

**Zakouma National Park: Chad**  
**08-17 April 2020**  
**10 days - 9 nights**  
**Private Safari**

Uncover 350,000 hectares of raw, wild Africa. Here, lions roam open plains in search of vast buffalo herds, and red-billed queleas flock in their thousands. Roan, tiang, amazing birding, local villages and cultures complete this very special picture. A park once ravaged by civil conflict and poaching, Zakouma is one of African Parks real turnaround success stories. Evidence of their conservation efforts being rewarded include:

- A buffalo population that has grown from 200 in 1986, to over 10,000 in 2016
- A thriving elephant population which was brought back from the brink of extinction
- Zakouma is home to 50% of Africa's Kordofan Giraffe population

In April 2020, will be returning to Zakouma on a 10-day expedition led by Alan McSmith. With 32 years of safari industry experience in several African countries, Alan lives and breathes as a private safari guide, tracker and conservationist. He is an accredited Zakouma guide who led our 2019 trip to Zakouma.

**Day 1 - Wed, 8 April: N'djaména**

Arrive in the capital of Chad, N'djaména, and transfer to Hilton Hotel. The capital and the largest city of Chad, N'djaména is a port city on the Chari River. Overnight stay at Hilton Hotel including breakfast.

**Day 2 - Thu, 9 April: N'djaména, Zakouma National Park**

Transfer from Hilton Hotel to airport for charter flight to Zakouma National Park. From the airstrip in Zakouma, you will be transferred to Tinga Camp (15 minute drive). Tinga is idyllically located on the Tinga River. The camp and chalets are very rustic, but comfortable. There is a fully equipped restaurant and bar. We will have our own private vehicle for enjoying game drives. Walking safaris are also available along the banks of the Tinga River, close to camp. [B/L/D]

**Wildlife**

As an important source of water, in a harsh environment, for animal species in the region, Zakouma attracts amazing wildlife. The dry season is particularly good for game viewing because this attracts wildlife that migrates out of the park during the wet season. Some of the wildlife you can encounter:

**Predators** – Lion, leopard, cheetah, spotted hyena and wild dog. Other smaller species include, civet, serval, caracal, jackal, etc.

**Herbivores** – Elephant, Kordofan giraffe, Central African Savannah buffalo, Western greater kudu, tiang, roan antelope, etc.

**Threatened Species** – Elephants, black crowned crane, black breasted barbet

**Bird Species** – Zakouma is a valuable stop-over and breeding ground for birds. A total of 388 bird species reside in the park

**Days 3/9 - Fri, 10 April / Thu, 16 April: Zakouma National Park**

For the next 7 days, explore the many treasures of Zakouma from your base at Tinga Camp. [B/L/D]

**Day 10 - Friday, 17 April: Zakouma National Park, N'djaména, USA**

Charter flight from Zakouma National Park to N'djaména to connect with your international flight back home. [B]

[B] = Breakfast | [B/L/D] = Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner



**Your Tour includes:**

- Transfer airport/ Hilton hotel/ airport
- 9 nights' accommodation:
  - N'djaména 1 night
  - Tinga Camp 8 nights
- Meals:
  - Breakfast daily
  - Lunch and dinner at Tinga Camp
- Charter flights: N'djaména/Zakouma and Zakouma/N'djaména
- Park guides
- Park entry fees
- Services of Alan McSmith as host

- The group will have a private game drive vehicle

**Tour does not include:**

- International airline tickets
- Taxes or surcharges related to airline tickets
- Cities tax
- Travel insurance
- All alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks
- Other meals not mentioned in itinerary
- Extras and gratuities
- Early check-in, late check-out
- Expenses of personal nature
- Visas and health requirements

**Hotels in your Tour:**

Location	Name	Tripadvisor
N'djaména	Hilton	4
Zakouma	Tinga Camp	n/a

**Tour Prices:**

Departure	Double	Single
8 April '20	\$7,179	\$7,824

Prices are per person and may change without notice.

Group is guaranteed with a minimum of 6 guests

Group size is limited to 8 guests

**Additional travel insurance is mandatory**

Confirmation deposit is 50% of price

Final payment must be made by 3 January '20

**Tour Code:** TD01DJN20WF

**VISA INFORMATION:**

A visa is required for most travelers to Chad. Visa applications, costs and relevant documentation are the responsibility of the traveler (please refer to <https://chad.travisa.com/> for more information). An invitation letter will be provided by Zakouma National Park once your booking is confirmed and we have received the passport information of each traveler.

**HEALTH INFORMATION:**

A yellow fever certificate is required to enter Chad and you will be asked to present it on arrival. Zakouma is a malaria area and all visitors are advised to take the appropriate prophylaxis prescribed by their doctor. It is difficult to bring aerosol insect repellents into Chad, so we suggest guests bring an insect repellent in cream form. Make sure you cover up with long sleeve shirts, trousers and closed shoes in the evenings. Tsetse flies can be a problem along certain parts of the heavily wooded Salamat River and in the south of the park. While they have a nasty bite, they are generally harmless.