



Thornicroft
South Luangwa - Zambia



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THORNICROFT LODGE “TIMU LANDILANI”

**WELCOME TO THORNICROFT
A GENUINE ZAMBIAN WELCOME.**

- *Prime Luangwa River location*
- *Expert game drives & walking safaris*
- *Intimate lodge with exceptional dining*

Positioned on the banks of the Luangwa River within a protected Game Management Area, Thornicroft Lodge offers a privileged safari setting with South Luangwa National Park unfolding directly opposite the Property. This unique location attracts a constant presence of wildlife, allowing guests to observe animals in their natural habitat while relaxing at the lodge.

Expertly guided game drives and walking safaris provide deeper insight into the region's rich ecosystems, while the lodge itself offers a calm, comfortable retreat between activities. Thoughtfully prepared meals, riverside sundowners, and attentive hospitality create a seamless balance between adventure and relaxation.

At Thornicroft Lodge, guests enjoy a safari experience defined by exclusivity, authenticity, and a strong connection to the wilderness.





EXPERIENCE THE MAGIC OF SOUTH LUANGWA

- *Iconic walking safaris*
- *Scenic riverfront game drives*
- *Photographic safari opportunities*

Very few places in the world can rival the wilderness of South Luangwa National Park.

Celebrated for its pristine landscapes and untamed beauty, this extraordinary region is regarded as one of Africa's finest safari destinations, perfect for travellers seeking authenticity and a deeper connection to nature.

As the birthplace of the iconic walking safari, South Luangwa offers a rare chance to explore the bush on foot, guided by experts who interpret tracks, wildlife behaviour, and the subtle rhythms of the ecosystem. These immersive experiences bring guests closer to the heart of the wild.

The Luangwa Valley is also renowned for its exceptional wildlife, including high concentrations of lions and leopards, as well as outstanding birdlife. With over 400 recorded species, birding safaris reveal colourful bee-eaters, kingfishers, raptors, and seasonal migrants.





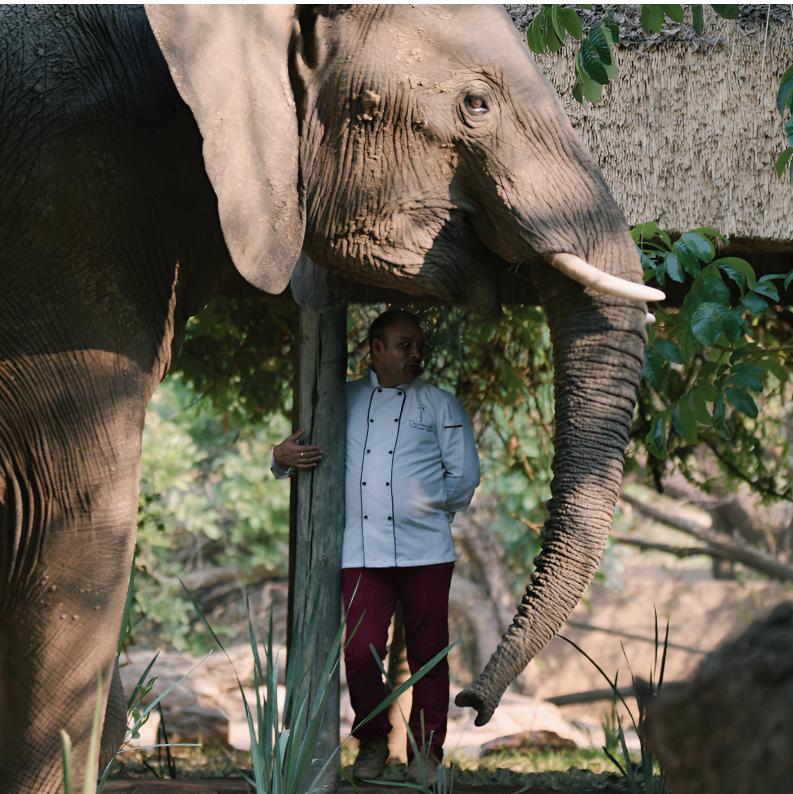
SAFARI DINING EXPERIENCES

Dining with Ginger & Garlic

Our restaurant, Ginger and Garlic, is named in honor of two legendary Lion brothers who once dominated the area, leaving a lasting legacy in the Luangwa Valley.

Renowned for creativity and quality, the restaurant offers elevated dining that blends traditional Zambian dishes, bold Indo-Chinese flavors, and refined international cuisine, all prepared with fresh ingredients.

With sweeping views across the Luangwa Valley, guests enjoy unforgettable dining experiences in the boma or riverside settings, beneath the vast African starlit sky.





DREAMY RIVER FRONT ACCOMMODATION ON THE LUANGWA RIVER

OUR ROOMS

- *Luxury Chalets*
- *Bush-Style Chalets*
- *Tented Chalets*

Thornicroft Lodge offers five exclusive luxury chalets and five bush-style chalets, all overlooking the Luangwa River and the pristine wilderness of South Luangwa National Park. Designed to blend seamlessly with nature, the chalets deliver an intimate, authentic safari experience with exceptional comfort and privacy.

Fully self-contained and elegantly furnished with locally inspired finishes, they feature spacious interiors, natural ventilation, and expansive windows. Guests enjoy a unique “24-hour safari,” observing wildlife, listening to hippos, and witnessing shifting landscapes—day and night—from the comfort of their room.



OUR ACCOMMODATION

Luxury Chalets

Luxury River View Chalets offer private, air-conditioned comfort overlooking the Luangwa River, blending elegance with peaceful wilderness surroundings.



Bush-Style Chalets

Set beneath indigenous trees, five Bush Style River View Chalets overlook the Luangwa River, providing rustic charm and captivating wildlife views throughout your stay.



Tented Chalets

Six tented chalets under Amarula trees provide authentic safari comfort, twin beds and a communal washroom facilities.



OUR FACILITIES

Restaurant

Overlooking the Luangwa River, our restaurant delights guests with stunning views and a carefully curated menu of diverse cuisine.

Lounge Area

Our lounge area is perfect for anyone wanting to relax, catch up on news, sports or entertainment.

Airport Transfer

Airport transfers are available on request, ensuring a seamless journey to and from the lodge.

Musanga Wellness Retreat

Indulge in peaceful treatments inspired by the surrounding wilderness, rejuvenating body and mind in the heart of South Luangwa.

Childrens' Play Area

Designed for young guests, the play area features a trampoline, bespoke animal-themed equipment, and a cozy play hut—offering safe, unforgettable fun in the heart of the wilderness.

Bar

Enjoy stunning Luangwa views while sipping from our wide selection of beverages at the bar.

Swimming Pool

Our Zambia-shaped pool, set against a lagoon backdrop, is the perfect place to relax and escape the midday heat.

Wifi

Stay effortlessly connected with high-speed Wi-Fi, available around the clock.

Laundry Service

Guests enjoy the convenience of having their laundry carefully washed and expertly ironed throughout their stay.

Events

We specialize in bespoke events tailored to your vision, from destination weddings to team-building retreats and exclusive workshops, creating unforgettable experiences in the heart of the bush.



Discover South Luangwa By Season



Jan - Mar

We are closed from January and February each year. We reopen in March for the new safari season.



Jul - Sept

July –September is ideal for day & night sightings, with high wildlife activity and excellent visibility throughout the season.



Oct - Dec

October – December is perfect for sighting predators on a hunt, as wildlife concentrates near water sources.



Apr - Jun

April –June is peak walking safari season, with cool weather and superb wildlife tracking. Birding is exceptional with the green hues of Spring.



A Journey Worth Taking

Your safari journey begins with a seamless connection to Mfuwe Airport—the gateway to the Luangwa Valley—followed by a short scenic transfer to Thornicroft Lodge.

TRAVEL OPTIONS

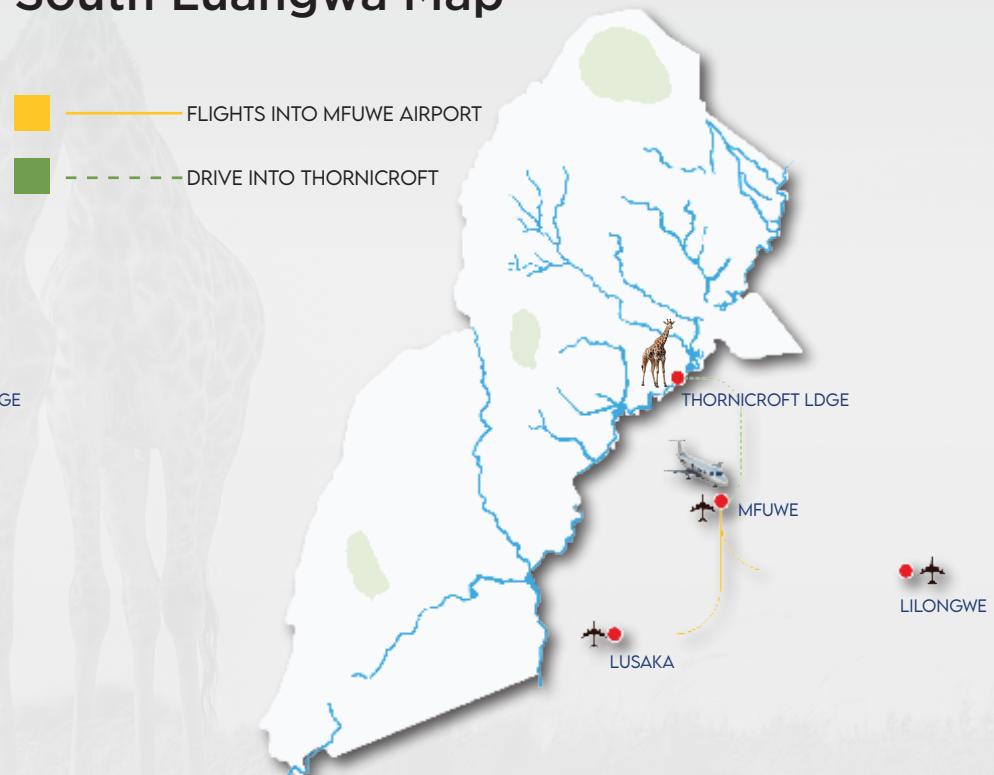
- From Lusaka (LUN): A direct flight of approximately 1 hour 10 minutes to Mfuwe with Proflight Zambia, followed by a brief road transfer.
- From Livingstone (LVI): Connect via Lusaka to Mfuwe, with a combined flying time of about 3 hours 5 minutes including the stopover.
- From Ndola (NLA): Travel via Lusaka to Mfuwe with a total flight time of around 2 hours 35 minutes.
- From Lilongwe (LLW): Enjoy a convenient regional flight from Lilongwe to Mfuwe with Nyasa Air, offering a smooth cross-border connection directly into the heart of South Luangwa National Park.

Every route offers a comfortable and scenic introduction to your safari experience.

Map Of Zambia



South Luangwa Map





OUR ACTIVITIES

Immerse yourself in one of Africa's finest wilderness areas with expertly curated experiences. Enjoy guided walking safaris, 4x4 game drives, close wildlife encounters, sundowners, and authentic Zambian village tours.

Our diverse activity offerings cater to every guest:

Walking Safari	explore the bush on foot with expert guides
Birding Safari	spot the vibrant birdlife of the Luangwa Valley
4x4 Game Drive	witness Africa's iconic wildlife from the comfort of a safari vehicle
Family Safari	adventures designed for all ages
Guided Bicycle Safari	a unique way to explore the wilderness
Activities at Camp	from cultural experiences to nature walks
Kids Play Area & Swimming	fun and relaxation for younger guests
Village Tour	Explore Zambia's heart through village visits and authentic cultural experiences.

At Thornicroft Lodge, every moment is a chance to connect with nature, creating



COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY & CONSERVATION

The communities surrounding South Luangwa National Park are our family. From local residents to conservationists protecting its biodiversity, we work closely with organizations and individuals to support conservation, empowerment, and sustainability.

Through collaboration, education, and responsible tourism, we strive to create lasting benefits for both people and wildlife, ensuring a stronger, more resilient South Luangwa for generations to come.

Thornicroft Lodge is committed to responsible tourism that supports both local communities and wildlife conservation. Our initiatives include providing clean drinking water, donating school and medical supplies, supporting education, healthcare, and local livelihoods, and prioritising employment from surrounding villages.

We actively support wildlife conservation, work with park authorities, practise low-impact safari operations, and implement sustainable lodge practices to help protect the South Luangwa ecosystem for future generations.



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