



EXPLORER'S DREAM

8 night all inclusive safari

US\$ 6,820 1st Jul – 31st Oct 2020*

US\$ 5,560 1st-30th Jun 2020*

Based on 2 people sharing



HIGHLIGHTS

Beautiful, simple and authentic safari camps, just as the early explorers liked them.

Experience walking, driving and canoeing safaris to get truly up close and personal with Africa's incomparable wildlife.

Fantastic chances of spotting lion, leopard, elephant, giraffe, zebra.

Safaris led by some of Zambia's most highly regarded guides.

Off the beaten track safaris away from the crowds.

MAP



EXPLORER'S DREAM SAFARI ITINERARY

Begin your time in Zambia at **NKONZI BUSH CAMP**

(Nights 1, 2, 3 & 4)

HIGHLIGHTS

Sheer tranquillity with almost no trappings of the modern world

The opportunity to explore remote areas of South Luangwa National Park that few visitors reach

Expert, personal guiding by owner and safari guide Gavin Opie

Breakfasts cooked over a camp fire

See the breath-taking Milky Way with zero light pollution!

The Camp

Nkonzi Bush Camp is small and evocative, with a **vintage bush camp atmosphere**. The camp has just two double and two twin tents, with a maximum of eight guests at any one time.

The canvas safari tents are simple, but with all the comforts you need. Wooden framed beds, white cotton bed linens, fluffy towels and a small seating area are all provided. Each tent also has a **en-suite bathroom** attached with flush toilet, basin and hot water bucket shower.

A grove of soaring African Mahogany trees shades the main seating and dining area. Here you'll find a **charming bush lounge** where you can while away a few hours exchanging stories with Gavin and your fellow guests. The small **bar** serves a variety of drinks both alcoholic and non alcoholic. Closer to the riverbank is the **camp fire**, a hub of activity and socialising during the hush of early morning and chill of the African evening.

Delicious home cooked meals are prepared in the Nkonzi Camp **bush kitchen** and the chefs are proud to use locally sourced, fresh ingredients to create their popular menu. A typical day in camp begins with a light breakfast, followed by brunch after your first activity, then afternoon tea and finally a two course dinner with freshly baked bread. Dietary intolerances are happily catered for, as are special occasions.

Meals are eaten together at the long, convivial dining table. At night you can drink in the sight of the stunning Milky Way emblazoned across the night sky from horizon to horizon; **stargazing** while you're eating dinner is an experience never to be forgotten.

Activities

- Driving safaris:

Morning drives leave camp around 06h00. Tea and coffee is brought along for a mid-morning tea break and you will return to camp at around 10h00 for brunch and the restful midday hours.

Night drives leave camp at around 16h00 after afternoon tea. Cold drinks are enjoyed at sundown and a spotlight is used so that game viewing can continue at night. The drive ends at 20h00 at which time you return to camp for dinner.

- Walking safaris:

Our walking safaris are always escorted by an armed scout.

Morning walks will either depart directly from camp at 06h00 or your guide will drive you a short way from camp before continuing on foot. Walks last anywhere between 2-4 hours according to guest preference. You will return to camp at around 10h00.

We also offer an **afternoon walk** which can be combined with a night drive. An afternoon walk will set out at 16h00 and can be continued until sunset.

- **All-day** safari:

We offer all-day drives to those who stay with us for a minimum of four nights and one all-day drive is therefore included in your package. You will set off from camp at 06h00 and return to camp at 20h00. You will be sent with a delicious packed lunch along with drinks for mid-morning and mid-afternoon coffee breaks. During the heat of the day you will stop and relax for lunch – usually for around 2 hours, so be sure to pack a good book!

Day 1: Nkonzi Camp

On arrival in Lusaka you will be met and helped through to your onward flight to Mfuwe.

Proflight Zambia flights to Mfuwe leave at 07:30, 11:10 or 16:00 depending on the day, and take 1 hr 10 minutes one way. We recommend catching an earlier flight so you can enjoy your first afternoon in the Luangwa to the full!

At Mfuwe airport you will be met by a Nkonzi Camp guide. The transfer to Nkonzi bush Camp takes approximately 1 hour and 30 minutes – plenty of time to see the wildlife as you drive through the national park!

Day 2: Nkonzi Bush Camp

Day 3: Nkonzi Bush Camp

Day 4: Nkonzi Bush Camp

Day 5: Transfer to Mfuwe Airport for your flight to Jeki, Lower Zambezi. Collection by a Tusk and Mane Safaris representative.

Continue your safari at **TUSK AND MANE SAFARIS** camps.

(Nights, 5,6,7 & 8)

HIGHLIGHTS

A gorgeous base camp with two additional fly camp locations.

Game drives, walking safaris, boat tours, canoeing and fishing all available.

Expert, personal guiding by owners Kyle Branch and Luke Evans.

Flexible daily itinerary tailored to guests' needs.

THE CAMP

Tusk and Mane Safaris have three **stunning camp locations**: Tafara Springs, Kutali Island and Buffalo Island. All three sites are situated at prime areas in the heart of Lower Zambezi National Park, near the Zambezi River. There are **two types** of camp – both fully mobile. The **base camp** complements the Lower Zambezi wilderness with hot bucket showers and canvas tents. Each tent also contains

bedside tables with lamps, comfortable chairs and a shelf system. Single and double tents are available and there is a complimentary **laundry service**.

The **fly camp** has **4 tents**. Each tent contains two lightweight camp beds, a table with a solar torch and a water jug. There are **2 bathroom facilities** which are well lit at night and a short distance away from the sleeping tents.

A **campfire** and refrigerated **bar** truly make staying at both camps an intimate and **social** experience.

The camp values high quality, **satisfying** meals to fuel your adventure, which can be enjoyed in the comfy, shaded seating area with your fellow guests.

The owners **Luke Evans** and **Kyle Branch** are passionate about giving you an experience that brings you in touch with the Lower Zambezi **eco-system**. Both guides draw on **many years of guiding experience** to give you an informative and fascinating trip.

ACTIVITIES:

All activities are flexible, meaning that guests' itineraries during their stay can be planned in a way that suits them.

- Walking safaris:

Walking safaris depart from camp at **06h00** and usually return around **14h00**. Walks usually cover a few miles and are taken at a leisurely pace. A professional guide and a Wildlife Police Officer will accompany you.

- Day and Night drive:

Your driving safaris will be in an **open-topped 4WD Land Cruiser**, and take place in prime game viewing areas.

- Canoeing safaris:

Kyle Branch leads all canoeing safaris along with a team of back-up paddlers who will pilot you and your canoe down 3 different channels of the Zambezi River.

- Boating & Fishing:

Conducting your safari from the **water** is a great way to **bird watch**. You can also get a great view of animals on the rivers banks. **Sundown drinks** on the Zambezi River will be a memorable part of your trip.

Fishing is conducted May – November and operates on a **catch-release** basis in order to insure the fish population on the Lower Zambezi increases.

The **Pontoon boat** offers a stable platform for fishing, and the **Aliboat** is large enough for **four** fisherman. **All equipment** is provided.

Day 6: Tusk and Mane Safaris

Day 7: Tusk and Mane Safaris

Day 8: Tusk and Mane Safaris

Day 9: Onward transfer from Tusk and Mane Safaris

On your ninth day Tusk and Mane Safaris will arrange an onward transfer to Jeki Airport for your flight to Lusaka.

- ***Included:*** Flights Lusaka-Mfuwe-Jeki-Lusaka, meet and assist at Lusaka Airport, accommodation, activities, meals, local beverages at Nkonzi Camp and Tusk and Mane Safaris, transfers, park fees and nightly levies for staying inside the national park, taxes, service charges, laundry.
- ***Excluded:*** Personal items, gratuities
- ***Rates:*** All rates are US\$ per person on a sharing basis unless otherwise stated. Single supplements apply and can be quoted on request.
- ***Flights:*** Fares are confirmed once we hold flight reservations. We require payment in full before ticketing.
- ***Private vehicle and guide hire:*** Rates are available on request.
- ***Booking Confirmation:*** A deposit of 50% of the quoted rate is required to confirm the booking. **Full payment** is due 60 days prior to arrival.
- ***Government levies, park fees, taxes and other charges:*** Government charges including taxes, national park fees, levies and surcharges are subject to change without notice. Increases will be passed on to guests.
- ***Cancellations:*** 90 – 61 days: 50% cancellation fee / 60 – 0 days: 100% cancellation fee / Over 90 days prior to arrival: US \$ 150.00. Refunds will be paid exclusive of bank fees.
- ***Indemnity:*** All guests will be required to sign a registration/indemnity form on arrival at each accommodation. Guests joining a walking safari may be required to sign an additional indemnity form before participating in the activity.

- **Travel insurance:** All guests are required to have fully comprehensive travel insurance that covers medical evacuation services and cancellation cover, as well as other normal policy cover. Subject to availability.
- **Child policy:** Children over the age of 12 are welcome. The minimum age for walking safaris is 12 years. Children remain the parents' responsibility at all times.
- **Subject to availability.**

****T&C's apply, price based on 2 people sharing. Rates subject to change in the event of increases to Proflight fares and Zambia DNPW National Park Entry Fees***