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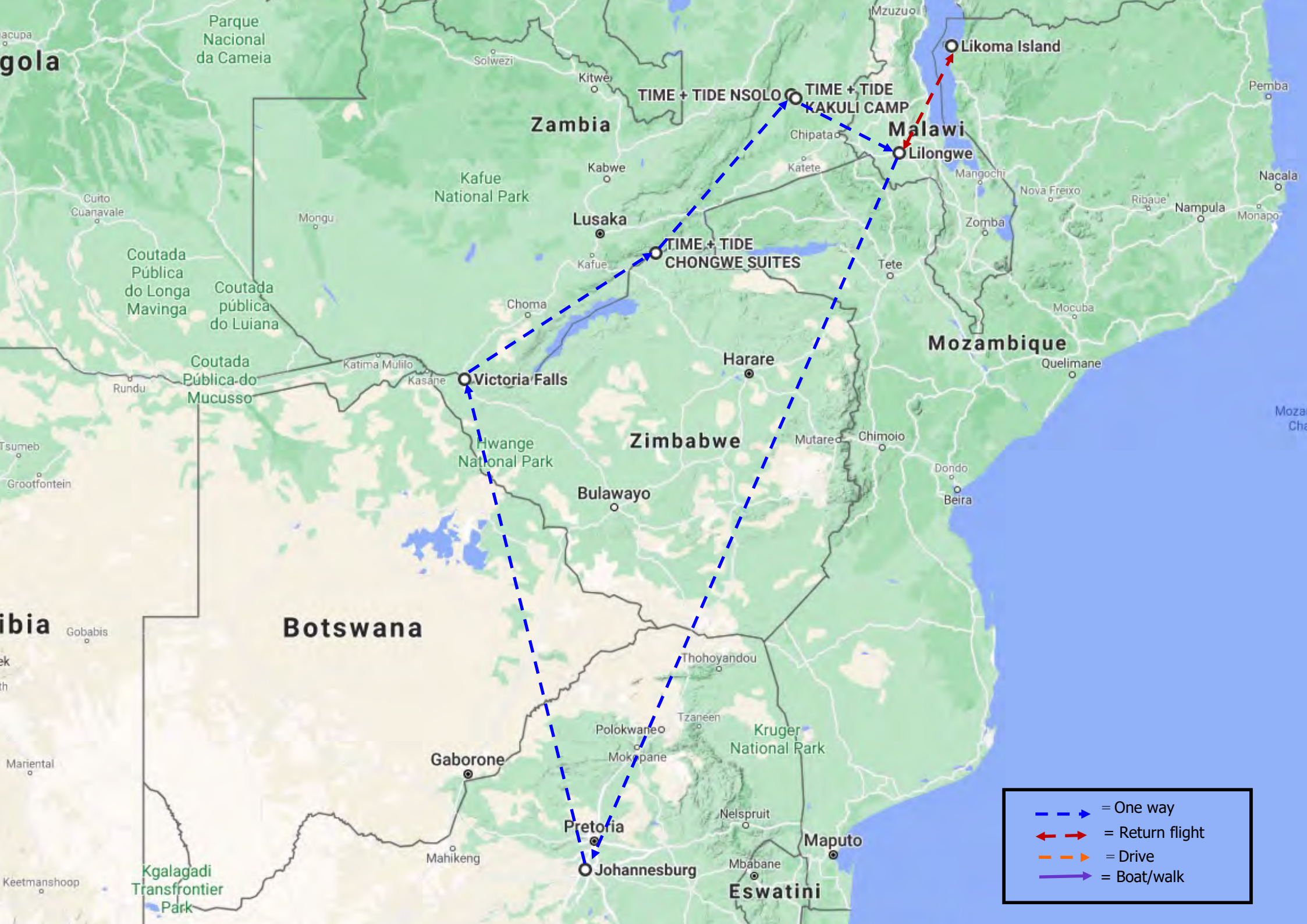

Likoma Island
TIME + TIDE NSOLO
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Lilongwe
Malawi
Zambia
Kafue National Park
Lusaka
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Victoria Falls
Harare
Zimbabwe
Mozambique
Hwange National Park
Bulawayo
Botswana
Gaborone
Pretoria
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Maputo
Eswatini
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Kitwe
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Choma
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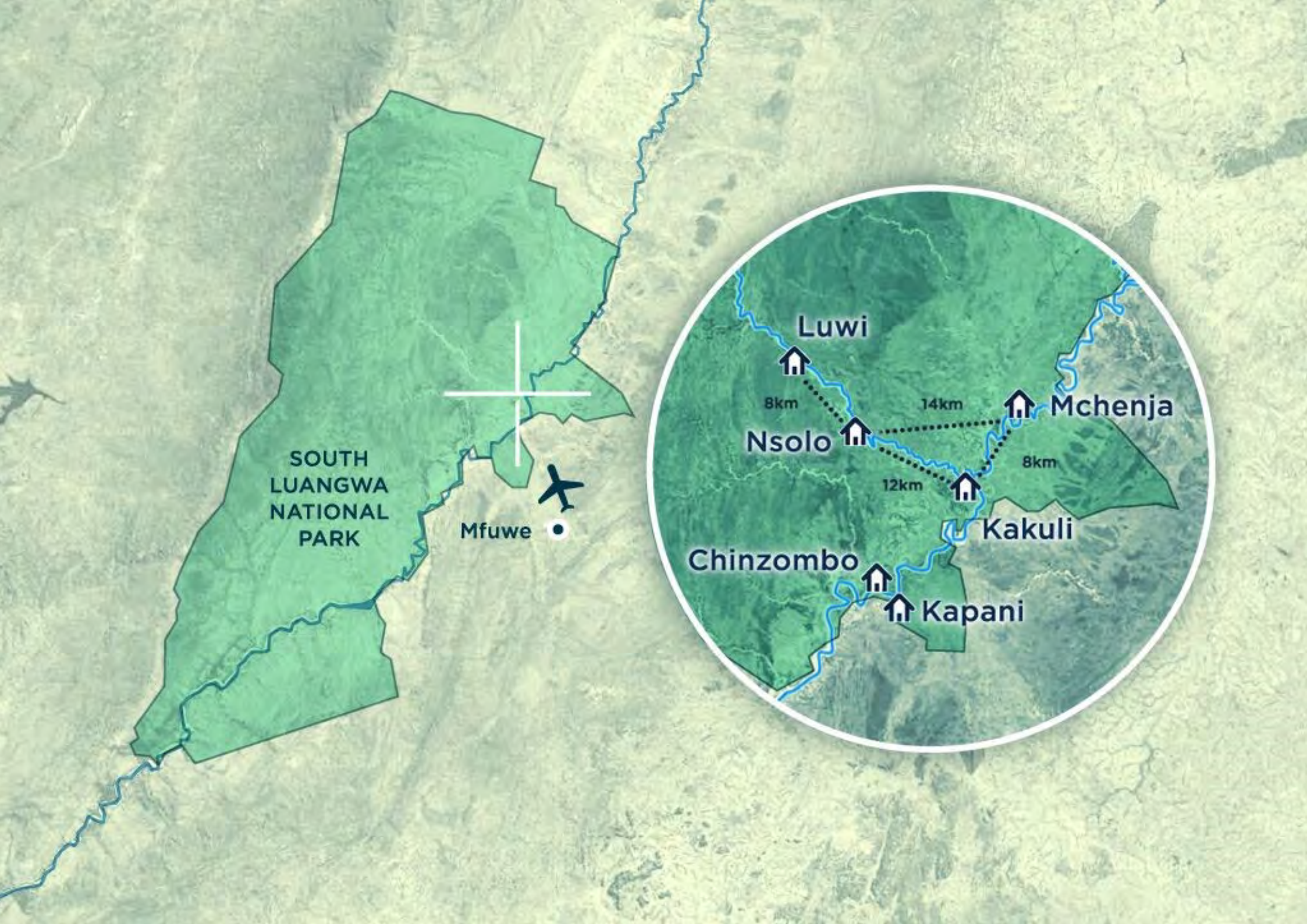
Tzaneen
Polokwane
Mokopane
Nelspruit
Mbabane
= One way
= Return flight
= Drive
= Boat/walk

ZAMBIA
LOWER ZAMBEZI
NATIONAL PARK
CHONGWE
RIVER HOUSE
KASAKA
RIVER LODGE
CHONGWE
RIVER CAMP
TSIKA
ISLAND
ZIMBABWE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LUANGWA
NATIONAL
PARK
Mfuwe
Luwi
8km
14km
Mchenja
Nsolo
8km
12km
Kakuli
Chinzombo
Kapani

In a Nutshell...

Day 1 - Fly to Johannesburg from London

Day 2 - Arrive in Johannesburg & Onwards to Victoria Falls, Stay at Victoria Falls River Lodge

Days 3-4 - Activities in Victoria Falls. Victoria Falls River Lodge

Day 5 - Cross Zambian border & fly from Livingstone to Royal. Stay at Chongwe River House

Day 6-7 - On safari. Chongwe River House

Day 8 - Fly to South Luangwa National Park & Transfer to Nsolo Camp

Day 9 - On safari. Nsolo Camp

Day 10 - Walk to Kakuli Camp

Day 11 - On safari. Kakuli Camp

Day 12 - Fly to Likoma Island & Stay at Kaya Mawa

Days 13-15 - Kaya Mawa at leisure

Day 16 - Fly to Lilongwe & board overnight homebound flight via Johannesburg

Day 17 - Welcome home

Flights...

Date	Airline & Flight Number	From	Departs	To	Arrives	Class
Day 1	TBC	London LHR	TBC	Johannesburg	TBC (+1day)	TBC
Day 2	TBC	Johannesburg	TBC	Victoria Falls	TBC	TBC
Day 5	Light Aircraft	Livingstone	TBC	Royal	TBC	n/a
Day 8	Light Aircraft	Royal	TBC	Mfuwe	TBC	n/a
Day 12	Light Aircraft	Mfuwe	TBC	Lilongwe	TBC	n/a
Day 12	Light Aircraft	Lilongwe	TBC	Likoma Island	TBC	n/a
Day 16	Light Aircraft	Likoma Island	TBC	Lilongwe	TBC	n/a
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Your Sample Itinerary...

Day 1 - Fly to Johannesburg from London

Today make your way to London Heathrow in good time to check in for your overnight flight to Johannesburg.

Accommodation: Overnight flight
Meals: In-flight meals

Day 2 - Arrive in Johannesburg & Onwards to Victoria Falls

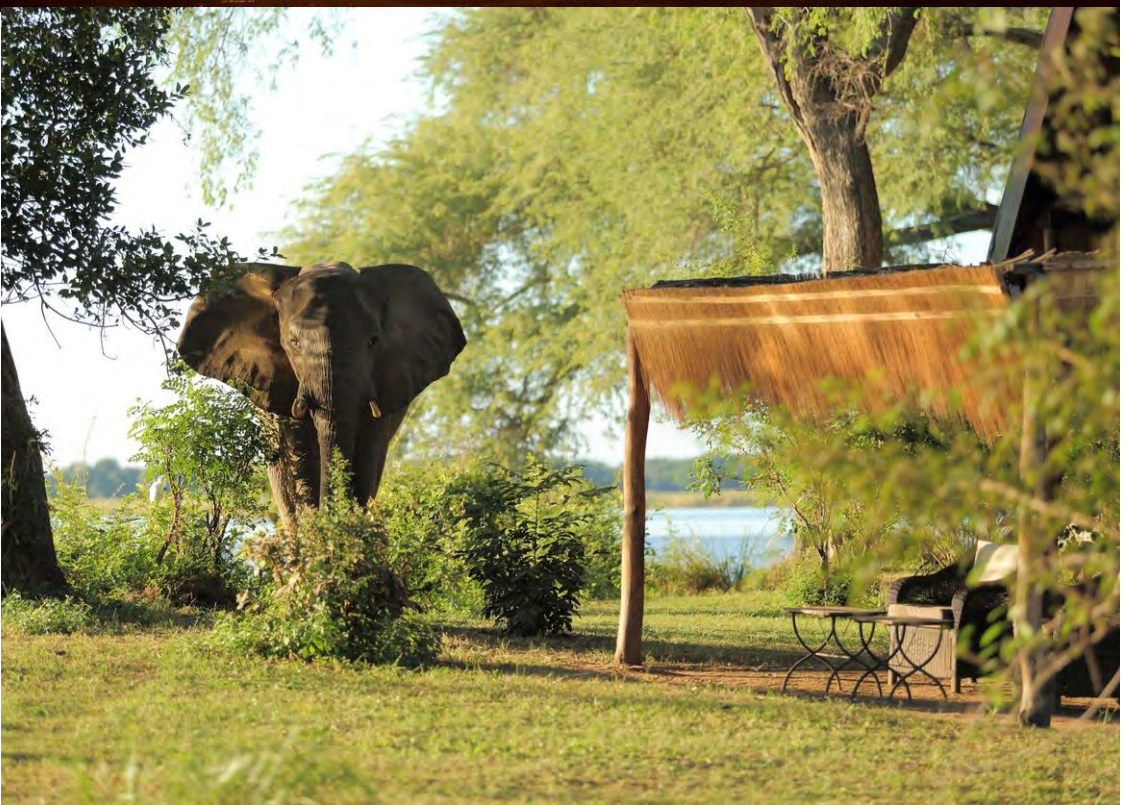
On arrival in Johannesburg, catch your onward flight to Victoria Falls where you will be met by your lateral**life** representative and transferred to the boat jetty where you'll board a speedboat and head upstream for approx. 15mins to reach Victoria Falls River Lodge. Stay here for the next 3 nights.

After settling into your room, head out on the mighty Zambezi on a sunset cruise included in your stay at Victoria Falls River Lodge (shared basis). Keep an eye out for mainly hippos, elephants and birdlife as you cruise the river and enjoy sun-downers. Welcome to Africa!

Victoria Falls, on the border between Zimbabwe and Zambia, has some of the most breath-taking views you'll ever encounter on the African continent, if not the world. The massive sheet of falling water and the spray it produces is mesmerizing to say the least. The Devil's Pool, on the Zambian side is one of the most exciting things you can do. On the very edge of the Victoria Falls there is a rock wall that creates a pool that you can swim in when the current isn't too strong. You can peak over to the 108 meter drop just below the edge. It's as amazing as it is nerve wrecking. The Victoria Falls and the spray it produces sustains an ecosystem that supports many animals and plants.

Known as both an adventure centre and romantic getaway, there is an excellent selection of things to see and do in Victoria Falls, from a mist-soaked stroll to the viewpoints that run the length of the falls to adrenaline-packed activities like white-water rafting and bungee jumping. There are canoe trips, river cruises, elephant safaris and fishing trips available in Vic Falls, as well as first-rate national parks to visit nearby.

Accommodation: Victoria Falls River Lodge
Meals: Dinner



Days 3-4 - Activities in Victoria Falls

Victoria Falls is one of nature's greatest spectacles. The town itself, referred to locally simply as 'Vic Falls', straddles the banks of the Zambezi River. It is a great place to be based in close proximity to the falls and with a number of hotels and lodges, a couple of good restaurants and some great bars to enjoy.

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Accommodation: Victoria Falls River Lodge

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Day 5 - Cross Zambian border & fly from Livingstone to the Lower Zambezi

This morning you will be driven across the border into Zambia to Livingstone airport and here you board a light aircraft flight to the Lower Zambezi National Park where you land at Royal Airstrip.

Upon arrival, you will be collected and driven to Chongwe Camp, which is about a 10-15 mins drive depending what you see on the way. This private camp is located on the banks of the Chongwe River just a short distance from the confluence with the mighty Zambezi. Stay here for the next 3 nights.

At just over 4000 sq km, the **Lower Zambezi Park** stretches in a narrow swathe from the Chongwe river in the west to the Luangwa river in the east. Rich in biodiversity, there are a number of biomes or eco-systems in the park, ranging from montane thickets on the slopes of the escarpment to Miombo woodlands, grassy floodplains and riparian forests.

The Lower Zambezi National Park is home to all of the major species in the valley with excellent sightings of elephant, buffalo, lion and leopard which are a regular

occurrence.

Accommodation: Chongwe River Camp
Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner. Drinks (Local Brands) Included

Days 6-7 - On safari
On safari.

There are a variety of activities available at Chongwe: classic safari drives in open 4x4 vehicles, boat cruises on the mighty Zambezi, walking safaris, canoe safaris on one of the smaller channels off the main river or indeed fishing on the river. (Walking safaris and canoeing for those aged 12 and over on guides discretion).

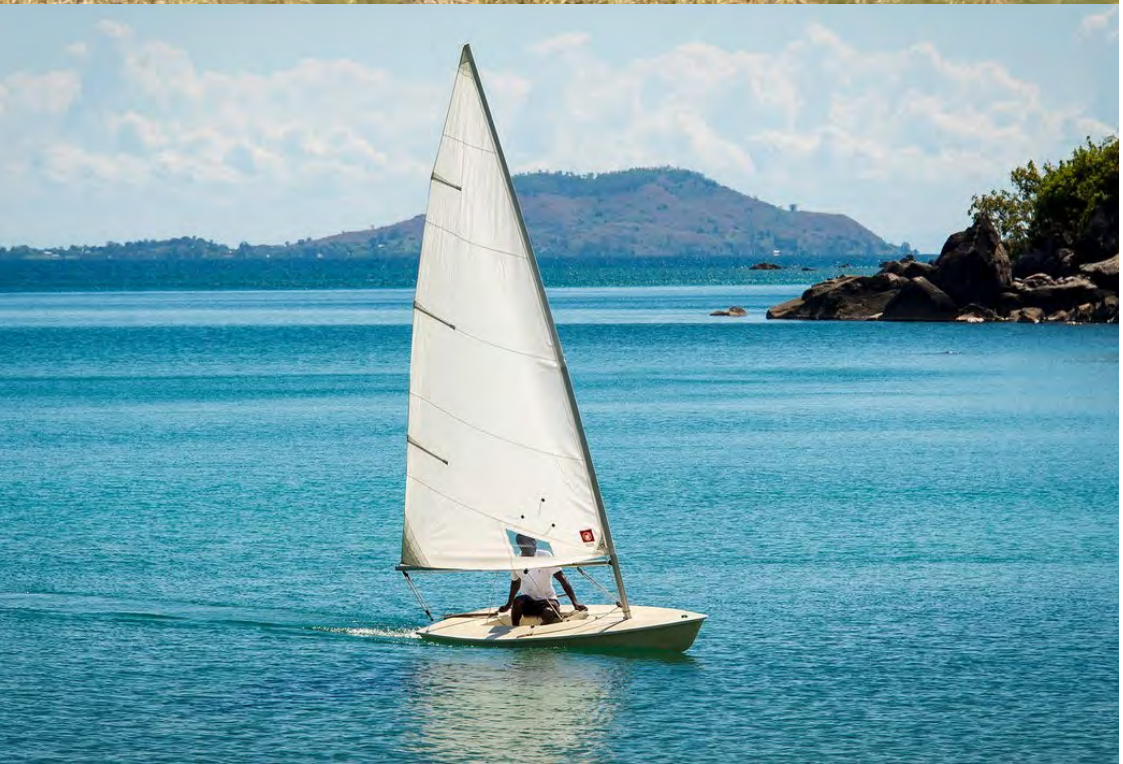
Accommodation: Chongwe River Camp
Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner. Drinks (Local Brands) Included

Day 8 - Fly to South Luangwa National Park
Today you travel to Mfuwe and into the South Luangwa National Park where you spend the next 2 nights at a simple remote bush camp - Nsolo.

The **South Luangwa National Park** is Zambia's premier National Park and is one of the greatest wildlife sanctuaries in the world. The concentration of game along the Luangwa River and its associated ox-bow lagoons is amongst the most intense anywhere in Africa. It is truly an un-spoilt wilderness.

The meandering Luangwa River teems with hippos and crocodiles and provides a lifeline for a great diversity of habitat and wildlife. With over 60 species of mammals and over 400 species of birds, the South Luangwa National Park has earned its excellent reputation. It is home to two endemic species, the Thornicroft Giraffe and Cookson's Wildebeest and is one of the best parks in Africa to view leopards in their natural environment. One exciting success story of recent years is the resurgence of the African Wild Dog population. This species was almost wiped out by anthrax in the late 1980s but over the past decade has strengthened considerably in numbers. Today, although far from guaranteed, sightings of wild dog are common.

Accommodation: Nsolo Camp
Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner. Drinks (Local Brands) Included



Day 9 - On safari

On safari. Explore by vehicle or on your own 2 feet on a walking safari. This park is where walking safaris were originally born.

Accommodation: Nsolo Camp

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner. Drinks (Local Brands) Included

Day 10 - Walk to Kakuli Camp

Today you undertake a 4 plus hour walking safari covering the ground between Nsolo and sister camp Kakuli. Distance covered will be about 15kms and you are bound to see all sorts of interesting things along the way. Your belongings will meet you at Kakuli where you spend the next 2 nights.

Accommodation: Kakuli Camp

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner. Drinks (Local Brands) Included

Day 11 - On safari

On safari.

Accommodation: Kakuli Camp

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner. Drinks (Local Brands) Included

Day 12 - Fly to Likoma Island

This morning after a final activity or a lie in and late breakfast in camp you will be driven to Mfuwe to board a flight to Lilongwe.

En route to the airport it's well worth making a stop at the Tribal Textiles workshop to see traditional textiles being made. The cushions covers and wall hangings in particular are just stunning and then dying method is interesting to see. Try not to buy too much!

On arrival in Lilongwe you will be met and escorted to a light aircraft for your onward flight to Likoma Island which takes just over an hour.

When you land at Likoma airstrip hop on a 4x4 to transfer just 10 minutes to Kaya Mawa where you stay for the next 4 nights.

Accommodation: Kaya Mawa

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Days 13-15 - Kaya Mawa at leisure
At leisure at Kaya Mawa.

There is heaps to do here – out on the water kayak, snorkel, dive, kite surf, paddle board, sail, waterski, ringo… etc etc. On land mountain bike, quadbike, visit the church and the island, visit the Katundu textiles for some beautiful African souvenirs! If it's all too much just kick back on the white sand beach with a good book!

Accommodation: Kaya Mawa
Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Day 16 - Journey to Ilha de Mocambique
After a final morning at leisure, board your light aircraft flight back to Lilongwe where you connect to an overnight homebound flight via Johannesburg

Accommodation: Overnight flight
Meals: Breakfast & In-flight meals

Day 17 - Welcome home

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Laterally sleeping...

Victoria Falls River Lodge Luxury Tented Suites
Victoria Falls River Lodge is the first private safari lodge to be set in the Zambezi National Park. This luxury canvas-under-thatch lodge is situated on the banks of the mighty Zambezi River – so close to Victoria Falls one can see the spray in the distance. Guests can combine a unique safari experience with visits to one of the world's most famous tourist destinations. The main lodge has an open plan design and is positioned just back from the river – in view of the elephants' natural evening route. Sit back and sip on a cocktail, under the shade of the thatched roof, as the elephants graze along the river line.
www.victoriafallsriverlodge.com

Chongwe River Camp
Dotted along the forested riverbanks, Time + Tide Chongwe Camp is surrounded by wild beauty. Set at the confluence of the Chongwe and Zambezi Rivers against a beautiful mountainous backdrop, the camp has the best views in the Lower Zambezi. Sit outside your tent, listening to playful vervet monkeys scampering in the winter-thorn trees overhead. Before you, an elephant wades across the languid river, dwarfed by the mountainous escarpment beyond. The resident hippos bellow their displeasure at this intrusion, breaking the tranquillity. A warm breeze drifts past, carrying the earthy aroma of the river. Lean back and breathe deeply, letting the energy of this extraordinary, wild land revitalise your mind and soul.
Time + Tide Chongwe's impressive variety of safari activities provides the ultimate exploration of this magnificent African paradise. By land, enjoy game drives and walking safaris, or take to the rivers and explore with boat cruisescanoeing safaris and fishing. Back in camp our 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!
www.timeandtideafrica.com/chongwe-safaris

Nsolo Camp, Zambia
One of the most historical camps in Zambia, Nsolo Camp is the quintessential barefoot luxury experience. With a design inspired by its riverside setting, it is a haven of comfort amid the wild setting. Lounge on your private deck, watching the daily parade of wildlife visiting the permanent river lagoon. Between game drives, relax into the cosy ambiance of the camp, listening to the resident hippo pod and watching kingfishers hover and dip delicately over the water's surface. There is no thrill like hearing the lions calling all night, then heading out at first light to track them through the bush.
www.timeandtideafrica.com/camp/nsolo-camp

Kakuli Camp, Zambia
Known as the Luangwa river lodge, Kakuli is a tented bush camp with spectacular views on the banks of the Luangwa River which makes for perfect Zambian safari accommodation. It is the only true bush camp open for the green season. A lovely thatched chitenje acts as the centre of camp. It is on a wooden deck overlooking the grazing lawn that leads down to the two rivers and is a perfect spot in which to relax and watch the wildlife meander by; the views from Kakuli are spectacular.
This area of the Park is renowned for offering guests some of the best game view-ing opportunities in Zambia. African Safari activities from Kakuli can be a mixture of game drives and walking safaris; guests are able to decide each day if they want to venture out on foot or with the vehicle.
www.timeandtideafrica.com/camp/kakuli-camp

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Kaya Mawa
Kaya Mawa, set on the quaint Likoma Island, was built entirely by hand in conjunction with the local community and is designed cleverly with the rooms built into the rocky headland on which it is set. The feel here is generally Robinson Crusoe-esque with 11 thatched chalets, one private house which is perfect for a family or small group and a pristine golden sand beach. Kaya Mawa means 'maybe tomorrow' and you may find with that in mind you just want relax on the beach and soak up the atmosphere. However water activities aside you can also walk or bike unguided into the local fishing villages to see the markets, textile workshop or one of the many community projects.

Kaya Mawa is both architecturally innovative and full of character, as befits this unique and unspoilt location on Lake Malawi. Built entirely by hand in conjunction with the local community, who benefit from the lodge, Kaya Mawa accommodation consists of eight stone, teak and thatched cottages. Each cottage has a private terrace with views over Lake Malawi with a path leading down to the water, a giant mahogany four-poster bed, en suite "loo with a view", shower and sunken voluminous stone bath. The romantic honeymoon house, Ndomo Point House, is on its own private island, reached by a raised walkway with the largest bed in Malawi. There are also two family cottages.

As well as the lake, there is a swimming pool, sundeck, dining room and a bar at Kaya Mawa. Dinner is either served on your own private terrace or with other guests in the dining room, or more usually under the stars on the roof terrace. Down on the beach is a beach bar with cushions and chairs. The daily activity schedule is very flexible at Kaya Mawa. You may like to keep active all day long, others want to do nothing but relax on the beach and most guests want a balance between the two. The lodge team will liaise with you and then arrange a schedule around your needs.

www.greensafaris.com/lodges/kaya-mawa