



Overview

5 Days Zambezi Canoe Safari

Embark on a 5-day, 4-night canoeing adventure along the Lower Zambezi River, flowing through the scenic floodplains of the Mana Pools region. This unique Zambia safari takes you far off the beaten path, offering a truly immersive wilderness experience where nature and adventure come together.

Safari Highlights:

- **Canoeing Through Pristine Wilderness:** Navigate the Lower Zambezi in lightweight canoes, traveling past riverine forests, open floodplains, and tranquil islands. The river provides a natural corridor for elephants, hippos, crocodiles, and a variety of birdlife, allowing for intimate wildlife encounters.
- **Island Camping Experience:** Spend nights camped on carefully selected islands along the river. Guests help with tent setup, bedding arrangements, and general campsite management, creating a hands-on and authentic safari experience.
- **Self-Contained Adventure:** All safari equipment, food, and supplies are carried in the canoes, making this a fully self-contained expedition. Guides handle meal preparation, while guests participate in daily canoeing and campsite routines, fostering teamwork and connection with the environment.
- **Wildlife and Scenic Views:** Watch for elephants crossing the river, hippos surfacing in the water, and crocodiles sunbathing on the banks. The region also hosts antelope, buffalo, and abundant bird species, making every stretch of the river a wildlife spectacle.
- **Active Participation:** Guests are actively involved in the daily rhythm of the safari, including canoe loading and unloading, tent setup, and minor logistical tasks, enhancing the sense of adventure and achievement.



- Expert Guidance: Knowledgeable guides provide insight into local wildlife, river ecosystems, and safety protocols, ensuring an educational and safe experience.

Included

- Traditional village visit
- Canoeing safari activities
- Accommodation and meals as per itinerary
- Airport transfers
- Round trip transport
- Multi-lingual Professional Safari Guide/ Driver

Excluded

- National Park entry fees to be paid direct on arrival where applicable

Tour Plan

Day 01 Zambezi Breezes

Meet the guides after breakfast for trip briefing before setting off at approx. 10.00hrs from Zambezi Breezes. Canoe through approx. 2hrs before stopping for lunch on the banks of the Zambezi under the shade of a tree. Lunch stop and brief rest for approx. 2hrs out of hottest time of day. Today we canoe approx. 15km through off shoot channels of the main river system before reaching our first overnight island camp site Kakomarara Island nestled below two hills.



Day 02 **Kakomarara Island**

Canoeing starts early after morning tea/coffee and biscuits. Depart island camp for downstream breakfast stop at approx. 2 hours after setting off downstream. Continue through to shaded lunch stop from approx. 1230hrs -1430hrs out of mid-day sun. Afternoon paddle through to Island Camp for the 2nd night wild camping.

Day 03 **Kakomarara Island**

Early tea/coffee followed by canoeing through our fixed fly camp late breakfast 0900hrs. After breakfast we depart for a village tour after driving through the game management area. Return for late lunch 1400hrs followed by afternoon break from activities. After an early dinner we then proceed on a 2hr night game drive. Retire for the night after coffee around camp fire.

Day 04 **Game walk**

Early morning rise tea/coffee & biscuits followed by a game walk lasting approx. 2 hrs. Return camp

for breakfast and short break before setting off downstream again by canoe. We travel light on this

canoeing section with a picnic lunch and suitable provisions packed for the day. This section of river

is one of the best in terms of wildlife which takes up the remainder of the day on water. After loading the canoes onto our trailer we return to our fly camp after an hour in the back of a game viewing vehicle. After showers and dinner we offer a night drive for those left with the energy to do so.



Day 05 **Lusaka**

Early morning tea/coffee & biscuits followed by an English breakfast. Pack belongings for the return transfer to Zambezi Breezes approx. 3hrs by road. Cross the Kafue river pontoon approx. 1200hrs before arriving at Zambezi Breezes 1300hrs for lunch. Relax at Zambezi Breezes or catch return transfer to Lusaka.