

# 6 NIGHT MALAWI - BUSH AND BEACH MAJETE WILDLIFE RESERVE AND LAKE MALAWI



- Itinerary Mkulumadzi 3 nights & Pumulani 4 nights
- **Includes:** All transfers by road starting in Blantyre and ending in Lilongwe, local drinks, accommodation on full board basis, activities (except motorized water sports), laundry
- **Excludes:** Gratuities, visa fees where applicable + international flights.
- Valid April to 6 Jan

Malawi is a fabulous country to enjoy a safari and stay at a beach afterwards and this short 7 night journey is ideal for those who do not have much time. Dominated by Lake Malawi, the third largest lake in Africa, the surrounding country is exceptionally beautiful with dramatic scenery that includes rocky outcrops, high mountains, plateaus and views across what is considered to be Africa's most beautiful lake. Malawi is known as the 'Warm Heart of Africa' and as a people the Malawians live up to this name - they are extremely friendly and welcoming. There are many market scenes, roadside stalls and cottage industries that you can comfortably visit and enjoy on the transfers from Blantyre to Mkulumadzi to Lake Malawi.

#### **DAY ONE**

On arrival at Blantyre International Airport a representative will meet and assist you. The drive to Mkulumadzi is approximately 2.5 hours through colourful local scenes of villages, agriculture as well as bush. The camp is located on the confluence of the Shire and Mkulumadzi River, within Majete Wildlife Reserve, 70km south west of Blantyre - southern Malawi. Majete is Malawi's only Big Five Reserve and also one of the largest protected areas and covers an area of over 70,000ha. The reserve is located within the miombo woodland ecoregion and much of the higher lying areas in the west of the park are dominated by miombo/brachystegia woodland. Mixed combretum woodlands and mosaics of riparian forest can be found in the east of Majete.



Depending on your arrival time in the day you will enjoy a lunch looking out over the Shire River or if in the afternoon for tea and the afternoon and night game drive. This is the perfect location to start your safari as Livingstone is recorded to have entered Malawi by way of the Shire River.

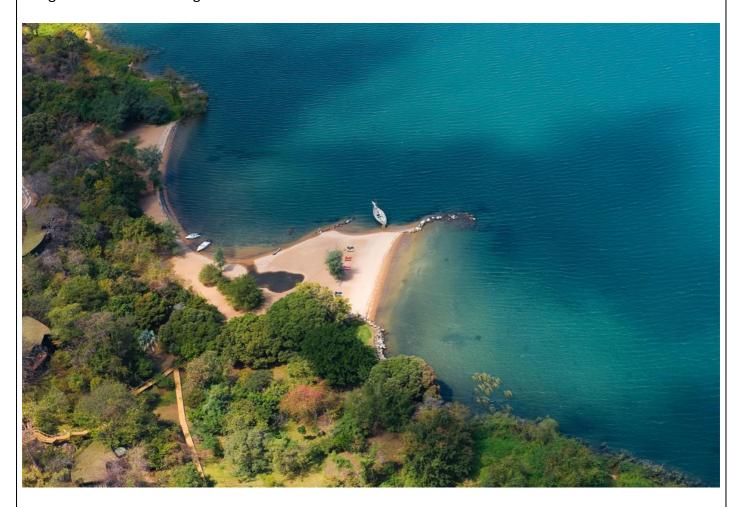
## **DAYS TWO AND THREE**

Mkulumadzi is in a stunning location overlooking the Shire River and activities include game-drives, boating safaris, bush walks, hiking Majete Hill, black rhino tracking, cultural tours, birding trips on the Shire River and to nearby Elephant Marsh and game-viewing from a hide. You can do little and simply relax and enjoy

the lodge or take advantage of all the activities available - although at least one activity per day is encouraged to best enjoy Majete.

#### **DAY FOUR**

Your transfer to Pumulani will be after breakfast by a beautiful and scenic drive through game areas and village life (around 5 hours). Then you will reach the Nankumba Peninsula of Lake Malawi - this is recognised as one of the most beautiful shores of the Lake and borders Lake Malawi National Park. The Park was established in order to protect the cichlid fish unique to the area and in 1984 the park was designated a World Heritage Site.



Pumulani is exclusively situated on the west side of the Nankumba Peninsula, surrounded by national park. The ten villas are scattered around the hillside and are individual in shape and style but all have a spacious bedroom, bathroom and extensive sitting area. The front sliding doors open onto the deck — elevated above the ground giving optimal views.

The remote beach setting is ideal for those who simply want to soak up the sun and swim in the clear blue waters of the lake. There is an infinity swimming pool near the central dining area with grand views over the lake and for those seeking activity Pumulani offers many watersports activities such as snorkeling, fishing, sailing, kayaking, waterskiing, wake boarding and fun tube rides (all motorized activities are excluded from the price). At the end of the day you can enjoy a cruise on the lake whilst watching the sun go down with a sundowner in hand!

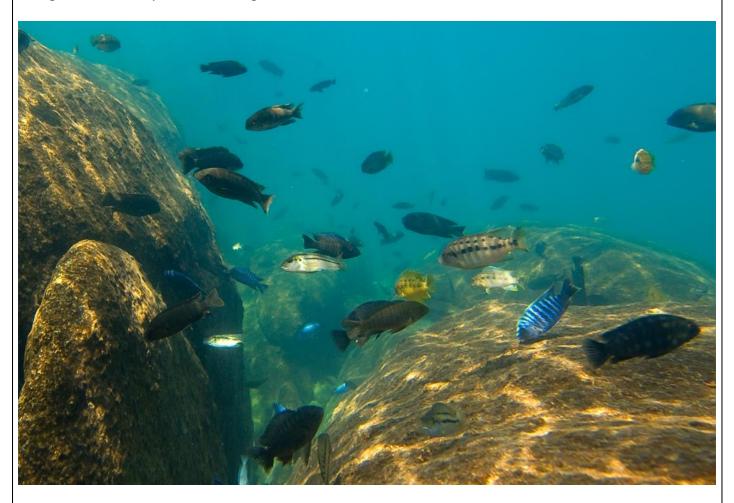
## **DAYS FIVE AND SIX**

Lake Malawi is the world's most ecologically diverse lake. Its crystal clear waters are home to more than a thousand species of fish, including hundreds of species of colourful cichlids. The lodge offers special diving courses at the best diving spots near one of the islands. Alternatively enjoy a guided walk through one of

the local villages - Malawians are renowned for being amongst the friendliest people in Africa and during your stay you will have the opportunity to meet them. You can simply relax in the beautiful and tranquil scenery!

#### **DAY SEVEN**

On the final day of your stay at Pumulani you bid farewell to the lodge and you will be transferred back to Lilongwe in time for your onward flight connection back to the UK.



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