

# MPALA JENA PRIVATE VILLAS

ZAMBEZI NATIONAL PARK



**Mpala Jena, a luxury safari camp on the banks of the Zambezi River, has established itself as a sought-after destination for discerning guests wanting to include Victoria Falls in their African safari.**

With its prime location on the river's edge, the camp offers exceptional boating excursions and wildlife viewing throughout the Zambezi National Park.

Following the acquisition of a 20-year lease for the Chundu Concession - just 5km from the main camp - owners Kevin and Shannon Lang expanded the Mpala Jena experience with the introduction of the Mpala Jena Private Villas.

Designed in collaboration with architect Julia Rutherford and award-winning interior designer Tracy Kelly, these exclusive-use villas blend the charm of Mpala Jena with a fresh, contemporary interpretation of Puglian architecture. Steep thatched roofs and elegant arches frame interiors that are light, earthy, and rich in texture—spaces designed to stay cool in summer and inviting in winter.

The villas offer an elevated level of luxury, privacy, and personalised service for families or small groups. Each villa features three spacious riverfront suites, a private main area, swimming pool, and dedicated butler and guide services.

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In addition, each Mpala Jena Private Villa offers guests their own private open safari-drive vehicle and motorised boat at no additional cost. Activities are tailored to each group's individual needs. When water levels allow, guests can enjoy access to a historic dhow that originated in Zanzibar for fantastic sunset or sunrise cruises on the river. Each two-night stay includes return airport transfers and a half-day tour of the magnificent Victoria Falls with their guide.

The Villas, each located in an area that is a favourite drinking spot for zebras and impala in the afternoons, offer guests commanding views over the Zambezi and overlook either a private waterhole or tributary leading down to the Zambezi.

Each suite in the two Villas is designed to make guests feel unique and privileged during their stay. They offer private river pavilions - a serene spot on the river's banks, slightly elevated above the white sand. The tranquil settings are intentionally designed for guests to unwind, read a book, and watch the world go by while feeling relaxed and at peace.



## **CAMP FEATURES:**

Each Villa can accommodate 6 adults or a family of 4 adults and up to 3 children (under 15 years of age), travelling together.

## **Total Number of Bedrooms:**

Each villa has 3 bedrooms, with twin or double configuration.

One guide tent with a double/twin bed and en-suite bathroom.

## **Type of Lodge:**

Safari Camp

## **Lodge Season & Opening:**

Year Round

## **Check In**

14h00

## **Check out**

10h00

## **CAMP CO-ORDINATES**

Villa 1: 17°48'50.6"S 25°41'35.7"E

Villa 2: 17°48'47.5"S 25°41'29.3"E

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## ACCESS DIRECTIONS

### Arrival at Victoria Falls Airport

- Arrival at Victoria Falls Airport and road transfer via Victoria Falls town followed by a road transfer conducted as a safari drive through the Zambezi National Park (an estimated 1 hour and 30 minutes);
- Or a road transfer from the airport and town, followed by a boat transfer for the more adventurous, with a couple of water rapids that changes seasonally (+/-45 mins).
- These return transfers are included free of charge for guests who have secured their stay on the standard US\$ rates.

### Arrival from Kazungula Border Post

Road transfer option conducted along the Kazungula road (1 hour) and then a safari drive through the Zambezi National Park (an estimated 45 minutes to 1 hour).

### Arrival at Livingstone Airport

- Arrival at Livingstone Airport and road transfer across the Zambia / Zimbabwe border followed by a road transfer conducted as a safari drive through the Zambezi National Park (an estimated 2 hours dependent on time spent at the border);
- Road transfer from the airport and across the border, followed by a boat transfer for the more adventurous (1 hour 40 mins dependent on time spent at the border).

## ACTIVITIES

Mpala Jena Private Villas offers professionally guided wildlife viewing in open safari vehicles, guided walks, morning or afternoon boat cruises (subject to water level and seasonality), either in a motorised boat or under sail in a traditional dhow, as well as catch-and-release fishing. The camp has custom-built Land cruisers, and the vehicles are fully stocked with reference books, drinks and snacks. In addition, guests should take the opportunity to enjoy an excursion into Victoria Falls town, including a visit to the thunderous and impressive mass of falling water of the actual Victoria Falls during their stay. A half-day guided tour of the Victoria Falls is included\* for guests staying for 2 or more nights. (\*Included for guests who have secured their stay on the standard US\$ rates.)

Additional cost activities are available for those who wish to participate in the varied adrenalin and more relaxing activities that this tourist hub has become renowned for. Encounter the excitement of a day navigating one of the world's most intense white-water rafting, partake in the numerous high-wire activities at the Gorge / Lookout Cafe, conduct a cultural village tour, a historical guided high tea tour, or simply enjoy wandering the streets of this bustling tourist town.

### Private vehicle option

A private vehicle, boat and guide services are included for each villa. (The dhow boat is not available as a private activity).

### Private Guides

Private guides are encouraged and welcomed.



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## CENTRAL FACILITIES AT EACH VILLA

- Thatch lounge with a fireplace;
- Coffee and tea station;
- A beautiful bar with sand floors and swings and hammocks;
- Private swimming pool.

## FOOD AND BEVERAGE

- Three delicious meals a day are included;
- All drinks and beverages are included, excluding premium imported spirits and champagnes;
- We are highly flexible on timings.
- Group meals and/or individual tables;
- A la carte menu options;
- Indoor and outdoor dining locations;
- All dietary requirements are catered for from regular to vegan to children, prior warning required;
- Picnic breakfasts or lunch (or both) are the norms due to the beautiful river frontage settings and inland spring lines, often delivered to the bush!

## ACCOMMODATION DETAILS OF EACH VILLA

### Bedroom features

- Three large bedrooms with en-suite bathrooms;
- Two bedrooms are joined by a reception lounge which makes them perfect for a family with kids, or two couples traveling together. The third bedroom is set apart under its own roof, offering additional privacy and independence – ideal for a couple who prefers their own secluded space while still being close to the main villa.

- Timber, brick and stone walls with wooden decking floors compliment the “barefoot luxury” feel of the camp;
- Fly netting on all windows and doors;
- Writing desk;
- Tea / coffee station & minibar available;
- Mosquito netting is also over the guest’s beds;
- Ceiling fans over beds;
- Air Conditioning;
- Either twin or double bed configuration.

### Bathroom features

- Each bedroom has an en-suite bathroom with an indoor bath, shower, separate toilet, dressing area and double vanity;
- Each bedroom also offers an outside shower;
- Hot and cold running water;
- Soap, shampoo, conditioner, lotion and low voltage hairdryers provided.

## ACCOMMODATING CHILDREN AND SHARING ACCOMMODATION

- Mpala Jena Private Villas welcome children that are six years and older;
- The two Mpala Jena Private Villas can each cater for a maximum of six adults sharing or four adults and up to three children (up to 15 years of age), sharing in three separate bedrooms;
- Children must be a minimum of 16 years old to participate in walking activities;
- Children must be supervised as the camp is open with a river in front of the camp.

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## SPA TREATMENTS

In-room massages are available at additional cost and with 24-hour advance notice.

## FITNESS

Yoga mats provided in each Villa.

## LAUNDRY

Included in nightly tariff - within 24 hours, weather permitting.

## POWER AND COMMUNICATION

### Power

- The camp is run by solar power;
- The system produces 220V, 24-hour electricity to the Villa;
- Universal plug points in each Villa.

### Internet & Mobile

- Wi-fi available in each Villa;
- Limited (Zambian) mobile signal.

## HEALTH AND SAFETY

### Health

- Medium risk – Malaria prophylaxis is recommended;
- Guests must hold comprehensive medical insurance and emergency evacuation insurance;
- Senior staff all have first aid training;
- The nearest decent medical facility is in Victoria Falls town and then Johannesburg in South Africa.

## Possibility of Disabled access

The staff is more than willing to aid guests using wheelchairs in entering or leaving their suite due to the presence of steps. It is recommended that guests in wheelchairs opt for road transfers to/from Mpala Jena Private Villas rather than boat transfers.

## Safety

Safety: This is a remotely located camp and is unfenced to wild animals that do move through the property especially at night. Security guards are on-site and patrolling during the night.

## MONEY MATTERS

### Safes

Safes are provided in the villas.

## Accepted Payment on Location

- Staff gratuities can be paid by credit card, or in US Dollars (2004 bills or later only), GB Pounds or ZAR South African Rands;
- Visa and MasterCard credit cards are accepted (No Amex or Diners).

## The Team

### Lodge Owners

Mpala Jena Private Villas is a preferred third-party partner of Great Plains Conservation, where we are responsible for the sales, marketing and reservations of this iconic property. Guests are hosted and cared for by the Mpala Jena Private Villas employed staff and team.

## ZAMBEZI PARKS SUPPORT FOUNDATION

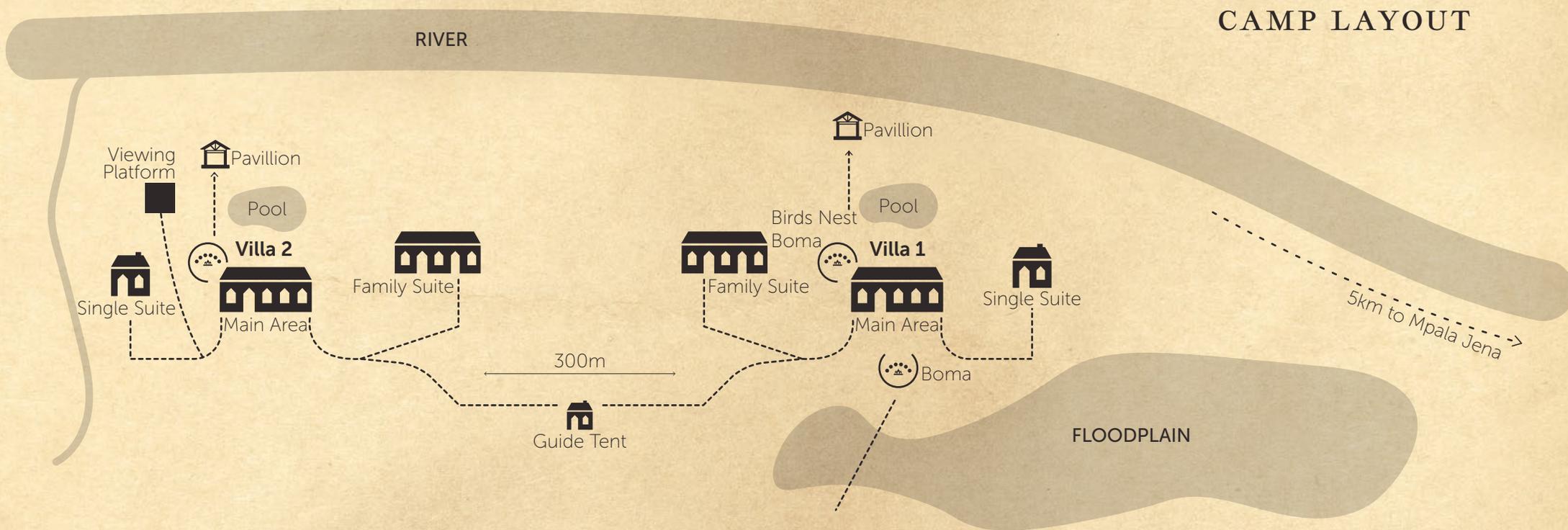
Mpala Jena, along with other stakeholders in the Zambezi National Park, has played a key role in establishing the Zambezi Parks Support Foundation (ZPSF). This foundation has made significant strides in conservation and anti-poaching since 2023. The ZPSF operates in the Zambezi National Park and partners with the Zimbabwe National Parks and Wildlife Management Authority, focusing on several key initiatives. These initiatives include **Scout Deployment**, where 13 scouts patrol critical areas of the park to prevent poaching, monitor wildlife, and maintain the ecosystem's integrity; **Vehicle and Logistics Support** supporting the foundation's operations; **Anti-Poaching Infrastructure**, which provides for the upgrading anti-poaching bases and improved infrastructure in the Park, and to various other initiatives that directly **Support the National Park**. Additionally, Mpala Jena donated a riverboat to assist with **river patrols**, further enhancing ZPSF's ability to protect the park's waterways and wildlife.

These initiatives demonstrate the strong commitment of Mpala Jena to conservation and anti-poaching efforts, aiming to protect the wildlife and ecosystem of Zambezi National Park.



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*Lambesi river Camp*

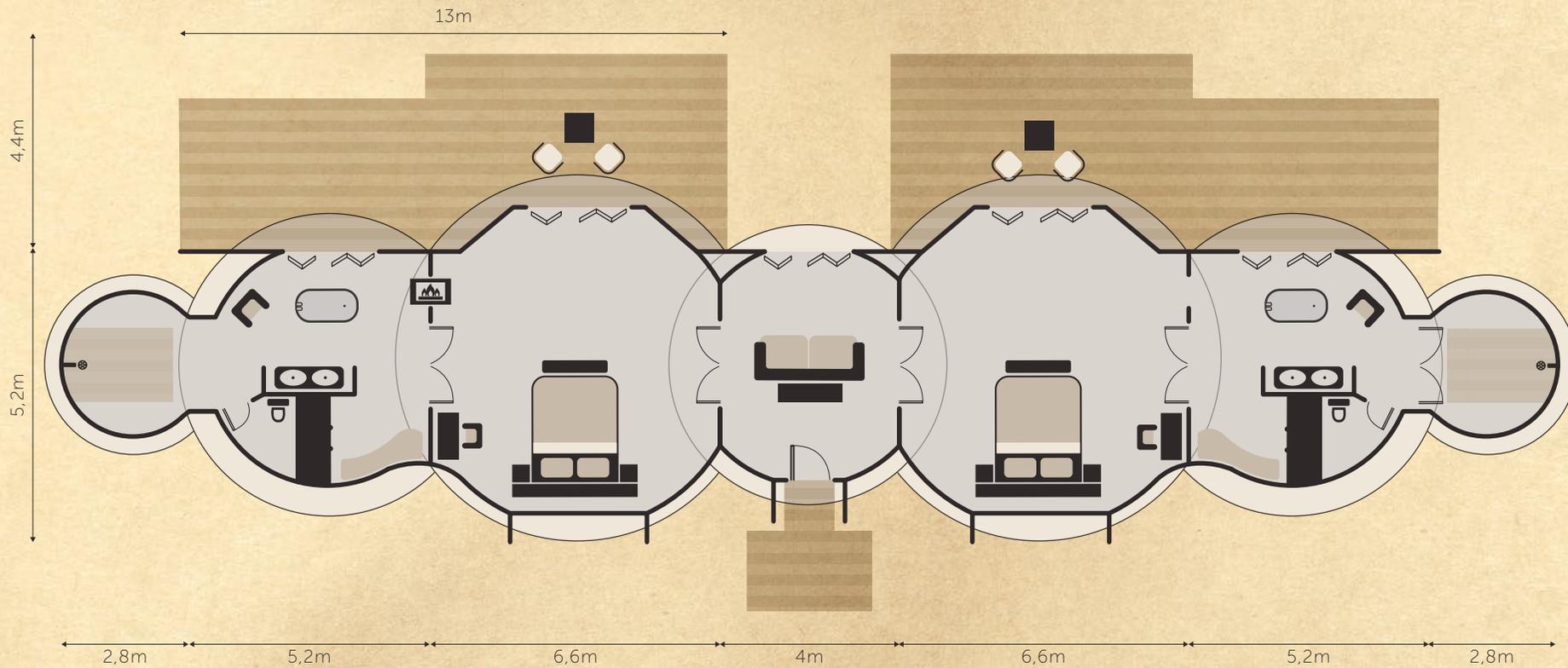
## PRIVATE VILLAS CAMP LAYOUT





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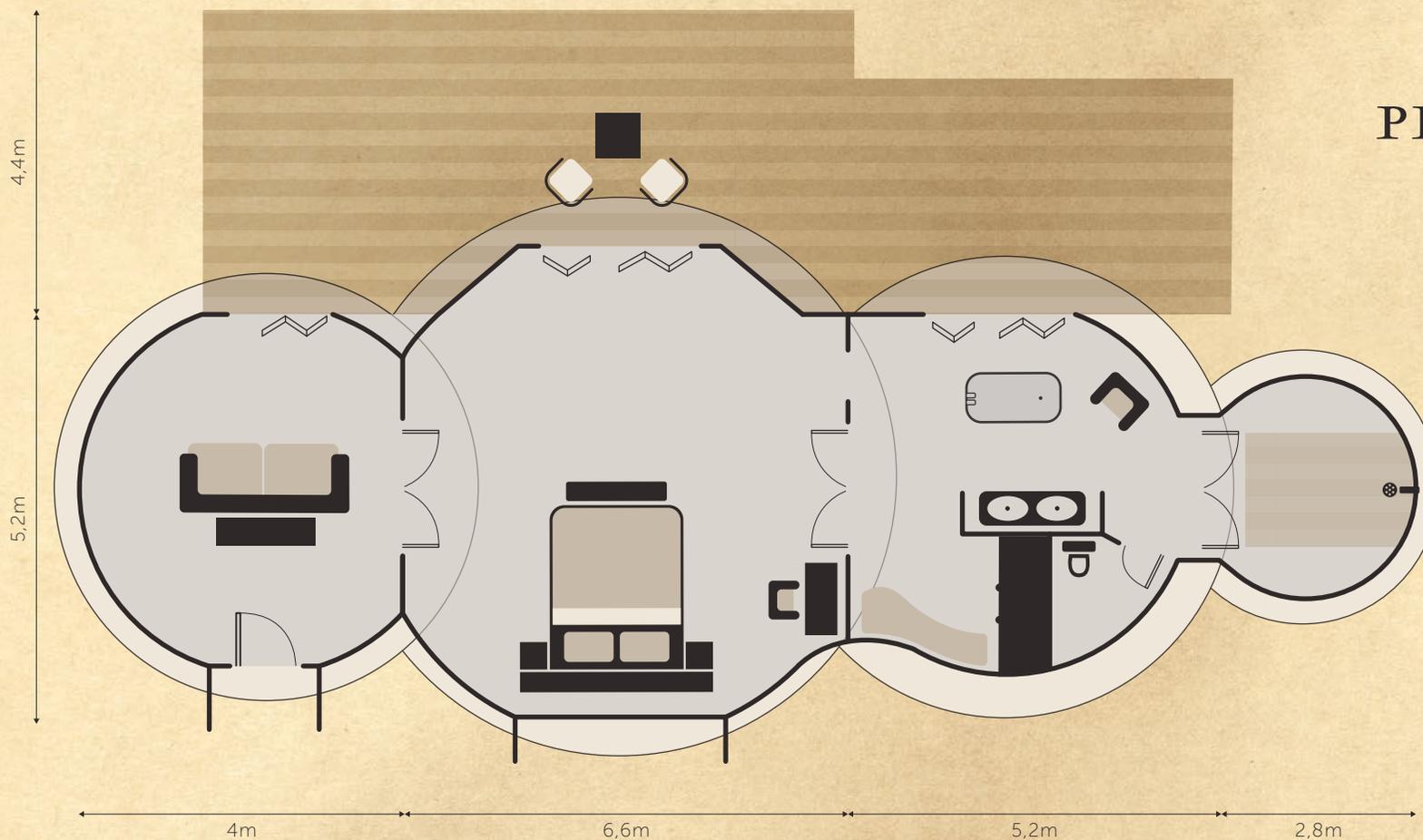
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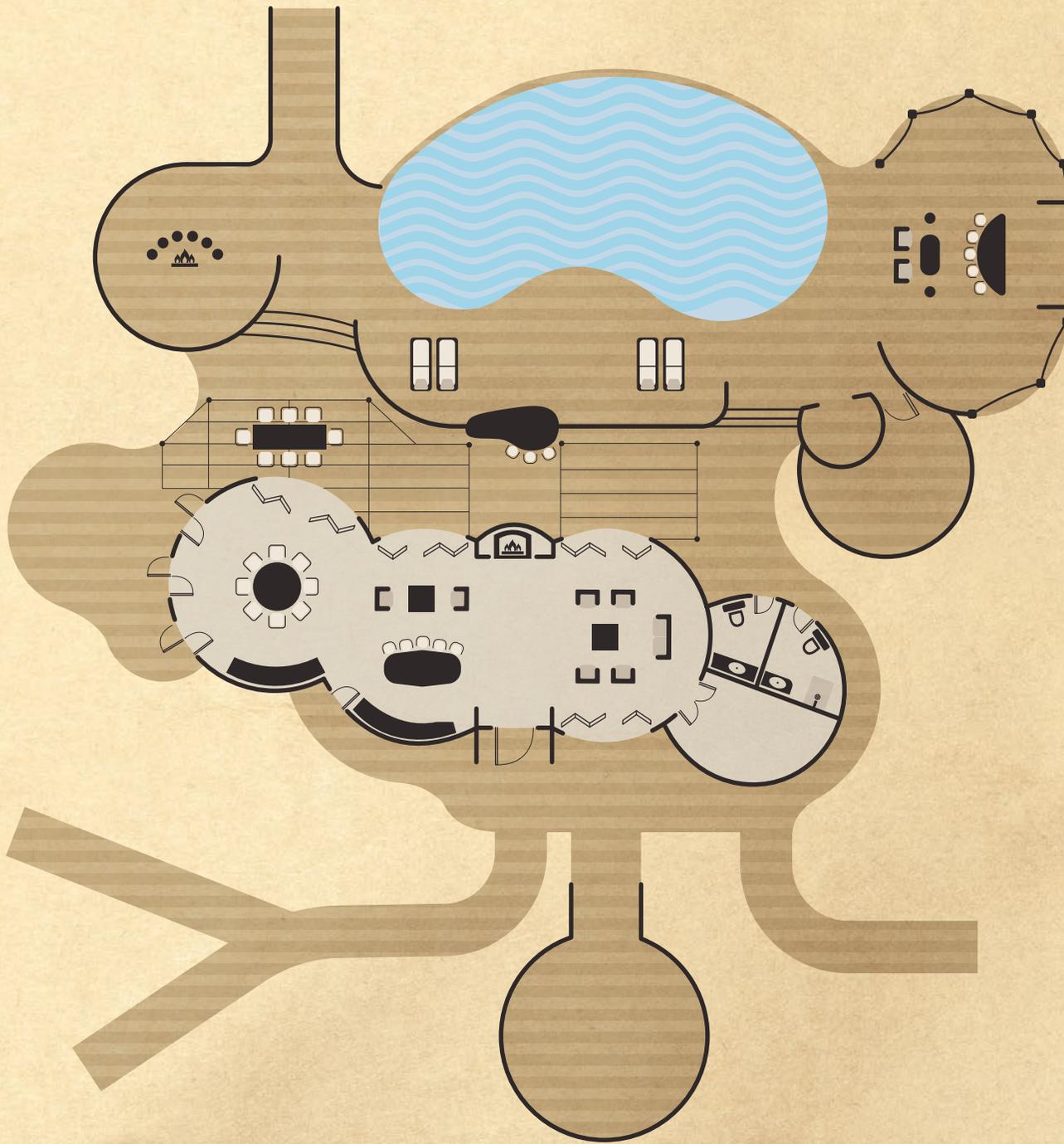




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## PRIVATE VILLAS SINGLE SUITE





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## PRIVATE VILLAS MAIN AREA

# GREAT PLAINS

CONSERVING AND EXPANDING NATURAL HABITATS

Zambia

Zimbabwe

Mpala Jena Private Villas  
& Mpala Jena

Kasane

Zambezi National Park

Victoria Falls

Livingstone

Zambezi River

Matetsi Safari area

Sibuyu Forest Reserve

Hwange National Park

Botswana

Lake Kariba

Matusadona National Park

Chirinda Safari Area

Tembo Plains Camp &  
The Zanji Suite at Tembo Plains

Sapi Private Reserve

Mana Pools National Park



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STRIVES TO FIND THE RIGHT FORMULA OF  
CONSERVATION, COMMUNITIES AND COMMERCE  
THAT MAKES A LASTING, SUSTAINABLE DIFFERENCE  
TO THE WORLD'S ICONIC WILDLIFE HABITATS

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### ZIMBABWE CAMPS

ACTIVITY	TEMBO PLAINS CAMP & THE ZANJI SUITE AT TEMBO PLAINS	MPALA JENA	MPALA JENA PRIVATE VILLAS
Camp Classification	Réserve Collection	Preferred Partner of Great Plains Conservation	Preferred Partner of Great Plains Conservation
Location	Private Sapi Reserve	Zambezi National Park	Zambezi National Park
Traversing	Private Sapi Reserve & Mana Pools National Park	Zambezi National Park	Zambezi National Park
Number of Suites	4 Suites	3 Suites	n/a
Family Accommodation	One 2-bedroom suite	2 Family Suites	2 Private 3-bedroom Villas
Children can be accommodated from:	6 Years	6 Years	6 Years
Safari Drives	Yes	Yes	Yes
Private Vehicle (at an additional charge)	Yes (Included with The Zanji Suite at Tembo Plains)	Yes	Yes (included)
Guided Walks	Yes	Yes	Yes
Boating	Yes	Yes (water level dependent)	Yes (water level dependent)
Canoeing	Yes	n/a	n/a
Fishing (Seasonal)	Yes	Yes	Yes
Main Swimming Pool and/or Private Plunge Pools	Private plunge pools	Main swimming pool	Private Swimming Pool
Shower	Indoor & Outdoor	Indoor & Outdoor	Indoor & Outdoor
Bath	Indoor	Outdoor	Indoor
Hairdryers (low-voltage)	Yes	Yes	Yes
Mosquito Nets	Yes	Yes	Yes
Air Conditioning	Yes - Eco air-conditioner over bed	Yes	Yes
Fan	Yes (Standing)	Yes (Overhead)	Yes (Overhead)
Wi-Fi – in-room (complimentary)	Yes	Yes	Yes
Safe - In-room	Yes	Yes	Yes
Spa treatments (at an additional charge)	Yes	Yes (In-room only)	Yes (In-room only)
Fitness	In-room equipment	Yoga mats in each room	Yoga mats in each room
Boutique on site	Yes	Yes	Yes