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MUTEMWA LODGE

Upper Zambezi, Zambia

FACT SHEET



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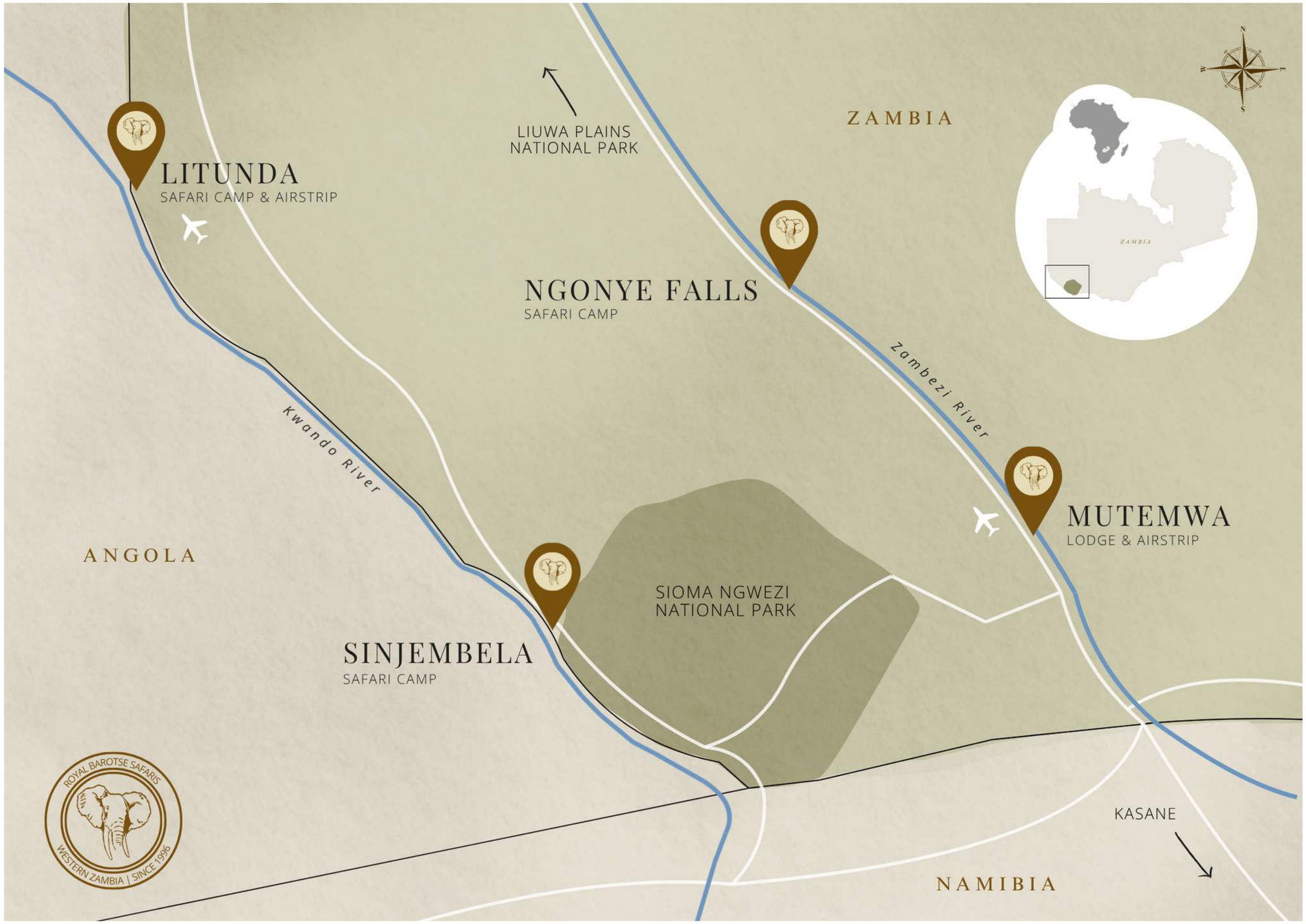
Mutemwa Lodge

Mutemwa is a remote, owner-run fishing lodge with over 30 years of experience on the banks of Zambia's Upper Zambezi River. Privately owned and personally hosted, Mutemwa offers guests more than just world-class tiger fishing — it offers a home in the wild.

Whether you're relaxing at our intimate riverside lodge or chasing adventure on one of our signature mobile safaris, every experience is deeply rooted in authentic African charm, warm hospitality, and decades of passion for the Zambezi. This is more than a lodge — it's a place where luxury meets legacy.



Royal Barotse Safaris Lodge & Camp Locations



RBS Fishing Safari Comparisons

	River	Duration	# Guests	Access	Season	Highlights
NGONYE FALLS	Zambezi	5 Nights	8 - 12 pax	Road / Charter	July - August Nov - Dec	Enjoy both the luxury of Mutemwa and the adventure of a mobile fishing safari. Fish over 160km of the Zambezi and discover the spectacular Ngonye Falls.
LITUNDA CAMP	Kwando	5 Nights	8 pax (Limited to 5 groups per year)	Charter flights only	September	Fish into Angolan waters along the untouched northern stretch of the Kwando River. This extremely remote fly-in safari delivers spinning action for Tiger and Nembwe around every bend.
SINJEMBELA CAMP	Kwando	5 Nights	8 pax (Limited to 5 groups per year)	Road	October	Fish the pristine southern stretch of the Kwando River and camp within a major wildlife corridor. Enjoy spinning for Tiger and Nembwe like you've never experienced before.
KWANDO TRAVERSE	Kwando	6 Nights	8 pax (Limited to 1 group per year)	Charter in, Road out	September	An exclusive pioneering adventure along over 450km of the Kwando River. Explore waters few anglers have ever cast upon, whilst driftng from Litunda camp to Sinjembela camp over an epic 6 night adventure.







MUTEMWA LOUNGE AREA

Accommodation

Mutemwa Lodge offers a riverside escape with five stilted safari tents, each tucked beneath giant trees and overlooking the majestic Zambezi River. The accommodation is simple yet refined—blending comfort with nature for a truly immersive bush experience. Mornings begin with birdsong, soft sunlight filtering through the canvas, and the quiet promise of adventure. Whether it's coffee delivered to your tent or shared around the fire—each day begins with a deep breath of calm before the excitement of the river calls. As night falls, the bush comes alive with the sounds of hippos, crickets, and distant calls, gently reminding you that you're deep in the heart of the African wild.

ALL SAFARI TENTS INCLUDE:

- En-suite bathroom
- Private deck
- Two 3/4 beds
- Desk
- Hot Shower
- Wash Basin
- Clothes cupboard
- Flush toilet





3D RENDER & FLOOR PLAN - NEW MUTEMWA LUXURY SAFARI TENTS



For the Kids

At Mutemwa, children are free to explore, learn, and connect with nature in a way that's both fun and unforgettable. From family fishing adventures and father–son or father–daughter bonding on the river, to bush walks where they learn about birds, trees, and tracks - there's always something exciting to discover. Our friendly, trained boat guides love sharing their knowledge and making each outing special for the little ones. Back at camp, kids can swim in the pool, play games on the lawn, or simply enjoy the wide-open spaces. In a fast-paced, screen-filled world, time outdoors at Mutemwa offers children and families the rare gift of stillness, connection, and real adventure in the heart of the wild.

THE CHILDREN WILL LOVE:

- Children friendly fishing adventures
- Swimming
- Bird/Insect checklists
- River cruisers
- Trips to the white sandy island beaches

Children of all ages are welcome at Mutemwa Lodge

- Ages 0-6 (Free)
- Ages 7-12 (Half price)



FISH EAGLE FEEDING EXPERIENCE



BUSH WALKS

Activities

At Mutemwa, adventure runs deeper than the river. As a family-run lodge with over 30 years on the Upper Zambezi, we've made it our joy to share this wild and beautiful place with our guests - who quickly become part of the story. Whether you're reeling in your first ever Tigerfish, exploring the bush on foot, or visiting the mighty Ngonye Falls, each experience is personal, unforgettable, and rooted in the natural rhythm of the Zambezi.

EXPERIENCES AT MUTEMWA:

- **Unlimited Tiger Fishing** – Explore 90 km of virtually private river, guided by our seasoned local experts
- **Exceptional Birding** – Spot hundreds of species along the riverbanks and floodplains year-round
- **Boma Dining** - Enjoy our open air boma through a personally hosted 3 course bush dinner every night.
- **Bush Walks** – Immerse yourself in the natural beauty and quiet of our Zambezi surroundings
- **Fish Eagle Feeding Experience** – Witness Africa's iconic raptor up close as it swoops for a meal
- **Ngonye Falls Excursion** – Visit the thundering Ngonye Falls, one of Zambia's hidden natural wonders and second largest waterfall on the Zambezi
- **Sioma Ngwezi Game Drives*** – Explore the nearby Sioma Ngwezi National Park on a guided safari

*Sioma Ngwezi game drives operate seasonally and are not available year-round. Please contact us ahead of time to check availability and plan accordingly.

MUTEMWA DECK

Our Gear

We believe that great fishing starts with great gear. At Mutemwa, we've carefully selected high-quality tackle, rods, and equipment tailored to the unique demands of tiger fishing on the Upper Zambezi.

OUR BOATS

We fish the Zambezi with four 6.0m x 1.8m custom-designed aluminium Swamp Cruisers — built specifically for tiger fishing on this mighty river. Each boat offers two stable casting platforms (front and back), a central bench for cruising, and two comfortable trolling seats for long sessions on the water. Powered by a reliable 70HP Yamaha four-stroke engine, our boats deliver a smooth, powerful and quiet performance perfectly suited to the Zambezi. Ideal for 2 guests per boat, but easily accommodates 3 if needed.

GEAR & TACKLE

Each boat is fully equipped with the following setups.
For trolling:

- Reel: Shimano Socorro SW5000
- Rod: Medium heavy 5'6" 8–12kg 1-piece

For Spinning:

- Reel: Shimano Sedona C5000XG
- Rod: Shimano Nexave Tiger 7'0" 15–30 lb 2-piece

NOTE: Any lost, damaged, or broken tackle will be charged to the guests account.











Dining

As the sun dips behind the Zambezi and the hippos begin to grunt, the golden light and glowing lanterns welcome you to the heart of Mutemwa — our open-air boma.
Here, every evening becomes an occasion.
Set around the fire and under the stars, one of our chefs announces dinner and the starters are served. These are followed by a generous main course buffet, and then a plated dessert to close off the evening in style. Hosted personally by the Johnson family, dinner at Mutemwa is a gathering of stories, laughter, and connection — this is where our guests become family.
The colonial charm, open setting, and heart felt “Zambezi feeling” are all wrapped into one for unforgettable nights around the Mutemwa Boma.



MUTEMWA BOMA



What to Pack

Packing for Mutemwa is all about comfort and practicality. Whether you're out on the river, relaxing by the pool, or exploring the bush, here are a few essentials to bring along for a comfortable and enjoyable stay:

- A good pair of walking shoes and socks
- Sandals for around the lodge and in your tent
- Long sleeve and mid-sleeve cotton shirts
- Breathable long-sleeved fishing shirts
- Shorts for midday wear
- Swimming costume
- A wind breaker
- A lightweight rain jacket for the rainy season
- A wide brimmed hat and a cap
- Sunglasses
- High SPF sunblock and mosquito repellent
- Camera, video camera, binoculars, spare memory cards, and chargers

ADDITIONAL ITEMS FOR WINTER:

- A warm jacket
- Thermal undergarments
- Winter evening wear
- A beanie and scarf for early mornings on the river
- A few long sleeve shirts
- A few long pants



Sustainability

At Mutemwa, caring for the Zambezi isn't just a responsibility — it's part of who we are. As a family-run lodge rooted in this land, we're committed to protecting the wild beauty that surrounds us. Our fully organic vegetable garden supplies our kitchen with fresh, homegrown produce, adding flavour to every plate and reducing our footprint. From the way we build our camps to how we source our ingredients, we do our best to keep Mutemwa as untouched and pristine as the wilderness we love to share with our guests.

GETTING TO

Mutemwa Lodge

With over 30 years of experience, we've found the best ways for guests to travel and make the most of their time with us.
Please note that travel logistics for our various mobile safaris may differ. Please contact us for more information.

TRAVEL BY AIR

Kasane - Rd transfer (~3hrs)

Fly into Botswana's Kasane Airport (BBK) and take a road transfer to the Katima Mulilo border where we will collect you from there for a short, 50km transfer to Mutemwa. SA Airlink fly daily to Kasane Airport (BBK) and bookings can be made directly online. Approximate travel time accommodates for border crossings.

Charter Flight (~45min)

Fly into Livingstone International Airport, then enjoy a seamless private charter directly to our Mutemwa airstrip — where we'll be waiting to welcome you with ice-cold drinks and a warm smile.

Road transfers and charter flights can be arranged by Mutemwa.

AIRLINE DETAILS

Airlink:
www.flyairlink.com

For more information please contact us via email or whatsapp



Good to Know

GENERAL

- Private events can be arranged at Mutemwa
- We welcome children of all ages
- Where possible it is kindly requested that bar accounts be settled using cash

INCLUDED IN YOUR STAY

- Accommodation
- House wines & local beverages (excluding SADC rates)
- Unlimited Fishing
- All meals & snacks
- All coffees & teas
- Starlink Wifi
- Laundry services
- Transfers to & from the Mutemwa Airstrip

EXCLUSIONS

- Boutique purchases
- Lost or Broken Tackle
- Transfers to & from the lodge

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MUTEMWA TENT 1



SCHALOW'S TURACO



TROPHY TIGERFISH



NGONYE FALLS