

# **16 NIGHT LUXURY ZIMBABWE EXPLORER**



## DAY ONE

On arrival into Victoria Falls International Airport you will be met and transferred to the Old Drift Lodge in the Zambezi National Park for 3 nights on an all-inclusive basis.

Just 7 km upstream of Victoria Falls and on the banks of the Zambezi River - Old Drift Lodge offers luxury accommodation overlooking the pristine Zambezi National Park. The Lodge is nestled within the Zambezi National Park with the opportunity to see elephant, buffalo, herds of sable, eland, zebra, giraffe, kudu, waterbuck and impala.

Just 10 double suites and 4 family suites blend in with the natural environment – each with its own deck and private plunge pool overlooking the river. The main lodge area has 360 degree views onto the Zambezi and onto a water hole. A 7 km stretch of river flows between the camp and the town of Victoria Falls making Old Drift Lodge the closest lodge within the National Park to Victoria Falls.

Activities include morning or afternoon game drives in the Zambezi National Park, morning or afternoon river safaris, guided walking safaris, lunch at the Lookout Café – including drinks, guided tour of the Victoria Falls.



## DAY FOUR

This morning you will be transferred back to Victoria Falls International Airport in time for your light aircraft flight to Hwange National Park. On arrival at Umtshibi Airstrip you will be met by The Hide and transferred to camp for 3 nights on an all-inclusive basis.

The Hide Safari Camp is located in a private concession within Hwange National Park on the eastern boundary and the offers an incredible diversity of wildlife and scenery. You have a choice of the main lodge, Toms's Little Hide, The Private Hide and Doves Nest.



The camp sleeps up to 20 guests in ten comfortable and spacious deluxe, family deluxe and honeymoon deluxe tents. The tents have a myriad of different configurations with indoor and/or outdoor bathtubs and showers, are fan cooled for your comfort in summer and have extra warm blankets and hot water bottles for the cool winter months. Each has a private veranda where you can sit and watch a large variety of game and birdlife at the waterhole.

Activities at The Hide include guided walks, morning, afternoon and night drives, hide sits and a night in the 'Dove's Nest' is included!



## DAY SEVEN

Today you will transfer back to Umtshibi Airstrip and on to Fothergill Airstrip where you will be met by Changa safari Camp and transferred to camp for 3 nights on an all-inclusive basis.

Set in a remote and secluded part of the Matusadona National Park located in the heart of Lake Kariba and boasting nearly 4km of lakeshore frontage, Changa Safari Camp offers a unique safari experience.

The camp has just 8 tents including 2 interconnecting family tents which allow children to move freely between the tents in complete safety and privacy. Each luxury tent has a wonderful view from its deck and are a classic safari olive canvas which have been mosquito proofed with netting allowing you to comfortably fall asleep with a gentle breeze listening to the sounds of Africa!

There are a varied range of activities to choose from including both morning and afternoon game drives, fishing for the famed fighting Tiger fish, game walks on the concession with an experienced and knowledgeable guide and a scenic boat cruise through the Sanyati Gorge.



#### DAY TEN

Today you will transfer back to Fothergill Airstrip in time for your light aircraft flight to Mana Pools. On arrival you will be met by Vundu Camp and transferred to camp for 3 nights on an all-inclusive basis.

Vundu Camp is situated in the heart of Mana Pools National Park underneath a beautiful forest of riverine trees. The camp has eight spacious thatched chalets one of which is a large and comfortable family room. Each chalet opens out onto the banks of the Zambezi River where you can sit outside and watch impala, warthog and elephant stroll by. The main lounge and dining area is elevated, open and breezy with views of the Zambezi River.



Activities include game drives in an open-sided four-wheel drive vehicle, nature walks with a professional guide (child policy is 12 years and above), canoeing down the Zambezi River which is a rare opportunity to experience game viewing from a different perspective (child policy is 12 years and above), ishing off the banks of the Zambezi River, bird watching – with its stunning location on the Zambezi River and the shady riparian forest, birdwatchers will be in heaven here!



## DAY THIRTEEN

Today you will transfer back to the airstrip in time for your light aircraft flight to Harare Domestic Airport where you will have time to stretch your legs before flying to Mahenye Airstrip for Gonarezhou National Park. On arrival you will be met by Chilo Gorge Safari Lodge before transferring to the lodge for one night on an all-inclusive basis.



Chilo Gorge is a luxury safari lodge set on the edge of the stunning wilderness of Gonarezhou National Park in South-East Zimbabwe. This remote and rarely visited lodge offers pristine wilderness of Gonarezhou – unspoilt and untouched Africa. There are just 10 beautifully appointed thatched luxury king/twin lodges - largely inspired by nature with a touch of elegance and simplicity incorporating local crafts and a little luxury: crafted intricate reed weaving, individually carved jacaranda headboards, luxurious cotton bedding, and a mini bar. Each Lodge has its own private balcony with wonderful views of sunrises or sunsets and the opportunity to relax watching resident elephants, crocodiles and hippos in the Save river below.

The lodge is very much involved with the local community and conservation, and sustainability and conservation are central to everything Chilo Gorge Safari Lodge does. The first CAMPFIRE programme (Communal Areas Management Programme for Indigenous Resources) in Zimbabwe was started here, and its principles have since been replicated across Africa and the rest of the world.

Activities include game drives in Gonarezhou National Park, game walks in Gonarezhou National Park, Chilojo Cliffs full day safari, Community Visit, visit to the Chivilia Falls, bird watching in the Sacred Sand Forest.



## DAY FOURTEEN

Today you will transfer to Chilo Gorge Tented Camp for 2 nights on an all-inclusive basis. Chilo Gorge Tented Camp is a semi-luxury seasonal tented camp on the banks of the Runde River. This is an 'old Africa' camping experience with a good standard of comfort and a great place from which to explore Gonarezhou by vehicle and on foot.

Boasting one of the best locations within Gonarezhou National Park the camp has just 4 twin Bedded en suite (shower & flushing toilet) tents and meals are taken under the shade of trees, or in a canvas boma in inclement weather.

Daily activities include game walks with the camp's resident professional guide, game drives and birding, a visit to the Chilojo Cliffs and to the nearby water pans.



### DAY SIXTEEN AND SEVENTEEN

You will transfer back to Chilo Gorge Safari Lodge for one more night on a fully inclusive basis. On your last morning enjoy a game drive before transferring back to Mahenye Airstrip in time for your light aircraft flight back to Harare Domestic Airport before checking in for your international flight home.

You can extend your safari with time in Botswana, Namibia or Zambia before travelling on to Victoria Falls - or enjoy some time in and around the vibrant city of Cape Town after your safari adventure – please ask!





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