# Wild Zimbabwe Highlights

### **Itinerary** at a glance

Day 1 – 4	3 nights Somalisa Camp, Hwange National Park
Day 4 – 7	3 nights Zambezi Life Styles Camp, Mana pools National Park
Day 7 – 9	2 nights Kanga Camp, Mana Pools National Park

### **Detailed itinerary**

#### Day 1 – 4 Somalisa Camp, Hwange National Park

Upon arrival at the Victoria Falls Airport you will be road transferred to Hwange Main Camp passing through traditional Ndebele villages on your way. You will be met by your guide at Hwange Main Camp and transferred by game drive to Somalisa Camp, set in the heart of HwangeNational Park where you will spend three nights.

Somalisa Camp is set in the heart of HwangeNational Park, known as the land of the giants for its big elephant herds. Somalisa is an authentic bush camp, a blend of old African charm and elegance together with an exclusive safari experience. Its stunning location tucked away on an acacia island along the edge of an ancient seasonal flood plain gives it breath taking views of the savannah plains of the famous Kennedy Vlei line. At Somalisa Camp, you will experience the heightened romance of the African Bush in one of the most natural environments in Africa. This is the way Africa was meant to be explored.

Only six elegantly furnished canvas tents with en suite bathrooms, flush toilet and romantic alfresco bush shower make up this camp. The décor echoes of an old era, from colonial to the ancient tribes of Africa, telling the story from all corners of this magnificent continent. It's stunning main area and pool lends to complete relaxation, whether it be with a cup of tea or one of our refreshing cocktails; overlooking the pan where the herds of game congregate in large herds, offering rare moments of outstanding nature.

Your senses will be awakened and you will feast on our sumptuous cuisine, a balance of organic produce and innovative gourmet meals complemented by a choice of South African and Australian wines. Our meals are inspired by the Far East, Europe and Africa. You will discover new and seasonal flavours, which our imaginative chef will present you with.

The use of solar lighting ensures your comfort without interfering with the environment and the area's natural surrounds. The lounge and dining area is at the forefront of the camp, tucked under a soaring canopy of trees. Wide and well-traversed Elephant paths make up the paths connecting your room to the main area.

Activities include guided walks lead by qualified and passionate guides who will share their knowledge and love of the bush with you, game drives and spot lighting as well as game viewing from hides. Walking and game drives will allow you the opportunity to observe elephant, kudu and sable antelope, zebra, wildebeest, gemsbok, the rare and endangered roan antelope, buffalo, giraffe, white rhino, lion, leopard, hyena, and many other wildlife species. The Kennedy vlei is littered with flamboyant colors from all its seasonal wild flowers that emerge as the first rains begin, and as the grass dries out, the large herds of buffalo, zebra and elephant are in abundance.









Day 4 – 7 3 nights Zamb

## 3 nights Zambezi Life Styles Camp, Mana pools National Park

After your last breakfast at Somalisa camp you will go on a game drive to our air strip where you will meet your charter flight to Mana pools. This flight will take approx 1 hour & 50mins. On arrival you will be met and taken to your tented camp on the Zambezi River. This is where you will begin your three nights on the Zambezi River in Zambezi Life Styles Camp.

Come on the adventure of a lifetime for an experience like no other. This safari takes you to several prime spots of this World Heritage site allowing you to explore new territory every day.

Each night you will end up back at a mobile tented Camp, which is a comfortable camp on the banks of the Zambezi that is set up for the season each year. Each tent is a spacious mini meru-style tent with en-suite bathroom, flush toilet and outdoor bucket shower. There are plenty of opportunities to walk the famous floodplain of the Zambezi valley, exploring the Mana Pools wilderness areas well off the beaten track. Wildlife to be seen includes hippos, crocodiles, lions, wild dogs, leopard, hyenas, elephant, buffalo, waterbuck and many other antelope.

Canoeing is an optional activity which will probably see you doing about 8 hours of light paddling each day in a steady current of about five kilometers an hour. The whole trip will be along the shoreline in Zimbabwe's ManaPoolsNational Park covering a total distance of about 50 kilometers, where you'll enjoy viewing of wildlife from a totally different perspective.









Day 7 - 9

### 2 nights Kanga Camp, Mana Pools National Park

After your last morning activity at Zambezi Lifestyles camp you will go on a game drive in the national park to Kanga Camp. Here you will stay for the last two nights of your safari in Mana Pools, exploring the inland river beds, pans and open plains of the National Park by game drive and guided walks with you armed professional guide.

Kanga Camp has six tents set in the heart of ManaPoolsNational Park. The main area of the camp is on decking overlooking the pan. A relaxing lounge area under the shade of large trees overlooks the pan. There is the choice of taking game drives in open-topped four-wheel drive vehicles or walking with professional guides. The opportunity to leave one's vehicle and track game on foot is an experience rare in the national parks of Africa and in Mana Pools in particular this provides the visitor with the chance to track game in safety with an experienced professional guide. Other activities canoeing which is organised on request. Game abounds on the flood plains and in the Mopane woodlands of Mana Pools. Kanga Pan particularly attracts great game in big concentrations as it is the only water found in the floodplain above the river. The predators, including lion, wild dog and leopard are often

sighted and large concentrations of buffalo can be found in the Mopane woodland and open plains studded with Ilala Palms. Kudu, zebra, impala and waterbuck can be seen on the surrounding plains. Elephant take advantage of the plentiful "albida" trees in the area. Bird watching is also a great attraction of the area.



Day 9 Kanga to Victoria Falls Airport

After breakfast at Kanga you will be taken on a charter back to Victoria Falls for your onward travel arrangements.

**End of Safari**