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**Journeys by Design in conjunction with Time + Tide
Are delighted to be supporting the One Girl Can IWANTtoBE Event
at the Imperial Theatre on Thursday 25th April 2019**

We present the ultimate six-night Zambia experience for two persons

[King Lewanika Lodge, Liuwa Plain National Park, Zambezi Flood Plains](#) (4 nights)

[Chongwe River Suites, Lower Zambezi National Park](#) (2 nights)



“Journeys by Design opened our eyes to a world of experiences we never could have imagined”

Ralph Lauren



With Africa's ecosystems, wildlife and communities under increasing threat, more and more people desire responsible travel options. This fits seamlessly with our core principle; the vital importance of sustainable tourism. Please see our [Ethics](#) page for further information.

Our luxury safaris are designed to support conservation and local initiatives. This enables you to immerse yourself in a truly breathtaking safari experience, safe in the knowledge that you are also contributing to vital wildlife preservation and supporting indigenous communities.

To that end, we have established our charity [Wild Philanthropy](#) which aims to revolutionise the travel and conservation sector through its travel-driven conservation model. Our innovative approach links travel, community, conservation and finance, to conserve at-risk ecosystems.

Journeys by Design sell a lifestyle choice, with values – not just a holiday.

**Angela Sacha
Journeys by Design, March 2019**

'Will and Journeys by Design provided us with a rare glimpse of animals in their natural habitats, dugout canoe adventures, sundowner spectacles and the most stunning birdwatching ever! Every bit of our trip was first class, from booking, arrival, in-camp comfort and meals, wildlife viewing and departure'

Katy Perry, who traveled with Journeys by Design

Introduction to your Zambia Safari Adventure

Congratulations! We are delighted that you are the winner of a superb prize of a six-night safari adventure for two people. Journeys by Design is delighted to support One Girl Can, with our offering of six nights in Zambia at two eco-conservation led accommodations, King Lewanika Lodge and Chongwe River Suites in Zambia.



This is a rare opportunity to spend four nights in Liuwa Plain, one of the unspoilt and exclusive wildlife rich habitats of Zambia. This is a very special safari experience in an area designated as a conservation area, under the protection of African Parks, in the far west of the country. It is a magnificent stronghold of wildlife and birds and is a mini Okavango Delta. Superb activities include day and night wildlife drives and walking in pristine wilderness areas. During December and March an excellent time for boating and canoeing. Here you will find migrating wildebeest, large clans of hyena, sometimes up to 50 and Liuwa's famous lions out in force, and many hundreds of bird species. Your guide will ensure to maximise your wildlife viewing and you just will not see another vehicle, what a luxury.



We pair Liuwa with two nights at Chongwe suites in the Lower Zambezi area. A beautiful wild setting on the Zambezi river, your room has its own plunge pool and for added luxe, your own butler. The ultimate exploration of this stunning area can be by walking, by boating or canoeing safaris. There is also great Tiger fishing and a superb wildlife hide, where you can take some unique photographs. For those that are a bit more adventurous there is a sleep out under the stars – the ultimate commune with nature.



Zambia's main attraction is the chance to not only drive but walk through some of the most stunning landscapes in both the Liuwa Plain and Lower Zambezi National Park. Zambia is the home of walking safaris, and it takes your experience into the next level of immersion, connecting so much deeper into nature.





Your Zambia Safari itinerary

Day One Four nights, full board: King Lewanika Lodge, Liuwa Plain National Park, Zambia

Time + Tide King Lewanika Lodge, named for the monarch who declared the area protected in the 1880s, is an essential addition to Zambia's safari offering: a luxury permanent lodge in Liuwa National Park.



Overview

Likely Zambia's most exclusive lodge and designed by the architectural team behind other favourites including Ngorongoro Crater Lodge, King Lewanika combines luxury and genuine rustic charm. Thatch, canvas and open woods dominate, but the furnishings are classic and opulent. The lounges and dining area are understated and elegant, all designed to focus attention on the star of the show: the spectacular views onto the plain and its wildlife. Phone reception and wi-fi are available, though limited. There is a plunge pool.



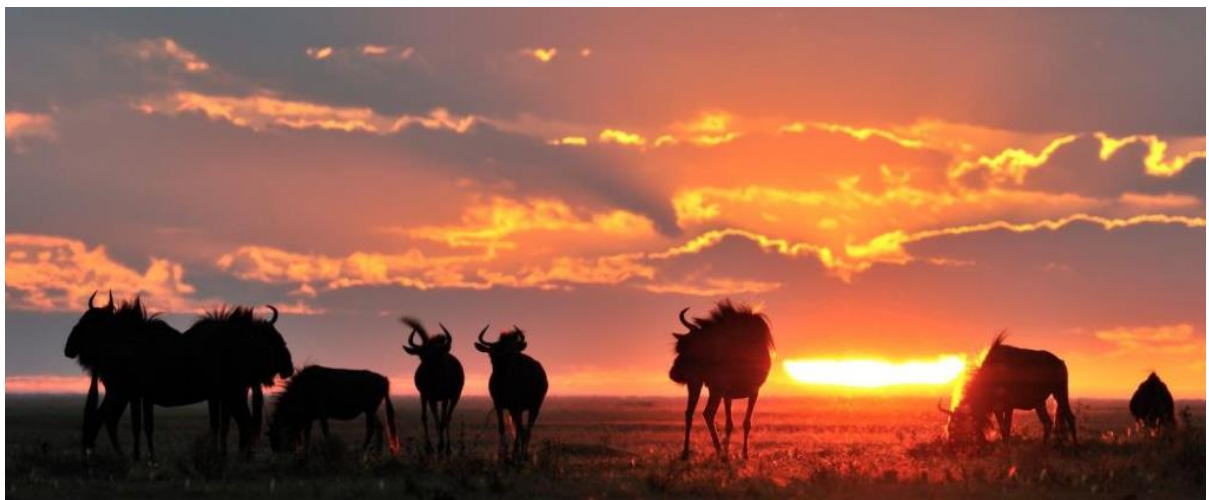
The cuisine at King Lewanika is as accomplished as one would expect from this experienced team, and the range of drinks is excellent. From restaurant floor to room care to the standard of guiding, service is refined, attentive and all round excellent.



The accommodations at Time + Tide King Lewanika comprise six villas, including one with two bedrooms that can comfortably host a family. Each villa is positioned on its own raised platform, a good distance from its neighbours and thoughtfully angled to maximise privacy and the view. The combination of traditional safari aesthetic and modern luxury continues throughout, with plush en suite facilities in each villa and furnishings that flavour contemporary style with local arts and crafts. There is also electricity throughout. Each villa has its own deck upon which private dinners can be served.







*“Journeys by Design’s modus operandi is always the same:
make it original, unfailingly well-organised, fun, caring and life changing”*

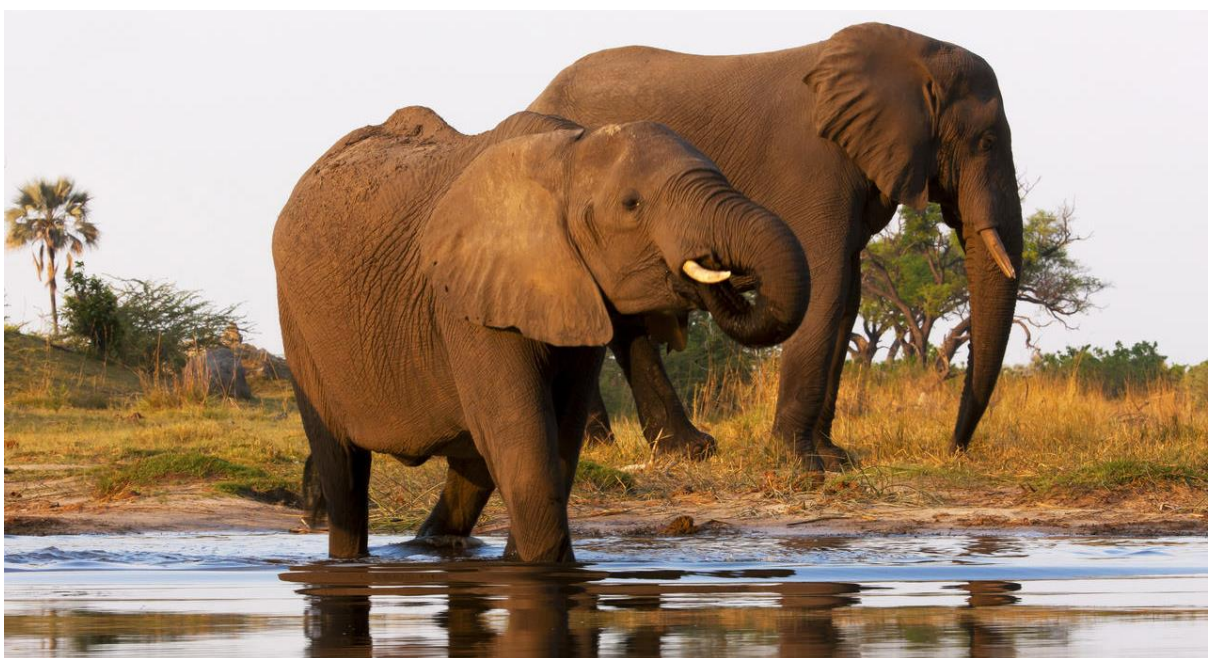
Conde Nast Traveller, *The Experts*



Experiences

Time + Tide King Lewanika is not only a quality offering but in fact the only permanent camp in the park. Thus, it is the perfect base from which to explore the area and its wildlife either on day and night safari drives or expertly-guided walking safaris, canoeing or sleeping out under the stars. Experience the magic of the Liuwa Plain, home to Africa's second biggest wildebeest migration, magnificent birdlife, a growing cheetah population and the famed Lady Liuwa lion pride. The region offers spectacular photographic opportunities. The broad grass canvas hosts annual floodwaters, sprawling wildflower blooms and dramatic thunderstorms - the perfect backdrop for capturing the beautiful wildlife.





The Area – Liuwa Plain National Park

Meaning ‘plain’ in the Lozi language because of its flat expanse of open grassland rarely broken up by an island of raffia palms, Liuwa was first established as a national park in 1972 and its ecosystem is unlike any other in the area. Given the difficulty travellers must take to reach it, it is hardly visited, and consequently the best park in the region for wildlife. Whilst there is a complete sand road network within the 3,662 km² park, much of it is as yet unexplored.



In the 19th century the park was traditionally run by the Lozi king, where it was administered as the king’s official hunting ground, the wildlife entrusted to the people of the surrounding communities to preserve. After 1972 it was taken over by the government.

While the local community retained the rights to fish in the rivers, graze their livestock and harvest the plants for use, much of their cultural connection to the land was lost and widespread poaching became commonplace, with many large mammal species declining steeply in numbers.

African Parks, an organisation founded by business minded conservationists, whose aim it is to restore African national parks by realigning the interests of local people and wildlife, took over management of Liuwa Plain National Park in 2003, and thankfully wildlife has since been on the increase.

Nowadays, Liuwa plain is home to the second largest wildebeest migration in Africa, and carnivore populations have taken off, particularly lion, cheetah, wild dog and spotted hyaena. Apart from wildebeest, other large herbivores include buffalo, zebra and tsessebe.

Liuwa has its own microclimate, so, unlike the rest of Zambia, there are two rainy seasons from January to April and November to December and two dry seasons from May to July and August to October. The best time to visit Liuwa is any time from late October to mid-July.



“It seems to me that the natural world is the greatest source of excitement; the greatest source of visual beauty; the greatest source of intellectual interest. It is the greatest source of so much in life that makes life worth living.” - **Sir David Attenborough**

Day Five**Two nights, full board, exclusive use: Chongwe River House Suites,
Lower Zambezi National Park**

Private and exclusive, the Time + Tide Chongwe Suites offer sublime luxury and service against a beautifully wild setting. Nestled under ancient winterthorn trees at the confluence of the Chongwe and Zambezi Rivers, the Cassia (one bedroom) and Albida (two bedrooms) Suites are perfect for honeymooners or families and friends travelling together. Both have butler service, plunge pools overlooking the river and private dining options.

**Overview**

The Albida Suite sleeps four guests in two elegant en-suite bedrooms situated on either side of a private dining and lounge area complete with a plunge pool and fire pit. With privately guided drives, it is ideal for families or friends travelling together.

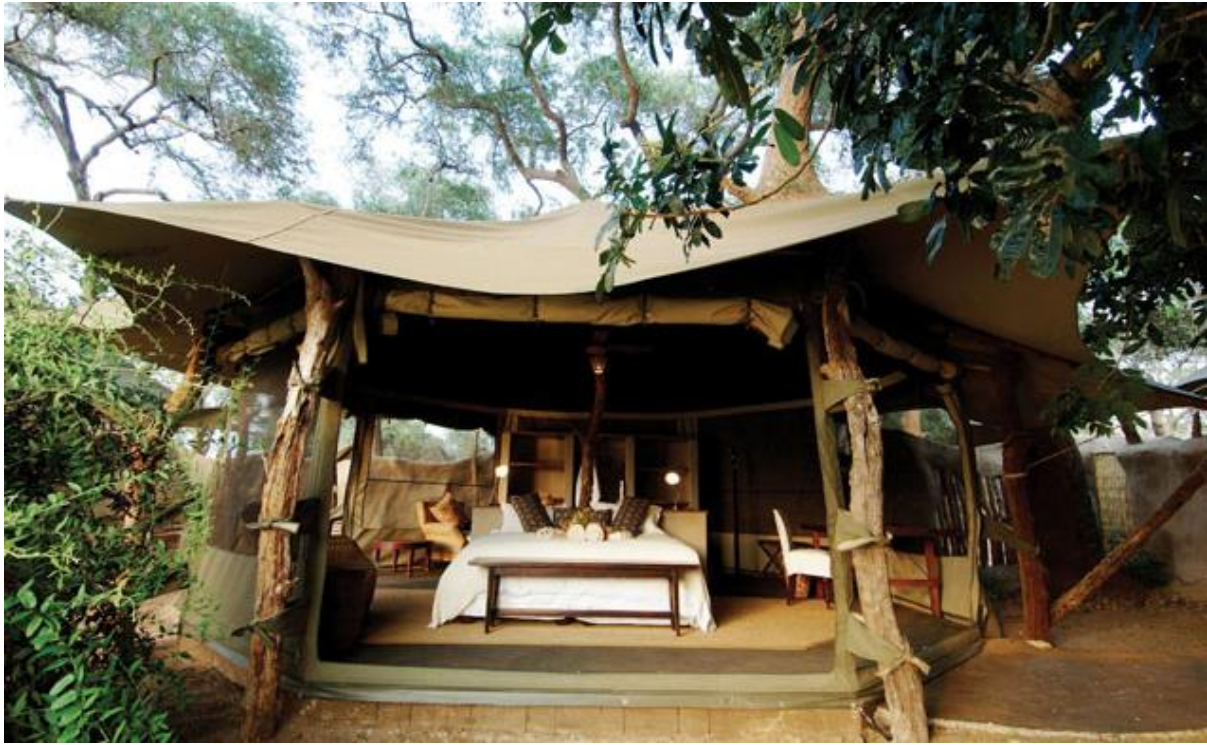
The Cassia Suite is an ultra-private suite for two consisting of a luxurious en-suite bedroom, canopied lounge and dining area, plunge pool and fire pit. It is perfect for honeymooners, couples or those seeking an extra dash of luxury.





Despite the remote and tranquil setting, the staff create extraordinary meals that satisfy the soul and delight the palette. Designed to celebrate local ingredients, expect dishes such as perfectly grilled meats, handmade pasta, elegant desserts and fresh salads made with seasonal fruits and vegetables. Whether you're dining under the stars in the main area or in the privacy of your suite, the attention to detail and warm hospitality will create a wonderful experience.

At the end of a lively day on safari, enjoy your sundowner, a cherished African tradition. Whether you prefer a crisp gin and tonic or a local beer, the excellent bar staff have got you covered.



Experiences

Time + Tide Chongwe's impressive variety of safari activities provides the ultimate exploration of this magnificent African paradise. By land, enjoy wildlife drives and walking safaris, or take to the rivers and explore with boat cruises canoeing safaris and fishing. Back in camp the new wildlife hide is great for photography, especially rare nocturnal creatures. This is one of the most beautiful regions in Africa, with rivers winding through the forested valley, creating a haven for wildlife and birdlife. Lions, wild dog, elephants and hippos abound - to name just a few!





The Area - Lower Zambezi National Park

Consisting of just over four thousand square kilometres of woodland (mopane and miombo), the Lower Zambezi National Park is delineated in the north by an escarpment and in the south by the Zambezi. Both barriers - one rock, the other water - corral, foster and protect a healthy wildlife population, most of which congregates in the river's floodplain. Being Zambia's youngest and least developed park, the Lower Zambezi is a true wilderness. Great swathes are yet to be properly mapped, and the area is generally inaccessible to most vehicles.

Home to herds of elephant, to hippo, buffalo, waterbuck, and to many of the big predators (lion, leopard and hyena), Lower Zambezi National Park's lodges and camps are well known for their excellent guides. Canoe trips - with mobile camps set and struck on the river's islands - allow the traveller rare access to animals normally viewed from an entirely different angle. Rivalled only by the walking safari (also a park specialty), journeys like this provide the traveller with an experience that is truly authentic.

For bird lovers, it is a paradise. Fish eagles are common; bee eaters nest in the river's mud cliffs; trumpeter hornbills, parrots, lovebirds and quelea flock here in great numbers; and in the summer, the river plays host to the narina trogon. Loved also for its fishing, the river's stock of tiger and bream fish is excellent. Lower Zambezi National Park itself is best visited between June and April, and would suit those looking for something wild, private and occasionally challenging.





Time + Tide Ethics

Conservation

Time + Tide supports local research on carnivores and wildebeest and helps to fund the conservation management authority through park fees. The lodge has also partnered with the two communities closest to Lewanika Lodge — Sibemi and Munde — to ensure residents appreciate tangible benefits from conservation and tourism.

Commerce

In the first year of operation, Time + Tide recruited 28% of the Lewanika staff from Sibemi and Munde villages; 44% of staff from other villages within or adjacent to the national park; 22% of staff from the local town of Kalabo (approx 40 km from Lewanika); and 6% from the Western Province capital of Mongu. 100% of Lewanika permanent staff are from the Western Province, with 72% from within the national park area.

Furthermore, Time + Tide aims to source 30% of the food required for the lodge from local villages within the national park.

Community

The Time + Tide Foundation funds the operating costs of the Sibemi Primary School, and numerous students' scholarships for a variety of age groups. Additionally, the Foundation has installed two wells that provide clean drinking water year-round in Sibemi Village.





A final note on safari experiences

The camp managers and guides are responsible for ensuring that you are well taken care of and at no stage should you be left wondering what to do or where to go next. The options will be made clear to you by your guide who will identify himself on arrival at the lodge.

However, in a nutshell wildlife and landscape is best viewed during the cooler hours of the day i.e. early morning and late afternoon. The morning activities are normally arranged the evening before and afternoon activities over lunch.

I would suggest an early rise and breakfast on most mornings to take advantage of the morning activity – this may be a wildlife drive, or an escorted nature walk or tracking wildlife – returning late morning where you will sit out the heat of the day around the pool (if available in your camp) or reading your books. Lunch is normally buffet. An alternative is to head out early and return for a late breakfast. Clearly if you see a lot of wildlife or other elements of interest then you will stay out longer than if you saw very little – for this reason there is no fixed amount of time spent on any activity.

Then at about three thirty or four in the afternoon you will normally meet for tea and head out from there for another late afternoon drive or walk returning in time for a shower before dinner, drinks and bed.

Although it is our job to design the overall structure of your itinerary, the specific day to day running of activities is very much down to the management team and your guide in each camp or lodge.



"I will make this land better known to men that it may become one of their haunts.

It is impossible to describe its luxuriance."

David Livingston, Journals

Your itinerary includes:

All safari accommodation on a full board basis including laundry

All safari activities on a shared basis at King Lewanika Lodge and Chongwe River Suites including all wildlife viewing activities

All Park and conservation fees

Laundry

All local drinks on safari (except champagnes and premium brands)

This excludes:

International flights to Lusaka, Zambia

Internal domestic flights and transfers to camps

All Park and conservation fees

Visa (can be purchased on arrival for US\$50 per person)

Travel Insurance

Gratuities for guides / drivers / lodge

Items of a personal nature, such as additional activities, premium beverages and tips

Any new changes to government taxes or levies that are beyond our control

Terms: To be taken one year from even, not to be taken in August or Christmas and New year, and subject to availability. Not to be transferred, exchanged for cash



"Journeys by Design are always out there on the frontiers of African travel"

Brian Jackman - Leading African travel writer

Why travel with Journeys by Design and Wild Philanthropy

We believe that for tourism to work, it must be sustainable. All the travel opportunities provided through Journeys by Design and Wild Philanthropy ultimately depend on healthy ecosystems. Responsible travel can be a real force for good, providing economic benefits to local people, protecting endangered species and conserving the wilderness which makes Africa so special.

Journeys by Design was founded in 1999 by environmental scientist Will Jones, to create inspirational adventures of the spirit to his homeland Africa. Our highly-skilled team has organically grown and now boasts over 75 years of experience on the ground in 17 Africa countries. The fact that over 70% of our business is repeat or referred is a measure of our success.

Wild Philanthropy was set up in 2016 in both the UK and the US as a conservation foundation, powered by Journeys by Design. Established as a charity to identify, invest in, and help manage at-risk ecosystems, it is our response to the unprecedented challenges faced by natural environments and traditional cultures in the African countries we operate in.

Our bespoke conservation journeys enable you to make a positive contribution, while immersing yourself in a truly awe-inspiring safari experience. We use only the finest camps, parks and guides in east and southern Africa to explore the lesser-known frontiers of this vast safari continent.



'An understanding of the natural world and what's in it, is a source of not only great curiosity, but great fulfilment.' - **Sir David Attenborough**