

A herd of elephants is walking along a dirt path in a savanna landscape. The lead elephant is in the foreground, facing the camera, with its trunk and tusks clearly visible. The background shows other elephants and a line of trees under a bright sky.

We Know ZIMBABWE

Zimbabwe is situated in south central Africa between the Limpopo River in the south and the Zambezi River in the north. The country is landlocked, with Mozambique on the east, South Africa on the south, Botswana on the west. Its northern border is Zambia, and they share Victoria Falls, one of the natural wonders of the world, and Lake Kariba, a huge man-made lake.

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Useful Information



CLIMATE

Although Zimbabwe lies in the heart of south-central Africa, surprisingly, the weather is moderate all year round. The country's altitude tempers the tropical temperatures, and Zimbabwe's inland position keeps the humidity comfortably low. The four distinct seasons are November – March when it is warm and rainy; a spring-like season of diminishing rainfall from March – May; a cool and dry winter from May – August; and increasing warm summer from September – October. The ideal game-viewing time is April to October, although places like Makalolo, in Hwange, have excellent all year viewing.

CURRENCY & CREDIT CARDS

It is easy to pay in US Dollar cash but take precaution with the amount of cash you carry with you. It is advisable that you take a sufficient supply of recently minted US bills, in denomination of \$1, \$5, \$10, and \$20 for ease of trade. Visa and MasterCard are widely accepted although credit card facilities are not available at all camps. Only use your card when the item you are buying is priced in US Dollars. NOTE: If carrying cash, take only recently minted U.S. currency.

Foreign cash may be exchanged at the bank, bureau-de-change, or any other authorized foreign currency dealers at the prevailing bank rates. Visitors are, however, encouraged to use credit cards and only exchange amounts in cash that they anticipate using. Visitors may convert their money back to their foreign currency subject to prevailing terms and conditions, including proof in the prescribed format that they changed money upon their arrival. ATMs may be used to withdraw local cash from international credit card enabled ATMs bearing the logos of the accepted credit card companies.

SHOPPING HOURS

Most stores are open 8:00AM to 5:00PM Monday – Friday, Saturday 8:00AM to 1:00PM and closed all day Sunday.

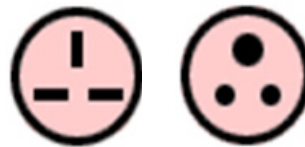
LANGUAGE

The major African languages are Shona and Sindebele, although English is widely spoken in the cities and tourist areas.

VOLTAGE

City and town power systems are 220 volts. Not all hotels and game parks have plug-in points to suit all electrical equipment

ELECTRICAL PLUGS



220V 50Hz

PHOTOGRAPHY

Visitors should respect the outlook of the local people towards photography and only use cameras if they have permission from the person or people the picture is being taken. Never try to "steal" a photo against the will of the person concerned. Let your tour guide or escort help you negotiate terms before you start shooting! It is also against the law to take photographs of border posts, persons in uniform, and of course, military installations.

