Into South Luangwa

6 Days / 5 Nights

South Luangwa National Park





This 5 night South Luangwa package offers a unique opportunity to combine the central location of Kafunta River Lodge with the remoteness of Island Bush Camp.

The first days are spent at Kafunta River Lodge, which offers the opportunity to discover the game-rich Mfuwe area. Game viewing activities at Kafunta River Lodge include game drives in open vehicles along with unique night drives, which offer the opportunity to view nocturnal animals.

Then you head into a more remote section of the park, famous for walking safaris as well as game drives. Here, you will stay at Island Bush Camp which offers authentic open-sided chalets built on stilts, providing total immersion in nature, along with an unlimited view of the Luangwa River.

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Accommodation	Destination	Basis	Duration
Kafunta River Lodge	South Luangwa National Park	All meals & local drinks	**2 Nights**
Island Bush Camp	South Luangwa National Park	All meals & local drinks	**2 Nights**
Kafunta River Lodge	South Luangwa National Park	All meals & local drinks	**1 Night**

Day 1: Kafunta River Lodge, South Luangwa National Park

Your Zambian adventure starts today! You will take a quick flight from Lusaka to Mfuwe (1hr10min), where you will be collected from the airport and transferred to Kafunta River Lodge, a 50min drive.

The central location of Kafunta River Lodge allows you to explore vast areas of South Luangwa National Park. While at the lodge, you can relax in the privacy of your viewing deck or by taking a swim in the infinity pool while keeping an eye on the elephants drinking at the waterhole. The lodge also features the only natural hot spring tub of South Luangwa and a small wellness spa.

Depending on your arrival time, enjoy an afternoon safari.

Overnight: Kafunta River Lodge **View iBrochure**





Set on the floodplains of the Luangwa River in South Luangwa, Kafunta River Lodge enjoys a peaceful, remote position away from the busy Mfuwe gate, with peak season private pontoon access into the park.

The ambience is classic Zambian safari — relaxed, intimate and nature-led, with sweeping river views and constant wildlife activity on the plains and waterhole below the lodge.

Public areas centre around a panoramic lounge, bar and dining area built around a wild mango tree, expansive viewing decks, an infinity pool, the Luangwa Valley's only natural geothermal hot tub, a photographic wildlife hide, and the Fig Tree Spa tucked beneath a giant fig tree.

The lodge has 10 rooms in total, made up of eight standard safari chalets and two luxury suites. The standard chalets are set on raised wooden platforms with thatched roofs, private viewing decks, and simple local-style décor, featuring en-suite bathrooms and a comfortable sitting area.

Activities include morning, afternoon and night game drives accessed via the lodge's private pontoon or main gate routes, guided bush walks, village and cultural visits, photographic hide sessions, sundowners, and spa treatments.

Day 2: Kafunta River Lodge, South Luangwa National Park

Enjoy an early breakfast and depart for your morning game drive at around 06h30. You will be back at the lodge around 10h30 and served a buffet-style lunch. Relax at the pool, book a spa treatment or enjoy a siesta on your viewing deck before meeting again for the afternoon tea. The afternoon game drive departs around 15h30 and returns around 19h30. Dinner at the lodge.

Overnight: Kafunta River Lodge

Day 3: Island Bush Camp, South Luangwa National Park

Today, you participate in the morning game drive at Kafunta River Lodge. After brunch at the lodge, you will depart for the 2.5-hour transfer to Island Bush Camp. Upon arrival, you will be welcomed by the camp staff, and you can choose to join the game drive or rather settle in nicely at camp at your leisure and enjoy the sunset from the privacy of your viewing deck while sipping your sundowner. Dinner is served al fresco in the company of the camp manager and the camp's other guests.

Overnight: Island Bush Camp **View iBrochure**

Island Bush Camp is an owner-run camp set in a very remote yet extremely game-rich area of the southern section of South Luangwa National Park. It is in this complete solitude, far away from other crowds, that walking safaris and game drives are taking place in the mornings and afternoons.

This seasonal, intimate camp lies under a grove of Mahogany trees, right on the banks of the Luangwa River. Island Bush Camp offers authentic bush accommodation in five elevated reed huts, with bucket showers and running water. The huts are open-sided with a private verandah overlooking the Luangwa River.





Day 4: Island Bush Camp, South Luangwa National Park

An early continental breakfast is served by the river before heading out on your activity. You will be back at the lodge mid-morning, before lunch. The afternoon activity departs around 15h30. Dinner at the camp.

Activities can be walks or drives, and usually, they are a combination of both.

Overnight: Island Bush Camp

Day 5: Kafunta River Lodge, South Luangwa National Park

This morning, you will have a walk or game drive followed by an early brunch at the Island Bush Camp before the transfer back to Kafunta River Lodge. Once at the main lodge, you can relax before joining the afternoon tea and afternoon game drive. Dinner at the lodge.

Overnight: Kafunta River Lodge **View iBrochure**



Day 6: End of Itinerary

Depending on your flight departure time, you may have the time for a last morning game drive in the park. Transfer to the airport, with an optional stop at Project Luangwa's craft shop or Tribal Textiles (to be scheduled in advance; allow an extra 45 minutes) in time for the flight's check-in time.

Package price:

Contact us on **reservations@wildfrontiers.com** for a detailed quotation.

This package is only available 25 May to 31 October due to the seasonal opening dates of Island Bush Camp

Includes:

- Domestic flights: Lusaka - Mfuwe - Lusaka
- All road transfers (shared) between the airport and the camps, as well as between the camps
- 3 nights Kafunta River Lodge including all meals and local drinks
- 2 nights Island Bush Camp including all meals and local drinks
- Two game viewing activities per day in South Luangwa (shared vehicle)
- Laundry
- Park fees and levies

Excludes:

- International flights and airport taxes
- Visa and health requirements
- Discretionary gratuities
- Premium drinks
- Private vehicle
- All items of a personal nature
- Spa treatments
- Personal travel insurance
- Additional services outside of the itinerary

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VISAS

All visitors to Zambia must be in possession of a valid passport, which must be valid for 6 months after return date of travel and have at least 3 blank pages in it.

SA passport holders are issued a tourism visa free of charge at the border/airport on arrival. Foreigners who want to travel to Zambia may have to apply for a Zambia visa beforehand (generally in the region of USD 50 pp), depending on their nationality:
https://www.zambiaimmigration.gov.zm/nationals-who-dont-require-visa/
https://www.zambiaimmigration.gov.zm/nationals-requiring-visa-prior-to-travel/

The KAZA Univisa costs USD 50 and allows certain nationalities of eligible countries to obtain one visa to visit both Zambia and Zimbabwe multiple times instead of purchasing two visas separately. The Univisa visa is valid up to 30 days in any given period of 12 months, as long as the holder remains within Zambia and Zimbabwe. It also covers those who visit Botswana for day-trips through Kazungula Borders. For more information on the KAZA UNIVISA visit https://www.zambiaimmigration.gov.zm/kaza-univisa/

HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

It is strongly recommended that malaria prophylactics be taken just before, during and after your visit to Zambia. Precautions against other tropical diseases may be considered depending on where you are going, please consult a travel medical specialist in your region/country.

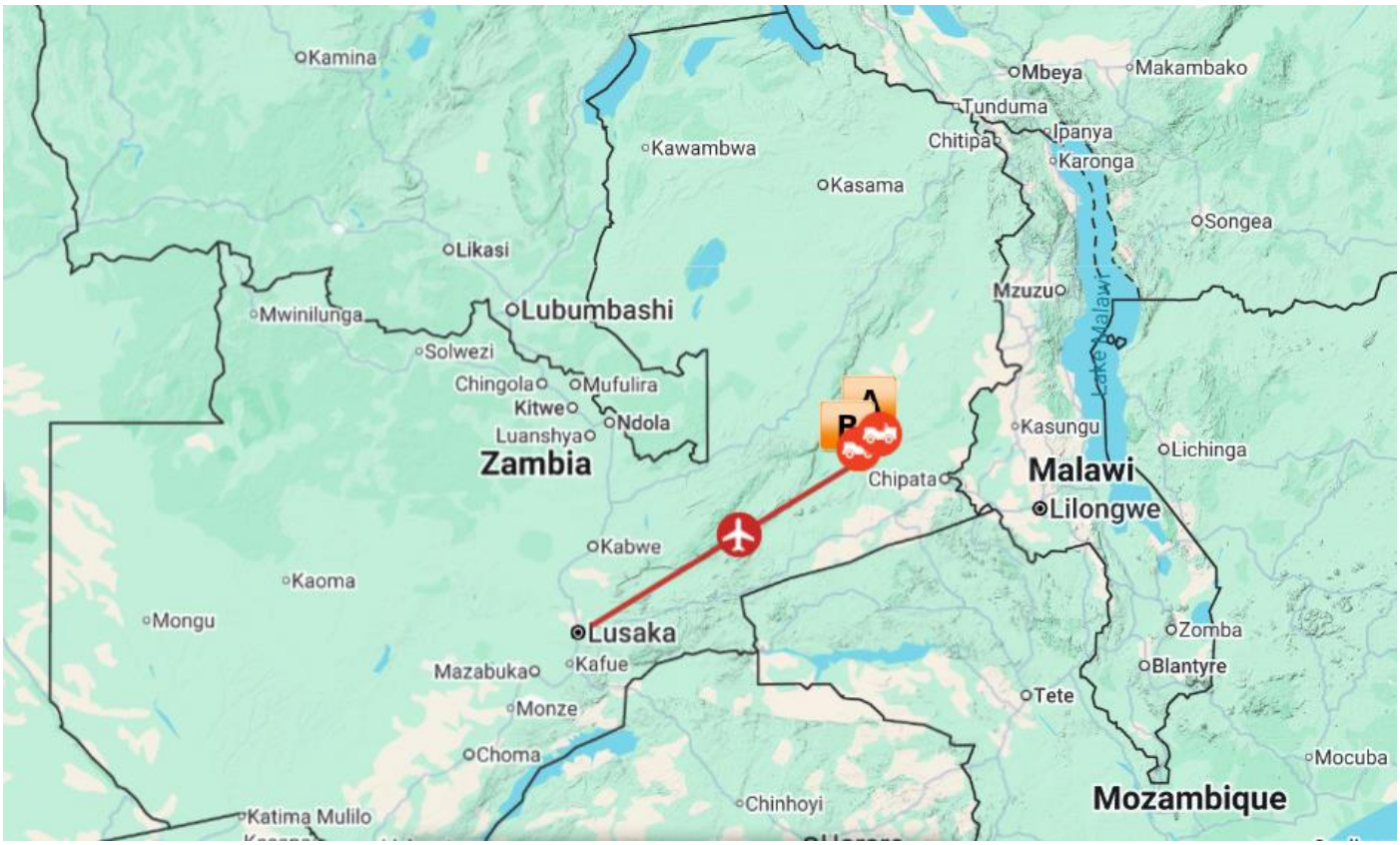
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CLIMATE / SEASONS * Island Bush Camp is only open from 25 May to 31 October *

April/May/June
Moving into the drier season – the game viewing will get better – as the water pans dry out (natural rain pans) and animals start to congregate around permanent water sources.
Temperatures at this time of year are great… cooler at night, lovely and warm in the daytime.
Again, as it's outside of classic 'peak season' there are not too many people around

July/Aug/Sept
Winter months – dry bush – generally optimum for game viewing, but it can be a bit dusty and dry.
Game is generally at its best as the water access will be more limited, so animals will congregate around watering holes / rivers accordingly.
Daytime winter temperatures are pleasant and warm ranging from 13°C to 20°C but can get very cold falling to -5°C at night depending on where you are.

October/November/December
These three months are moving back into the summer, as such temperatures will rise and before the rains, it can get very hot in some parts of the country (Zambezi & Luangwa Valleys / Kariba in particular with summer temperatures often soaring over 35°C). Migratory birds start coming back into Zambia – and the bush starts to spring to life again with the early rainfall.



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