

Zambezi Fishing Below The Chobe



Imbabala is situated on the famous Zambezi River only 70 kilometres upriver from the Victoria Falls on the Kazungula flood plains at the confluence of the Chobe and Zambezi rivers. Imbabala is the only fishing and photographic lodge on this 14km section of the Zambezi river and has near exclusivity of the Zambezi between the Katombora rapids and the Botswana/Namibian borders.

Imbabala has for many years produced excellent angling for the legendary tigerfish, which is rated as one of the best fighting fresh water fish in the world, a reputation it fully deserves. One of the attractions lies in the fact that only around 30 % of those hooked are ever landed. The majority of tigers caught range between 2 – 6 lb. but fish of double-figures are not uncommon in these waters and each season specimens of between 10 and 18 lb. are landed. Most anglers visiting Imbabala focus their attention on the tigerfish, however it is not uncommon to catch some of the other species present which may include:



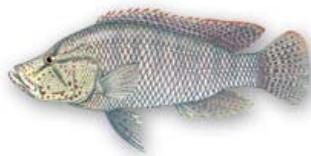
Tigerfish



Nembwe



Blunetooth Catfish



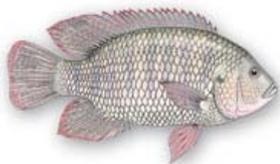
Thinface Largemouth



Humpback Largemouth



Threespot Tilapia



Pink Bream

Nembwe

Catfish (barbel)

Thinface Largemouth Bream

Humpback Largemouth Bream

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An attraction to fishing at Imbabala is the variety of water conditions available at the various times of the year including the reed banks lining the deep meandering channels and islands, the shallower channels adjacent to the Kazungula floodplains and the faster flowing water of the Katombora rapids, where a number of the predatory bream species can be caught. All fishing is done by speed boat with a maximum of three fisherman per boat for convenience and comfort. Tigerfish are pursued with the traditional artificial lures, live bait and fly's. Though tigers can be caught all year round, the peak Zambezi tiger 'season' (there is no official season) is generally regarded as being from June – October, though some excellent tigers are landed on fly in November.

Fishing Costs - Available on Request