

## FLATDOGS & CHIKOKO WALKING TRAIL PACKAGE - 2020

Day one Lusaka – Mfuwe

Proflight Zambia

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

## Day 1-4 **FLATDOGS CAMP – 3 nights**

The luxury ensuite safari tents offer you a back to nature taste of the wild, with large windows all around the tent so you can see and hear the animals feeding in camp as well as the hippopotamus honking to each other in the river in front of you! The tents are spacious with a



king bed, large mosquito net, electric lights and plug sockets for re-charging batteries (UK style plug sockets). There is also a room safe and tea and coffee-making facilities. The luxury tents have semi open ensuite bathrooms with hot shower, WC and basin.

Depending on your time of arrival, you can settle into camp and have some lunch, before we meet again in the courtyard for tea at 15h30, then you'll head into the Park at 16h00, ready to explore this

magnificent wilderness. Our guides take huge pride in their work, being able to identify numerous alarm calls and to track animals and try to anticipate their next move so as to position you for the best sightings.

As the sun starts to dip towards the horizon, your guide will find a good spot to stop so you can stretch your legs and watch the sun set with a cold drink in hand... Then, once it's nearly dark, you will carry on gameviewing with a spotlight, searching for some of our interesting nocturnal residents, like the leopard, lion, porcupine, civet, genet, owls and hyaena.



You will return to camp at around 20h00 in time for dinner and to relive your sightings with us!

It's an early start in the mornings; we offer you an early breakfast of toast and cereal, tea and coffee from 05h30 before you head out at 06h00 on a morning game drive, exploring the park, taking the sightings as they come, with your guide detailing all you are seeing and adding interesting observations drawn

from his years of experience in the Park. You will head back to camp at around 10h00, in time



for breakfast or a brunch/lunch type meal — whichever you would prefer? Then there is time to relax during the heat of the day, enjoying a dip in the pool perhaps or a siesta after your early start? We can also organize walking safaris for you in the mornings if you want any practice before the real thing!

If you are interested in village life in this area, we can also happily organize a visit to the nearby Mfuwe village, including our anti-

poaching base and some of the local community projects, including schools, that we are supporting in this area. We have included three nights on our safari package basis which includes your accommodation in a luxury ensuite safari tent, all meals, two game-viewing activities per day, National Park Entry fees, LCCF (Luangwa Conservation & Community Fund fee), laundry and return airport and other transfers. Not included are drinks or items of a personal nature like shop purchases or internet use.

Day 4

This morning you will head off early (at 06h00 as usual!) with your luggage packed to transfer to the first of the Chikoko Trails' bushcamps. We will game drive north through the Park, aiming to be at the meeting point at around 1000. Depending on the day, you might be ferried further up river by boat to walk into your first bushcamp. As both bushcamps are situated



in an area where there are very limited roads, the final part of your transfer will be on foot. A guide and armed National Park scout will escort you and porters will be on hand to carry your luggage and carry it into camp, leaving you free to enjoy your first walking experience in this remote wilderness. All you need to carry is your camera and binoculars, hat and sunscreen. Please note that the order of the camps may change, depending on availability.

## Day 4-6 **CHIKOKO TREE CAMP – 2 nights**



You will arrive in camp to settle in before heading out on an afternoon walk, exploring the area on foot before dusk when you need to return to camp for a sundowner celebration before a delicious dinner cooked over a fire by the skilled bush chefs. Rising early in the morning, you can sit and watch the game drinking at the waterhole as the sun rises for the start of another day and your four hour morning walk. The minutiae of the bush come to the fore

as you trek through this unspoilt wilderness. Morning walks start early to avoid the heat of the day. The pace is generally leisurely as the guides will stop to talk about points of interest as you

go. Ample drinking water is provided and there is also a mid-way stop for tea/coffee brewed over an open fire giving you time to relax and enjoy your surroundings. In the afternoons, like the animals, you become active after the heat of the day, seeing what's happening in the area until dusk falls and you will return to the camp fire. The transfer to your next bushcamp is incorporated into your morning walk, arriving into your next camp in time for brunch. As



before, your luggage will be transferred across by porters and will be waiting for you in your chalet on arrival. The chalets at Chikoko are built three meters off the ground in the tree canopy affording outstanding views out onto Acacia Plains. All meals, drinks, activities, laundry and park fees are included.

## Day 6-7 **CROCODILE RIVER CAMP – 1 night**



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You can relax in this rustic bushcamp during the heat of the day before enjoying your afternoon walk, further exploring this new area, returning in time for sundowners and dinner. There will be time for another early morning walk the next morning, to aim for the meeting point where you will be transferred back across the river to meet the vehicle which will transfer you to the airport.



**End Services Lusaka** 

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Total cost per person sharing May & June: US\$3688

Total cost per person sharing July & October: US\$3988

Total cost per person sharing August & September: US\$4033

This quote includes internal Flights Lusaka – Mfuwe – Lusaka, road transfers in South Luangwa, National Park fees\*, domestic airport departure taxes, meet & assist service at Lusaka airport, Luangwa Community & Conservation Fund contribution, full board accommodation, game viewing activities, bar on the Chikoko walking Trail & laundry.

**<u>Price Excludes:</u>** Bar at Flatdogs apart from sundowner drinks, items of a personal nature.

<sup>\*</sup>Please note that Park Entry fees for 2020 have not yet been officially confirmed by the Department of National Parks and Wildlife and these may increase without notice. Any increases will have to be passed onto the guests.