



# Zambia Walking Safari

7 Days



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# ➤ Zambia Walking Safari

Discover Africa's best-kept secret — Zambia's Luangwa Valley, a paradise showcasing an incredible concentration of wildlife. This adventure zeroes in on South Luangwa National Park, one of the greatest yet least visited wildlife sanctuaries on earth, boasting the continent's lowest ratio of people to animals. Experience the freedom of untamed wilderness on foot, along the trails where African walking safaris were born. Come nightfall, head out for thrilling game drives to spot lions, leopards, and other nocturnal creatures, then enjoy hot showers, gourmet meals, and sleeping in the bush.

## Details

Arrive: Lusaka, Zambia

Depart: Lusaka, Zambia

Duration: 7 Days

Group Size: 2-6 Guests

Minimum Age: 12 Years Old

Activity Level:



## Testimonials

*"I've taken six MTS trips and they have all exceeded my expectations. The staff, the food, the logistics and the communications have always been exceptional. Thank you for being my "go to" adventure travel company!"*

Margaret I.

*"I have traveled extensively around the world. The experience with MTS was by far the best I have ever had. Thank you for such excellence."*

Marianne W.

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## Why Take This Trip With Us?

### REASON #01

On this MT Sobek safari, witness Africa's untamed wilderness from remote bush camps of South Luangwa on foot.

### REASON #02

This adventure covers one of the world's least visited wildlife sanctuaries, with the lowest people to animal ratio in Africa.

### REASON #03

Remote, landscape-inspired bush camps offer stellar wildlife viewing, with easy access to game walks and drives, both day and night.

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## What to Expect



### ACTIVITIES

Wildlife viewing on game walks up to 4 miles, day and night drives, and unwinding at restful bush camps.



### LODGING

A comfortable lodge set on a wildlife-rich lagoon and two remote bush camps, each offering stellar wildlife viewing from cozy chalets.



### CLIMATE

December to April is hot and wet; May to August is cooler and dry; September to November is hot and dry.

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## Meet Our Guides

Our expert guides and trip leaders are truly the key to our trips' success. Many are locals who live in-country year-round; others have made it their second home—all are passionate, enthusiastic and endlessly knowledgeable. Meet two of the guides that might be on your trip.

Fannuel grew up in Mfuwe and his passion for wildlife developed at an early age. This interest led him to gain experience in the bush, working for several other safari companies in the area. He even enjoyed a few moments of fame, appearing in the BBC program "No Going Back", when working as a foreman for a lodge featured on the show. He is a certified walking guide and specializes in the areas of Kapamba and Zungulila, and loves sharing his knowledge and expertise for the diverse wildlife in the region. When he's not leading trips, he lives with his wife and two young sons in Mfuwe.

**Fannuel Banda**

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# Itinerary

## DAY 1

### ARRIVE TO ZAMBIA

Arrive in Lusaka, Zambia, and board a flight to Mfuwe, the gateway to South Luangwa National Park. Meet your MT Sobek guide for transfer to the Mfuwe Lodge that overlooks the Mfuwe Lagoon, always bustling with wildlife — enjoy seeing a parade of animals who come to drink from the channel. Begin exploring this afternoon; in the evening, head out for a thrilling game drive, to find elephant shrews, genets, civets, porcupines, serval cats, and various mongooses.

**Activity:** Game drive in open 4X4 vehicle

**Meals:** D

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## DAY 2

### ENJOY SAFARI THRILLS AT MFUWE LODGE

Take walks and go on game drives to discover the abundant and varied wildlife and landscapes of South Luangwa National Park, featuring a mosaic of habitats — from flooded lagoons fringed with evergreen forest to tracts of deciduous mopane woodland. Look out for elephants, hippos, antelopes, and small animals galore: baboons, vervet monkeys, and even eight mongoose species. South Luangwa is also the stronghold of Zambia's endemic Thornicroft's giraffe and home to amazing birdlife. Spot the yellow-billed stork, the reclusive Pel's fishing owl, colorful carmine, and massive flocks of quelea finches.

**Activity:** Two 3-5 hour game drives in 4x4 vehicle

**Meals:** B, L, D

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## DAY 3

### DISCOVER THE REMOTE REACHES OF SOUTH LUANGWA NATIONAL PARK

Today, drive 3 to 4 hours to a bush camp deep in an untouched corner of South Luangwa. Enjoy lunch by the riverbanks and relax in comfortable hammocks before heading out for an afternoon game drive or a walk. Walk a total distance of around 2 to 4 miles per day, with refreshment stops along the way; a porter will carry drinking water, snacks, and coffee for the journey. The walk ends back in camp in time for afternoon tea.

**Activity:** Two 3-5 hour game drive/walks in 4x4 vehicle

**Meals:** B, L, D

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## DAY 4

### EXPLORE THE WILDERNESS SURROUNDING CHAMILANDU BUSHCAMP

Wake up in a four-poster bed — a unique vantage point for watching animals roam across the landscape or swinging through the trees above. After breakfast, head out for another full day of adventures: short or long bush walks, day or night game drives, or just lounging around by the riverbanks brimming with wildlife — the choice is

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yours. After afternoon tea, rest and dine at camp before a night game drive with spotlights, looking out for lions on the kill, leopards on the prowl, and other nocturnal creatures.

**Activity:** Two 3-5 hour game drive/walks in 4x4 vehicle

**Meals:** B, L, D

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## DAY 5

### SEE MORE OF SOUTH LUANGWA NATIONAL PARK FROM KAPAMBA BUSHCAMP

Today move on to the scenic Kapamba Bushcamp, set in a different area of the park. Arrive on foot or by 4X4 vehicle, and in the afternoon take a game walk — a great opportunity to experience the freedom of Africa's untamed wilderness on foot. Back at the camp, enjoy more wildlife sightings and a tasty meal.

**Activity:** 3-4 hour game drive in 4x4 vehicle & game walk in 4x4 vehicle

**Meals:** B, L, D

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## DAY 6

### ENJOY THE LAST DAY IN THE ZAMBIAN BUSH

On the last day in Luangwa Valley, follow in the footsteps of Africa's historic explorers. Hit nearby trails with first-class guides on safari walks or drives, along the trail looking out for surprises: leaping impala, screeching baboon troops, and loping giraffe. Exchange safari tales over a final group dinner, then fall fast asleep to the mesmerizing buzz of the bush.

**Activity:** Two 3-5 hour game drive/walks in 4x4 vehicle

**Meals:** B, L, D

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## DAY 7

### DEPART ZAMBIA

After breakfast, bid farewell to the group and transfer to the airport Mfuwe Airport for your flight to Livingstone Airport for homeward-bound flights.

**Meals:** B

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## Dates

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## Pricing

2019

\$ 6,495 per person

### Additional Cost

\$ 900 Internal Airfare

\$ 700 Park Fee

\$ 1,100 Single Supplement

2020

\$ 5,295 per person

### Additional Cost

\$ 700

\$ 1,200 Single Supplement

### PRICE INCLUDES

- Expert leadership from experienced adventure guides
- Accommodations as noted in the itinerary
- Meals as noted in the daily itinerary
- Potable water and snacks throughout
- 1 glass of wine or beer at dinner
- All tips and gratuities for support staff with the exception of your lead adventure guide(s)
- All group entrance fees, activities, and ground transportation
- Arrival and departure day airport transfers

### PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE

- International airfare, any airport taxes, or excess baggage charges
- Optional tips to your lead adventure guides
- Personal expenses such as medical immunizations, phone calls, laundry, or souvenirs
- Airport transfers if arriving outside of the group transfer
- Optional travel protection

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