

Liuwa Plain National Park

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3,369 KM² | AFRICAN PARKS PROJECT SINCE 2003

Fed by two tributaries of the mighty Zambezi, Liuwa receives annual flood waters which inundate its expansive plains and transforms the park into a mosaic of brilliant pans, lush green grasslands and wooded islands. It then remains inundated to some extent for much of the year, creating a wetland of immense ecological and cultural importance.

African Parks assumed management in 2003, and the transformation has been remarkable. Herbivores once again congregate in the tens of thousands, stalked by the growing predator populations; and the park's seasonal flood cycle plays host to the second-largest wildebeest migration on the continent. This is safari into a wetland wonderland.

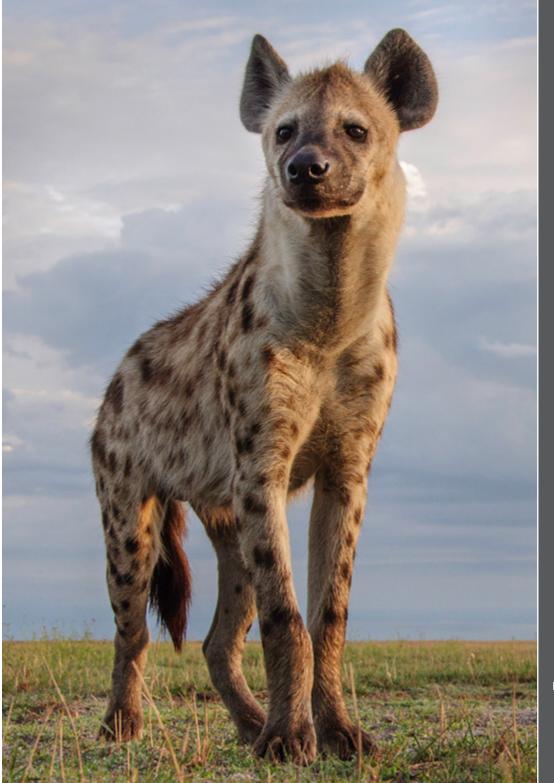
While home to the wildebeest migration, the park is also host to strong herds of zebra and tsessebe plus growing populations of buffalo and eland. Hiding among the wetland reeds & grassland are oribi and reedbuck. After the park's lion population was reduced to a single female—famous Lady Liuwa—a series of reintroductions recovered it to 12; cheetah have re-established naturally, and join the park's remarkable 350+ hyena population. The park is long recognised for its 357 species of birds, including the rare wattled and endangered grey-crowned cranes.



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Liuwa Plain National Park is managed by African Parks in partnership with Zambian Department of National Parks and Wildlife (DNPW) and the Barotse Royal Establishment (BRE)





In the remote west of Zambia, on the floodplains of the upper Zambezi Basin, representing a significant catchment area for one of Africa's most iconic rivers.



ACCESS

A 10 hour drive from Lusaka or 8 hours from Livingstone to the Park's entry at Kalabo, where one crosses by pontoon boat into the park. 4x4 vehicle with high clearance is required.

RESERVATIONS

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Liuwa Campsite

Each of the 5 campsites takes advantage of different sections in the park, so it's important to consider drive times and season. Regardless, there are sure highlights throughout the season - from the very remote and wilderness feel of Sikale to the more convenient Lyangu, each site is sure to delight with the consistently excellent birdlife and very regular sightings of plains game and even visits from cheetah, lion and hyena.

(Please see the rate sheet for greater detail).



CAMP SIZE 5 campgrounds, each accommodate up to 20 people in 4 sites.

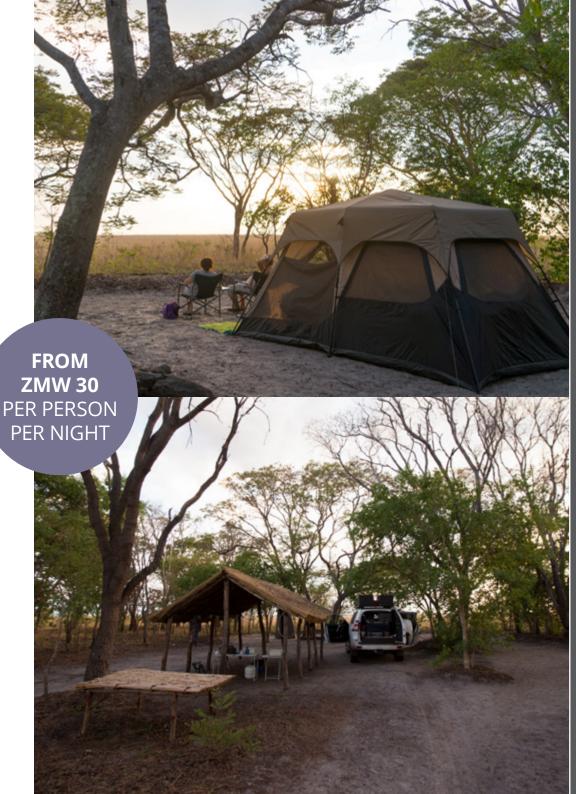


ACTIVITIES Self-drive game drives

> INCLUSIONS None



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Distance from Kalabo: Kwale: 75 mins Lyangu : 75 – 90 mins Katoyana : 2.5 hours Mukalabumbu : 3 – 4 hours Sikale : 4.5 – 5 hours



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PARK HOURS

8:00am to 4:00pm

TENT DETAILS 5 campgrounds with 4 sites each. 4 have flushing toilets, hot showers and camp attendants to assist with cleaning the ablutions and the sites. The ablutions have solar lights but there are no charging points or plug points. The 5th site (Sikale) has no facilities and is a wilderness campsite.



SERVICES None – water, wood must be purchased in Kalabo town



Malaria prophylactics recommended. All other vaccines, please consult your physician. Medical evacuation insurance recommended.



CHILD POLICY Children of all ages welcome.

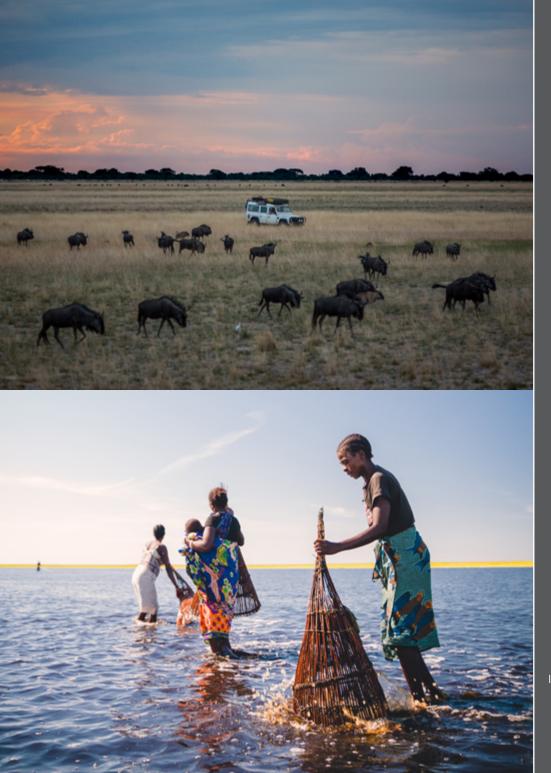


MONEY

Currency accepted: Zambian kwacha or US dollar (bills must be 2009 or later). Alternatively, a bank transfer can be done in advance (proof of payment required).



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SEASONS

Liuwa's relatively high elevation and tropical location combine to create a relatively unusual climate, with warm-to-hot days and cool-to-cold nights.

THE GREEN SEASON

NOVEMBER TO APRIL Average Rainfall: 162mm/month Average Temperature: 24°C

THE COLD DRY SEASON

MAY TO JULY Average Rainfall: Nil Average Temperature: 18°C

THE HOT DRY SEASON

AUGUST TO OCTOBER Average Rainfall: 11mm/month Average Temperature: 24°C

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