



Explore Zambia's Wild Jewels

An Eco-Safari Through
Luangwa & Lower Zambezi

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ABOUT This Journey

Embark on an unforgettable odyssey through Zambia's most captivating wildernesses. This 9-day eco-safari unveils the secrets of South Luangwa National Park, renowned for its legendary walking safaris and prolific wildlife, before whisking you away to the Lower Zambezi National Park, where the mighty Zambezi River teems with life. Immerse yourself in breathtaking landscapes teeming with iconic animals, from elusive leopards to colossal elephant herds. Canoe beneath the African sunrise, feel the thrill of a close encounter on a bush walk, and drift off to sleep under a canopy of stars – this is an adventure for the soul of the nature lover.

South Luangwa National Park

This national park is 9,060 km² (3,500 mi²) in size and has incredibly diverse landscapes ranging from dense forests of mopane, ebony and ficus trees to wide open savanna punctuated only by the occasional lonely baobab - all hugged by the wide and winding Luangwa River. The river is the most intact major river system in Africa and the lifeblood of this park. The now famous “walking safari” originated here and is still one of the finest ways to experience Africa's pristine wilderness firsthand. The changing seasons add to the park's richness, from dry bushveld in the winter to lush wonderland in the summer months.

Over 60 different animal species and 400 different bird species live in South Luangwa National Park. The only notable exception is the rhino, sadly poached to extinction. Aptly named the Valley of the Leopard, it is widely considered one of the best places in Southern Africa to look for these elusive cats. With an estimated 50 hippos per kilometer of the Luangwa River, it's a very popular destination for them too.

Arrival

Your journey begins from Lusaka, the capital and largest city of Zambia. At Kenneth Kaunda International Airport (LUN), you will be met by Naturecrazi's local representative in the arrivals hall, who will guide you to your flight to Mfuwe Airport (MFU), which will take 1h 10m.

On arrival at Mfuwe Airport you will be met and guided to the transfer vehicle for the 45 minute road trip to South Luangwa National Park and **Kafunta River Lodge**, which is set in the riverside forest on the banks of the Luangwa River.

Kafunta River Lodge

A classic Zambian safari lodge, Kafunta combines all the essentials for a great eco-safari, including its spectacular location at the edge of the floodplain. Beyond the plain, lies the Luangwa River - one of the best game viewing areas in the magical South Luangwa National Park. The lodge was fully renovated in 2019 and offers a relaxed atmosphere and great attention to detail.

Experience & Activities

The floodplain and waterhole in front of the lounge is a haven for all sorts of animals. Be it a pod of hippo, a few giraffes, an inquisitive puku, a discreet water-monitor lizard, a crested guinea fowl or the resident fish eagle, there is always something to observe. The photographic hide is the perfect place to photograph these daily visitors.

Tucked away at the foot of the giant fig tree, an intimate Spa offers a variety of massages and treatments. A great addition to your safari experience. Discreetly set at the edge of the property, the gym hut is available for the fitness aficionados.



Quick facts:

- 8 Standard Chalets on stilts
- 2 Luxury suites with mezzanine
 - Swimming Pool
 - Bird & Wildlife Hide
 - Spa & Wellness Centre
 - Excellent cuisine
 - Hot Tub
 - Curio Shop

Transfer

From Kafunta River Lodge you will be transported on a game viewing vehicle for the two hour transfer to **Three Rivers Camp**. Nestled amidst the confluence of three mighty rivers, this camp offers an unmatched perspective on the park's untamed beauty. This spectacular location within the South Luangwa National Park is home to the first camp to be established on the border of the Malama Chiefdom and the national park.

Three Rivers Camp

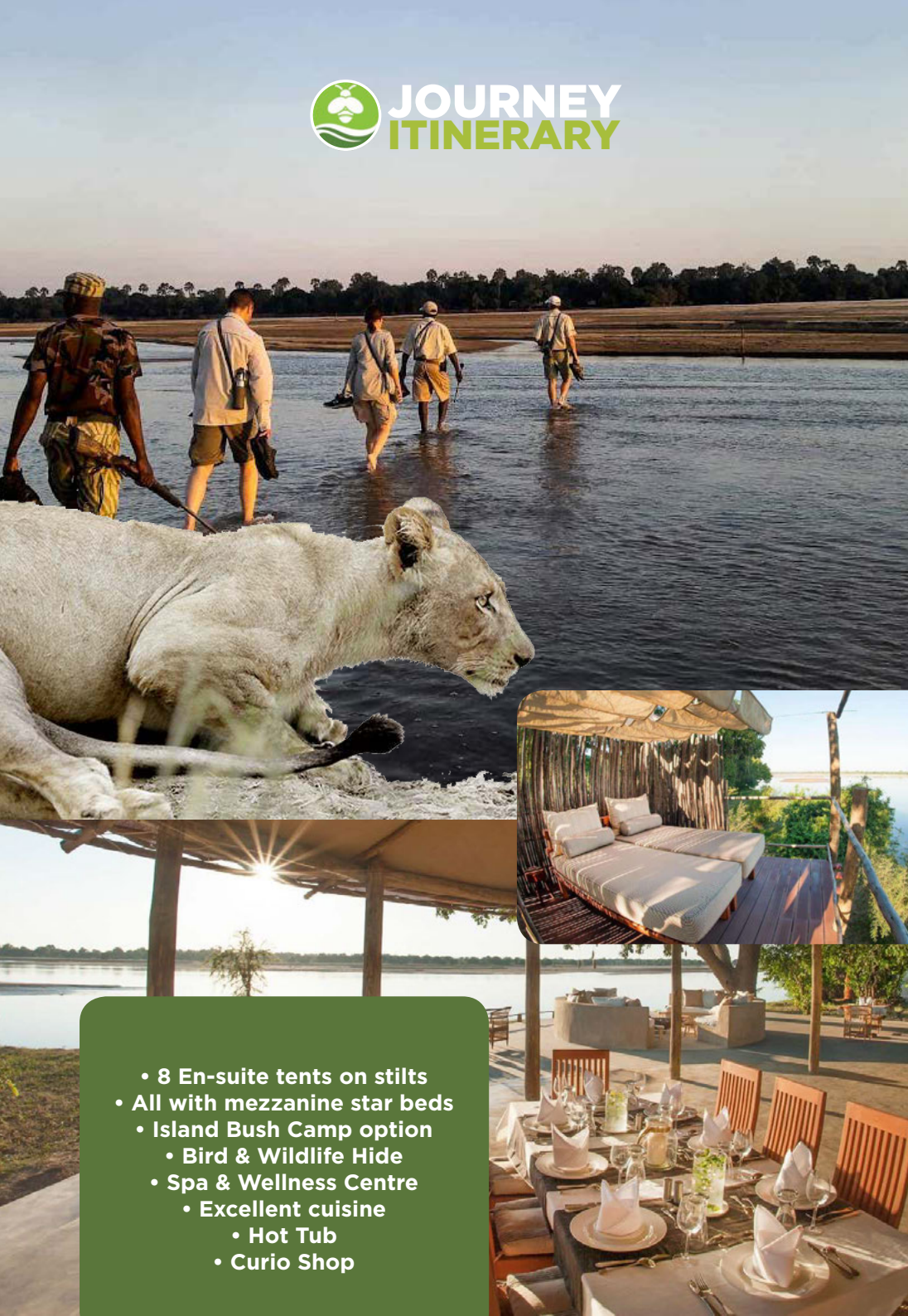
Here, the tented rooms are set far apart with the wildlife passing through camp. The dining area offers boundless views of both the Luangwa and the Kapamba River. The dining lounge is discreetly set on the banks of the river, with a welcoming bar and relaxing chairs. After dinner, relax by the fire, looking up at the millions of stars, or listen to lions roaring in the distance.

Experience & Activities

Three Rivers offers game drives as well as bush walks around the camp area and along the river banks. Encounter elephants, giraffes, waterbuck and perhaps the relatively rare roan antelope, as well as lions, leopards and wild dogs.

If you combine Three Rivers Camp with Island Bush Camp, you can walk between the camps while your bags are transferred separately. Three Rivers Camp is seasonal and is open from May 25 to November 1.

- 8 En-suite tents on stilts
- All with mezzanine star beds
- Island Bush Camp option
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Transfer

Soar over breathtaking landscapes on a scenic flight to Lower Zambezi National Park, a haven for wildlife on the banks of the mighty Zambezi River. Here, at the luxurious **Baines' River Camp**, your private haven awaits, offering breathtaking vistas across the river to the Unesco World Heritage site of Mana Pools in neighbouring Zimbabwe.

Lower Zambezi National Park

Established in 1983, the Lower Zambezi National Park covers an area of 4,092 km² (1,580 mi²), with game concentrated on the valley floor. The parks' resident wildlife include enormous herds of elephant, some up to 100 strong. The riverine woodland includes ebony, fig, and Albida trees, whose seed pods are a huge attraction to the elephants and browsing animals.

Baines' River Camp

A maximum of 20 guests can be accommodated in 8 individual suites and a two-bedroom family unit. Two of these Suites offer additional outside showers and are usually allocated to honeymooners or guests celebrating a special event. The camp's main area is comprised of two lounges, two dining areas (outdoor and indoor), a private meeting room and a bar which opens up to the swimming pool.

Experience & Activities

River safaris (fishing, canoe & sunset cruises), game drives, bush walks, bush dining, visits to the local community and even beach boules are all activities guests can enjoy whilst staying at Baine's.



ZAMBIA JOURNEY PACKAGE


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PRICE



COUPLE
\$10,970

2 Adults
sharing



FAMILY
\$18,880

2 Adults & 2 children
(+12 years old) sharing



GROUP
\$30,980

6 Adults sharing
as couples

Prices valid to January 01, 2025 and subject to change. Note that Three Rivers Camp is seasonal and is only open from May 25 to November 1. Your itinerary may therefore differ if booking before, or after, these dates.

Package Includes:

Internal flights and road transfers, accommodation, full-board (all meals), non-premium drinks, twice daily safari activities*, wifi, VAT, 10% service charge, laundry, and contribution to our Sustainable Tourism initiatives (See SDGs).

*Activities (Game Drives, Safari walks, Boat Cruises, Fishing and Canoeing) are subject to availability. To be confirmed in Camp).

Welcome Pack:

Every journey package also includes our welcome pack for each guest - a recycled carry bag containing a branded bush hat, aluminium water bottle, and printed educational material on conservation issues in the area.

Package Excludes:

External transfers or flights, private guiding, gratuities, and items or services of a personal nature. Park fees, bed levies and local community & conservation fees are also excluded.

ENQUIRE HERE

Exact pricing for the above packages will be recalculated at the time of enquiry.



“SAFARI” is a Swahili word, meaning “JOURNEY”

If this journey needs adjusting to suit your needs, chat with us and we will plan a perfect tailor made eco-safari and answer all your questions.





In support of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), all Naturecrazi Journeys make an impact towards attaining at least three of the goals by 2030.

ZAMBIA JOURNEY IMPACT



SDGs 1,2,3 POVERTY, HUNGER, HEALTH:

Our journey product partners all have local community upliftment programmes.

SDG 4 EDUCATION:

A percentage of each journey booking goes to the Southern African Conservation Trust (SACT) to produce human/animal conflict educational comic books. In addition, our partners have their own local educational programmes.

SDG 13 CLIMATE ACTION:

Domestic flight and road transport carbon emissions are calculated and offset by planting indigenous trees and spekboom (*portulacaria afra*).

SDGs 14&15 LAND & WATER LIFE:

Wildlife and marine ecology conservation initiatives are actively implemented at all of our partner property locations.

OUR PROMISE

We promise authentic ecotourism experiences that connect you with nature and culture, while learning about biodiversity and supporting sustainable development in Africa.

OUR PLEDGE



**TOURISM
OPENS MINDS**



In the spirit of the UNWTO 'Tourism Opens Minds' initiative, Naturecrazi pledges to cater to, and foster, an environment that compliments less-visited regions and lesser-known destination trips.

Naturecrazi is committed to 'Sustainable Tourism' – a term that covers the complete tourism experience, from economic, social, and environmental issues. to improving tourists' experiences and addressing the needs of host communities. Our Sustainable Tourism Guidelines are therefore based on the three pillars of sustainable tourism:

PLANET

Environmental sustainability

PEOPLE

Social sustainability

PROFIT

Economic sustainability



NATURE CALLS

And Zambia answers with a symphony of roaring waterfalls, thundering herds, and the whispering secrets of ancient forests.

Immerse yourself in a wilderness unlike any other, where vibrant wildlife roams vast national parks.

Cruise the mighty Zambezi River, canoe through papyrus swamps teeming with life, or track majestic predators on foot.

Zambia beckons. Explore a land where nature reigns supreme and unforgettable adventures await.

Come. Explore Zambia. Nature is calling.



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