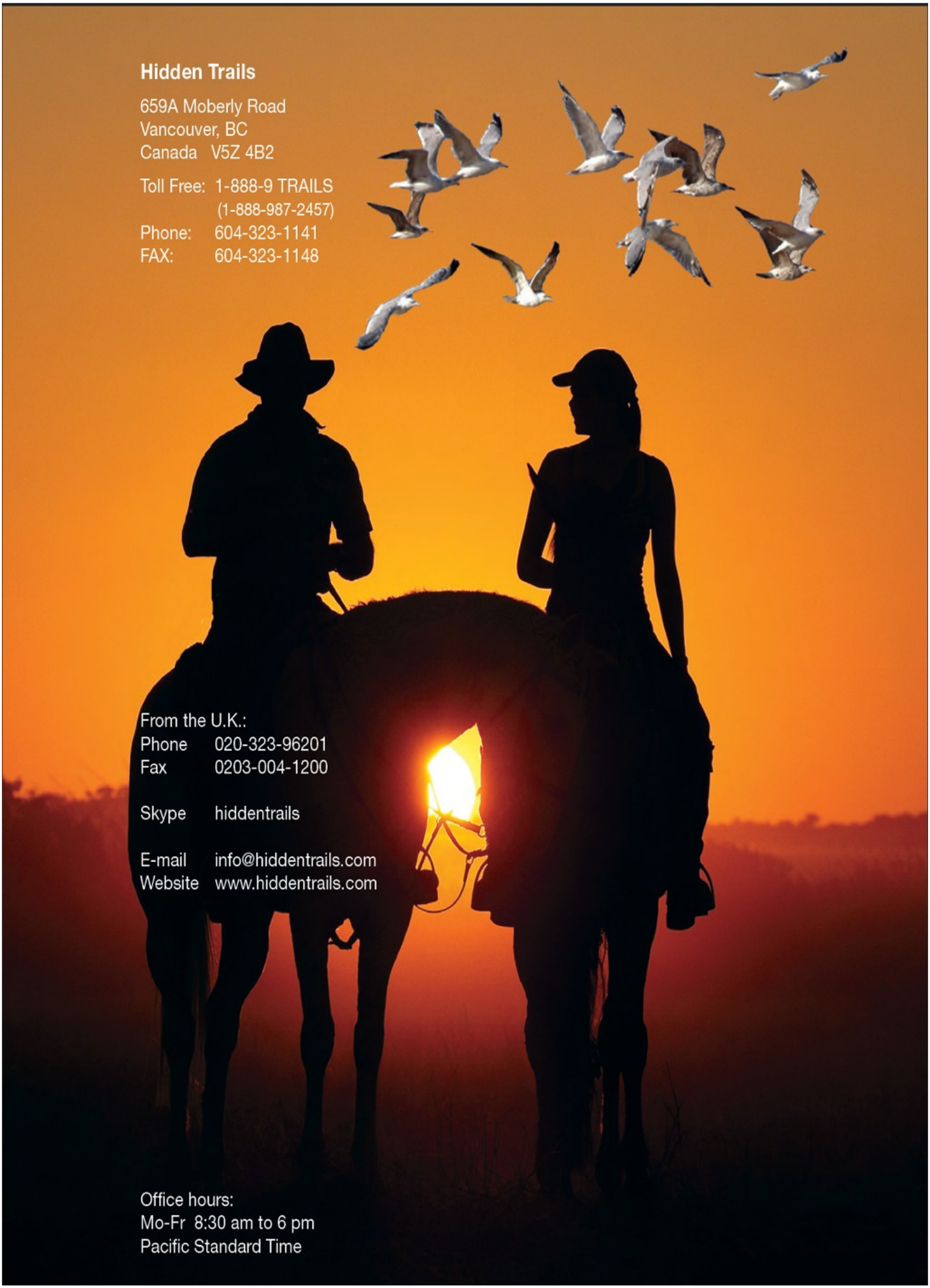
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