

11 DAY VIC FALLS, LOWER ZAMBEZI & SOUTH LUANGWA



Start in Victoria Falls

End in Lusaka

From USD 5,465 per person sharing

HIGHLIGHTS

Guided Tour of the magnificent Victoria Falls
Zambezi Sunset Cruise on the Lady Livingstone
Elephant Interaction - meet the gentle giants
Gameviewing & boat cruises in Lower Zambezi National Park
Awesome wildlife experiences in South Luangwa National Park
Beautifully located Hotels and Lodges



ACCOMMODATION

2 Nights Ilala Lodge, Victoria Falls
3 Nights Baines River Camp, Lower Zambezi
3 Nights Kafunta River Lodge, South Luangwa
2 Nights Three Rivers Camp, South Luangwa

COST OF SAFARI 2024 & 2025

Jul - Oct 2024 - USD 5,875 per person sharing
Jun 2025 - USD 5,465 per person sharing
Jul - Oct 2025 - USD 5,890 per person sharing

Rates exclude flights

Rates based on 2 people sharing

Single supplements may apply

Accommodation subject to availability

Please Note : South Luangwa only accessible Jun - end Oct

COST OF REGIONAL FLIGHTS 2025

Livingstone - Lower Zambezi - USD 510 per person
Lower Zambezi - South Luangwa - USD 520 per person
South Luangwa - Lusaka - USD 510 per person

OVERVIEW

The abundance of wildlife found along the **Luangwa** and **Zambezi Rivers** combined with the magnificent natural wonder of **Victoria Falls** and the beautifully located **Lodges** and **Bushcamps** make this **Zambian** package a special experience that will leave unforgettable memories.

Spend 2 nights in **Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe**, at the highly-recommended **Ilala Lodge** with activities that include a guided tour of the **Victoria Falls**, a **Zambezi Sunset Cruise** and an **Elephant Encounter**.

Then take to the skies and head downstream to the **Lower Zambezi Valley** with 3 nights at **Baines River Camp** to enjoy the remarkable wildness and scenic diversity of this spectacular wildlife region on game drives and river excursions.

Now to **Mfuwe** by air to spend 3 nights at **Kafunta River Lodge** on the **Luangwa River** and 2 nights at **Three Rivers Camp** at the confluence of the **Luangwa, Kapamba** and **Lusangazi Rivers** in **South Luangwa**. Activities include game drives and bush walks in **South Luangwa National Park**. You will discover the exceptional wildlife of one of **Africa's** prime game sanctuaries, a once-in-a-lifetime experience that is thrilling to the core.

Your safari ends with an air transfer back to **Lusaka** for your outbound flight.

ZAMBIA



Zambia is one of Africa's prime wildlife destinations and shares the mighty **Zambezi River** and the magnificent **Victoria Falls** with **Zimbabwe**. The **Victoria Falls**, also known as **Mosi-oa-Tunya** (the smoke that thunders), is one of the most incredible natural wonders of the world and popular tourist destinations in **Southern Africa**. It is located about 60 kms downstream from the confluence of the **Chobe** and **Zambezi Rivers** (where **Botswana**, **Namibia**, **Zambia** and **Zimbabwe** meet).

Measuring 1,7 kms wide and 108 metres high, the spectacular Falls has a myriad of different viewpoints and is best seen from both the **Zambian** and **Zimbabwean** sides.

Although **Livingstone** is the most visited destination in **Zambia**, it is the game parks of **South Luangwa**, **Lower Zambezi**, **Kafue** and **Liuwa Plains** that make **Zambia** one of the top wildlife destinations in **Africa**.

Baines River Camp is located just outside **Lower Zambezi National Park** in **Zambia** and across the river from **Mana Pools National Park** in **Zimbabwe**. The **Zambezi Valley** is home to an abundance of wildlife and you will enjoy excellent game sightings on game drives in the **Lower Zambezi National Park** and boat cruises on the **Zambezi River**.

South Luangwa National Park is **Zambia's** prime wildlife destination. It is a beautiful park with diverse habitats that support an abundance of big and small game and is well known for its good leopard sightings and walking safaris in the dry season. Large concentration of animals can be found in and around the **Luangwa River** making it one of **Africa's** most densely populated wildlife reserves. At **Kafunta River Lodge** and **Three Rivers Camp** you will explore this special area on game drives and on foot allowing you the opportunity to witness wild **Africa** at its best.

ITINERARY

DAYS 1 & 2

Standard Room - Bed & Breakfast

ILALA LODGE, VICTORIA FALLS



On arrival at **Victoria Falls Airport** you will be met by a driver from **Wild Horizons** who will display a **Welcome Board** with your names on it. You will then be transferred to your hotel.

Ilala Lodge is well located in the small town of **Victoria Falls**, the closest hotel to the The Falls, a mere 8 minute walk, and close to all amenities, restaurants and markets. Animals such as warthog and impala often graze on the hotel lawns and entertain guests during mealtimes.

Your accommodation is in a **Standard Room** with facilities that include ensuite bathroom, air conditioning, overhead fan, television, tea/coffee station, room fridge, safe, free wifi and a sliding door opening onto a lush garden.

Hotel facilities include The Palm Restaurant and a swimming pool.

Included : **Bed and Breakfast, Free Wifi**

<https://www.ilalalodge.com/>

DAY 1

ZAMBEZI SUNSET CRUISE ON THE RA-IKANE

This afternoon you will be collected and transferred to the **Zambezi River** for your **Sunset Cruise** on the **Ra-Ikane**. Sit back, relax and take in the surrounding views. With a maximum of 16 seats available, the **Ra-Ikane** offers a unique vantage point for viewing birdlife and wildlife up-close on the islands along the river. The boat takes a circular route around the islands to provide guests with a panoramic view of the upper and lower Zambezi River and the wildlife and birdlife it offers. The crew, made up of a friendly and knowledgeable captain, guide and waiter, will ensure a most enjoyable ride.

What to Wear : Comfortable attire, warm clothing in winter (June to August)

Things to Bring : Mosquito repellent, camera, binoculars

Included : Unlimited premium brand drinks, gourmet snacks, an abundance of wildlife and bird sightings, return transfers, Park Fees. <http://www.raikane.com/>

DAY 2

GUIDED TOUR OF THE VICTORIA FALLS

Today you have two activities included on your itinerary. You will be collected by **Wild Horizons** at **08:15** for your **Guided Tour of the Falls**. En route you may be taken past the 'Big Tree' where you can stop and take photos. Then on to the magnificent **Victoria Falls** where you will be accompanied through the **Rainforest** on a 2 hour tour by a qualified guide who will give a brief history of the Falls as well as detailing the flora, fauna, bird & wildlife and other points of interest. Guides are also happy to assist clients with photographs whilst visiting this most spectacular of waterfalls. Raincoats are provided when needed.

What to Wear : Comfortable attire that provides sun protection, hiking/running shoes, warm clothing in winter (Apr to Aug)

Things to Bring : Sunscreen, mosquito repellent, camera

Included : Guided tour of the Falls, return transfers, Rainforest Entrance Fee, raincoats

<http://www.wildhorizons.co.za/see-and-do/victoria-falls/tour-of-the-victoria-falls/>

DAY 2

ELEPHANT ENCOUNTER

This afternoon you will be collected at **15:00** by **Wild Horizons** for your **Elephant Encounter** activity. You will have the opportunity to unobtrusively interact with some of the biggest personalities in **Africa** in a pristine wilderness environment overflowing with raw natural beauty. You can spend time and connect with elephants in the most positive and natural way possible.

An open-design thatch Boma gives you an uninterrupted view of the beautiful **Masuwe River** and against this breathtaking backdrop, you will be given an insightful and educational presentation on the **Wild Horizons Elephant Sanctuary and Orphanage**. The sanctuary was founded on the principle of conservation, and one of the most effective ways to evoke a sense of environmental responsibility is to show what stands to be lost.

You will have an opportunity to talk to guides that have journeyed, physically and metaphorically, incredible distances with these elephants and learn more about the complexities of the individuals and the herd structures. You will learn about the elephant as well as their history and the threats facing elephant populations today, in an interesting and informative talk. You will venture out into the bush to spend time with the elephant and the sight of the gentle grey mammals up close and personal will be imprinted on your mind long after you have returned home. Witness the special relationship the elephant keepers share with the animals and become a part of it. You will have the opportunity to take photographs with the elephants, marvel at their size and watch them behaving normally; browsing and interacting with one another.

After the encounter with these amazing creatures you will be offered a selection of refreshments in the cool of the **Wild Horizons Elephant Wallow**. A transfer back to your lodge concludes the experience.

What to Wear : Comfortable attire that provides sun protection, hiking/running shoes, warm clothing in winter (April to August)

Things to Bring : Sunscreen, mosquito repellent, sun hat, camera, binoculars

Included : Return transfers, Elephant Encounter, soft drinks, local beer, wine, water, coffee, tea and a selection of hot & cold canapés.

<http://www.wildhorizons.co.za/see-and-do/victoria-falls/walk-with-the-elephants/>

DAYS 3 - 6

Safari Suite - Full Board

This morning you will be transferred to **Livingstone Airport** for your flight to **Lower Zambezi**. On arrival at **Royal Airstrip** in the **Lower Zambezi Valley** you will be met and transferred to **Baines River Camp**, a luxurious and intimate safari lodge set on the northern banks of the **Zambezi River** amid Tamarind and Jackalberry trees. This is the only stretch on the **Zambezi River** where one finds National Parks on both banks of the river - the **Lower Zambezi National Park** in **Zambia** and the famed **Mana Pools World Heritage Site** in **Zimbabwe**.

The river extends the length of the property and there are breathtaking views over the water with sightings of buffalo, elephant, hippo and crocodile.

Your accommodation is in a **Safari Suite** with facilities that

BAINES RIVER CAMP, LOWER ZAMBEZI VALLEY



include air-conditioning, ceiling fans, cotton percale linen, pure goose-down pillows and duvets, a spacious dressing area, generous walk-in showers, coffee and tea making facilities, a personal safe for your valuables and a hair dryer. The bedrooms are as “mosquito-proof” as possible, with gauze sashes on the windows, and in addition, insect repellents are provided for your comfort.

Your days can be spent gameviewing in **Lower Zambezi National Park**, on bush walks and along the river on canoe trips and boat cruises. You also have the choice of fishing and local village visits.

Being located on the **Zambezi River** between **Lower Zambezi** and **Mana Pools National Parks** affords you some of the best wildlife experiences Africa has to offer.

Included : Accommodation, all meals, beverages, two safari activities per day, laundry, airstrip transfers, park fees, community levies, limited wifi and medical evacuation insurance. <https://www.bainesrivercamp.com/>

DAYS 6 - 9

Luxury Private Chalet - Full Board



KAFUNTA RIVER LODGE, SOUTH LUANGWA

After breakfast you will be transferred to **Royal Airstrip** by road for your flight to **Mfuwe Airport** where you will be met and transferred to **Kafunta River Lodge**, located on the **Luangwa River** just outside **South Luangwa National Park** and overlooking the game-rich floodplains. Beyond the plain is the **Luangwa River** and one of the best game viewing areas of the magical **South Luangwa National Park**, the premier park in **Zambia** and one of the best national parks in all of **Africa**.

Accommodation is in a **Luxury Private Safari Chalet** with facilities that include a spacious room with sitting area, private veranda with stunning views, ensuite bathroom, mosquito nets, ceiling fan, mini bar, tea/coffee making facilities and a safe.

Lodge facilities include an extensive lounge and bar, multiple wooden dining decks, wildlife photographic hide, safe drinking

water & refillable water bottles, swimming pool & natural hot tub, wellness spa & gym, complimentary wifi in main area. Activities include morning and afternoon game drives, walking safaris, birding safaris, night drives and cultural tours.

Kafunta River Lodge has access to the Park via their own river-crossing pontoon or via the main gate.

Included : Accommodation, two gameviewing activities per day, all meals and snacks, local drinks (excluding premium brands), laundry, Park Fees, bed levies, Conservation & Community Levies, return airport transfers, intercamp transfers.

<https://www.luangwa.com/>

DAYS 9 & 10

Luxury Safari Tent - Full Board

Today you will be transferred to **Three Rivers Camp** on a 2 hour game drive taking you dense mopane forests and remote villages while bordering the national park.

The secluded **Bush Camp** is tucked away under ageless sausage trees where the **Lusungazi** and **Kapamba Rivers** join their bigger sister, the **Luangwa River**. With the river's white sandy beaches on one side and game-rich lagoon on the other, the location is spectacular, in pure wilderness with no other tourists or vehicle around.

Accommodation is in a **Luxury Safari Tent** with facilities that include a spacious room with sitting area, large terrace with indoor & outdoor showers, mosquito nets, ceiling fan, solar electricity and safe.

Camp facilities include an elegant lounge and bar under canvas, candle-lit dinners by the river, large viewing deck & fireplace, waterhole in the middle of the camp, safe drinking water & refillable water bottles and laundry facilities.

Activities include morning and afternoon game drives and bush walks, night drives on the way back to camp and excellent stargazing.

Included : Accommodation, two gameviewing activities per day, all meals and snacks, local drinks (excluding premium brands), laundry, Park Fees, bed levies, Conservation & Community Levies, return airport transfers, intercamp transfers.



THREE RIVERS CAMP, SOUTH LUANGWA

<https://www.luangwa.com/>

DAY 11**END OF SAFARI**

This morning you will be transferred back to **Mfuwe Airport** for your flight to **Lusaka** from where you can take your outbound flight home.

We wish you a safe and thrilling journey that will leave lasting memories and a desire to return.

WHAT TO BRING

Torch, malaria prophylactics, hat, sunscreen, binoculars, camera, batteries, chargers, sunglasses, warm clothing and jacket for game drives, walking shoes, neutral coloured clothing, swimsuit.

The early mornings and evenings can be cold on game drives though blankets are often provided. It is advisable to dress warmly.

Please Note : A KAZA Visa is obtainable at Victoria Falls Airport at a cost of US\$ 50 per person that is valid for Zimbabwe and Zambia.

Malaria is rated as high risk in Zambia so prophylactics are advised. However the months from June to October are lower risk than during the summer and autumn months from November to May.

Malaria in Southern Africa is transmitted by the female anopheles mosquito that is only active between dusk and dawn. It is advisable to wear long trousers and shirts and spray mosquito repellent on your hands and neck at dusk, before going to bed at night and when you awake early in the morning. There is no risk during the daytime.