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**11 NIGHTS WILDERNESS WALKING IN ZAMBIA
OUTSTANDING SMALL CAMPS IN THE SOUTH LUANGWA
AND LOWER ZAMBEZI NATIONAL PARKS**



DAY ONE

On arrival into Lusaka International Airport you are met and assisted to check in for your light aircraft flight down to the Lower Zambezi National Park. On arrival you will be met and transferred to your first camp. You will be for 4 nights on an all-inclusive basis at a selection of Tusk and Mane camps.

The Lower Zambezi is one of Africa's most thrilling safari regions. Game viewing from the canoes and on foot gives a different feel to ones safari, making it adventurous and a very personal interaction with this incredible eco-system. The valley is a huge rift in the earth's crust, through which a mighty river flows. Over millennia, mineral-rich volcanic soils deposited by the Zambezi have nurtured lush vegetation, while old meanders and oxbow lakes add to the attraction for wildlife.

The Lower Zambezi National Park, by virtue of the Zambezi River and its parallel escarpment, is definitely one of Africa's most scenic wildernesses, home to an impressive quantity and variety of wildlife that can be viewed not only on the more usual land based safari activities but also on a variety of water based activities and in the camps themselves.

Tusk and Mane Safaris operates out of three prime locations in the heart of the Park. Tafara Springs is located in the Rufunsa Valley at the foot of the escarpment. Kutali Island and Chula Island are tucked away on remote Islands in the prime game viewing area near Jeki airfield.

The experience is a back to nature wilderness adventure. Game viewing is totally flexible but is primarily on foot or on the canoes; Game Drives, Boat Cruises and Fishing are still very much on offer as well. The camps are simple with old style luxury camping, under the stars and around the campfire. We recommend a minimum 4-night stay so that you can experience all the activities and the base camp will be at one of 3 sites and you will enjoy two nights fly camping at either of the other 2 sites.



DAY FIVE

Today you will transfer back to the airstrip for your flight to the South Luangwa National Park. On arrival you will be met and transferred by game drive to Nkonzi Camp for 3 nights on an all-inclusive basis.

Deep in the heart of South Luangwa National Park Nkonzi Camp is a unique tented camp offering an outstanding safari experience. Nkonzi is small and intimate with just 4 safari tents and prides itself on offering every guest personalised attention.

Each walk-in safari tent has an open-air ensuite bathroom with hot water bucket showers and flushing loo. Inside are wooden-framed beds with crisp cotton linen, solar powered lights, a small charging station and a fan. At the centre of camp stands the atmospheric Swahili Meru tent - home to comfy sofas, our candle-lit dining area and a small bush-bar, this is the perfect place to relax and soak in the safari experience.

Meals are created on site by our wonderful team in the bush kitchen and the camp is proud to use locally grown, fresh produce wherever it can.



DAY EIGHT

Today you will transfer further north to Mapazi Camp for 3 nights on an all-inclusive basis.

Mapazi Camp is situated in the remote north eastern corner of South Luangwa National Park on the banks of the Luangwa River only 5km south of the Mupamadzi River confluence. This area is untouched wilderness; there is no network of game-viewing roads, only access to the camp.

Nestled under mature trees on the banks of the Luangwa River, Mapazi provides an authentic camping experience with a few essential comforts.

The centre piece of Mapazi is our canvas Chitenje; the open-sided tent has been carefully assembled around the huge boughs of a majestic Sausage Tree to create a cool bar and comfortable lounge area.

Mapazi comprises 3 walk-in (Meru style) tents each with views of the river.

Access to the tents is from both ends allowing a through breeze. The tents have large gauze panels for an all-round view and a shaded porch with seating area. A good night sleep is assured in our large beds with sprung mattresses and comfy pillows. Each tent has a private bathroom with flushing toilet, shower and basin (hot & cold running water). These are situated next to the tents and have their own river view.



Exploring the bush on foot promises a unique blend of excitement and serenity. You are intimately involved in the interpretation of signs and sounds; slowly developing your own tracking skills and an appreciation of how to best negotiate a path through Africa's iconic big game.

DAY ELEVEN

Today you will transfer back to the main gate area and we have arranged one night at Nkwali Camp – depending on the time of your flight to Lusaka.

Nkwali is located on the banks of the Luangwa on a magnificent meander in the river overlooking the National Park where leopards roam along the bank and can often be spotted from camp. Situated on Robin Pope Safaris' private land outside the park there is a private game viewing area behind camp as well as exclusive access into the park either by boat or across the pontoon.

The six chalets with bamboo woven walls and thatch roofs offer a rustic luxury opening up to magnificent views of the river as well as open air en-suite bathrooms.

DAY TWELVE

You will transfer the short distance back to Mfuwe Airport in time for your flight to Lusaka and onward flight home.

This safari can be extended to enjoy some time in the Kafue National Park or Livingstone – please ask!



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