



Fact Sheet
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OLD DRIFT LODGE

— VICTORIA FALLS —

INTRODUCTION

Upstream of the iconic Victoria Falls in the Zambezi National Park lies a pristine piece of land on the banks of the Zambezi River. Nestled within this wild paradise is Old Drift Lodge, a place frequented by elephant, buffalo, zebra, giraffe, Lion and many other animals. The untouched natural beauty of the park is sprawled over 56 000 breath taking hectares. The activities offered at Old Drift Lodge emphasise the rich natural environment, focusing on the abundance of wildlife that roam through the Park and swim the Zambezi River. The Zambezi National park can be explored by road, river or on foot, satisfying guests needs to experience every aspect of this natural utopia.

Old Drift Lodge speaks to the rich heritage of the area. A 'drift or 'ford', is a shallow place in a river or stream where it is possible to cross safely without using a boat. Around 1898, the Old Drift (originally known as Sekute's Drift) was used as a crossing point over the Zambezi River between what was then Southern and Northern Rhodesia (today Zimbabwe and Zambia). The drift was at a point on the river, 7 kilometres above the Falls, where the river is wide but runs low enough during certain periods for safe crossing.

The main lodge area boast 360 degree views, north facing onto the Zambezi & south facing onto a water hole. Only 4.5 kilometres from the town of Victoria Falls, Old Drift Lodge is the closest lodge within the National Park to Victoria Falls. Luxury boats transport guests to our natural utopia where we are able to accommodate guests in 10 double suites and 4 family suites.

Old Drift Lodge offers family friendly accommodation, with each air-conditioned suite decorated with stylish furnishings, fitting of the bygone eras, which blend in seamlessly with the natural environment. The spacious canvas en-suite rooms all have a private lounge, indoor and outdoor showers, plunge pool and an outdoor bath overlooking the Zambezi.

AT A GLANCE

ACCOMMODATION

A luxury 14 Tented Suite Lodge, offering:

- 10 Twin / Double Suites
- 4 Family Suites Suites

- Each suite consists of:
 - A spacious bedroom
 - An en-suite bathroom with indoor & outdoor shower
 - Outdoor bath with a view
 - Private plunge pool
 - Private lounge with tea/coffee station and mini bar
 - Air conditioning
 - Ceiling fan

10 Luxury Tented Suites offering:

- A spacious bedroom
- An en-suite bathroom with indoor & outdoor shower
- Outdoor bath with a view
- Private plunge pool
- Private lounge with tea/coffee station and mini bar
- Air conditioning
- Ceiling fan

4 Luxury Tented Suites Family offering:

- A spacious bedroom
- An en-suite bathroom with indoor & outdoor shower
- Outdoor bath with a view
- Private plunge pool
- Private lounge with tea/coffee station and mini bar
- Air conditioning
- Ceiling fan

LODGE FACILITIES

- Dining and bar area under canvas with sweeping views of the Zambezi River
- All fresco dining deck
- Floating star gazing and fireside deck
- Water-hole south of the lodge
- Wireless Internet facilities throughout

STAY INFORMATION

INCLUDED IN OUR RATES:

- Accommodation
- All meals & drinks including complimentary mini bars in the suites
- Return Victoria Falls / Livingstone Airport transfers and transfers to Victoria Falls town
- Laundry
- Emergency Medical Evacuation
- VAT and 2% Tourism levy

Choice of Activities available at Old Drift Lodge at no extra charge to guests:

- Two scheduled game activities per day (River safari, Guided Walking safari & Game Drives on offer)
- Lunch at the Lookout Cafe - On Request (Including drinks)
- Guided Tour of the Falls – Zimbabwe (Excluding Rainforest Entry Fees)

EXCLUDED/ADDITIONAL CHARGE:

- Rainforest Entry Fees (Tour of the Falls) – currently US\$20 for SADCC Residents & US\$30 for Internationals
- Conservation Levy – USD 10.00 per person per night (Payable upon invoice & Subject to change)
- Private vehicle use - USD 250.00 per activity (maximum 7 guests per vehicle)
- Gratuities, Curios and all items of a personal nature

INCLUSIVE ACTIVITIES – DESCRIPTIONS

Old Drift Lodge is ideally situated within the National Park and offers guests an all inclusive insight into an exquisite natural world.

Morning or Afternoon Game Drive

Morning and afternoon game drives in 4 x 4 game viewing vehicles will take you along the Zambezi River through the Zambezi National Park. Game that can be seen include elephants, buffalo, kudu, giraffe, zebra, eland, impala, warthogs, lion, leopard, wild dog and on occasions, cheetah. Tea baskets and snacks will be taken on the morning drives and Sundowners and snacks on the afternoon game drives.

Morning or Afternoon River Safari

Old Drift has two luxury 12 – 14 seater cruise boats which will be used for morning and afternoon river safaris. Drinks and snacks will be provided on both safaris.

Walking Safaris

Morning and afternoon walking safaris will take place along the river but also in the spring lines of Zambezi National Park. Guests will be accompanied by a Professional Guide. Please note that children under the age of 16 years are not permitted on walking safaris.

Lunch at the Lookout Cafe - Including drinks

Guests have the option to enjoy a lunch at the Lookout Café, inclusive of drinks. This can be booked in conjunction with the Tour of the Falls or for the adrenalin lovers, after they have taken part in any of the high wire activities that take place at the "Lookout".

Guided Tour of the Falls – Zimbabwe (Excluding Rainforest Entry Fees)

A guided tour of "the Victoria Falls" is included in the nightly rate, but excludes park fees which are payable direct. This can be booked in conjunction with a lunch at the Lookout Café.

CHILDREN AT OLD DRIFT LODGE

Children over the age of 7 are most welcome at Old Drift Lodge.

Children aged 7 – 16 years (inclusive) will be accommodated at 50% of the adult sharing rate.

Family Suites can accommodate up to 4 guests.

Children under the age of 16 years are not permitted on any Walking Safaris.

PLEASE NOTE:

As Old Drift Lodge is unfenced and located in a wilderness area, it is not recommended that children younger than 16 years occupy a room on their own (without an older sibling / adult present).

Children are the responsibility of their parents/guardians. It is important to note that none of the plunge pools are fenced or manned by staff.

ROOM CONFIGURATION:

10 Twin / Double Tented Suites - maximum of 2 guests per suite

4 Family Tented Suites – each suite has two en-suite bedrooms – maximum of 4 guests per suite

1 Twin Pilot / Guide Room – maximum of 2 pilot/ guides

IMPORTANT LINKS & CONTACT DETAILS

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[http://wetu.com/iBrochure/en/Home/112812/\[Opening_April_2018\]_Old_Drift_Lodge](http://wetu.com/iBrochure/en/Home/112812/[Opening_April_2018]_Old_Drift_Lodge)

IMAGE LIBRARY	https://www.dropbox.com/sh/7ul5op7p57jlokp/AACqyioMA6wpukn3KhUDUJxNa?dl=0
FACEBOOK	https://web.facebook.com/OldDriftLodge/
INSTAGRAM	www.instagram.com/old_drift_lodge/
TRIPADVISOR	https://www.tripadvisor.co.za/Hotel_Review-g293761-d13602221-Reviews-Old_Drift_Lodge-Victoria_Falls_Matabeleland_North_Province.html
RESERVATIONS	E-mail: lodges@wildhorizons.co.zw +263 213 2844571 / 2842313
ONLINE AVAILABILITY	http://wildhorizons.resrequest.com/reservation.php?20++++WB2+
LODGE CONTACT NUMBERS	To follow
WEB	http://www.olddriftlodge.com

OLD DRIFT LODGE - QUICK FACTS

LOCATION	VICTORIA FALLS, ZIMBABWE
NUMBER OF UNITS	14 Tented Suites comprising of: - 10 Twin / Double Suites - 4 Family Suites
FAMILY SUITES	Each family suite consists of two inter-leading en-suite rooms consisting of 1 Double and 1 Twin.
MINI BAR	Yes
INDOOR SHOWERS	Yes
AIR-CONDITIONING	Yes
HAIRDRYER IN ROOM	Yes
IN-ROOM SAFE	Yes
CURIO SHOP	Yes

CREDIT CARD	Visa and MasterCard
INTERNET ACCESS	Yes – Free Wi-Fi available throughout the lodge
CAMP CLOSURE	Open year round
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MALARIA AREA	Yes
CO-ORDINATES	-17.875765 25.791062
ELEVATION	950m above sea level
WHEELCHAIR ACCESS	Yes – limited mobility required
CELL RECEPTION	Yes
TV	No
GYM	Yes
MAIN POOL	No, only plunge pools at each suite