

On the banks of the Luangwa River, in the remote Nsefu sector on the north side of South Luangwa National Park, you'll find the historic Nsefu camp. It was the very first photographic safari camp in Zambia, which dates back to the fifties. We took it over in 1999, and now welcome just 12 guests in the six refurbished brick-and-thatch en-suite rondavels, each with open views across the river. Robin Pope Safaris are the only company operating in this sector of the park making for an exclusive holiday experience.

The camp

Accommodation

Six rondavels, one double and five twins; maximum 12 guests.

Facilities

En-suite bathrooms with basin and shower.

Note: There is no WIFI or telephone reception

Activities

Walking safaris, game drives (day and night), cultural/village tour, visit to Chipembele, visit local market and Tribal Textiles.

Meals & Drinks

Rate is fully inclusive of all meals and drinks.

Electricity & Water

The camp is run on solar power with a backup generator for cloudy days.

Tap water is from a borehole and is safe for drinking; bottled water is also provided at the camp free of charge.

'Evening breeze' air conditioning

Evening Breeze air conditioning units have been installed in all rooms. It is designed to cool the air within your mosquito net and not the entire room.

Children's Policy

Minimum age for children is twelve years.

Payment for extras

All extras can be paid in cash (local currency, US\$, Euro or British Pounds) only.

Tipping

Is not expected but always enthusiastically received if you are happy with the service. Please always give tips for the staff to the management to be shared out and please tip your guide individually.

Open

Open 22 January – 31 March, 22 May – 20 November.

Travel information

International flights

South African Airways, Kenya Airways and Emirates fly into Lusaka, Zambia.

South African Airways, Kenya Airways and Ethiopian Airways fly into Lilongwe, Malawi.

Getting to Mfuwe

1 hour 30 minutes flight with Proflight from Lusaka, Zambia.

From Lilongwe, Malawi it is a 1 hour flight.

Getting to the camp

From Mfuwe Airport it is a 1 hour 15 minute road transfer to camp through some colourful village life then game viewing opportunity through the park.

Getting into the Park

The camp is perfectly located within the heart of the game rich Nsefu Sector of the National Park.

Meet and greet

In Lusaka, Lilongwe and Mfuwe you will be met by a RPS representative who will assist you with immigration formalities. If you have any problem, please call Robin Pope Safaris on +265 (0) 1795483 / 4491 for further assistance.

Visas

Most nationals can obtain their visa at the point of entry into Zambia. Current charges are \$50 for tourists of most nationalities, including US, Canadian, British and most European countries. If you are not one of the above please ask about visas before booking. Please visit the Zambian Immigration website <http://www.zambiaimmigration.gov.zm/> for full information.

Airport Tax

Most airlines now include airport taxes in the tickets. But for charter flights these may still be payable, please confirm with us for exact amounts.

International airport taxes: US\$40 per person

Domestic airport taxes: US\$16 person

Please note that all taxes can be paid in US Dollars.

For Lusaka and Mfuwe our meet and greet team will assist you with the above.

Health

All visitors should be medically insured. We recommend that visitors to Zambia take malaria prophylactics.

Tetanus, polio, typhoid and the hepatitis vaccinations are recommended. It is advisable to know your blood group type in case of an emergency.

Please do ask for up to date health advice in your home country.

Insurance

We highly recommend full Trip Cancellation Insurance - we do need to charge cancellation fees as stipulated. Robin Pope Safaris bears no responsibility for any delays, cancellation of flights or change of itinerary and retains the right to alter or cancel an activity with just reason.

Cancellation Policy

Confirmation to 91 days 20% of accommodation only, then full invoice (excluding park fees) 90 – 61 days 25%, 60 – 31 days 50%, 30 – 0 days 100%. Cancellation fees will be applied and so we highly recommend that you ensure full "Trip Cancellation Insurance" is bought at time of confirmation.

Additional information

Photography

Please be sensitive when photographing local people and their villages. Ask the guide or the villagers first. Be careful when photographing public buildings and persons in uniform - again, ask first.

What to bring

You should always travel with soft bags not hard suitcases (not only for the smaller aircraft but also to fit into vehicles).

Proflight baggage allowance (for most routes) – limit of 15 kg for hold luggage and 5 kg for hand luggage. Please visit <http://proflight-zambia.com/content/beforeyoufly/baggageallowances/> for full information.

Bush & Lake Aviation baggage allowance - limit of 12 kg for hold luggage and 3 kg for hand luggage (so this is 15 kg max per person ONLY if total weight falls within weight and balance graph of aircraft for the specific flight; body weights are taken into consideration).

Important items to bring: hat, sunglasses, sunscreen, torch, binoculars and film/photo camera.

Climate

Depending on which time of year you visit, you may need waterproofs, a warm jacket or sunscreen. The dry months are from April till October and the wet months November till March. Temperatures range throughout the year from between 11-40 C.