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Photographic Safari in Zambia & Malawi 9 days – 8 nights Lilongwe, Liwonde National Park, South Luangwa National Park, Lusaka Photography, Safari, Eco-Tourism, Discovery, Adventure

This program may be operated for individuals or for groups

This is a suggested itinerary

Welcome to a 9-day photographic safari in Liwonde National Park, Malawi and South Luangwa National Park, Zambia!

Turn your hobby into a passion and learn the basics and more about wildlife photography with professional tuition from Robin Bruyns in and out the field.

Day 1: Lilongwe, Liwonde National Park

Welcome to Malawi! Upon arrival in Lilongwe it is now time to drive to Mvuu Camp in Liwonde National Park. Mvuu Camp overlooks a broad stretch of the Shire River (pronounced 'Shiree'), with a profusion of hippos, crocodiles and an amazing birdlife. An impressive thatched dining and lounge area is situated nearby, offering a magnificent vista of the Shire River. Dinners are sometimes held under the stars in a specially constructed boma. Activities at Mvuu Camp revolve around boating trips on the Shire River and game drives (morning and afternoon/evening). Nature walks and bike rides are also incredibly popular. You will check in and will have a little time to get settled before your afternoon game drive. [D]

Day 2: Liwonde National Park

The course begins! Today the following two lectures will take place after the morning game drive and before your afternoon game drive so that you can spend some time putting what you learnt into practice with your instructor/guide at your side to guide you. Overnight at the camp. [B/L/D]

1. Beginners Secrets to Photography

This course covers the most vital and basic elements of digital photography. You will learn a variety of important aspects including what Shutter, Aperture and ISO mean and what their functions are, how to achieve an accurate exposure using the Lightmeter, and a few secrets on how to achieve great photographs without over complicating your photographic experience.

2. Accurate Exposures and the Living Light

This course follows on from the Beginners Secrets to Photography course and further explores the world of achieving more accurate exposures through a deeper understanding of Light and the effects of Shutter, Aperture and ISO in Manual Mode. We also look at understanding contrast, choosing different light settings on your digital camera, and selecting your exposure more accurately using the Lightmeter.

Day 3: Liwonde National Park

Today you will have the third lecture after your morning game drive. You will then go on your drive, have lunch and have plenty of time to relax back at the camp before your afternoon drive! Overnight at the camp. [B/L/D]

3. The Nature of Composition

This course looks at several of the most common compositional rules in photography. No cameras needed, this course is pure theory and will change the way you read your next photographic moment.

Day 4: Liwonde National Park, Lilongwe

Back to Lilongwe today and you will be staying a night at Kumbali Country Lodge for some rest and relaxation before heading to Zambia. Why not roam around their beautiful gardens and test out what you have learnt so far? Kumbali Country Lodge boasts everything you could expect from a country lodge and much more. Plump pillows and refined decor await you. Should you require anything, room service will deliver it straight up, allowing you time for rest and relaxation. Instead of the concrete

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jungle, you can gaze out at the natural gardens and bush surrounding the lodge, sipping on a gin and tonic whilst watching the African sun set in the distance. Overnight at the Lodge. [B/D]

Days 5-8: Lilongwe, Mfue, South Luangwa National Park

After breakfast you will be transferred to Lilongwe Airport to catch your flight to Mfuwe Airport where you will be transferred to Chikunto Lodge. Here the wildlife photography course will be taught during drives and will put into practice what you learned at Mvuu. Chikunto is set on a magical area of South Luangwa between the Nsefu and Mfuwe sectors. The Mfuwe sector can be busy because it is a hot spot for sightings. The Nsefu sector is a quieter area, further north, but also a game rich area. Chikunto Safari Lodge offers a range of unforgettable safari experiences and activities tailored to suit your time and interests. From game drives to walking safaris, their well-trained safari guides will take you on a memorable journey of discovery. You will enjoy a lot of sightings. Overnight at the lodge. [B/L/D]

Day 9: South Luangwa National Park, Mfwe, Lusaka, USA

Today you will be transferred back to Mfuwe airport to catch your connecting flight to the USA via Lusaka. [B]

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



Your Tour includes:

- Transfers:
 - o Lilongwe International Airport to Mvuu Camp
 - o Mvuu Camp to Kumbali Country Lodge
 - o Kumbali Country Lodge to Lilongwe International Airport
 - o Mfuwe Airport to Chikunto Safari Lodge
 - o Chikunto Safari Lodge to Mfuwe Airport
- 8 nights' accommodation:
 - o Liwonde National Park 3 nights
 - o Lilongwe 1 night
 - o South Luangwa National Park 4 nights
- Meals:
 - o Breakfast daily
 - o 6 lunches
 - o 8 dinners
- Photographic Lessons at Mvuu Camp

- Game drives at Liwonde Nat'l Park
- Game drives at Luangwa Nat'l Park
- Relaxing stay at Chikunto Country Lodge
- Local drinks at Chikunto only
- Game activities
- Park fees
- Domestic flights as listed below

Tour does not include:

- International or domestic airline tickets
- Taxes or surcharges related to airline tickets
- 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

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Hotels in your Tour

Location	Accommodation Name	Tripadvisor
Liwonde National Park	Mvuu Camp	4.5
Lilongwe	Kumbali Country Lodge	4.5
South Luangwa National Park	Chikunto Safari Lodge	5

Flights

Flight	Departure	Arrival
Scheduled	Lilongwe International Airport [LLW]	Mfuwe Airport [MFU]
Scheduled	Mfuwe Airport [MFU]	Kenneth Kaunda International Airport [LUN]

Specific flights will be confirmed at time of booking

What to bring

- Camera -Any brand as long as it has a manual mode option
- Battery charger (with universal adapter plug) & minimum two batteries
- Lenses -Wide (12-75 range) & telephoto (100-400 range), preferably one of each with lens hoods.
- Memory cards, minimum 2 per camera (64-128 GB each)
- Camera bag
- Tripod/Monopod or bean bag for stability
- Dust cloth & lens pen for general cleaning
- Small towel to cover protect camera from direct sun and dust while in motion on safari
- Camera strap for walking safaris
- Note pad and pen (Guide will supply lecture notes)
- Please ensure your gear is insured

Tour Prices:

These programs can be customized for individuals and groups.

Changes to this program may be requested by phone (1855-55-TOURS) or using the web FIT Quote Request

• Airfare

We also be glad to add the necessary airfare from your gateway so you take advantage of our special discounted leisure fares

• Program

You may add or remove;

- o Trip days
- o Cities and sites
- o Meals

Other options

- o The program was designed with private services, however, we may substitute shared sightseeing where available
- \circ If you prefer deluxe services we may operate this program including private driver, private guide and concierge service.

Quotation

Once we have designed the program the way you want we'll give you a quote within 2 business days.

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Options:

- Lunches and dinners can be arranged for individuals, families and groups at top restaurants or any restaurant requested by you.
- We can revise the itinerary to spend more time and provide more depth in those areas that you are interested on.
- Any other changes to the itinerary will be accommodated depending on the facilities available in the area.

Group Quotations

- If you wish to use these programs for your group or as the basis for a customized journey please either call us (1-855-55-TOURS or use the web Group Quote Request.
- In either case our specialists will work with to refine all the details and they will get you a quote with 2 business days. Quotes may be obtained for the air and land portions of just for the lad journey.
- Booking both air an land with us will represent savings for you because of our buying power and longtime relationship with the airlines.
- We will also may have the choice between regular fares and special leisure fares not available to the public.