

TRAVELTIMES

LIVINGSTONE *** 2hrs *** 2hrs 15min *** 2hrs 20min *** 2hrs 15min *** SOUTH LUANGWA NATIONAL PARK *** 1hr 30min *** 1hr 30min *** 1hr 10min *** 1hr 10min *** 1hr 10min *** 2hrs 30min *** LIUWA PLAINS NATIONAL PARK

Disclaimer: All flights may include multiple stops and scheduling is a guideline — times will vary and scheduling is coordinated mainly by operations teams on the ground. Flight schedules are more limited in off-peak periods. Above times are based on best-practice logistics and exclude transfers to and from lodges.

FAST FACTS

Currency

Local Currency:

Kwacha USD

Accepted Currency:

Accepted Credit Cards:

Did You Know?

Capital City: Lusaka

walking safari

Visa, MasterCard and Amex are generally accepted in Victoria Falls. Many camps in remote areas do not accepted credit cards.



How to Spend it

Lozi basket ware

A beautiful basket with intricate designs

Copper handicrafts

Zambia is renowned for its beautifully crafted copper goods

Wooden carvings

The local craftsmen are famous for their exceptional woodwork



Food

Nshima - a thick porridge made from maize, rolled into balls and eaten with stews.

Kapenta - small dried fish that are enjoyed as a snack.

Ifisashi - cooked green vegetables and peanuts, often served with meat and Nshima.

Mosi Lager – Zambia's homebrewed beer.



In Numbers

Population: Approx. 15,5 million

Country size: 743 390 square kilometres (28 7025 square miles)

Victoria Falls is 1708 metres (5 604 feet) wide and 108 metres high (354 feet).

20 national parks and 32 game management areas, making Zambia one of the largest areas of land under protection in Africa.

Kafue National Park sits at 22 400 square kilometres (8 649 square miles), slightly bigger than the size of Wales at 20 761 square kilometres (8 016 square miles).

Zambia has **3** massive lakes – Lake Tanganyika, Lake Kariba and Lake Bangweulu.



Zambia was once a colony of the British Empire, called

Languages: English, Bemba and Nyanja

Zaire, Tanzania, Malawi, Mozambique,

7imbabwe, Botswana, and Namibia.

Zambia is landlocked by Angola,

the British Empire, called Northern Rhodesia.

This is the birthplace of the



Care of the Land, Wildlife and People

At &Beyond, every decision we make revolves around the preservation of Africa's people and wildlife areas. The way we operate is extended by our careful selection of like-minded travel partners such as such as Norman Carr and Chongwe Safaris, who support the Time + Tide Foundation. By staying at these properties, guests can make a meaningful difference to the to the people, landscapes and wildlife of South Luangwa; and engage with the Foundation's various initiatives such as the Buleni Special Needs Project or the "Girl's Club", a female empowerment program.



Caught on Film

Be sure to snap away at the majestic Victoria Falls.

Capture one of Africa's prized sunsets while on an incredible Zambezi River sundowner cruise.

Photograph elephant coming down to the Zambezi River to drink.

Take a photo of an elusive leopard, famously found in the South Luangwa National Park.

LEGENDARY LANDSCAPES

LIVINGSTONE

This charming colonial town, named after the legendary Victorian missionary and explorer Dr David Livingstone, was once the bustling capital of Zambia. Established in 1905 as the country's key European settlement, it enjoyed the excellent facilities synonymous with high society – the town still boasts the elegant Edwardian architecture of this era. Today, Livingstone acts as Zambia's adventure gateway, as it is conveniently situated near the mighty Zambezi River and the breathtaking Victoria Falls.



SOUTH LUANGWA NATIONAL PARK

Renowned as one of Africa's greatest wildlife sanctuaries, South Luangwa is home to an abundance of game, which frequents the Luangwa River and its oxbow lagoons. The Luangwa River is the most intact river system in Africa and is the life blood of the park's 9 050 square kilometres (3 500 square miles). South Luangwa is also the birthplace of the walking safari – one of the best ways to get up-close-and-personal with the park's pristine wilderness, which boasts 60 animal species and over 400 bird species. While out on the plains, visitors can view large herds of elephant, some up to 70 strong, and encounter the mighty buffalo.

LOWER ZAMBEZI NATIONAL PARK

The spectacular Lower Zambezi National Park spans 4 092 square kilometres (1 580 square miles) of pristine wilderness. It is situated adjacent to Zimbabwe's Mana Pools Reserve, creating a giant expanse of protected wilderness, and boasts breathtaking vistas of the Zambezi River, as well as lush riverine surrounds. It is not uncommon to see enormous herds of elephant along the riverbanks, as well as leopard, buffalo and lion. The park offers a wonderful collection of habitats, which are home to a superb diversity of animals. Unlike the Luangwa, the Zambezi is navigable year-round, so most camps offer a full variety of water activities alongside their standard walking and driving options.



Established in 1950, Kafue is Zambia's oldest national park. It is the second largest wildlife sanctuary in the world, spanning 22 400 square kilometres (8 650 square miles) of spectacular African wilderness. Spread over such a vast area, the Kafue National Park offers visitors excellent game viewing, birdwatching and fishing adventures. The beautiful Busanga Plains, in the north, stretch as far as the eye can see and are one of Zambia's most significant wetland resources. Fertile dambos situated in the south are fed by the Lunga, Lufupa and Kafue Rivers - prime locations for viewing some of the 400 species of birds found in the park.



LIUWA PLAINS NATIONAL PARK

Regarded as a "game reserve" from as early as the 19th century, by the Lozi people who were charged with looking after its wildlife by their Litunga (king), Liuwa Plains National Park, was officially recognised by the government in 1972. Its remoteness, in Zambia's far west reaches, ensures a wonderfully pristine wildlife experience where vast herds of wildebeest, wild dog and lion inhabit the region's golden plains. The park is also home to a plethora of bird species making for ideal off-the-beaten-track birdwatching excursions. There is a local Lozi legend that tells of a Litunga, who planted his walking stick on the plains, and it grew into a large mutata tree. This tree can still be seen in the national park.



BEYOND COMPARE

| | | LIVINGSTONE | SOUTH LUANGWA NATIONAL PARK | LOWER ZAMBEZI NATIONAL PARK | KAFUE NATIONAL PARK | LIUWA PLAINS NATIONAL PARK | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Why we Love it | Highlights | - Zambia's adventure gateway offers a host of adrenaline-pumping activities for thrill-seekers! - Gaze in awe at Africa's largest waterfall, the majestic Victoria Falls - Visit Chief Mukuni's village for a wonderful introduction to the daily customs of the local tribe | | Try your hand at catch-and-release fishing on the Zambezi River Take to the water on an explorative canoeing trail | Established in 1950, Zambia's oldest national park is also the world's second largest wildlife sanctuary Grab your binoculars! This is a birder's paradise, with over 400 species recorded Enjoy excellent game viewing and fishing adventures | View the second largest wildebeest migration in Africa (seasonal) Ask about Lady Liuwa, the park's legendary lioness Delight in off-the-beaten-track birdwatching excursions | | | | | | |
| Getting There | International Flights | International flight access into Kenneth Kaunda International Airport (Lusaka) and Harry Mwanga Nkumbula International Airport (Livingstone). Direct flights into Lusaka from Johannesburg (South Africa), Nairobi (Kenya) and Dar es Salaam (Tanzania). Direct flights into Livingstone from Nairobi (Kenya), Johannesburg, Cape Town, and Nelspruit (South Africa). | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Domestic Flights | Light aircraft flights are operated on a scheduled seat-in-plane or private basis and link the major tourist areas of Livingstone, Lusaka, Kafue National Park, Lower Zambezi National Park and South Luangwa National Park. | | | | | | | | | | |
| Gettir | Gateway Airport | Harry Mwanga Nkumbula International Airport | Mfuwe Airport | Kenneth Kaunda International Airport | Kenneth Kaunda International Airport | Kalabo Airport | | | | | | |
| | Self Drive | Self-drive is not recommended. | | | | | | | | | | |
| | \$\$\$ | David Livingstone Safari Lodge and Spa Royal Livingstone by Anantara Islands of Siankaba | Sanctuary Puku Ridge Camp Nkwali Camp Mchenja Bush Camp Sanctuary Chichele Presidential Lodge | Baines' River Camp | | | | | | | | |
| Where to Stay [≠] | \$\$\$\$ | Tongabezi River Club Royal Chundu Zambezi River Lodge Sanctuary Sussi & Chuma | Tena Tena Nsefu Camp Kuyenda Bushcamp Bilimungwe Bushcamp Zungulila Camp | Potato Bush Camp | Busanga Bush Camp | | | | | | | |
| | \$\$\$\$\$ | | Chinzombo Camp | Old Mondoro Bush Camp Sausage Tree Camp Chiawa Camp | Shumba Camp | Mambeti Camp | | | | | | |

ACTIVITIES

| | | LIVINGSTONE | SOUTH LUANGWA NATIONAL PARK | LOWER ZAMBEZI NATIONAL PARK | KAFUE NATIONAL PARK | LIUWA PLAINS NATIONAL PARK | BEST KEPT SECRETS | | | | |
|-------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|
| | Morning & afternoon game drives | • | • | • | • | • | Zambia is the birthplace of the walking safari! | | | | |
| | Morning & afternoon river cruises | • | • | • | | | Its secluded wildlife sanctuaries invite guests | | | | |
| | Boating | | • | • | • | | to slow down, see more, and enjoy up-close | | | | |
| $\overline{\mathbb{Z}}$ | Canoeing | • | | • | | | wildlife experiences. Experienced guides lead | | | | |
| SAFARI | Sundowner cruises | • | • | • | | | the way and animals are often completely | | | | |
| | Night game drives | | • | • | • | • | unaware that they are being watched. | | | | |
| | Nature walks | • | • | • | • | • | | | | | |
| | Walking safaris | | • | • | | • | | | | | |
| | Birdwatching | • | • | • | • | • | | | | | |
| | Adrenalin activities | • | | | | | Get your pulse pumping | | | | |
| JRE | Helicopter tours | • | | | | | in-and-around Livingstone, with activities that include bungee | | | | |
| ADVENTURE | Fishing | • | | • | | | jumping, rafting and abseiling, canoeing, rafting | | | | |
| ADV | Hot air balloon safari | | | | • | | or catch-and-release fishing on the spectacular | | | | |
| | Swimming in devil's pool | • | | | | | Zambezi River. | | | | |
| | Community tours | • | • | | | | The lunar rainbow is an amazing spectacle | | | | |
| JRAL | Victoria Falls tour | • | | | | | that can be experienced around the full moon. | | | | |
| CULTURAL | Victoria Falls bridge tour | • | | | | | The best time to view a "moonbow" is just after the rains from April to | | | | |
| | Historical tours | • | | | | | August / September. | | | | |
| | Lion | | • | • | • | • | Thrilling game drives in Liuwa Plain National Parl | | | | |
| - | Leopard | | • | • | • | • | | | | | |
| :KLIS | Buffalo | • | • | • | • | • | | | | | |
| GAME DRIVE CHECKLIST | Elephant | • | • | • | • | | | | | | |
| VE O | White rhino | • | | | | | | | | | |
| E DRI | Cheetah | | | | • | • | | | | | |
| SAME | African wild dog | | • | • | • | • | | | | | |
| | Thornicroft's giraffe | | • | | | | | | | | |
| | Cookson's wildebeest | | • | | | • | | | | | |

TIMING IS EVERYTHING

| | | JAN | FEB | MAR | APR | MAY | JUN | JUL | AUG | SEP | ОСТ | NOV | DEC |
|-------------------|--|-------|-------|------|-------|-------|-------|------|-------|------|------|-------|-------|
| TEMPERATURE HIGH* | | 79°F | 80°F | 79°F | | | | 74°F | 78°F | 85°F | 89°F | 85°F | 81°F |
| TEMPERATURE LOW* | | 64°F | 64°F | 63°F | 60°F | 55°F | 51°F | 50°F | 54°F | 60°F | 65°F | 65°F | 64°F |
| RAIN FALL* | | 0.22" | 0.23" | 0.2" | 0.14" | 0.04" | 0.02" | | 0.01" | 0" | 0.1" | 0.14" | 0.16" |
| VALUE** | | \$\$ | \$ | \$ | \$\$ | \$\$ | \$\$ | \$\$ | \$\$ | \$\$ | \$\$ | \$ | \$\$ |
| | Best time to embark on a walking safari due to sparse vegetation and comfortable temperatures | | | | | | • | • | • | • | | | |
| | Best time for white water rafting due to low water levels | | | | | | | | • | • | • | • | • |
| | Ideal time for tiger fishing in the Lower Zambezi National Park | | | | | | | | | • | • | • | |
| ACTIVITIES | Picnics on Livingstone Island | • | | | | | | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| ACTI | Community and village tours | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| | Historical tours | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| | Spectacular panoramic views of the Victoria Falls | | | | | • | • | • | • | | | | |
| | Perfect weather for hot air ballooning | | | | | | | | • | • | • | | |
| WILDLIFE | Best time for game viewing in Zambia - sparse vegetation and animals congregate around water sources | | | | | • | • | • | • | • | | | |
| | Best time for birdwatching - migratory birds are in Zambia | • | • | • | | | | | | | | • | • |
| | New-born animals and interesting predator-prey interactions | • | • | • | | | | | | | | • | • |

^{*} Temperature and rainfall based on Lusaka. Source: Accuweather. Climate varies regionally and according to altitude - measured in farenheit and inches.

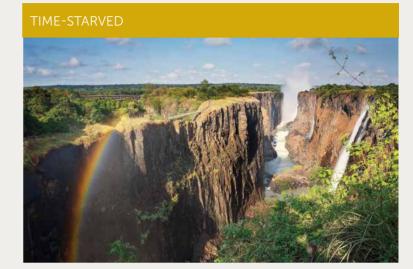
** The \$ / \$\$ / \$\$\$ references are used to indicate rate variation and are not associated with specific values. Please refer to the FAQ section for more information.

ITINERARIES

MOST POPULAR

Zambian Spice Trail - 9 Days/8 Nights

- 3 nights South Luangwa National Park
- 3 nights Lower Zambezi National Park
- 2 nights Livingstone



Short & Sweet Livingstone - 3 Days/2 Nights

• 2 nights Livingstone



Zambia Walking Safari - 8 Days/7 Nights

• 7 nights South Luangwa National Park



Add to Your Experience . . .

• 3 nights Masai Mara via Nairobi (Kenya)

OR

• 3 nights **&Beyond** Phinda Private Game Reserve via Durban (South Africa)