

# **ACTIVITIES**

From tranquil to thrilling, Royal Chundu offers a Zambezi river adventure to satisfy all. Whether you choose to simply lounge around the comfort of the lodge or want to explore more of what Zambia has to offer, our activities team is ready to arrange the perfect day for you. Once you've browsed the activities you are encouraged to complete the Activities Selection Sheet to enable us to make the necessary arrangements on your behalf.

## TYPICAL ACTIVITIES



## **SUNSET CRUISES**

Cruise down the beauty of the Zambezi as the sun sets in the African sky. Watch crocodiles slip off the banks under water as you approach and listen to the snorting hippos. In the drier months, the skipper will anchor near "Ellie Corner", where you can spot herds of elephants as they drink, play and bathe on the river's edge nearby. Other game to be seen include baboon, impala, warthog and buffalo.



## **BIRDING SAFARIS**

Choose from a morning (sunrise), afternoon (sunset) nighttime or full day birding safari. These safaris are tailored to individual requirements. The full day safari includes guided vehicle transfers to the plains and other indigenous forest areas and/or river transfers to the islands. This tour is catered specifically for birding specialists who want to look for specific birds. The shorter safaris last for approximately 2 1/2 hours.



## **FISHING**

Royal Chundu is renowned amongst the professional angling fraternity for its superb fly fishing and has become the venue of choice for the serious fisherman while offering an exciting introduction for the novice. Our unstressed waters vary from virgin island eddies and shallow rapids to deep flowing channels which boast the notoriously powerful Tiger Fish, numerous species of Bream and the prized Upper Zambezi Yellow Fish. One of the biggest celebrations in Africa, the Parrot Fish Run runs from June to August. It sees millions of fish swimming for miles down the Zambezi as they get caught in the main stream. Royal Chundu hosts the event, letting guests take part by either spectating or trying to catch the likes of prized African Tiger Fish and Parrot Fish. Local fishermen get involved too, using hand-woven reed and palm tree leave baskets to catch the fish. There are a variety of different fishing options available, all prices cover boat hire, fuel and an experienced skipper/fishing guide. Tackle, rods and general fishing equipment are available for hire at the lodge.









#### **CANOEING**

#### INFLATABLE CANOEING

An exhilarating trip, this adventure activity involves transfer by vehicle to the launch point near the Katombora rapids. The rapids are at their best when the river is low. Guides paddle guests over the rapids amidst stunning scenery and through the channels of the islands in the Zambezi. There is plenty of opportunity to enjoy the lush island vegetation and abundant bird life. Approximately 2–2 1/2 hours.

#### MOTORISED INFLATABLE CANOEING

Experience the beauty of the river by idling along the Upper Zambezi. This trip is a combination of a 5hp motor to gently propel you along as well as a paddle to give you the canoeing experience. A refreshing way to canoe and explore the stunning Zambezi River. Cost includes an experienced guide per canoe, refreshments & return transfers. Half Day: 15–17kms | Full Day: 25-45km



## CHUNDU CHILDREN'S CLUB

Royal Chundu Luxury Zambezi Lodges offers a child friendly getaway, affording families personal service in a relaxing atmosphere, where they can relax and play together. Upon arrival the host and/or guide will discuss activity options with the family taking the family's size, children's ages and the weather into consideration. Each child will receive a River Safari Adventure Pack and Adventure Passport, while a welcoming treasure hunt will help familiarise children with the Royal Chundu staff and surroundings. Parents are welcome to join their children in these activities or choose to relax, while Chundu River Guides or Child Minders supervise children while doing the many fun activities on offer.



## KATOMBORA ISLAND WALK

Marvel in the miracle of nature when you enjoy a guided walk through the 23 Baobabs, python creepers and 2,000yr old Jackelberry trees on our own private Katombora Island. Untouched by development and undamaged by animals, this area creates the most perfect ecosystem at play. Experienced guides will share their knowledge with the guests on some of the local uses for the flora found on the island.











## VILLAGE WALK & COMMUNITY TOUR

This village tour is highly recommended. The tour gives guests a rare opportunity of interacting with the villagers in a truly authentic environment where everyone continues with their daily activities. Your guide, who resides in the village, will be well versed on all the traditions and customs in the village and will be able to advise you on what plants and herbs are used for traditional medicine, making cooking oil, soap and other necessities. Those wishing to make a donation to the village fund can discuss this with the guide of the trip. The trip starts by journey in a Makoro (traditional canoe). Paddled by an experienced guide and then a walk around a village in the area, once the walk is finished you will return via Makoro back to the lodge.



## VICTORIA FALLS WALKING TOURS

WALKING TOUR - HALF DAY

Walking tour of the Victoria Falls and rain forest including a stop over at the curio stalls and tea & coffee at a local cafeÅL. Rate includes park entrance fee, guided tour and transfers.

## WALKING TOUR - EN ROUTE

Arrival or departure airport transfer stop-over. Rate includes park entrance fee, guided tour and transfers. Enquire from lodge Management about a helicopter pickup when doing a Victoria Falls Tour, at an additional charge. Transfers also available from Kasane and Vic Falls airports.

# WALKING TOUR, INCLUDING VICTORIA FALLS, GAME DRIVE, AFRICAN MARKET

A guided walking tour of the world famous Victoria Falls and rain forest, visit to the local African market, tour of Livingstone Museum and a Game Drive in the Mosi- Oa-Tunya National Game Park, referred to as the Rhino Park. Amendments to the program can be made eg. for clients wishing to visit the Steam Railway Museum, curio shopping etc. Rate includes park entrance fee, guided tour and transfers.









## **BOMA DINING**

A traditional Zambian evening, which involves dining outside in our Lodge barbeque area. The food is cooked on open-flames and a sampling of many traditional Zambian delicacies are on offer. Furthermore, the evening's entertainment consists of Zambian drumming and Makishi dancers, which are the masked dancers of Zambia – this is the southern most part of Africa where you will find authentic and traditional masked dancers.



#### PRIVATE DINING

Upon request, private, romantic candle-lit in-room dining setups can be arranged for you with an a la carte menu or you could opt for a dinner cruise on the Zambezi River with the stars twinkling overhead.

## **OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES**



## **SPA TREATMENTS**

Re-awaken your senses and allow us to rejuvenate your body, mind and soul. Inspired by nature, our selection of body and beauty treatments caters for both women and men. A spa treatment can be arranged in the tranquility of your room, deck or at a private bush location. Please book directly with your Host. See list of Spa Packages and Treatment Options at the end of this document.



#### STARGAZING

Far away from any industry or pollution, the stars are ablaze at Royal Chundu. There is no better way to spot the Southern Cross or the Milky Way than with our guides on the deck after dinner at Royal Chundu. During the winter months, you will see more shooting stars than any other time of the year too!







## **PICNICS**

In homage to our family's personal history on the Zambezi River, we offer picnics along the banks of the river just as our family had picnics in the past: Persian carpets, hammocks, Pimms upon arrival, picnic tables and sumptuous tapas lunches or breakfasts which will find you restoring your soul in a relaxed fashion while listening to the rapids of the mighty Zambezi coursing past you. Loll about in a hammock or lie back after your meal on the Persian carpets and soak up the magical surroundings.



## HELICOPTER FLIGHT - VICTORIA FALLS

What better way to see the magical winding Zambezi River and the crashing of the Victoria Falls than from above in a helicopter? You can enjoy riveting helicopter flights over the Falls (the trip lasts approximately 12 minutes) or fly over the Falls, gorge and game park for about 25 minutes. Look out for the wildlife and other sights below. You're going to want your camera with you on this trip!



## WHITE WATER RAFTING – VICTORIA FALLS

Don't just look at it! Jump in and ride the raging white water rapids of the mighty Zambezi River, the fourth largest river in Africa, in a raft and feel the rush of adrenaline in wild Africa. Be prepared to get soaked! With names like "Stairway to Heaven", "Devil's Toilet Boil", "Washing Machine" and "Oblivion", you can imagine what the rapids have in store. Your guide will assist you through the rapids and tell you all you need to know.



## LUNAR RAINBOW TOUR – VICTORIA FALLS

This is definitely one of the most unique experiences available at Victoria Falls and can be witnessed during the months from March to July. While rainbows usually appear through direct sunlight, the Lunar Rainbow is rare and occurs from light reflected from the moon's surface. Experience it from the vantage point of Victoria Falls as the spray from the water going over causes a beautiful "Moonbow" over the chasm.







# **BUNGEE JUMPING – VICTORIA FALLS**

111 meters of pure adrenaline rush! The bungee jump operates off the Victoria Falls Bridge and has a 100% safety record. Over 50 000 people have committed themselves to the thrill of jumping off the bridge. Challenge the limits of the mind and test the edge of fear by leaping off the impressive bridge, with the Falls behind and the mighty Zambezi below.



## MICRO-LIGHT – VICTORIA FALLS

The micro-light has an open cockpit for the ultimate adrenaline ride! Micro-lights have an unique, wing-mounted camera which enables clients to capture this exciting experience on film. There are restrictions that apply on the micro-light - a minimum age of six years and maximum mass of 100kg.



# ZAMBEZI JET BOATING – VICTORIA FALLS

Jet boating is a thrilling new adventure on the Zambezi River in the Batoka Gorge below the Victoria Falls. Feel the wind in your hair and the spray in your face as the powerful jet boats speed through rapids, rush past gorge walls and spin on the flat water.











## LIVINGSTONE ISLAND TOUR

Situated towards the roar and rising cloud of mist suspended above a cliff over which the whole of the Zambezi River plunged. The Makololo paddlers skillfully landed him on 'Goat Island' (now Livingstone Island) right on the lip of the chasm. A few steps through the small rainforest and, on the 16th November 1855, he gazed upon one of the most spectacular sights in the world - 'Mosioa-Tunya' (The Smoke that Thunders) which he named after his Queen as The Victoria Falls. Today visitors are picked up in a twinengine boat with powerful motors and a skilled skipper re-traces Livingstone's approach to the island to witness the very best view of the Falls there is. All visits to the island are during the 'low water' season, which usually begins in mid July and goes through to the end of January. High water visits are not possible as the island is continuously covered in the spray/downpour from the Falls. Pick up is from the wooden jetty adjacent to the Royal Livingstone River Deck by an aluminum boat launch with twin water jet propelled engines which then transfers guests on a 5 to 10 minute ride to the island. Drop off is again at the Royal Livingstone the trip. The trip includes a short-guided tour of the island, viewing the Falls and a light snack depending on the time of the visit Morning visits.



# CHOBE NATIONAL PARK DAY TRIP (BOTSWANA)

Full Day Game Drive & Boat Cruise

This exciting day tour into the Chobe National Park in neighbouring Botswana offers exciting game viewing. This trip is highly recommended and whilst you rely on seeing elephant and a wide variety of game, there is also the strong possibility of seeing lion. The day tour will depart from the Lodge at 8am and return back to the Lodge at 5pm, the tour consists of:

- Transfer from Lodge to border ferry
- Ferry / boat transport. This trip offers the opportunity to view four bordering countries at once from the river -Namibia, Botswana, Zambia and Zimbabwe.
- Guided game and/or photographic cruise on the Chobe River in the National Park (boat, park and guiding fees included)
- Lunch at Chobe Marina Lodge
- Game drive in the Chobe National Park (transport, guide and park fees included)
- Return transfer to Zambian border
- Transfer from border to Lodge







## **ELEPHANT BACK SAFARIS**

Experience something you probably never thought you'd get to do – riding atop an elephant through the bush. The Zambian elephant back safari trail starts at Thorntree Lodge in the Mosi-oa-Tunya National Park and takes you into the bushveld and along the riverbank. Look out for wildlife from your vehicle! This is a truly once in a lifetime experience and guided so you don't have to worry about anything but the thrill of it. The ride is approximately one hour and the overall interaction time with the elephants is about 3 hours. Trips are available in the morning and afternoon.



## **CROCODILE FARM TOURS**

Get a greater insight into the life of crocodiles with a tour of the crocodile sanctuary and ranch. This is a great opportunity to learn more about the reptiles, their habitats and feeding habits. Situated just outside Victoria Falls, the original crocodile ranch was set up in the 1950s in response to the declining crocodile population of the Zambezi. It now plays host to tourists and is home to a large number of crocs from birth to around 4 1/2 metres in length.



## **HORSE RIDING**

One of the finest ways to experience the African bush is on horseback. We have a range of trip options available ranging from half day novice rides to full and multi day adventures for experienced riders that range far into splendid Teak forests, Mopani woodland and sub-riverine bush to explore the dramatic scenery above the Batoka Gorge.



#### RHINO ENCOUNTER

Add this once in a lifetime experience to your Lion & Cheetah Encounter...!











## LIVINGSTONE TOWN TOUR

A fascinating tour the original colonial town of Livingstone involves exploring the David Livingstone Museum, taking in the historic sights of the original capital city of Zambia and immersing yourself in the history and culture of Livingstone.



## STEAM TRAIN DINNER

Romantic five-star dining on rails at Victoria Falls is now possible with Bushtracks Africa's Livingstone Express. The 15km journey begins in Livingstone through the Mosi-oa-Tunya National Park and continues along one of the most historic railway lines in Africa. Passengers can disembark to enjoy the sunset. Guests have predinner drinks in the lounge or observation cars before enjoying a six-course meal, prepared and served by Sun International's Royal Livingstone, in the dining carriages. This superb dining experience should not be missed.



## **BRIDGE TOUR**

Let us take you on a hundred year journey under the Victoria Falls Bridge. Discover Cecil John Rhodes plans for his Cape to Cairo Railway. Discover how the bridge was constructed and how a full locomotive was transported across the gorge before the actual completion of the bridge and why. Our highly trained and experienced guides will ensure a safe and informative 2 hours on and around the bridge.



# **GOLF**

Fancy a round of golf? You can try your hand on either side of Victoria Falls, whether Zimbabwe or Zambia, in two top class golf courses. There's the Livingstone Royal Golf & Country Club, in the historical town of Livingstone, Zambia, and the Elephant Hills Golf Course, Zimbabwe, which was designed by the great Gary Player and provides more than enough of a challenge with 18 holes.





## SPA PACKAGES AND TREATMENT OPTIONS

A spa treatment can be arranged in the tranquility of your room, deck or at a private bush location. Please book directly with your Host.

## **PACKAGES:**

- Mwami (King) Experience (150 minutes)
- Intonga Amasatchi Massage Deep tissue and stress relief signature treatment.
- Gentlemen's Aloe Ferox and Soothing Facial Rejuvenating and Revitalizing Facial
- Dyango (Queen) Experience (150 minutes)
- Rooibos and Lavender Clay Wrap Body exfoliation and detoxifying clay wrap including a body massage Anti-Oxidant Rejuvenating
- Facial Anti aging, hydrating and collagen boosting facial.

Our half day packages are the ultimate escape for pure self indulgence.

## **FACIAL TREATMENTS**

## ANTI-OXIDANT REJUVENATING FACIAL (75 MINUTES)

This wonderfully hydrating, anti-aging facial uses a layering process for a more youthful, radiant complexion. Combating free radicals and boosting collagen production, it has an immediate toning and smoothing effect on the skin, plumping fine lines and reducing pigmentation and inflammation with Vitamin C.

# AFRICAN GODDESS ANTI-AGEING FACIAL (85 MINUTES)

This de-stressing, anti-ageing cell renewal care is rich in natural oils, lubricates the skin to restore elasticity and softness and promotes a healthy glow. Formulated with a cocktail of Marula Seed Oil, Hypoxis Root Extract, Rooibos Extract, Aloe Gel, the wonderful antioxidant Coenzyme Q10, scented with Frankincense, Geranium and Rose Otto. A therapeutic journey that starts with a neck and shoulder massage using a traditional oil blend, followed with a cleanse, exfoliation, mask, and nourishment. A sumptuous pleasure for the senses with exceptional results.

#### GENTLEMEN'S ALOE FEROX AND SOOTHING FACIAL (75 MINUTES)

Does your skin appear devitalized, lifeless and dull? Whether due to fatigue, daily stress, hectic lifestyle or photo-damage this treatment infuses your skin with a unique selection of repairing actives. Regeneration and revitalization takes place as skin oxygenation is reinforced. All therapies offer a selection of products to take home with you as an extension to your experience.

## SIGNATURE TREATMENT

## INTONGA AMASATCHI MASSAGE (75 MINUTES)

The body holds memory of all emotional experiences. An inability to let go often expresses itself in the body as a sluggish lymphatic system that can be blamed for low immunity. Intonga Amasatchi is a deep tissue and stress-relieving treatment.





Melting Shea from Ghana blended with healing African potato and Rooibos and natural essential oils is applied to hydrate and condition the skin. Skillful movements are performed with the hands and different sized wooden sticks are used to stretch tight muscles and ease toxic overload from daily stress.

Created from wood, the stick symbolizes wisdom and the energy of earth, (symbolizing growth and abundance) making it a valuable tool, not only in grounding the individual, but also for its intrinsic ability to absorb and purify negativity and rechanneling energy flow.

## **BODY TREATMENTS**

## ROOIBOS AND LAVENDER CLAY WRAP (90 MINUTES)

African tradition has for centuries captured the spirit of river mud for a youthful and radiant complexion. The skin is prepared with our Body Scrub followed by a wonderfully therapeutic wrap containing deep cleansing Kaolin and Bentonite for the absorption of excess oil and toxins from the skin. Jojoba, Marula, Aloe Ferox with Rooibos and Lavender help to leave skin feeling smooth and refined, stimulating blood and lymphatic flow. Your experience is continued with an invigorating massage to improve circulation and alleviate muscular tension.

#### BALANCING SCALP AND LEG RITUAL (45 MINUTES)

A traditionally relaxing and healing massage working on pressure points of the feet to restore balance to the body and pressure applied to the scalp send you into a state of relaxation. Your feet are exfoliated to improve circulation, followed by an application of detoxifying clay. Working with the body's energy channels, this treatment leaves you invigorated.

## **MASSAGE TREATMENTS**

# SWEDISH MASSAGE (55 MINUTES)

A combination of deep-tissue and pressure point techniques combined to improve blood circulation and reduce stress that ultimately creates equilibrium of the body from the soles of the feet to the crown of the head.

## SPORTS MASSAGE (55 MINUTES)

A deep-tissue massage designed to manipulate tense and strained muscles to improve flexibility and endurance of the muscular system.

## BACK-NECK-AND-SHOULDER MASSAGE (55 MINUTES)

This massage focuses purely on the back and shoulder areas to relieve tension of these commonly over stressed muscles (scalp included).

#### FOOT MASSAGE - AT THE POOL SIDE (30 MINUTES)

Treat yourself to this pressure-point foot massage that focuses on re-establishing energy flows, relieving stress, leaving you revitalized and blissfully relaxed.





## **TERMS & CONDITIONS**

- Typical Lodge Activities and related road transfers are included in the Fully Inclusive Rate package only.
- Activities are subject to availability and might be seasonal. Activities should ideally be selected on or prior to arrival. Kindly request a Activity Selection Sheet to indicate your preferences.
- The Lodge will confirm rates on activities the time of your stay.
- Activities are done at own risk.



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