



## 7 NIGHT “BEST OF LUANGWA” SPECIAL - 2021

3 nights Jackalberry Treehouse at Flatdogs Camp & 5 nights Lion Camp

Day 1 Arrive in Lusaka where you will be met and assisted through to check in for your onward flight to Mfuwe.

Lusaka – Mfuwe Proflight Zambia  
0730/0840 or 1100/1210 or 1600/1710 depending on the day of the week

You will be met at Mfuwe airport by one of our safari guides and transferred to camp (30-40 minutes)

Day 1-4 **JACKALBERRY TREEHOUSE AT FLATDOGS CAMP – 3 nights**

Flatdogs Camp is situated on the Luangwa River in the southern Mfuwe area of the South Luangwa National Park; an area where the wildlife has been protected for so many years that game almost entirely ignores safari vehicles, so we are lucky to have some extraordinarily exciting sightings of predators as well as their prey.



You will be staying here at Flatdogs in the unique Jackalberry Treehouse, your own private eyerie looking out onto a floodplain dotted with acacia and sausage trees. The Treehouse has been created from three teak platforms built around three living Mchenja trees (African Ebony or Jackalberry tree).

The whole of the front of the Treehouse is open, allowing you to sleep “under the stars” and feel part of this thrilling landscape



where you may be awoken by a family of elephant taking an early morning

mud-bath in front of you. Set away from the rest of camp, and surrounded by fairly thick indigenous trees and bushes, we need to transfer you to and from the house by vehicle for safety. You will have a hand held radio at the Treehouse so you can call to order meals or a vehicle to come and collect you. In the afternoons, you will be collected from the Treehouse by your safari



guide at around 3.30pm and driven up to the main courtyard at camp to meet the rest of us for tea. You and your guide will then start to explore this part of the Park, listening out for alarm calls to follow and enjoying the various habitats found in this area. You will stop most likely at a scenic spot on the river or

a lagoon to watch the infamous African sunset and for night to fall before continuing on with a spotlight, looking for some of our local predators. Lion, leopard, hyena, fishing owl, honey badger and genet are some of the nocturnal species regularly seen. You will return to camp as the park closes at 8pm, in time for dinner which you can either have up at camp, or on your dining deck at the Treehouse.



In the mornings, your guide will pick you up at around 0530 and bring you up to the main part of camp where you can take a light breakfast of toast and cereal before heading into the Park to further explore or maybe return to an exciting sighting from the night before to see what has developed. Guides here in the South Luangwa have to take in depth examinations in order to qualify as professional guides and are specialist naturalists, knowledgeable in all aspects of the Park, from the wildlife and birds, to the trees and shrubs on which they feed, animal behaviour & ecology, conservation principles and the history of the Park.

Usually we return to camp just after ten in time for either a big cooked breakfast or a brunch type lunch, whichever you prefer? Our a la carte restaurant is open all day, so you can choose to eat when you are hungry. You can then relax during the heat of the day, sitting in the Treehouse watching what game comes to the waterhole, or head up to camp to sit on the river bank next to the swimming pool, or if you are interested in seeing more of the Mfuwe area, we can happily organize to take you up to the

village where you can spend a couple of hours visiting the local markets, the local schools we are supporting, the rural health clinic, the nearby anti-poaching base and some of the local conservation and community projects. The safari package includes your private accommodation in the Treehouse, all meals, shared safari activities, National Park Entry fees, LCCF, laundry and airport and inter-camp transfers. Not included are drinks from the bar or items of a personal nature like shop purchases or internet use.

**Day 4** This morning we will set off at 6am with your luggage packed and ready and drive off north towards your bush camp inside the National Park. We usually do this transfer as a game drive, aiming to reach camp at around 1000-1030 so you can settle in to your room before brunch.

**Day 4-9 LION CAMP - 5 nights**

As the most remote lodge inside South Luangwa National Park, Lion Camp opens only during the peak game viewing months (June-October). It is a stylish, unique and independent lodge, now managed by the Mantis Collection and accommodating a maximum of 18 guests. Lion camp sits on one of the oldest bushcamp sites within the National Park and is still found in one of the best game viewing areas inside the park.



Located 40km upstream from the main Mfuwe gate, and on the banks of an oxbow lagoon or “wafwa”; the lodge looks

out onto open grassland which is frequented by grazing mammals by day, and becomes a hunting ground for lion by night.

Accommodation at Lion Camp will be in a luxurious canvas and thatch chalet. Built on raised wooden platforms, they are linked to each other and the main area by a raised wooden boardwalk. Your chalet will have either a four poster king-size double bed or twin beds, and a walk-in mosquito net. En-suite with a shower and toilet, it also has a private deck which overlooks the open plain in front.



In between meals, your time is free until the afternoon safari, so you can swim in the infinity pool, explore the library or game view from your private deck. In the absence of fences,

game moves freely through the lodge grounds. Elephant, hippo, bushbuck and other antelope are regularly seen within the confines of the camp and there are healthy populations of lion, leopard, buffalo and giraffe in the immediate area.

Afternoon tea is served at 15h30, you will then head out on an afternoon activity – normally a game drive but it is possible to walk and meet a vehicle for sundowners and then continue on a night drive.

You will return to the lodge around 20h00 and have time to freshen up before a 3 course dinner is served.

The following morning – the program is similar to that at Flatdogs – an early morning wake-up call and a safari activity (your choice of walking safari or game drive) leaving at 06h00 – coming back around 4 hours later depending on the heat of the day.



The safari package at Lion Camp includes your accommodation, all meals, local drinks, game-viewing activities, National Park Entry fees, LCCF, laundry and transfers.

Day 9 You will be transferred back through the Park to Mfuwe airport to connect with your flight back to Lusaka.

Mfuwe – Lusaka  
1250/1400 or 1740/1850

Proflight Zambia

End Services Lusaka airport

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**Total cost per person sharing 15 May-30 June = US\$5546.00**

**Total cost per person sharing 01-15 July & 16-31 October = US\$5771.00**

**Total cost per person sharing 16 July-15 October = US\$6490.00**

This package includes return flights Lusaka-Mfuwe-Lusaka, all accommodation and activities as described, all Park Entry fees, conservation levies and taxes, drinks while at Lion Camp, laundry and airport and intercamp transfers. Not included are Visa fees for Zambia (\$50 per person), drinks while at Flatdogs Camp, gratuities or items of a personal nature.