



12 Day Lower Zambezi

NATIONAL PARK

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This Park is still relatively undeveloped, it's beauty lying in it's wilderness state. The diversity of animals is not as wide as the other big parks, but the opportunities to get close to game wandering in and out of the Zambezi channels are spectacular. The Park lies opposite the famous Mana Pools Reserve in Zimbabwe, so the whole area on both sides of the Zambezi River is a massive wildlife sanctuary.

The River's edge is overhung with a thick riverine fringe, including ebony and fig trees. Further inland is a floodplain fringed with mopane forest and interspersed with winterthorn trees and huge acacias. The hills which form the backdrop to the Park are covered in broadleaf woodland.

Even though the Lower Zambezi National Park covers an area of 4092 square kilometers, most of the game is concentrated along the valley floor. There is an escarpment along the northern end which acts as a physical barrier to most of the Park's animal species. Enormous herds of elephant, some up to 100 strong, are often seen at the river's edge. 'Island hopping' buffalo and waterbuck are common. The Park also hosts good populations of lion and leopard, and listen too for the ubiquitous cry of the fish eagle.





ROUTE & ITINERARY

DAY 1

Day 1:

Nights 1 & 2 Tongabezi is 20 km upstream from Victoria Falls, on the banks of the Zambezi, opposite Zambezi National Park. The Lodge is set in a tranquil grove of African ebony trees on a sweeping bend of the Zambezi River. Accommodation consists of five cottages and four spacious open-planned stone and thatch houses. All rooms have views of the river. Dinner is hosted, private table or room service. Each with unique architectural features, built in local materials, open-plan bedroom, four poster double bed with large airy mosquito canopy, en-suite bathrooms, flush "loos with views" hot and cold running water, bath and shower. Five luxury cottages, each with a private deck overlooking the river, en-suite bathrooms, flush "loos with views", hot and cold running water, bath and shower. three twins and two double cottages. The double Cottages have one double bed and the twin Cottage has two single beds. An extra bed can be put in the Cottages.

DAY 2:

Day 2 You will be transferred back to Livingstone Airport in time for you connecting flight to Mfuwe. This flight goes via Lusaka. On arrival at Mfuwe International Airport you will be met by a Mfuwe Lodge guide who will transfer you to Mfuwe Lodge in an open vehicle which will take approx 45 minutes. Please remember to have your suntan cream, hat and sunglasses at the ready as this journey can be quite hot.

DAY 3-4:

Nights 3 & 4 Mfuwe Lodge. Drinks are for your own account and to be paid direct to the Lodge. Hidden away among huge ebony and fig trees on the banks of one of these beautiful lagoons, Mfuwe Lodge beckons you to participate in an exceptional African experience - the rare opportunity to combine the adventure of a lifetime with standards of luxury, comfort and service totally unexpected in the bush. Mfuwe Lodge is the place to encounter the freedom and spirit of the real Africa. The Lodge allows the visitor a special glimpse of Africa, as she was – untouched, unspoilt, and unforgettable. Here exciting wilderness adventures are matched by the enchantment of the lodge, the warm welcome from the staff and the courtesy and efficiency of service. Each of Mfuwe's luxury chalets is decorated with superb attention to detail and is equipped with everything from a refrigerator to shampoo and mosquito repellent. Each sunken bath has its own private view of the lagoon. What better way to relax and forget the pressures of city life than to soak in the sights and sounds of the African bush? View the rich wildlife from your own wide deck. Game activity at the lagoon continues day and night as breeding herds in abundance come to quench their thirst. For quieter moments the nature conservation library with its own deck shaded by giant ebony trees, offers a unique collection of antiquarian books and modern reference material.

DAY 5-9:

Nights 5, 6, 7, 8 & 9 You will be transferred to and then stay on an all-inclusive basis for five nights at two or three of the following Bush camps. Kuyenda. Kuyenda is a wonderful bush camp situated in a very remote area of the park on the banks of the Manzi River.





The accommodation consists of 4 thatched rondavels made entirely of local material – reed, thatch and wood. These rondavels are taken down and rebuilt every year. The chalets are rustic but very comfortable and offer a really authentic bush experience. Large spacious beds, with mosquito netting and colourful covers, an abundance of storage space and all facilities en-suite (shower, toilet and washbasin). The bathroom is open to the stars and you need to order the hot water for the shower in advance thus epitomising what a safari is all about. The main dining area, sitting room and bar are in a small open fronted thatched structure in the centre of the small camp and this is the nucleus of all activities. As Kuyenda, like all the camps, is inside the National Park itself, big game action happens on your doorstep. It is a wonderful walking area and activities are tailored to the client's needs. Game activities include walking safaris and combination walking and driving.

Chamilandu. Chamilandu offers comfort, class and beauty in one of the Luangwa Valleys prime remote river locations. The decor of the 2-meter high tree house chalets is a tasteful blend of wrought iron and brass. Open to a 180° vista, the front of each tree house chalet provides the exciting frame for all of Luangwa Valleys wildlife. The four poster double beds enjoy a birds eye view over the waters of the Luangwa River with the magnificent Nchindeni Hills as the backdrop. A series of seven ox-bow lagoons around Chamilandu yield diverse habitats and attracts abundant wildlife. Specializing in guided walking safaris, The Bush camp Company prides itself on top class guides and offers guests the chance to explore the area around camp on foot. Catering for all safari tastes the camp offers both morning and evening walks and combinations of day and night game drives. Game activities – walking safaris and limited driving

Chindeni. Chindeni has an altogether different character from the other bush camps. The camp nestles on the apex of a permanent ox bow lagoon, off set by the magnificent Chendeni Hills. Raised on wooden decking, Chindeni's 4 en-suite tents provide luxury facilities. Each tent has its own private raised veranda, which make ideal platforms to view the resident big game or to simply enjoy the serenity of the lagoon. Each tent has 2 queen-sized beds, hot and cold running water, shower, toilet, double vanities and tongue and groove polished wooden flooring. Chindeni accommodates an optimum of 6 guests but can take 8 guests if all are in one group. Open dining/lounge and bar area is shaded by ebony's. From the bar there are steps down to the lagoon side where guests can enjoy an open air dining experience next to the still waters of the lagoon.

Bilimungwe. Bilimungwe is a cool and comfortable camp set beneath magnificent Mahogany trees on the edge of a small plain. The camp consists of 4 reed and thatch chalets with en-suite shower, toilet and double vanities. The rustic dining area and fully stocked bar are constructed on raised decking with views of Bilimungwe's permanent water hole and abundant game. Bilimungwe trails camp is nestled in riverine forest along the picturesque banks of the Luangwa River. The camp consists of four reed and thatch chalets with en-suite showers, toilet and double vanities Each chalet has two queen sized double beds with large mosquito nets and an individual rechargeable lighting system. The rustic dining area and fully stocked bar offer panoramic views of Bilimungwe's water hole and the abundant resident game that it attracts. The thatched dining canopy provides a cool and comfortable environment in which to enjoy this idyllic setting. The surrounding forest of evergreen shade trees form a majestic backdrop for those seeking the unique African experience.





DAY 10-12:

You will be transferred to Mfuwe Lodge and then on to the Mfuwe Airport for your connecting flight to the Lower Zambezi via Lusaka. You will be flying to Royal airstrip where you will be met by the Chiawa Team and transferred by boat or vehicle to the camp.

Nights 10, 11 & 12 Chiawa Camp is in an exquisite location under a shady grove of mahogany trees, in the heart of big game country with expansive views of the mighty Zambezi River. Chiawa Camp consists of 8 spacious, well-ventilated safari tents, each set on its own elevated wooden platform under shade with a panoramic view of the Zambezi,. A refreshing dip in our Plunge Pool is most welcome during the warmer months of September and October. Chiawa Camp has a carefully positioned viewing hide overlooking the confluence of the Zambezi & Chowe Rivers, providing excellent, peaceful viewing of birds and the large mammals, often including the big cats!

DAY 13:

Day 13 At the arranged time you will be transferred from Chiawa back to Royal and onto Lusaka to connect to your International flight. End of services

INCLUDED

- ✓ Accommodation –
- ✓ Tongabezi x 2 nights
- ✓ Mfuwe Lodge x 2 nights
- ✓ Bush camps x 5 nights
- ✓ Chiawa Camp x 3 nights

EXCLUDED

- ✗ All airport departure taxes
- ✗ Bar at Mfuwe Lodge
- ✗ Imported wines in Bush camps and Tongabezi
- ✗ Items of a personal Nature
- ✗ Livingstone Excursions
- ✗ Fishing excursions
- ✗ Visa Fees
- ✗ Gratuities



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EXCELLENT AND EFFICIENT SERVICE

Falcon safaris have given me the correct advice with excellent service. The only suggestion will be to work closer with the lodges to confirm bookings as soon as possible. We have booked and pay our deposit a year in advance. We have only receive our final confirmation from Chobe Safari lodge a week before departure. I do realize its not within your control but with limited alternatives and a group of 22 people it becomes an issue to find alternative accommodation if the booking was cancelled



Google Rating

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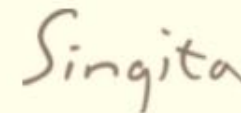
I thoroughly enjoyed my afternoon with the elephants. I rode an 8 year old female, her name is not in my head, and it was magical. She loved her treats at the end of the ride and her trainer was a lovely man. We talked the whole hour and he taught me so much about these magical creatures.

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