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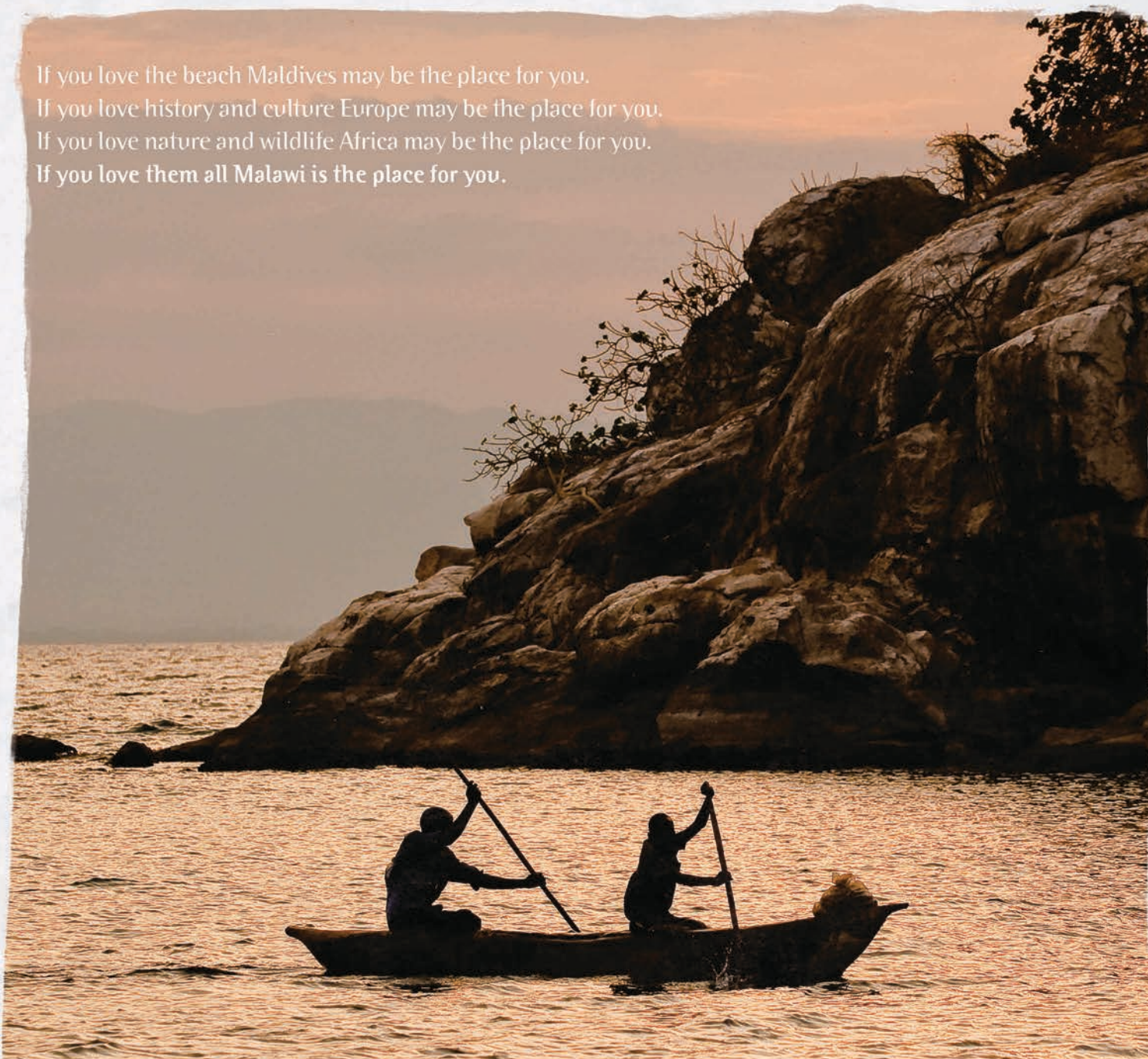
### RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL

Ask most Malawi lodge owners if they have a 'Responsible Tourism Policy' and it's unlikely you'll find many such formal documents. But ask if they work closely with communities, provide good employment opportunities and actively initiate sustainable projects of conservation and development in their local area, and they will be incredulous that you even had to ask! For many, it's the very reason they are there.

Tourism has the potential to be a significant engine of economic growth for Malawi and already the vast majority of lodges are ensuring that it has a direct, positive effect on the country and on as many Malawians as possible, as well as being sustainable for future generations. One thing you can be sure of in Malawi is that your tourism Dollar, Euro or Pound (or Kwacha!) is one that is very well spent.



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# Welcome to Malawi

Described as the 'Warm Heart Of Africa', this relatively little known gem of this diverse continent has so much to offer; wildlife, culture, adventure, scenery, and of course the third largest lake in Africa. A year-round destination, some even go as far to describe Malawi as the most attractive country in sub-Saharan Africa!

This may seem to be an extravagant claim for such a relatively small country but the truth lies in the unique combination of attractions that Malawi has to offer. Where else will you find such a genuinely warm welcome in a country at peace with itself? Where else can you experience such a diverse scenic kaleidoscope in such a small area? Here you have central Africa's highest mountain, vast high plateaux with seemingly limitless views, forests and unspoilt game parks and, the jewel in the crown, Africa's third largest and most beautiful lake – truly an inland sea.

The friendliness of the Malawians is renowned and this makes the cultural experiences second to none. Add to that the beautiful and varied scenery, thrilling safaris and beach-fringed crystal clear waters of Lake Malawi and you have the best that Africa has to offer in one, very compact, destination. If Malawi had a weakness in the past, it was that some of its neighbours had more animals, but significant changes in Malawi's parks and reserves that began in 2015 are transforming its wildlife and safaris - making it now one of the most complete destinations in Africa.

Yet, remarkably, Malawi remains untouched and unspoilt by mass tourism. This is still real Africa where you will hardly see another visitor, and it is safe and easy to explore. For decades now, Malawi has been known as the Warm Heart of Africa. Malawi welcomes its visitors from overseas with a genuine warmth that is truly unforgettable; whether they be first time visitors to Africa or old Africa hands.

As well as the warmth of the welcome and the unrivalled cultural experiences, interacting with real people in real villages, there is a whole host of activities to choose from: safaris by 4x4, by boat, or on foot, sailing, kayaking, snorkelling, scuba diving, water-skiing and much more on the Lake: trekking, climbing, mountain biking and walking in the highlands and forests; or just relaxing on a golden sand beach or watching wildlife at a waterhole. Malawi is exceptionally family-friendly and there's so much available to keep everyone interested. It also benefits from a lovely climate of largely warm, sunny days. If ever too hot, there will always be a highland area offering a cooler escape, and those highlands are the only places it could ever be described as 'cold'.

Malawi's tourism has witnessed unprecedented development in recent years. New lodges have opened and some existing hotels and lodges have been enlarged and upgraded. The tourist infrastructure remains small scale but what's there is of a high standard. The country's reserves are seeing the greatest changes. New public-private partnerships have safeguarded the future of the country's wildlife through conservation initiatives and re-stocking programmes; at the same time improving the safari experiences beyond recognition. If Malawi's wildlife was ever seen as a weakness, all that is changing! Investment has also been put into local infrastructure, making Malawi not just stunning, rewarding, and memorable, but also easy and safe. It is a destination simply waiting to be discovered!

## USING THE BROCHURE

The first pages cover the country's main attractions of Lake, Landscape, Wildlife and Culture; plus details of activities, and advice on touring Malawi. The sections on the three regions (North, Central and South) include location descriptions followed by a directory of accommodation for that region (listed North to South by location). The directories give descriptions of all the best lodges, hotels and camps, including symbols to show at a glance what each one offers (see key below). These include activities/facilities available on site or nearby (see P.15 for more detail), a guide to property size and an indication of price. As a rough guide, the properties are split into 4 price bands, based on rates for B&B per person per night. \$ = <US\$50; \$\$ = US\$50-115; \$\$\$ = US\$115-230; \$\$\$\$ = US\$230+. (NB: at a number of properties, a B&B rate is not actually offered, but an approximation has been calculated for comparison purposes). Please note that some entries have not been updated since 2020 - these are marked. Next comes a directory of companies responsible for transport, tours & safaris who can organise all aspects of your visit to Malawi.

At the back of the brochure is a general Travel Advisory and a full A to Z of contact details for all the members of the Malawi Travel Marketing Consortium whose products and services are included in the brochure. Finally, you will find a useful map inside the fold of the back cover. This can be folded out to view no matter which page you are on, and identifies the location of all lodges, hotels, safari camps, and service companies.

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# Malawi: The Warm Heart of Africa



In the past, Malawi tended to be neglected by travellers: little known, small and hidden in the Great East African Rift Valley. Even today, it remains unspoiled by the mass tourism that has been the fate of some other African countries. Approaching 45,000 square miles /120,000 square kilometres in area; the country epitomizes the saying 'small is beautiful'. Landlocked it may be but it has its own inland 'sea' - the stunningly beautiful Lake Malawi.

It is the unique combination of landscape, wildlife, lake and, of course, the people which makes Malawi one of Africa's most amazing countries. This is one of the safest and friendliest countries in the whole of Africa, offering the visitor a fascinating variety of sights and experiences. The diversity of landscapes, the huge lake and the national parks and reserves provide the foundation for the unrivalled choice of safaris, water sports and outdoor activities on offer.

## LANDSCAPE

Malawi's natural scenery is stunningly beautiful. The diverse landscapes, including their cloaks of vegetation, are breathtaking and change around every bend in the road: untouched wilderness, high plateaux, mountain peaks, riverine lowlands, vast tracts of forest, grasslands, and plantations of sugar and tea.

The highest peaks in Malawi touch 10 000 ft / 3000 m while the lowlands are barely above sea level. These great contrasts help to make the landscape of Malawi one of the most varied in Africa, and all in a country smaller than England.

The Lake, its immediate shoreline and the valley of the Shire River which drains it, lie within the Great Rift Valley of eastern Africa. From the Lake, a series of escarpments climb to the Central African Plateau (1600 - 5000 ft / 500 - 1500 m). This is gently undulating land, punctuated by occasional hills and forests. Rising to even greater heights are Malawi's true mountains: the whaleback plateau of Nyika and the mountainous Vipha in the north, the Dowa Highlands in the centre and, in the south, the two great massifs of Zomba and, highest of all, Mulanje, Central Africa's grandest peak. Clothed in forests and broken by streams and waterfalls, these highlands provide a landscape not expected of Africa.

As well as viewing points from which to see across countless miles of varied and magnificent landscapes, the forest reserves and uplands offer activities from climbing to trekking, mountain biking to birdwatching, or simple cool tranquillity in surroundings of incredible natural beauty.

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## CULTURE

The Warm Heart of Africa' is not just a marketing slogan, it's a reality. Malawians are the most friendly people you could wish to meet anywhere in the world. A warm, welcoming and safe nation, locals love to share their communities with visitors; and cultural interactions here are genuine and true to life.

Even in the context of Malawi's great natural riches and attractions, its people are its greatest asset: friendly and welcoming to a fault. Every visitor is met with a smile and the warmth of the welcome is genuine and long-lasting. With approaching 19 million people, Malawi is one of the more densely populated countries of this part of Africa. Most people live in traditional rural villages. But these villages give visitors a wonderful opportunity to have a glimpse of real Africa – daily life as it is today in the heart of the continent. These are not tourist creations, but a chance to interact with real people in real villages going about their lives.

Malawians are pleased to welcome in respectful visitors and proud to show them around. The majority of Malawi's tourist lodges across the country have strong links to their local communities and can easily arrange village visits.

Many of today's Malawians are descendants of the Bantu people who moved across Africa and into Malawi for hundreds of years up to the fifteenth century. There is now a rich cultural mix in Malawi with the Chewa being the most numerous tribe. Others include the Yao, the Nyanja and the Maravi. In the north the Tumbuka are prominent. Each tribe has contributed to modern Malawi, whether it be in dress, dance, language or thriving music scene. Masks are commonly used in various dances and ceremonies and these are usually tribe-specific. Traditional (African) doctors still attract many people and the two main 'modern' religions, Christianity and Islam, frequently exhibit a continuing adherence to traditional beliefs.





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## LAKE

The jewel in the crown of the country's tourist attractions is Lake Malawi - the Rift Valley's 'Lake of Stars'. Home to the world's first freshwater National Park and covering a third of the country, Lake Malawi is the third largest lake in Africa. Although a lake of crystal clear fresh water, its size and depth gives it a sea-like appearance, with one side rarely visible from the other, and a shoreline of idyllic golden sandy beaches lapped by gentle waves. The Lake is a real-life aquarium, home to up to 1000 species of brightly coloured tropical fish, many unique to the Lake. That's more species than all the lakes and rivers of Europe and North America put together! Far from hiding away, these fish will swim around you, come up close, and boast their magnificence right in front of your eyes.

This vast body of freshwater is not only a scenic wonderland but it provides a wide range of water sport opportunities for those looking for something beyond sun, sand and swimming. International-class accommodation is dotted along its length, mainly small friendly lodges, but to suit all budgets and interests. From luxury lodges to rustic camps on deserted islands, all have their own piece of paradise



and offer plenty of activities to keep you occupied. Equally, they all offer a truly relaxing beach experience, often in complete seclusion.

Lake Malawi was "discovered" by the Scottish missionary and explorer David Livingstone just over 150 years ago and it now forms an integral part of Malawi's cultural heritage, bringing sustenance, livelihood, tourism and leisure to the country. Fishing villages are scattered along the shore and the traditional industry and practices are an attraction to visitors. Lake Malawi's approximate dimensions are 365 miles north to south and 52 miles broad, hence the nickname: "the calendar lake". The Lake, in the north, is quite extraordinarily deep at 2300 ft/700 m, plunging well below sea level. This reflects the enormity of the natural faulting of the Great Rift Valley, which is the origin of the Lake. Access to the Lake is possible along much of its length but it is usually necessary to take a short detour off the main roads in order to reach the beach (part of the magic!). There are long stretches of totally uninhabited golden sand lakeshore, lapped by crystal clear waters. Journeys on the Lake range from the famous 'lake ferry', the mv Ilala, to exploring on a kayak expedition.

## WILDLIFE

Malawi's nine national parks and wildlife reserves offer game viewing and tracking as it should be... intimate and exclusive. Each park has a maximum of just two lodges, so you can view the Big 5 without the crowds.

It is the country's wildlife that is undergoing the greatest changes at present. Having achieved one of Africa's great conservation success stories in Majete Wildlife Reserve, the African Parks organisation took over the management of two more of Malawi's protected areas in 2015 - Liwonde and Nkhosakota. Majete has already been transformed from a neglected area with few animals into a thriving Big 5 reserve, with translocations of animals including lions, cheetah, rhino, giraffe and, most recently, wild dog. Nkhosakota received the largest ever translocation of elephants (plus large numbers of other game species) and Liwonde had cheetahs & lions reintroduced, followed by wild dogs, with a 'top up' of rhinos for good measure! With this massive investment in conservation and re-stocking, the future is very bright for Malawi's wildlife.

The Parks and Reserves cover a great variety of landscape and vegetation types, and include areas of genuine unspoilt wilderness. In the north are the unique and beautiful highlands of the Nyika Plateau National Park, and the low lying Vwaza Marsh Wildlife Reserve. Central Malawi has two vast game areas: Kasungu National Park in the west and Nkhosakota Reserve in the east which straddles the rugged

and untouched wilderness of the Rift Valley Escarpment. In the south is Liwonde, the most established National Park in the country, offering the most prolific game viewing along the River Shire.

There are also three game areas further south in the Lower Shire Valley: Lengwe National Park and the wildlife reserves of Mwabvi and the Big 5 Majete. Near the southern end of Lake Malawi is the world's first freshwater national park at Cape Maclear. This is one of Malawi's UNESCO World Heritage Sites.

A safari in Malawi is about memorable experiences, not just tick lists; plenty of game in beautiful surroundings but no convoys of vehicles characteristic of some African game parks. Visitors are relatively few in number, giving everyone the opportunity to experience all types of safari: in a 4x4, by boat, or on foot, and even wildlife viewing from your balcony, in peaceful privacy.

Malawi is also an ornithologist's paradise. Few countries in the whole of Africa can rival Malawi's range of bird species, coupled with the relative ease of birdwatching. Around 650 species have been identified with over ten percent not being seen in other parts of southern Africa. Best known is the fish eagle to be seen at the Lake and along the River Shire. But the greatest variety of animal species is to be found under water, with Lake Malawi home to around 1000 species of tropical fish - a number unsurpassed anywhere else in the world.



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# Activity & Adventure

For a small country, Malawi has a quite remarkable array of activities to offer its visitors - on land and on (and in) water. The days of 'laze and gaze' seem to have gone, replaced by a wish to do something new and exciting. A visit to Malawi is certainly not generally about staying in one place - it's about touring, seeing new places and enjoying new experiences. At the end of this section is a useful table detailing what activities are on offer at the various lodges, camps and hotels.

## WATERSPORTS

Lake Malawi, an inland sea, provides the opportunity for almost any water sport you care to think of. The lake's size, its warm freshwater and its beautiful surrounding beaches make it a magnet for those seeking an all-year round location to swim, scuba dive, snorkel, water-ski, sail, kayak, parasail or simply potter about in boats. The salt-free water is a bonus.

The clarity of the water (especially between June and December) gives visibility at best down to 30 metres and the lake has the largest number of fish species of any in the world. Almost all the lodges and hotels along the lakeshore have equipment for water sports and there are many dive schools offering PADI courses. Kayaking and sailing can range from an hour or so on the water to a full kayaking expedition over a few weeks. For a traditional experience of the lake, take a trip on the famous mv Ilala, the local water-bus.

## WILDLIFE SAFARIS

With African Parks now managing three reserves, a massive conservation and restocking programme is underway and the country's safari experiences are being transformed.

Two of the great attractions of Malawi's national parks and wildlife reserves are their completely unspoilt wilderness and the absence of mass tourism. You really do feel you're looking at a scene recognisable from over 150 years ago. There's a real touch of the Garden of Eden about them. You discover the animals, they're not lined up as though in a theme park, and with only one or two lodges in any one reserve there's hardly ever another vehicle to be seen.

There's a wide choice of safari. You can use 4x4 vehicles (most are open-topped) for your game drives or you can really get to know the country and its wildlife on a walking safari. Or try a boat safari along the Shire River - a wonderful way to see the animals close-up. You can

float close to the hundreds of hippos and watch the elephants drink just a few metres away.

It is difficult to find many countries that can approach Malawi as a destination for birdwatching. Few will get close to the range of species that can be seen and even fewer have such ease of viewing.

## CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

Malawi's people are its greatest asset - friendly, welcoming, colourful and vibrant. It is impossible to visit and not to become engaged with the people, but there are also opportunities to spend time in real villages (including staying overnight) for a first-hand experience of the cultures, traditions and daily life. These visits allow a genuine interaction with Malawians and are usually the highlight of any trip.

Malawi's festival and music scene is fast expanding, with events throughout the year and with some Malawian artists gaining international recognition. Events vary from choir festivals to seasons of dance. The event that is already on the world map is the Lake of Stars Festival. This is a high profile celebration of music from Malawi, Africa and around the world. The festival normally takes place during September, and is held on the shores of the lake.

There's much to see of Malawi's history, including the pre-historic remains of the Karonga district and Stone Age rock paintings near Dedza (home to the famous Pottery). The Cultural & Museum Centre at Karonga is well worth a visit. Elsewhere, the colonial period is preserved in buildings from the David Livingstone era and the defeat of the Arab slave trade is well documented in the museums of Blantyre. Among other museums around the country are a Lake Museum at Mangochi, a mission museum at Livingstonia and a postal services museum near Zomba. Mua Mission also deserves special mention - for both its wonderful cultural museum and the quite amazing wood carvings it produces.



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## OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES

Malawi's varied landscapes provide the perfect backdrop and environments for an ever-increasing range of outdoor activities.

From trekking up Mount Mulanje, looking out for miles from the top of Zomba Plateau, to exploring the rolling hills of Nyika, and hiking through the rugged wilderness of Nkhotakota - there is so much to discover simply on foot in Malawi's varied highlands, forest and plateaux. All levels and abilities can be catered for. The country has also become known as a great destination for cycling. Mountain biking is possible from a number of centres and the country's variety in a small area makes it ideal for touring by bike.

Horse riding remains popular and is increasingly available with excellent stables on the Zomba Plateau, on the Lakeshore at Kande and on the Vipha Highlands. Specialist tours/activities include yoga holidays, tea factory tours, art safaris and pottery classes. Orchid lovers are also regular visitors to Malawi's unique displays.

## TOURING MALAWI

Visitors should think in terms of a stay in the country of 10-14 days. A longer period will allow you to make a more leisurely tour but if, on the other hand, you can't spare more than a week it may be best to focus on just one region. The beauty of Malawi's compact size and great variety is that no time is ever 'lost' to travel. Each destination is likely to be only a few hours from the next, and with a fascinating amount to see on the way. If you are thinking of making an excursion into the Luangwa National Park in Zambia or thinking of a flying visit to the Victoria Falls, add in another three to four days.

The most convenient way to divide Malawi is to use the capital Lilongwe, in the heart of the Central Region, as a dividing point between the north and the south. Whether heading north or south of Lilongwe, it's possible to follow an itinerary which samples the variety of landscape, wildlife, lake and cultural attractions that the country offers. If time allows, a combination of north and south is the ultimate Malawi Trip. Opening up the map folded into the back cover will help to identify the places detailed in the following guide:

Heading north from Lilongwe, Ntchisi and the Vipha Plateau offer an immediate escape to tranquil highland forests. In between the two is the rugged wilderness of the Nkhotakota Wildlife Reserve, now being

re-stocked. Further on, into North Malawi, is the country's third most important town, Mzuzu, which leads, via Rumphu, to the wonderland of the Nyika Plateau National Park and to the Vwaza Marsh Wildlife Reserve. Both are good game-viewing locations and the Nyika Plateau is Malawi at its most scenic. Heading east, the famous Livingstonia Mission and the historic town of Karonga bring you to Lake Malawi. Places to stay at its shore on the return south to Lilongwe include the bustling Nkhata Bay and the beautiful beaches of Chintheche. Across the lake to the east there is the magical island of Likoma and the enchanting Mozambique shore. Once back into Central Malawi, the historic Nkhotakota and charming Senga Bay bring you within a short drive of Lilongwe.

Alternatively, heading south from Lilongwe, highlands are soon encountered at Dedza, which has the added attractions of its famous pottery and nearby Chongoni Rock Art, a World Heritage Site. Continuing into South Malawi, Blantyre is one of the country's two largest towns, with historical monuments and a variety of attractions close by. South of Blantyre, the Lower Shire Valley is home to no less than three national parks and wildlife reserves - Lengwe, Mwabvi and Majete, the latter now a Big 5 Reserve. East of Blantyre, is the magnificent Mount Mulanje and the beautiful Thyolo tea estates it overlooks. Beginning the return north, the old capital town of Zomba and the famous views from Zomba Plateau are a short drive away. A little further on is Liwonde National Park, Malawi's most popular and best established game park. Lake Malawi is reached initially at a strip known as the 'Mangochi lakeshore' where you'll be spoilt for choice of accommodation. From there it's a short drive to Cape Maclear/Lake Malawi National Park and its range of attractions. Back in Central Malawi, Senga Bay and the Marelli Islands just off shore are reached after passing the interesting Mua Mission, and then it's a short return to Lilongwe.

With Blantyre now served by three international airlines, it's also possible to cover the southern part of the country by using Blantyre as a start and/or end point.

Further details of the specific locations mentioned above can be found in the following pages on North Malawi, Central Malawi and South Malawi, with accommodation details following in the relevant Directory pages.





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| Chelinda Lodge & Camp (Nyika)        | ■       |              |              |                    |                      |                           |              |             |                    |                |               |                           |      |                |             |              |          |         |            | ■       |
| Safari Cottage (Nkhata Bay)          |         |              | ■            | ■                  | ■                    |                           |              |             |                    |                |               |                           |      |                |             |              |          |         |            |         |
| Butterfly Space (Nkhaya Bay)         |         |              | ■            | ■                  | ■                    |                           | ■            |             | ■                  |                |               |                           |      | ■              | ■           | ■            | ■        |         | ■          | ■       |
| Makuzi Beach (Chintechi)             |         |              | ■            | ■                  | ■                    |                           |              |             |                    |                |               |                           |      |                |             |              |          |         |            |         |
| The Beach House (Chintechi)          |         |              | ■            | ■                  | ■                    |                           | ■            |             |                    |                |               |                           |      |                |             |              |          |         |            |         |
| Kaya Mawa (Likoma Island)            |         |              | ■            | ■                  | ■                    | ■                         |              |             |                    | ■              | ■             |                           |      | ■              |             |              |          | ■       |            | ■       |
| Ullisa Bay Lodge (Likoma Island)     |         |              | ■            | ■                  | ■                    |                           |              |             |                    |                |               | ■                         |      | ■              |             |              |          |         | ■          | ■       |
| Nkwichi Lodge (Manda Wilderness)     |         |              | ■            | ■                  | ■                    | ■                         |              |             | ■                  | ■              |               | ■                         |      | ■              |             |              |          |         | ■          | ■       |
| Luwawa Forest Lodge (Viphya Plateau) |         |              | ■            | ■                  | ■                    | ■                         | ■            |             | ■                  |                |               |                           |      | ■              |             |              |          |         |            | ■       |

## CENTRAL MALAWI

|  | Safaris | Boat Safaris | Birdwatching | Walking & Trekking | Climbing & Abseiling | Cycling & Mountain Biking | Horse Riding | Tea Tasting | Volunteer Projects | Village Visits | Market Visits | Museum & Historical Sites | Golf | Wellness / Spa | Snorkelling | Scuba Diving | Kayaking | Sailing | Boat Trips | Fishing |
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| Ngala Beach Lodge (Dwangwa)                            | ■       |              | ■            | ■                  |                      |                           | ■            |             |                    |                |               |                           | ■    |                |             |              |          |         |            |         |
| Bua River Lodge (Nkhotakota Wildlife Reserve)          | ■       |              | ■            | ■                  |                      | ■                         |              |             |                    |                |               |                           |      |                |             |              |          |         |            |         |
| Tongole Wilderness Lodge (Nkhotakota Wildlife Reserve) | ■       |              | ■            | ■                  |                      |                           |              |             | ■                  |                |               |                           |      |                |             |              |          |         |            | ■       |
| Kachenga Bush Camp (Nkhotakota Wildlife Reserve)       | ■       |              | ■            | ■                  |                      |                           |              |             |                    |                |               |                           |      |                |             |              |          |         |            |         |
| Rafiki Camp (Nkhotakota Wildlife Reserve)              | ■       |              | ■            | ■                  |                      |                           |              |             |                    |                |               |                           |      |                |             |              |          |         |            |         |
| The Commonage (Ntchisi Forest Reserve)                 |         |              | ■            | ■                  |                      | ■                         |              |             |                    | ■              |               |                           |      |                |             |              |          |         |            |         |
| Kumbali Lake Retreat (Senga Bay)                       | ■       |              | ■            | ■                  |                      |                           |              |             | ■                  | ■              | ■             |                           |      |                |             |              |          |         | ■          | ■       |
| Safari Beach Lodge (Senga Bay)                         |         |              | ■            | ■                  |                      |                           |              |             | ■                  |                |               |                           |      |                |             |              |          |         |            |         |
| Kuwona Cottage (Senga Bay)                             |         |              | ■            | ■                  |                      |                           |              |             |                    | ■              | ■             |                           |      |                |             |              |          |         | ■          | ■       |
| Kambiri Beach (Senga Bay)                              | ■       | ■            | ■            | ■                  | ■                    | ■                         |              |             |                    |                |               |                           |      |                |             |              |          |         |            |         |
| Blue Waters by Serendib (Senga Bay)                    | ■       | ■            | ■            | ■                  | ■                    | ■                         |              |             |                    |                |               |                           |      |                |             |              |          |         |            |         |
| Blue Zebra Island Lodge (Marelli Islands)              |         |              | ■            | ■                  |                      |                           |              |             |                    |                |               |                           |      | ■              |             |              |          |         | ■          | ■       |
| Heuglin's Lodge (Lilongwe)                             |         |              |              |                    |                      |                           |              |             |                    |                | ■             |                           |      |                |             |              |          |         |            |         |
| Africa House Malawi (Lilongwe)                         | ■       |              | ■            | ■                  |                      | ■                         |              |             | ■                  |                | ■             | ■                         |      | ■              |             |              |          |         |            |         |
| Kumbali Country Lodge (Lilongwe)                       |         |              | ■            | ■                  |                      |                           |              |             |                    |                |               |                           | ■    | ■              |             |              |          |         |            |         |
| Mitengo House (Lilongwe)                               | ■       |              | ■            |                    |                      |                           |              |             | ■                  | ■              | ■             | ■                         | ■    | ■              | ■           |              |          |         |            |         |
| Korea Garden Lodge (Lilongwe)                          |         |              |              |                    |                      |                           |              |             |                    |                |               |                           | ■    | ■              |             |              |          |         |            |         |
| Mafumu Hotel (Lilongwe)                                |         |              | ■            | ■                  | ■                    |                           |              |             | ■                  | ■              | ■             |                           | ■    | ■              |             |              | ■        | ■       | ■          | ■       |
| Dzalanyama Forest House (Dzalanyama)                   |         |              | ■            | ■                  |                      | ■                         |              |             | ■                  | ■              |               | ■                         |      |                |             |              |          |         |            | ■       |

## SOUTH MALAWI

|   | Safaris | Boat Safaris | Birdwatching | Walking & Trekking | Climbing & Abseiling | Cycling & Mountain Biking | Horse Riding | Tea Tasting | Volunteer Projects | Village Visits | Market Visits | Museum & Historical Sites | Golf | Wellness / Spa | Snorkelling | Scuba Diving | Kayaking | Sailing | Boat Trips | Fishing |
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| Mumbo & Domwe Camps (Lake Malawi NP)                      |         |              | ■            | ■                  |                      | ■                         |              |             | ■                  | ■              | ■             | ■                         | ■    | ■              | ■           | ■            | ■        | ■       | ■          | ■       |
| Warm Heart Adventure Lodge (Lake Malawi NP)               |         |              | ■            | ■                  |                      | ■                         |              |             | ■                  | ■              | ■             | ■                         | ■    | ■              | ■           | ■            | ■        | ■       | ■          | ■       |
| Pumulani, Robin Pope Safaris (Lake Malawi NP)             |         |              | ■            | ■                  |                      | ■                         |              |             | ■                  | ■              | ■             | ■                         | ■    | ■              | ■           | ■            | ■        | ■       | ■          | ■       |
| Norman Carr Cottage (Monkey Bay)                          |         |              | ■            | ■                  |                      | ■                         |              |             |                    |                |               |                           |      |                |             |              |          |         |            |         |
| The Makokola Retreat (Mangochi Lakeshore)                 | ■       | ■            | ■            | ■                  |                      |                           |              |             |                    | ■              | ■             | ■                         | ■    |                |             | ■            | ■        | ■       | ■          | ■       |
| Zaburi Beach by Serendib (Mangochi Lakeshore)             | ■       | ■            | ■            | ■                  | ■                    | ■                         |              |             | ■                  |                |               |                           |      |                |             |              | ■        | ■       | ■          | ■       |
| Kuthengo Camp, Robin Pope Safaris (Liwonde National Park) |         | ■            | ■            | ■                  |                      |                           |              |             |                    |                |               |                           |      |                |             |              |          |         |            |         |
| Mvu Lodge & Camp (Liwonde National Park)                  | ■       | ■            | ■            | ■                  |                      | ■                         |              |             | ■                  | ■              |               |                           |      |                |             |              |          |         |            |         |
| Chimwala Bush Camp (Liwonde National Park)                | ■       | ■            | ■            | ■                  |                      |                           |              |             |                    |                |               |                           |      |                |             |              |          |         |            |         |
| Zomba Forest Lodge (Zomba Plateau)                        |         |              | ■            | ■                  |                      | ■                         | ■            |             | ■                  | ■              | ■             | ■                         | ■    |                |             |              |          |         |            |         |
| Hill Springs Lodge (Zomba)                                |         |              |              | ■                  |                      |                           |              |             |                    |                |               |                           |      |                |             |              |          |         |            |         |
| Villa 33 (Blantyre)                                       |         |              |              |                    |                      |                           |              |             |                    |                |               |                           |      |                |             |              |          |         |            |         |
| Serendib Blantyre (Blantyre/Limbe)                        | ■       |              | ■            | ■                  | ■                    | ■                         | ■            | ■           |                    |                |               |                           | ■    | ■              |             |              |          |         |            |         |
| Protea Hotel by Marriott Blantyre Ryalls (Blantyre/Limbe) |         |              |              |                    |                      |                           |              |             |                    |                |               |                           | ■    | ■              |             |              |          |         |            |         |
| Fisherman's Rest (Blantyre/Shire Valley)                  | ■       | ■            | ■            | ■                  | ■                    | ■                         | ■            | ■           | ■                  | ■              | ■             | ■                         | ■    | ■              |             |              |          |         |            |         |
| Game Haven Lodge (Blantyre/Thyolo)                        |         |              | ■            | ■                  |                      |                           | ■            | ■           | ■                  | ■              | ■             |                           |      |                |             |              |          |         |            | ■       |
| Huntingdon House (Thyolo)                                 | ■       |              | ■            | ■                  | ■                    | ■                         | ■            | ■           | ■                  | ■              | ■             |                           |      |                |             |              |          |         |            | ■       |
| Chawani Bungalow (Thyolo)                                 | ■       |              | ■            | ■                  | ■                    | ■                         | ■            | ■           | ■                  | ■              | ■             |                           |      |                |             |              |          |         |            | ■       |
| AfricaWildTruck Camp & Lodge (Mulanje)                    | ■       |              | ■            | ■                  | ■                    | ■                         | ■            | ■           | ■                  | ■              | ■             |                           |      |                |             |              |          |         |            |         |
| Mkulumadzi, Robin Pope Safaris (Majete Wildlife Reserve)  | ■       | ■            | ■            | ■                  | ■                    | ■                         | ■            | ■           | ■                  | ■              | ■             | ■                         | ■    | ■              | ■           | ■            | ■        | ■       | ■          | ■       |
| Majete Game Capture Camp (Majete Wildlife Reserve)        | ■       | ■            | ■            | ■                  | ■                    | ■                         | ■            | ■           | ■                  | ■              | ■             | ■                         | ■    | ■              | ■           | ■            | ■        | ■       | ■          | ■       |
| Thawale Camp (Majete Wildlife Reserve)                    | ■       | ■            | ■            | ■                  | ■                    | ■                         | ■            | ■           | ■                  | ■              | ■             | ■                         | ■    | ■              | ■           | ■            | ■        | ■       | ■          | ■       |

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# North Malawi



Water activities on Likoma Island



Opportunities for Cultural Interaction

Less well known than the rest of the country, North Malawi has so much to offer the visitor. With a lower population density, it is a region for those who wish to experience Africa at its most unspoilt. It has a different character from the rest of the country, recognisable in its scenery and its people. Except for that part of the region which is occupied by Lake Malawi, the north is characterised by its great highlands and its quite astonishing beauty is the lasting memory of all who explore this unique area.

For accommodation details for North Malawi, see the Directory which follows these pages.

**NYIKA NATIONAL PARK** is Malawi's largest (1250 sq miles/3250 sq km) and longest established. It extends across the great Nyika Plateau, which is essentially a granitic dome rising to 8000 ft /2400 m with an environment like none other in Africa. The rolling landscapes of the central plateau are described as whalebacks and are rich in wildflowers. Over 200 types of orchid flower in the rainy season. Nyika is wonderful for trekking and mountain biking, and for conventional 4x4 safaris. The montane vegetation attracts large numbers of antelope from the diminutive duiker to roan and eland, the latter of which can occur in very large herds. Zebra are common and leopard, hyena and jackal also live on the plateau. The leopard population is one of the densest in Africa and sightings are regular. Elephants and buffalo usually keep to the lower ground on the edges of the park. For the birdwatcher, the park has a great deal to offer, with over 400 species recorded, including the rare Denham's bustard, wattled crane and red-winged francolin. Other things to see in the vast park include waterfalls, a Neolithic rock shelter, trout pools and even a 'magic lake'. (Accommodation: Chelinda Lodge, Chelinda Camp)

**LIVINGSTONIA MISSION** is wonderfully sited between Nyika's eastern edge and the shore of Lake Malawi. From 3000 ft/ 1000 m there are views of incredible beauty across the lake to Tanzania. Livingstonia is a fascinating mission settlement dating from 1894, established by Robert Laws, a disciple of David Livingstone. The Old Stone House, the home of the Laws family, is now a rest-house and museum.

**VWAZA MARSH WILDLIFE RESERVE** is 400 sq miles/1000 sq km of marsh and plain, with a few rocky outcrops. The reserve has a wonderful mix of vegetation: forest and grassland, thin woodland and marsh. It is this rich habitat which attracts a splendid range of birdlife. Nearly 300 species of birds have been recorded including stork, heron and the white-faced tree duck. For safaris, Vwaza offers the more traditional 'bush game' experience - a perfect complement to Nyika's rolling grassland hills. Herds of thirty or forty elephants are regularly seen and there are large numbers of hippos - particularly found in Lake Kazuni, near the main entrance. Buffalo, various antelope, baboons and many smaller mammals are also to be seen. Lions are occasionally seen.

**MZUZU** the capital of the north, lies in a saddle in the highlands. It stands at the junction of the lakeshore road (M5) and Malawi's main north-south highway (M1). The town, which has grown rapidly in recent times, has an airport and a host of other facilities in the crowded town centre.

**LIKOMA ISLAND** is off the eastern shore of the Lake: a little piece of Malawian territory in Mozambican waters. Likoma's claim to fame is its 100 year old cathedral (the size of Winchester's). This vast building has some interesting features including stained glass and carved soapstone. The island also boasts some lovely beaches. Access to Likoma is by boat or aircraft. (Accommodation: Kaya Mawa, Ulisa Bay Lodge)

**MANDA WILDERNESS** is an ambitious project on the Mozambique mainland nearest to Likoma Island. This is a 120,000 hectare community reserve of unspoilt wilderness - brachystegia and riverine forest, savannah, swamps and streams, mountains and miles of beaches with crystal clear fresh water. It is an area known for its biodiversity and used to be one of the biggest game areas in the country. Conservation projects are now being run with the local communities in this genuine wilderness area. (Accommodation: Nkwichi Lodge)

**THE VIPHYA HIGHLANDS** are the forested spine of North Malawi, stretching up from Central Malawi all the way to Nyika. This is a wonderful area for those seeking a combination of stunning scenery and solitude. The undulating plateau rises to 6000 ft /1850m although some peaks stretch a further 1000 ft /300m higher. It is an ideal area in which to unwind but there are also opportunities for trekking, mountain biking and various other activities. Though not a safari destination, the birdwatching is excellent and there are small mammals and the occasional leopard to be seen in the forests. (Accommodation: Luwawa Forest Lodge)

**THE NORTHERN LAKESHORE** is Lake Malawi at its most varied - everything from high cliffs dropping sheer into the lake, to secluded coves accessible only by boat.

**- CHINTHECHE** has a concentration of small Lakeshore resorts, making the most of some of the best beaches on the lake - long stretches of white sand. Nearby is an area of cultural interest, the Bandawe Mission site. (Accommodation: Makuzi Beach Lodge, The Beach House)

**- NKHATA BAY** is a vibrant port town in the North of Malawi often referred to as the gateway to the islands. It has a wonderful carving market and a bustling (almost Caribbean) feel to it. Just a 3 minutes drive away from the town is a beautiful sand beach where there are a number of lodges to choose from. With plenty of small shops and a bank / ATM as well as internet cafés, restaurants and bars, Nkhata Bay, despite its size, has a lot on offer. (Accommodation: Safari Cottage, Butterfly Space)

**- KARONGA** has a fascinating museum telling something of the interesting history of the area back to prehistoric times. The skeletal remains of the *Malawisaurus* dinosaur have been unearthed nearby as have been the oldest human remains in the country. Karonga's 19th Century history is equally of interest.





## NORTH MALAWI ACCOMMODATION

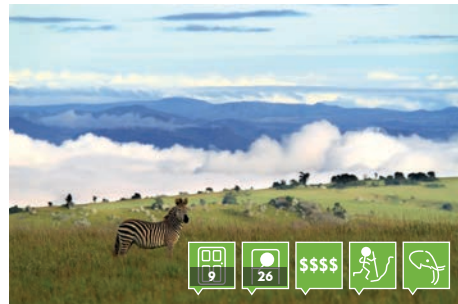


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Nestled in the highlands of Nyika National Park, this is an exclusive 16-bedded lodge that lies against a magnificent backdrop of towering pine trees. Situated high on the plateau, the eight luxuriously appointed chalets offer panoramic views of woodland patches, rolling plains and montane grasslands, which are often dotted with herds of antelope.

The cabin styled chalets are constructed of stone and pine, each with an en-suite bathroom, fireplace, an upstairs seating area and a viewing deck. Meals can be enjoyed in the spacious main lounge or on the grand outdoor deck that overlooks the grasslands. Nyika National Park is one of Malawi's most scenic and spectacular wilderness areas. It boasts an incredible mixture of scenery and landscapes - pristine brachystegia woodlands, mature mountain forest patches, crystal clear running streams and miles and miles of open rolling grasslands.

Leopard sightings are common on the plateau as well as sightings of Crayshaw's zebra, roan antelope, reedbuck, eland, bushbuck, warthog, bush pig, spotted hyena, side-striped jackal and serval. Birdlife is prolific with over 425 species inhabiting the plateau. Occasional sightings of lion have also been reported. Activities include day and night game drives, guided walks, mountain biking and fly fishing (which is available seasonally). Guests can also opt to embark on the Livingstonia Trail or the Sangwala Trail, and can also visit the nearby local school.



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Chelinda Camp, situated in Nyika National park, overlooks a freshwater dam and offers striking views of the montane grasslands that stretch across the Nyika Plateau. The park is often heralded as one of the continent's most iconic areas of wilderness and its rolling plains are reminiscent of the Scottish Highlands.

Accommodation at the camp comprises four chalets; each have two double bedrooms, a dining area, a small kitchen and a bathroom. The chalets also have a spacious lounge and large fireplace. The camp is ideal for private groups who are seeking an affordable and comfortable stay on the plateau. An additional five twin-bedded rooms are also available. Wholesome and rustic meals are served in a cosy dining area, and guests can also unwind in a comfortable lounge and bar, in the warmth of an inviting fireplace. Nyika is renowned for incredible leopard sightings and the park is also home to an abundance of flora and fauna. Common wildlife sightings include that of Crayshaw's zebra, roan antelope, reedbuck, eland, bushbuck, spotted hyena, side-striped jackal and serval. In the recent months, lions have also been spotted on occasion and have been heard roaring in close proximity to the camp. Over 425 species of bird can be found on the plateau along with nearly 200 species of orchid. Aside from enjoying traditional day and night game drives, mountain biking, fly fishing (which is available seasonally) and guided walks, guests can also opt to visit the nearby local school or can explore the plateau further by embarking on the Livingstonia Trail or the Sangwala Trail.



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Safari Cottage is a self-catering cottage in Nkhata Bay just a couple of metres from the shore of Lake Malawi. There are three bedrooms, dining room, sitting room and a kitchen for self catering.

The cottage is located in the second bay in the town, which is more secluded than the first, and overlooks the mouth of the Nkhata River, the whole bay and the lake.

From the veranda there are fine views of the bay and the plain surrounding the outlet of the Nkhata River - an excellent spot for bird-watching; just take a pair of binoculars and a deck-chair...

Facilities include: a daily cleaning service, laundry service, 24 hrs security, completely fenced area, secure parking, satellite TV, self-catering facilities, bedding, etc. There is a night-watchman.

The centre of Nkhata bay is small and home to not more than 2000 people. But there are many villages nearby that make Nkhata Bay the infrastructural centre for up to 20,000 people. Tourism and fishing are the main industries of the town. Nkhata Bay is a lively place, especially on Sundays and Mondays, when fisherfolk come into town to sell their weekly catch.



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Butterfly Space is a non-profit community based lodge located on the shores of Nkhata bay in Northern Malawi. We offer bespoke and eco-friendly chalets to both our guests and volunteers, overlooking the crystal clear waters. We have accommodation to suit all budgets, from self-contained private chalets, to a campsite nestled between amongst permaculture gardens on the shore, shaded by canopies of fruit trees. With some of the best chefs in Nkhata Bay, we proudly offer an extensive international and local menu which serves breakfast, lunch and dinner at very reasonable prices. Our bar sits over the water, where you can relax in a hammock, play pool, or hide away on our own private beach area to enjoy a cocktail, wine or beer. We serve a range of homemade juices and smoothies fresh from the kitchen, and offer pizza on weekends, baked in our clay oven.

Our diverse community projects, both on and off site, focus on sustainability, education and community. Visitors and guests can visit our information, media and resource centre, explore our 'nature trail' to spot some of our environmental demonstrations, and find out more info on our other community projects!



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Makuzi Beach Lodge is situated on the lush Northern shores of Lake Malawi. Delightfully sited in its own completely private bay, the lodge is ideal for that perfect "Retreat to Paradise". Makuzi is family owned and built to be Eco-friendly using local materials and expertise to build their "Paradise". Makuzi works hand in hand with the local community which gives guests the opportunity to experience Malawi at its best. Makuzi has retained the beauty and exclusivity by only having 8 individual comfortable en-suite chalets, (3 superior, 4 standard, 1 superior family chalet and 1 fully self contained open plan cottage which sleeps all with stunning lake views set in perfectly manicured gardens. The camping site is set in the gardens with beautiful trees for shade.

Sipping a cocktail or enjoying one of the chefs' delicious meals from the deck of the main lodge is an experience in itself. Makuzi enjoys an excellent reputation for its cuisine and guests are encouraged to enjoy a full African dining experience under the stars. There are a wide variety of activities: swimming, kayaking, fishing, birding or just wallowing in the lake. Taking a tour around Makuzi beach's organic spice farm, herb and vegetable garden and tropical gardens is always welcomed. Activities run by the community are the village tour including the Mission site and community museum and boat trips on the lake. Tree planting is a main priority within the communities and local schools run by Makuzi Beach and guests are welcome to get involved. Makuzi Beach is great value for money in a secluded haven of tranquillity.



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The Beach House, on North (Msondozi), Beach, Chintheche, overlooks silver sands facing down Lake Malawi. It is perched on the very edge of the dunes. Sunrise over the islands of Chizumulu and Likoma is a photographer's dream.

Four large bedrooms each have twin beds, one pair easily convertible to double, mosquito nets and en suite bathrooms. The spacious lounge area is furnished in colonial style with many maps and prints, paintings and photographs of Malawi and local attractions, past and present. A wide, shaded patio and terrace all around the house provide the very best of outdoor tropical life. The well-equipped kitchen encourages the widest range of self-catering. Barbecue equipment allows al fresco dining on the beach or under the trees. A well-qualified cook can, depending entirely on availability, sometimes be offered at extra cost.

The local fish chambo, kampango, ncheni and the whitebait-like usipa can often be bought on the beach or requested from local fishermen through our service staff. There are many small shops in Chintheche village just three kilometres south.

The Beach House is easily reached. Lilongwe International airport (KIA) is just over a 4 hour drive or a 30 minute flight away. Mzuzu, the capital of Northern Malawi, now with good shops, is an hour away on a new scenic road and has a small airport.







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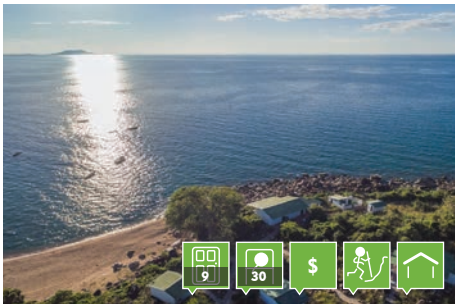
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Kaya Mawa is an intimate luxury lodge that sprawls indulgently across the white sandy beaches of Likoma Island, separated from the world by miles of fresh, aquamarine waters.

Malawi is known as the warm heart of Africa, and Kaya Mawa sits in the prime location to watch the sun set over the heart of Africa each evening. Built by local hands and as Malawi's first resort run solely on renewable energy, Kaya Mawa is firmly grounded in sustainability, community empowerment, and ethical trade.

Each of Kaya Mawa's eleven rooms, and one private villa, is entirely unique and secluded. Experience serene and secret decks for sunbathing or romantic dinners, shower under the stars, take a midnight dip in your private pool. And during the day, activities range from the intrepid (stand-up paddleboarding, snorkeling, diving, kayaking, sailing, waterskiing, mountain-biking around the island) to the unwinding (Kaya Mawa's spa tent can only be reached via a wooden walkway over the water).

Kaya Mawa welcomes honeymooners, families, and friends to the ultimate escapist experience: barefoot lakeside living, with all of the adventures and relaxation of a beachside resort, and none of the salty water! Meaning "Maybe Tomorrow" in Chichewa, it's no wonder that so many guests delay their leaving again... and again.



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Situated on the West Side of Likoma Island, with spectacular sunsets, Ulisa Bay Lodge offers affordable island luxury with Deluxe, Superior & Standard Chalets all with lake views. For budget travellers there is a luxurious dorm and a campsite. The well stocked bar and the restaurant have a wooden deck open on three sides to catch the breezes off the lake. There is a large organic garden where we produce fresh vegetables, fruit and salad to accompany a wide variety of fish, meat and vegetarian courses and the legendary cheese-cake is always available.

The lodge has a beautiful sandy beach as well as a rocky shoreline - perfect for snorkelling and many brightly coloured small fish, some endemic only to Likoma Island, live in the rocks. There are footpaths throughout the island & it is very safe to walk anywhere. The lodge staff will be happy to escort guests to view Likoma's many attractions including the magnificent brick & stone Cathedral built by the early missionaries over 100 years ago. Guests can work with traditional potters to make and fire their own traditional pots. Likoma Airport has daily scheduled flights from Lilongwe most of the year. Several boats, including the historic lake steamer M.V. Ilala take passengers from Nkhata Bay, Nkhotakota, Salima and Monkey Bay to Likoma Island usually 5 days a week. Contact them for their monthly sheet showing all current ways to get to Likoma. They also provide assistance at both Nkhotakota and Nkhata Bay to help guests safely board and disembark from the ships.



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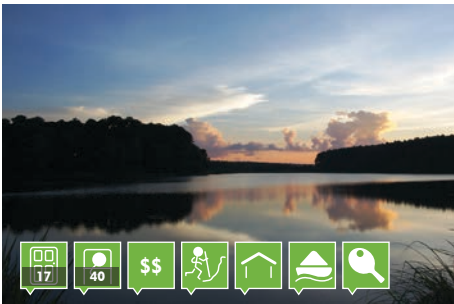
Imagine a dazzling white beach gently washed by a lake so pure you can drink it. This is Nkwichi Lodge on the shores of Lake Niassa in northern Mozambique. Hidden among the trees are five spacious individually-designed chalets (two premier and three standard) and one private house, a short distance from the main lodge, all built from local wood and stone.

The only way into Nkwichi is a short boat ride from Malawi's Likoma island or through Mozambique - this is real unspoiled Africa. Sail on a traditional dhow, swim and snorkel in water teeming with fish or trek through the wilderness; paddle your own canoe or stand up paddle board, or just relax in a hammock slung between the trees. Spend a romantic night in the unique Lake of Stars Bed, high up on a viewpoint overlooking the lake or on a deserted beach, relaxing on a king- sized bed, waking up to your own private sunrise!

Nkwichi Lodge is more than a relaxing getaway. It is the driving force for the ambitious Manda Wilderness conservation project, aimed at not only preserving the wilderness but helping local communities.

Nkwichi Lodge recently won Africa's Responsible Tourism Award and Africa's Leading Green Hotel from the World Travel Awards.

Nkwichi Lodge is currently self-catering. Please enquire if catering is required.



LUWAWA FOREST LODGE  
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Luwawa Forest Lodge is an International Eco Tourist Lodge and Outdoor Adventure Centre set in the beautiful Luwawa valley overlooking Luwawa Dam. The lodge is located approximately 3.5 hours drive north of Lilongwe and at an altitude of 1600m offers a malaria free, fresh forest environment.

Maintaining the forest environment together with a conservation programmes, is at the heart of everything that is done at Luwawa Forest Lodge. Its beautiful surrounds ensures that all guests can enjoy a variety of outdoor and adventurous activities supported by experienced and expertly trained guides and instructors. For the less active visitor, the lodge offers a relaxing garden environment where a wide variety of birds can be viewed at leisure from the lodge's verandas. Activities on offer at the lodge include mountain biking, hiking, canoeing, rock climbing, abseiling, orienteering and archery. More specifically the lodge provides horse riding, long distance wilderness walks and bike rides to Lake Malawi and birding walks around the garden and along surrounding woodland tracks. The professionally trained staff at the lodge also facilitate both local and international school groups, corporate team building courses, conferences and group retreats. The lodge is committed to responsible tourism through its many local community assistance projects and is the winner of the Malawi Government's Sustainable Tourism Award.

Our Environmental Trust has recently open The Luwawa Centre for Environmental Education.





# Central Malawi

Central Malawi is a region of special importance. It is the point of arrival for most international visitors and home to the country's capital, Lilongwe. Access to the rest of the country is easy and this is an interesting region in its own right. Most of the region is part of the Central African Plateau, gently undulating around 4000 ft/1200m before descending to the Lakeshore at the edge of the Rift Valley. The plateau is crossed by numerous rivers and, here and there, isolated hills known as inselbergs, punctuate the gentle landscapes. The scenery in Central Malawi is less dramatic than elsewhere in the country but it has the same attractive variety that makes Malawi a wonderful place to tour.

For accommodation details for Central Malawi, see the Directory which follows these pages.



Kayaking on Lake Malawi



Mua Mission church

**KASUNGU NATIONAL PARK** is in the west of Central Malawi bordering Zambia. It's an 800 sq mile/2000 sq km area of natural woodland and bush with occasional stretches of more open grass. Kasungu used to be Malawi's premier game park but poaching has reduced animal numbers. However, there is still wildlife to be seen and the park is relatively easy to drive to from Lilongwe.

**NKHOTAKOTA WILDLIFE RESERVE** is a vast 700 sq miles / 1800 sq km of rugged terrain crossed by a number of rivers that tumble down the edge of the escarpment as they make their ways to the Lake. Most of the reserve is miombo woodland with occasional grasses and rainforest. This is a wonderful example of true wilderness and a wide range of mammals inhabit the vast reserve. While access and viewing has been difficult in the past there are exciting developments taking place. A few lodges are now well established and African Parks, who took over the management of the reserve in 2015, have begun to transform Nkhosha with conservation initiatives and a re-stocking programme that includes the largest translocation of elephants ever undertaken, and numerous other big game species. With the added attractions of prolific birdlife, this is destined to be a very popular safari destination. (Accommodation: Bua River Lodge; Tongole Wilderness Lodge, Kachenga Bush Camp, Rafiki Camp)

**NTCHISI FOREST RESERVE** contains some of southern Africa's last remaining rainforest and is famous for its orchids, birdlife and liana-swinging samango monkeys. The Reserve has excellent hiking, with breathtaking views from Ntchisi Mountain, while the surrounding villages offer a picturesque and untouched experience of the real Africa. (Accommodation: The Commonage)

**DWANGWA** is split in two by the M5 road. This is very much a company town, influenced and determined by its giant sugar estate. (Accommodation: Ngala Beach Lodge)

**LILONGWE** was made Malawi's capital by the country's first President, Dr Hastings Kamuzu Banda. The Old Town is very different to, and distinct from the newer Capital City - the two parts separated by the Lilongwe Nature Sanctuary which is also now home to the Lilongwe Wildlife Centre (P. 45). The City's gleaming modern buildings, in their spacious garden-like settings, contrast with the hustle and bustle of Old Town. The craft market in Old Town is especially popular with visitors. Most of the main safari/tour companies have offices in Lilongwe and there's no shortage of good accommodation. Lilongwe is the usual start-off point for trips across to Zambia's Luangwa National Parks. (Accommodation: Korea Garden Lodge; Mitengo House; Mafumu Hotel; Africa House Malawi; Heuglin's Lodge; Kumbali Country Lodge)

**DZALANYAMA FOREST RESERVE** is an extensive area of highlands cut by rivers and cloaked by woodland. Most is Brachystegia but there are significant areas of evergreen forest. There are animals to be seen though mammal populations are much reduced from days gone by. The forest does, though, provide some of the best birdwatching in the country - a veritable ornithologist's delight just an hour from the capital. (Accommodation: Dzalanyama Forest House)

**DEDZA** is a wonderful forest town, overlooked by the Dedza mountain and surrounded by the hills south-east of Lilongwe. As well as the scenic beauty, the town is home to the Dedza Pottery where craftsmen can be viewed in the workshops and factory, producing a variety of items, from mugs and dinner services to table lamps and tiles. Many are decorated with brightly coloured designs or local scenes and all are sold at the factory shop. Dedza Pottery products are found all round Malawi, as well as being sold for export. With a charming tea shop selling delicious cakes, the pottery is a popular stop between Lilongwe and Blantyre.

**MUA MISSION** was established by the White Fathers over 100 years ago. It is presently home to a thriving community, including an arts and crafts centre whose students create Malawi's finest wood carvings and who go on to make a living from their own handiwork throughout Malawi. Mua also works to preserve the local cultures and has the country's best cultural museum.

**THE CENTRAL LAKESHORE** does not have quite the variety of the Northern Lakeshore, nor the number of lodges found to the south, but there are still a number of places of scenic and historical interest.

- **SENGA BAY** is the point on the Lakeshore closest to Lilongwe and is reached via Salima, a busy town at the junction of the M1 and M5. Senga Bay has a range of hotels from the luxurious to small lodges and campsites, each overlooking a lovely beach. It is also home to a breeding facility for Lake Malawi's colourful cichlid fish, and is backed by a forest reserve. (Accommodation: Kumbali Lake Retreat, Blue Waters by Serendib, Safari Beach Lodge, Kuwona Cottage, Kambiri Beach by Serendib)

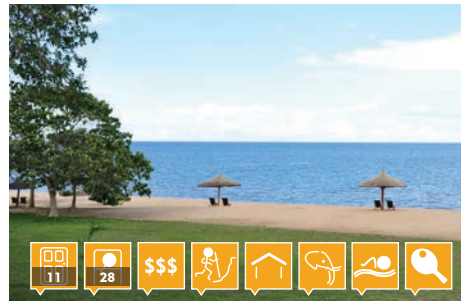
- **THE MARELLI ISLANDS** consist of three uninhabited islands located opposite Senga Bay that fall under the protection of the Lake Malawi National Park. Due to the large array of habitats present, from rocky shorelines to small wild sandy beaches and from wooden hillsides to reedy lagoons, the islands are home to a wide range of animals species. The islands are exceptionally beautiful, with views across to the rift valley mountains, lively fishing villages, the northern coastline and a grand endless vista of the lake to the north. (Accommodation: Blue Zebra Lodge)

- **NKHOTAKOTA** is some 70 miles / 112 km north of Salima, along the Lakeshore. It is described as the largest traditional village in Africa, Nkhosha is rich in history. Visited by Dr Livingstone in 1863, it was then a centre for the slave trade. In 1960 Dr Banda chose Nkhosha for his first political rally on his release from prison prior to Malawi gaining independence. South of Nkhosha is an interesting Pottery, the twin of that at Dedza (see left).





## CENTRAL MALAWI ACCOMMODATION



### NGALA BEACH LODGE

DWANGWA

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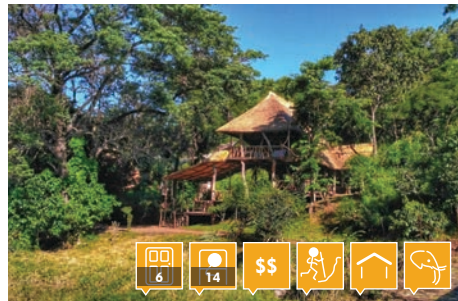
Ngala Beach Lodge is nestled within an oasis of lush green gardens with large shady trees flowing down to an expansive sandy beach. The property offers awe inspiring views of both the lake and Vipya mountain range with spectacular sunrises and sunsets that never disappoint!

The property features 11 comfortable, clean and spacious rooms, an impressive large thatch building houses our restaurant, bar and lounge areas and the infinity swimming pool offers guests the ideal place for a refreshing dip!

Many activities can be arranged both on and off-site or you may simply choose to relax and unwind with a good book.

We look forward to welcoming you to Ngala Beach Lodge

Dan, Trish and the Ngala Beach Lodge team.



### BUA RIVER LODGE

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Set discreetly within the vast Nkhokakota Wildlife Reserve on the banks of the beautiful Bua River lies a hidden gem in this unique corner of Malawi.

Surrounded by Miombo woodland, Bua River Lodge offers eco-friendly escapism and immersion into the African wilderness. As the seasonal river ebbs and flows crocodiles can be seen basking in the sun, Fish Eagles soar majestically overhead and elephants roam free.

The reserve is managed and protected by African Parks, a not-for-profit conservation organization. As part of the reserve's development plan African Parks translocated 500 elephants from other Malawian reserves which has resulted in frequent and spectacular elephant sightings from the lodge and our guided walks. Ongoing improvements to the park's infrastructure and road network will enable access to remote parts of the reserve and vehicle-based game viewing.

Come and find tranquility at the timber and thatch lodge and enjoy amazing views from the upper viewing deck towards the ever-changing Namdinga Pool. Guided walks through the bush will inspire you, the animals intrigue you, while evening campfires will let you unwind under the stars.

Located only two hours drive from Lilongwe airport and a short journey from the Nkhokakota Lakeshore resorts, Bua River Lodge offers high-quality tented accommodation, delicious locally sourced food, a friendly welcome, and a unique experience.



### TONGOLE WILDERNESS RETREAT

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Tongole Wilderness Retreat, is a luxury eco-lodge situated deep within the Nkhokakota Wildlife Reserve, under the protection and restoration of African Parks. Tongole is an idyllic and elevated setting from which to enjoy and explore the reserve's unspoilt wilderness, overlooking the beautiful Bua River. Guests enjoy a variety of activities with the highlight, time spent on the river spotting game and birds on canoe trips in the company of expert local guides. The bird watching is excellent, as is the fly fishing and nature walks. Relax by the poolside with a cocktail, watch the sun set as elephants come down the river bank or take a scenic drives to a breathtaking sundowner spot.

The 4 riverside suites feature mozzie-netted beds and both the shower and large hand-built sunken bath tub, is big enough for two. Wraparound, raised wooden decks have spectacular river views that afford a peaceful and private space to relax. There is 1 river suite (Family) has 2 bedrooms with a shared bathroom.

The multi award-winning Tongole Wilderness Retreat has in 10 years, established an exceptional reputation, priding itself on personal yet unobtrusive service, comfortable river suites, generous dining and excellent guiding. Tongole is run with clear principles for the benefit of local communities and nature conservation.

The retreat is a scenic 4 hour drive, or only a 28 minute flight from Lilongwe airport. Discover Tongole on your next visit to the Warm Heart of Africa.



### KACHENGA BUSH CAMP

NKHOTAKOTA WILDLIFE RESERVE

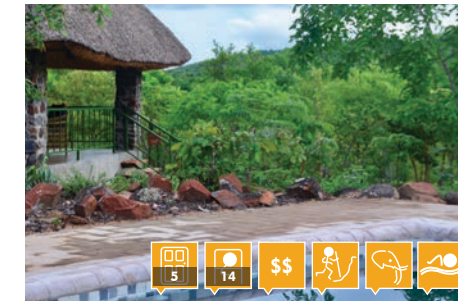
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Kachenga Bush Camp consists of 3 rustic chalets and is centrally located in Nkhokakota Wildlife Reserve, in a tranquil setting with views out to Kasukusuku mountain. Each self-contained chalet has a similar layout, comprising 2 bedrooms, a communal lounge area, bathroom (shower, toilet and wash basin) and kitchen. The chalets sleep up to 4 guests comfortably and there is flexibility for additional beds for children, accommodating families of up to 6.

The design of the chalets is well suited to self-catering guests (with a gas cooker in the kitchen) and the rates are extremely good value for the standard of accommodation offered, from just US\$ 40 per person per night. Accommodation may also be booked on a bed & breakfast, half board and full board basis, catered by neighbouring Tongole Wilderness Retreat.

There is a small communal bar with a decked area at which to buy refreshments from while relaxing in tranquillity and socialising with other guests.

Kachenga also has a separate camping area with shared ablutions (hot showers, flush toilets and washing up basins). There is a large braai (bbq) area and fire-pit for guests to cook and socialise around a campfire, as well as a separate shaded seating area.



### RAFIKI SAFARI CAMP

NKHOTAKOTA WILDLIFE RESERVE

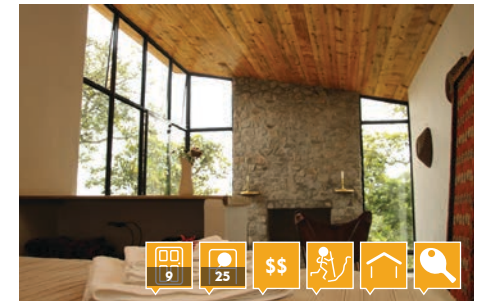
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Rafiki Safari Camp is the perfect family comfortable safari getaway with double/twin or family Luxury Safari Units, which have private bathrooms with showers and your own private verandah boasting views over the reserve to the distant mountains. Guests' accommodation is finished with electric fans, cotton percale fabric linen and towels. The bedrooms are as "mosquito-proof" as possible, with gauze sashes on the windows and canopied mosquito nets over the beds. Please feel at home and make yourselves comfortable, Rafiki is thrilled to have you here in this little piece of the warm heart of Africa.

The Boma (Lodge) is the common area for the use of the lodge occupants, with a self-service bar, dining area, plunge pool and idyllic views. Tea and coffee in the mornings/afternoons, evening fires, kitchen amenities, plug points, guidebooks and perhaps a legendary story or two, can be shared in this communal space. The fully equipped kitchen comes with experienced staff that will take care of either catered-options or self-catering options with resident cook to assist. Rafiki Safari Camp will cater for special eating requirements.

Rafiki guests will enjoy lazing by the pool, peaceful, tranquil meanders through the forest or by the waters edge of the Bua River on our 60-acre property, which lies adjacent to the Nkhokakota Wildlife Reserve. Off-site activities include: Game drives and walks; cultural village tours, property walks, fishing. Day trips: to the lake; golf, horse riding, scuba diving and Nkhokakota potteries.

## CENTRAL MALAWI ACCOMMODATION



### THE COMMONAGE

NTCHISI FOREST RESERVE

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The Commonage has a common vision to improve the quality of life in the local area. They combine sustainable tourism and sustainable farming practices and connect with a guaranteed market by using global sale channels. For guests, their vision is to create a memorable place where you will receive a real and deep insight of the beautiful life in Ntchisi, Malawi.

The Commonage's Ntchisi Forest Lodge offers a range of accommodation options, with something for every visitor. Guests can stay in the stunning Forest Cabin, a modern and luxurious way to stay in the Forest. Other options include Forest Tents, a pre-erected safari tent fitted with beds, or en-suite rooms in one of the oldest buildings in Malawi, the Ntchisi Forest Lodge itself.

After a hike in the rainforest, guests can relax at the lodge's swimming pool.

Delicious meals are served at Ntchisi Forest Lodge, using local produce to assist farmers in the area and reduce CO2 Emissions. Best of all, the food is as fresh as it can be. The Lodge also offers a well stocked bar with beers, spirits and soft drinks.







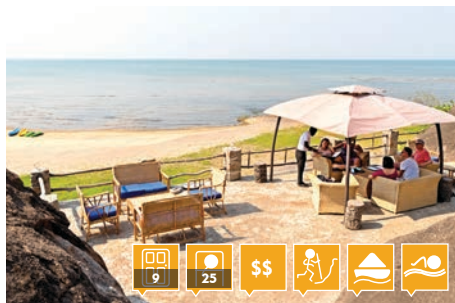
## CENTRAL MALAWI ACCOMMODATION



### KUMBALI LAKE RETREAT SENGA BAY

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Kumbali Lake Retreat is an eco-friendly lodge on the beautiful shores of Lake Malawi. Owned and run by the same family who own Kumbali Country Lodge in Lilongwe, Kumbali Lake Retreat comes with the same familiar home away from home feel with comfort and nature as the main focus. The property is built into the side of Lifuwu Hill which is home to the indigenous Samango Monkey. We Offering 4 individually thatched chalets each with a private outdoor lavatory and hot water shower, private khonde, walk-in mosquito nets, double or twin beds, ample storage space and breath taking views of the world famous Lake Malawi. Kumbali Lake Retreat now also has a family chalet and bungalow. Our newly built honeymoon suite hovers over the lake with beautiful uninterrupted views of sunset and sunrise. This seclude haven has a luxurious charm all nestled in the cradle of nature. All meals are provided, and there is a well-stocked cash bar. Kumbali Lake Retreat provides the perfect setting for a sundown boat trip around the bay where you can feed the fish eagles and take in the luxury of your surroundings followed by a drink of your choice while watching the sun set. Activities include sundown boat trips, boat trips to Bird or Mbenje Island, kayaking, beach volleyball, snorkeling, and hikes up Lifuwu hill. Other attractions in the area are the rice project, crocodile farm & tropical fish farm. On the new pontoon, Kumbali Lake Retreat are now offering safari boat trips to view birds, hippos and Malawi's famous tropical Cichlids (fish). Corporate functions, Bachelor & Hen parties can also be arranged. Kumbali can now offer luxury and wild camping packages to really put a twist of adventure into your visit. There is much to explore...



### SAFARI BEACH LODGE SENGA BAY

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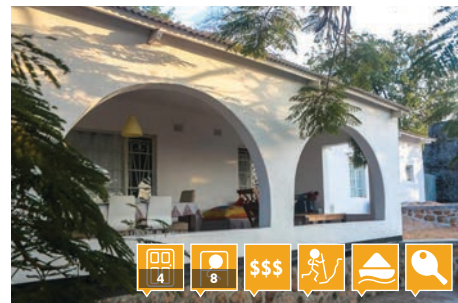
Safari Beach Lodge is an eco lodge directly on the shore of Lake Malawi located in the secluded Senga Bay Forest Reserve. It has its own private beach, a swimming pool, a beautiful platform bar and a lush forest garden with views over Leopard Bay. There are 7 chalets build from natural materials, all with private verandas with spectacular views of the lake from above. The main lodge, set in the garden, has 2 air-conditioned rooms. All rooms and chalets have a private bathroom, hot water, a fridge, a fan and electricity.

Most of the electricity is generated by 40 solar panels so there is always light and energy available. The restaurant has an international and local menu and is known for its quality food and fresh fish from the lake. High quality free wifi is available.

Guests can relax at the poolside, on the beach or in one of the secluded sitting areas, observe the local wildlife and the many birds and enjoy a good meal and a nice cool drink.

The more active can go swimming, kayaking, hiking or snorkeling. Boat trips to the nearby island are also very popular.

Safari Beach Lodge supports various village and environmental projects and visitors are encouraged to visit these.



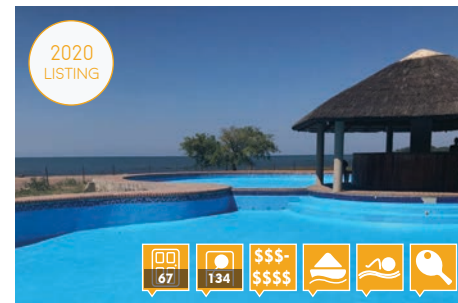
### KUWONA COTTAGE SENGA BAY

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Kiboko's Kuwona Cottage is situated on the beautiful shores of lake Malawi. This private, self-catering cottage in the popular Senga Bay area is a great place to visit if you are looking for a relaxing couple of days away from the hustle and bustle of the city, or to have quality time with friends and family. Relax on the cottage's private beach or stay on the comfortable veranda area whilst enjoying the spectacular views of the world-famous the lake. Fish Eagles are regular visitors at the lush garden compound and more extensive bird viewing can be done in short walks around the area.

The cottage has a living room, kitchen and four bedrooms all provided with A/C and big box-type mosquito nets. The house can accommodate a total of 8 people. Fridge, freezer, electric and gas stove are present in the kitchen together with all required cooking equipment, cutlery and utensils.

Our professional staff (housekeeper, guards, gardeners) will make sure that all your needs are taken care of to guarantee an unforgettable stay.



### KAMBIRI BEACH BY SERENDIB SENG BAY

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Kambiri Beach is an exclusive resort that is situated on the shores of Lake Malawi, in the picturesque town of Salima.

The resort is the ideal getaway for guests wanting to combine business and leisure. The property on site restaurant and bar stocks local and imported drinks as well as international and local cuisine so that every guess is catered for.

The property consists of 67 rooms elegantly renovated and furnished deluxe and executive rooms. The resort is home to some great adventure opportunities including luxury sunset boat cruises and beach volley ball while a large outdoor swimming pool can be found at the hotel.

The Leslie and Mikuti conference halls boast spacious theatre style conference facilities that can seat up to 160 guests and a state of the art banqueting Hall can seat up to 400 guests.

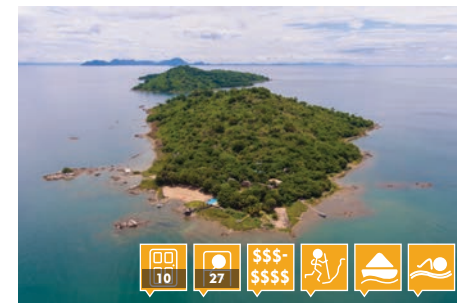


### BLUE WATERS BY SERENDIB SENG BAY

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Blue Waters is an elegant getaway for the discerning traveller to enjoy world-class service amidst tranquil surroundings. Situated on Senga bay, in the lakeside town of Salima along the shores of Lake Malawi, it is home to idyllic beaches, calm lake waters and exciting water sports making it the ideal aquatic playground for families while the corporate world makes important decisions in the comfort of various conference venues within the resort. Not forgetting the blend of chefs coming together to treat guests to a variety of global cuisines at the beachfront restaurant.

Blue Waters resort offers deluxe rooms, beach chalets and suite rooms, and is well equipped with conference facilities, right along the beach with breathtaking views of Lake Malawi. It is the ideal place for conferences, retreats, outings, corporate events or themed weddings in a calm and soothing environment which serves as the ideal escape from urban life. On the doorstep of Lake Malawi, guests are invited to take part in all the leisure and recreation activities one could think of when at a lakeside and beach environment. The resort has exclusive access to Namalenje, a private island lying approximately 7 km from the resort and is a paradise for divers and nature lovers. The property has a floating cruise restaurant on the lake serving a delicious breakfast or exotic dinner, offering a memorable two-hour narrated trip around Namalenje Island and Salima. The restaurant can be hired for private functions.



### BLUE ZEBRA ISLAND LODGE MARELLI ISLANDS

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Just a 2 hour journey from Lilongwe, Blue Zebra Island Lodge is the perfect getaway for nature lovers looking for a combination of adventure and relaxation in a tranquil, private setting.

This wild paradise is exclusively situated on Nankoma Island, part of the Marelli Archipelago. The three islands of this group are in Lake Malawi National Park, a UNESCO World Heritage site home to a vast array of rare and colourful fresh water fish (Cichlids), many of which are endemic to Lake Malawi. The islands support diverse flora and fauna and are a haven for bird watchers.

A unique set-up with 9 en-suite safari-style tented chalets and 1 Superior Family Cottage. Secluded executive chalets boast stunning lake-views from private balconies. The chalets are set in an unspoiled environment, immersed in nature.

Laze in a hammock with that book you've been too busy to read, chill out with cocktails at the pool or relax with a massage. For the more active, explore the island by kayak, boat and nature trails. Snorkel trips, sunset cruises & water-sports are popular pastimes. Seasonal scuba diving is on offer for certified divers - request in advance.

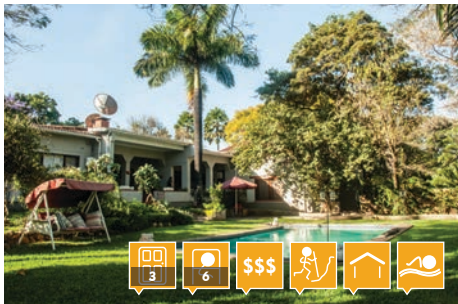
Packages include a tasteful menu with elaborate 2-course lunches & 3-course dinners, tailored to one's dietary preferences. Boat transfers are included at scheduled times.







# CENTRAL MALAWI ACCOMMODATION



**HEUGLIN'S LODGE**  
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Heuglin's Lodge is situated in the leafy residential suburbs of Lilongwe, just minutes away from the city centre, and is named after the robin, which is often seen in its gardens.

The Lodge is an ideal base for a sightseeing tour of the capital city, or for a short stop-over before or after an intercontinental flight, and also provides a relaxing interlude before or after a safari and serves as a convenient waiting point for transfer guests. Suitable for short-stay and business guests, it has nine spacious and tastefully furnished en-suite bedrooms.

The Lodge is proud of its kitchen providing high quality meals. The spacious garden features a large pool and several shady seating and relaxation areas, and the large, comfortable lounge houses a wildlife library and 'help yourself' bar. A fast wireless broadband connection is available throughout the house and gardens. Chauffeured transport is available for trips into and around town or for airport transfers if required.



**AFRICA HOUSE MALAWI**  
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Whether a tourist, business person or transit visitor, all come to appreciate the Africa House's tasteful and comfortable accommodation, warm hospitality and excellent collection of African arts and crafts. The lodge offers a range of different rooms, all en-suite, and a restaurant for residents.

During many years of experience and travel throughout Africa, the owners collected traditional arts and crafts; this collection shows how traditional cultures make use of locally available materials. Whether the material that is used is wood, stone, beads, paint, metal, fabric or leather, African people continue to make powerful statements about their cultures and create an extraordinary and rich heritage of artistic expression.

A stylish contemporary lodge has been created from a unique blend of African designs, furniture, fabrics and personal collectables. Each room is named after an African country, style or culture and decorated to reflect that. Provided are Air-conditioning units, DSTV and Sky band Hotspot for internet. Facilities such as GYM and Swimming pool are also available.

This and a work experience of just under 20 years in the tourism and hospitality industry have made Africa House Malawi a true destination with a difference.



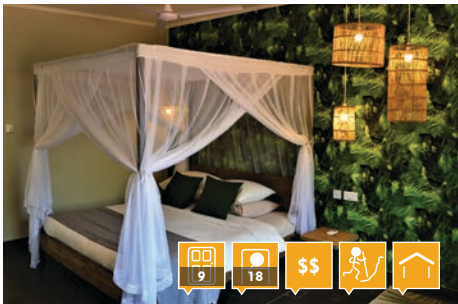
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Kumbali Country Lodge, is a boutique lodge situated on 650ha estate and dairy farm neighboring the State House in Area 44 and only 10 minutes from Lilongwe's Capital City Centre and 25min from Kumuzu International Airport.

There are 16 thatched chalets with spacious and uniquely designed rooms, en suite with private balconies, complimentary internet, TV, tea and coffee facilities. You'll be greeted by friendly and attentive staff and management, delicious cuisine and a relaxing country side atmosphere. The majestic, main lodge centre offers a varied menu of healthy, excellent cuisine complemented by farm fresh organic vegetables and a small selection of our own yogurts and soft cheeses that are produced in our dairy. Wonderful walks, jogging and bird watching may be enjoyed on the estate. The working farm focuses on livestock, fresh produce, dairy and community development together with Kusamala Institute of Agriculture & Ecology and our Kindergarten School and local orphanage.

The conference Center and events building caters for conferences/workshops, private dinners, cocktail parties and traditional Malawian evenings. Owners Guy and Maureen Pickering, 28 years in Malawi can offer you general advice, support and a home base. Airport transfers, town tours and car hire are also available.

Kumbali staff offer a friendly and caring service. Kumbali ... love where you stay!



**MITENGO HOUSE**  
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The newly built Mitengo House opened mid 2019. Situated in arguably one the most beautiful areas of Lilongwe, the Lodge is ideal for a peaceful stay with all facilities provided. A growing range of services is available within 5 minutes distance in this part of Malawi's capital city. It's just 10 miles/16 km from Lilongwe International Airport and 4 km from the City Business Centre.

The nine contemporary, en-suite rooms are decorated in an attractive African ethnic style. Aircon units, ceiling fans, DSTV and spacious mosquito nets are provided in all the Lodge rooms. You can also enjoy a comfortable lounge, an on-site restaurant, beautiful green gardens and a shady terrace.

Safe parking is available in an enclosed area and the Lodge has 24 hours' security. Mitengo House is a Skyband Hotspot for internet and we welcome small conferences. This intimate Lodge is ideal for business guests and those wishing to explore Malawi's welcoming capital.

The Kiboko Safaris Bookings Office is conveniently situated inside the courtyard premises of the Lodge to assist with all your travel needs.







## CENTRAL MALAWI ACCOMMODATION



### KOREA GARDEN LODGE

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Korea Garden Lodge is in a quiet area of Old Town Lilongwe, close to the golf club yet only a short walk to the centre of town. The journey from Lilongwe's International Airport takes about twenty-five minutes.

The Lodge's setting is in beautiful gardens of about three acres and the accommodation is all on the ground floor allowing very easy access. A swimming pool is located in the Lodge's grounds. The Lodge's fifty-three rooms offer a remarkable range of accommodation from standard to luxury suites with en suite bathrooms. There are also self catering apartments.

Korea Garden aims to offer great value for money with a wide variety of services for guests ranging from free Wi-Fi internet access to room service and laundry. The hotel has its own shuttle bus for airport transfers. The attractive room rates are generally inclusive of a full English breakfast.

The restaurant includes special Korean dishes in its menu and there are also a dozen or more restaurants nearby. There is secure parking.

The reception desk is open 24 hours a day. The Lodge can provide facilities for conferences up to sixty delegates.



### MAFUMU HOTEL

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Mafumu Hotel is located in the unique 'Old Town' of Lilongwe, Malawi and is privately owned hotel with conference facilities. Situated only 30 minutes from the main airport, Mafumu Hotel boasts 30 spacious and luxurious deluxe rooms, all with a king size bed, electronic safe, work station and kitchenette. The kitchenette equipped with a fridge, microwave, electric kettle, cutlery and crockery, and tea/coffee making supplies allows the guests to create a home away from home, whether on business or leisure.

An on-site restaurant prepares simple, but wholesome food, made fresh upon order. Guests can enjoy meals in the restaurant or in the privacy of their rooms after a long day. The restaurant is also ideal for private lunches/dinners and cocktail functions. Other services provided include free internet for all guests, laundry services, airport transfers and access to a shuttle for local runs. Mafumu Hotel further has 2 board rooms and 3 new conference rooms, with a maximum capacity of up to 180 people.

Mafumu Hotel guests enjoy tranquil stay among lush, green gardens and extremely luxurious rooms. They are catered for by friendly, efficient and yet unobtrusive staff members.

Mafumu is ideal for those looking for quiet, private and international standard hotel accommodation, but with a personalized touch.



### DZALANYAMA FOREST HOUSE

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Dzalanyama Forest House is set in the heart of the Forest Reserve, some 70km (1.5 hour) south west of Lilongwe, on the Mozambique border. Accommodating a max of 14 guests in a 4 roomed house and 3 X thatched en suite chalets, each built on wooden platforms and raised into the tree line. The house offers 2 en suite rooms (double and twin) and the other 2 X twin rooms share facilities. The main dining room and lounge leads outside to a large wooden deck where a purpose built BBQ, bread oven and wooden stove provide functional character and an outside sheltered courtyard, creating ample outside entertaining spaces. The 3 X stand-alone en suite chalets, offer comfortable twin or double beds, each with its own veranda and a superb view into the forest canopy. Solar lighting and water heating is complimented by gas cooking thereby mitigating the need for wood energy and making the lodge Eco friendly. The main lounge has a cozy fireplace for those chilly evenings and solar powered fridge & freezer to keep your drinks cold. The unique campsite is located a short distance from the lodge, overlooking the stream and has 2 hot & cold water showers and 2 composting toilets. Dzalanyama is justly famous for its quite extraordinary range of "miombo" bird life. If ever a location deserved the description of a birdwatcher's paradise, this is it. Birding parties are seen foraging through the forest and among these, lifers are will surely be found. This is a charming and peaceful place to get back to unspoiled nature where you can relax before or after your Malawi journey with transfers arranged if and when needed from Lilongwe. Your stay here can be on a self-catering or fully-catered basis and you are guaranteed delicious home cooked fare.



## DID YOU KNOW?

Malawi witnessed the largest elephant translocation in human history during 2016 & 2017 when over 500 individuals were moved by African Parks into Nkohtakota Wildlife Reserve.



# South Malawi



The most populated, developed and varied region of the country is its southern third. Much of South Malawi is dominated by the River Shire which snakes its way from the Lake while remaining within the Rift Valley. It crashes over falls and rapids and has leisurely stretches though broad plains. This is the region of Malawi's highest and lowest points - just 70 miles/110 km apart but 10,000 ft/3000 m difference in altitude. A mixture of highlands and plateaux, this is also the region with the most visited game park and most popular stretch of lakeshore.

For accommodation details for South Malawi, see the Directory which follows these pages.

**THE SOUTHERN LAKESHORE** has Malawi's greatest concentration of lodges and hotels, as well as being home to the Lake Malawi National Park.

**- MONKEY BAY** is a Lake port with a sheltered harbour. Round the headland is Cape Maclear and the world's first freshwater national park. (Accommodation: Norman Carr Cottage)

**- LAKE MALAWI NATIONAL PARK**, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, includes a land area as well as the Lake waters and islands. Here is a veritable aquarium of tropical fish providing a colourful kaleidoscopic display. The countless thousands of freshwater fish, the *mbuna*, are more abundant and varied here than anywhere else in the world. Boats are available for hire and the fish will feed directly from the hand. Kayaking, sailing, snorkelling and scuba diving are just some of the activities on offer, as well as relaxing on a beach. (Accommodation: Pumulani, Robin Pope Safaris; Mumbo Island Camp; Domwe Island Camp; The Warm Heart Adventure Lodge)

**- THE MANGOCHI LAKESHORE** at the southernmost end of the Lake, has the greatest concentration of hotels and lodges. Along this stretch are a number of low rise hotels, some with adjacent camping sites. They vary from sophisticated properties with golf courses to more simple resorts. The splendid sandy beaches are uncrowded and a bewildering range of lake activities is available. (Accommodation: The Makokola Retreat; Zaburi Beach by Serendib)

**LIWONDE NATIONAL PARK** although only 210 sq miles / 310 sq km, is the most popular of all Malawi's game parks. It is about 100 miles / 160 km from Blantyre and about half that distance from the Lakeshore. Game viewing is enhanced because the River Shire flows along its western border. This allows boat safaris as well as the usual ones by 4x4 and on foot. Wildlife includes quite large numbers of elephants and the river attracts countless hippos and crocodiles. Antelope include kudu, sable and bushbuck. Birdlife is exceptionally varied. African Parks took over the park management in 2015 - safeguarding its future and allowing it to develop even further. Black rhino, lion and cheetah have been re-introduced and more re-stocking is planned. (Accommodation: Mvu Lodge; Mvu Camp; Kuthengo Camp; Chimwala Bush Camp)

**ZOMBA** former capital and seat of government of Malawi is just 40 miles / 65 km north-east of Blantyre. In a beautiful setting below the plateau of the same name, this was the first settlement of the colonial administration. As well as being home to the University of Malawi, Zomba has some interesting buildings such as the old Gymkhana Club, the barracks of what were the King's African Rifles (now the Malawi Rifles), the old parliament, and one of the country's State Houses. (Accommodation: Zomba Forest Lodge; Hill Springs Lodge)

**ZOMBA PLATEAU** overlooks Zomba town and dominates the skyline for miles around. A great slab of a mountain rising to 6000 ft / 1800 m, it has vast tracts of cedar, pine and cypress but elsewhere the vegetation is wild and mixed. The plateau top is criss-crossed by streams and there are tumbling waterfalls and still lakes. There are drivable tracks right round the top from which are views that were described in colonial times as "the best in the British Empire". As well as forest walks, mountain biking, fishing and horse riding can be arranged. (Accommodation: Zomba Forest Lodge; Hill Springs Lodge)

**BLANTYRE & LIMBE** now form a continuous built-up area - the country's commercial capital and largest urban area. Blantyre has its origins with the Scottish missionaries and was named after David Livingstone's birthplace. Blantyre's centre is compact with most services and shops around a triangular core. Attractions include a major museum, a church with Livingstone connections, some interesting old colonial buildings and the shops and markets. There is an international airport just out of town. Many of the country's safari/tour companies have offices in Blantyre. (Accommodation: Protea Hotel Ryalls; Villa 33; Serendib Blantyre; Amaryllis Hotel; Game Haven; Fisherman's Rest)

**THYOLO** east of Blantyre has vast areas of Tea Estates. Tea has been grown here since 1908 and the primly trimmed bushes give the area the appearance of a neatly kept but vast garden. Looking up to Mulanje on one side and down into the Lower Shire Valley on the other, these estates have really stunning scenery. It is possible to stay at some of these plantations and see something of their daily work. The Thyolo Mountain Forest Reserve offers a haven for walkers and birdwatchers. (Accommodation: Huntingdon House; Chawani Bungalow; Game Haven)

**MOUNT MULANJE** east of Thyolo, is Central Africa's highest peak. This magnificent mountain is a large massif of basins and peaks, valleys and forests, streams and waterfalls, sheer faces and slopes of all gradients. It towers to almost 10 000 ft / 3000 m, dwarfing all that surrounds it. Everything from gentle walking to serious climbing is possible. Once on the mountain the vegetation changes with altitude and there are various small mammals and, of course, a variety of birds to be seen. (Accommodation: AfricaWildTruck Camp & Lodge)

**THE LOWER SHIRE VALLEY** south-west of Blantyre, is deep, broad and flat. Much is cultivated, including sugar estates, and the scenery greatly contrasts with that in any other part of Malawi.

**- MAJETE WILDLIFE RESERVE** is an area of pristine African wilderness, from beautiful grassy glades and riverine areas to wet Miombo woodland and Marula savannah. African Parks has ecologically restored and rehabilitated this into one of the best in Malawi, now a 'Big 5' reserve. It boasts an impressive array of wildlife from elephants, black rhinoceros and sable antelope to leopards and lions. Open all year round, guests are able to enjoy the park in their own vehicles or join in a variety of activities such as game drives, bush walks and boat rides along with a day visitors centre, restaurant and education centre. (Accommodation: Mkulumadzi; Thawale Camp; Majete Game Capture Camp)

**- LENGWE NATIONAL PARK** has the attraction of easily driven and signposted tracks near the main gate and a number of hides from which to see game at waterholes. In the dry season game viewing is good and there is an especially interesting variety of antelope including the beautiful nyala and buffalo herds.

**- MWABVI WILDLIFE RESERVE** was being developed as a community based conservation project, providing accommodation and programmes for tourists, though this is currently stalled. Nearby, Elephant Marsh, once the home of thousands of elephants, is now best known for its birdlife.



Cycling through Southern Malawi tea estates

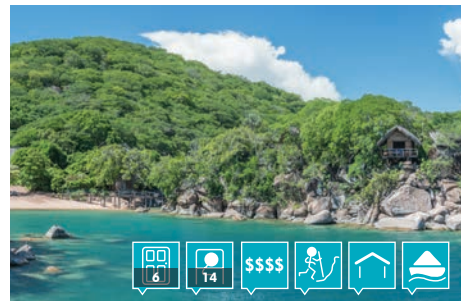


A magnificent kudu in Majete Wildlife Reserve





## SOUTH MALAWI ACCOMMODATION



### MUMBO ISLAND CAMP

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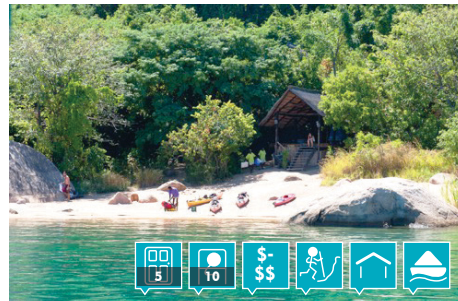
Mumbo Island is a pristine and deserted tropical island and the undisputed jewel of the Lake Malawi National Park. It has never been inhabited and is still in a natural state, covered by a thick forest of miombo woodland and ancient baobab trees, and surrounded by the clear, clean waters of Lake Malawi.

Key features of a visit to Mumbo Island include:

- Exclusive, small-capacity, island-style camp on a remote tropical island, with the option of a single party booking the whole camp for just themselves.
- Camp facilities are reed and thatch buildings combined with open-air, outdoors spaces. Choose between cool quality hammock time; or healthy outdoor fun in the sun including swimming, snorkelling, kayaking and walking the nature trails.
- The island is not about man-made grandeur and five-star service, but instead strives to offer peace and tranquillity in a beautiful setting where Mother Nature provides the "Wow!".

The camp was founded by Kayak Africa. Our twenty-seven years at the helm has taught us that when it comes to deserted tropical islands like Mumbo, less is often more.

Our reception overlooks Lake Malawi from the beach at Cape Maclear. Our central reservations in Cape Town can help you get to there.



### DOMWE ISLAND CAMP

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Domwe Island is the Lake Malawi National Park's wildest island. Its ancient forest supports several species of mammals and numerous birds, while the surrounding waters are home to over five hundred species of cichlid tropical fish. Domwe Island has never been populated and is still in a pristine natural state.

The island is ideal for active guests and those that love nature. There are extensive and challenging nature trails that weave around massive granite boulders and giant trees; sea kayaking along the 11km shoreline will delight those who enjoy exploring; and the clean and clear blue waters around the island are perfect for snorkelling, swimming and Scuba diving.

The camp has capacity for only ten guests. It is basic yet exclusive and "castaway adventure" is the theme. Guests can stay on either a fully-catered or self-catered basis, and all gear hire is optional, thus making Domwe Island accessible to a wide range of budgets.

Domwe Island is part of the Lake Malawi National Park and falls within Kayak Africa's exclusive concession area, guaranteeing privacy in paradise.

Our reception overlooks Lake Malawi from the beach at Cape Maclear. Our central reservations in Cape Town can help you get to there.



### THE WARM HEART ADVENTURE LODGE

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The Warm Heart Adventure Lodge is at the Southern end of the Gorgeous Lake Malawi. This large fresh water lake boasts deep crystal clear waters, mountain back drops and more than 700 different fish species, nearly all endemic. The Warm Heart Adventure Lodge based in Chembe village, Cape Maclear, alongside Lake Malawi National Park. Cape Maclear is also a UNESCO World Heritage site.

The Warm Heart Adventure Lodge is a cosy mid-range lodge. The Lodge comprises of five beach front reed chalets that are twin or double with shared ablutions, one Self-Catering, En-suite, beach front cottage that can sleep up to 5 people in a double bed, a bunk and a day bed, a 6 person dorm and a small shaded area for camping.

All the chalets and the cottage are beach front and offer spectacular views of the lake. We deliver a tray with home made granola, fresh seasonal, tea & coffee to you in the morning so you can sit and watch the village come alive from the comfort of your balcony.

This is the perfect place to begin your Malawian adventure or to just get away.



### PUMULANI, ROBIN POPE SAFARIS

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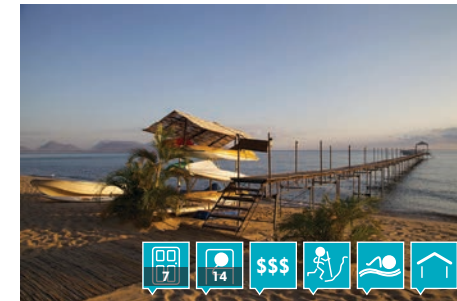
Pumulani is situated on the west-side of Nankumba Peninsula at the southern end of Lake Malawi - romantically called the "Lake of Stars". Overlooking the lake and exclusively nestled within the Lake Malawi National Park, Pumulani has total seclusion and privacy.

The ten villas are scattered among the boulders and trees on the hillside. Each is individual in shape and style, with clean curved lines and all have a spacious bedroom, bathroom and sitting area. The front sliding doors open onto the deck - elevated above the ground giving optimal views and privacy. One of the villas has two bedrooms for family groups and another is designed for honeymooners.

The central dining and bar area is high above the lake with the most spectacular views.

With both a private beach with a swimming pool, and another swimming pool on the upper terrace, this is a perfect place simply to relax. For the more active, a wide range of water-sport activities is offered from scuba diving to sunset cruises.

Pumulani, the leading star of the lake, is the perfect place to relax.

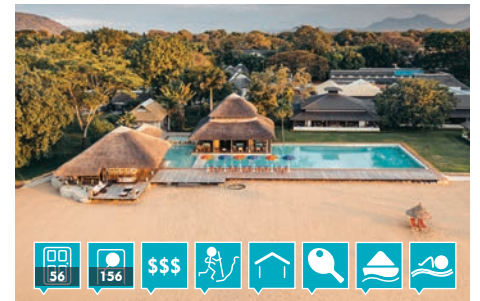


### NORMAN CARR COTTAGE

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Awaken to the call of the African Fish Eagle for another glorious day at the charming Norman Carr Cottage situated alongside the sandy beaches on the southern shores of Lake Malawi - Once home to the legend Norman Carr, who was famed for his walking safaris in Zambia, this idyllic and romantic retreat was built by him in the early 1970's. This unique lodge nestles under a canopy of large indigenous trees and lush fauna and flora. The cottage, renowned for it's cuisine, offers fully catered home cooked meals which are enjoyed in the open beach dining area overlooking the sparkling waters of Lake Malawi. Rooms have spacious en suite bathrooms, signature open air showers, king size beds and coffee/tea making facilities. Camping is available too at \$10 per person. Activities include canoeing as well as a morning snorkelling trip and feeding of the fish eagles from the cottage's launch, the "Bonnie Alfie". Bonnie Alfie was built for Sir Alfred Beit in 1952 for use on lake Nyasa. An evening cruise with a chilled glass of wine to watch the magical sun set over the lake marks the end of another enchanted Warm Heart of Africa Day! In 2015 Norman Carr Cottage opened up a sister property across the Lake, on the more remote eastern shore. Situated right on the beach and tucked away under a canopy of large indigenous trees, the lodge consists of 3 spacious, airy and luxurious en-suite rooms with king size beds and outdoor 'sky view' showers. Our renowned cuisine offers full catered home cooked meals that are enjoyed in the panoramic restaurant on the rock, overlooking the Lake. Travel on Bonnie Alfie for an overnight stay and back the next day.

Norman Carr Cottage



### THE MAKOKOLA RETREAT

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Welcome to The Makokola Retreat. Brilliantly green gardens reveal spacious rooms perched along the Southern lake shores. We provide gracious service in an unmatched experience in Malawi. This showpiece property captures the essence of African design, culture and tradition. Fill every moment with a sense of natural connection and wonderful retreat.

Dining at the Retreat is an eclectic experience. Guests can savor fine Mediterranean cuisine, celebrate the tastes of Malawi or feast on Italian specialties in our casual restaurant and bar.

Superbly rewarding leisure time ... Golfing, active pursuits from water-skiing to sailing & para-sailing, walking to a local village to reading a book - whether your vacation dream is action packed or more relaxed, The Makokola Retreat includes temptations for any interest, all year-round. Resort aerodrome open to international traffic with on-the-spot customs and immigration. Advance notice to the Makokola Retreat required.





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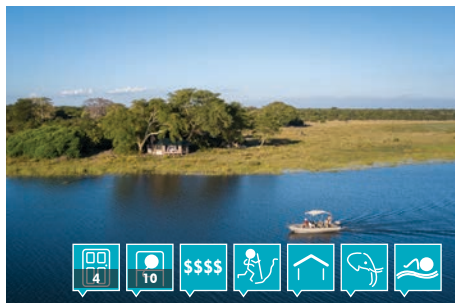


### ZABURI BEACH BY SERENDIB

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Zaburi Beach is an exclusive barefoot luxury beach resort comprised of Elegant spacious chalets which are uniquely finished in a rustic African Chic interior complete with all modern amenities. Located in the lake village of Mangochi set on 45 acres of lush green natural Palms and 400 meters of secluded sandy beach front, Zaburi Beach by Serendib offers a serene environment in which to relax, refresh and rejuvenate whilst soaking in all the wild beauty that Lake Malawi has to offer.

Being an enchanting gem along the coast of Lake Malawi, the Zaburi Beach effortlessly adds an exotic flavour to all sorts of events and functions. Whether it is social get-togethers, wedding receptions or corporate meetings/conferences, one does not need to look further than the Zaburi Beach for a unique and refreshing experience. The resort will offer a combination of luxury and adventure through sunset boat cruises, beach volley ball in the full size soccer field, modern international and local cuisines at our African themed restaurant, fully stocked beach bar, luxury amenities and an Olympic Size swimming pool overlooking the beautiful landscapes of the far away mountains over the lake Mangochi and Karibu restaurant serving local and international cuisines and many more activities and attractions. Zaburi boasts 31 well-appointed rooms including 12 luxury chalets, a honeymoon suite and a family suite. Apart from offering a refreshing retreat at a private natural sand beach, the Zaburi Beach lets guests bask in its paradise-like surroundings, whilst enjoying a host of leisurely activities.



### KUTHENGO CAMP . ROBIN POPE SAFARIS

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Located on a large open plain stretching towards the Shire River in Liwonde National Park, you will find Kuthengo Camp nestled among Fever trees and Baobabs. With resident fish eagles nesting in these Baobabs, you will be woken to 'Africa's voice' calling as you rise in this wild and natural paradise. Our four spacious and modern safari tents are all en-suite, each with a bathtub and an outdoor shower.

With all the usual comforts of a Robin Pope Safaris camp, Kuthengo maintains a rustic charm, complemented by stunning views which are best appreciated from your private deck with a cold sundowner in hand, admiring the herds of waterbuck that frequent the camp area, milling about in the evening glow.

The unspoiled Liwonde National Park promises an ultimate retreat where you can experience the many activities on offer with complete privacy; from adventurous game drives, breathtaking walking safaris or tranquil boat cruises along the grand Shire River, there is something for everyone.



### MVUU LODGE

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Mvuu Lodge, sheltering amongst the iconic palms and fever trees of the Shire Riverine, offers one of the most stunning settings in Africa. Liwonde National Park is Malawi's premier wildlife area. The Lodge overlooks the Namagogo lagoon, which flows from the interior and is home to countless birds and a huge variety of wildlife.

Mvuu means "hippo" in Chichewa and the name of the Lodge was inspired by the large pods of hippos that inhabit the surrounding waters of the Shire.

Accommodation comprises eight tents, one of which is a romantic honeymoon suite. Each tent has en-suite bathroom facilities and a private deck that overlooks the water's edge, and three of the tents are fitted with plunge pools. Lodge facilities include a dining room, lounge area and a swimming pool. Located just 2kms south of the Lodge, Mvuu's new Star Beds overlook the floodplains and offer guests the opportunity to immerse themselves in nature and spend a memorable night under the stars.

Mvuu Lodge boat safaris are quite special! Prepare for an action packed safari as in addition we offer our guests guided walks, birding, day and night game drives and community visits to nearby schools.

The Shire River Trail is a 2 night walking experience with our knowledgeable guides and African Parks Scouts and details can be found in our website.



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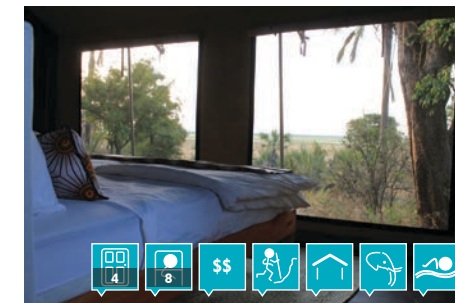
Mvuu Camp is located in the heart of Liwonde National Park, Malawi's premier wildlife destination. The Camp offers affordable family friendly and group safaris with chalets overlooking the magnificent Shire River. Liwonde is a 580 sq km reserve that harbours over 400 species of birds, a dense population of hippos, crocodiles, large numbers of elephants and a variety of antelope species. There are also regular sightings of lion, cheetah and serval as well as occasional sightings of black rhino.

Facilities include 11 stone and canvas chalets, a beautiful swimming pool, fireside boma and an impressive thatched dining and lounge area.

Our education centre offers guests the chance in between safaris to hear our guides' instructive talks and can be hired for small workshops and team building groups. Safari activities include boat safaris, day and night game drives, guided walks and non-stop birding.



## SOUTH MALAWI ACCOMMODATION



### CHIMWALA BUSH CAMP

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Chimwala Bush Camp at Liwonde National Park is an excellent opportunity to experience the beauty of Malawi's Wildlife in a small and safe place.

The Camp is located in the South of the National Park at the base of Chinguni Hill overlooking the Chikalongwe lagoon and floodplain.

The camp is operated by African Parks and also used by Kiboko Safaris for their Liwonde National Park safari operations in cooperation with African Parks.

Tucked up against Chinguni hill, and sheltered by a mixture of mopane and miombo trees, the camp is constructed from local rock & thatch. The main area's al fresco style brings the outside in, with high ceilings and a large garden for dining and leisure. The tents - while classic in style - have some modern features: oversized windows, lovely décor, private verandahs and open-air outdoor bathrooms. Enjoy a laze around the pool with its magnificent views across the floodplain. This is truly a treasure of a bush camp.

At the camp up to eight guests can be accommodated in comfortable and 4 spacious en-suite safari tents on a self catering basis. Within the camp compound there is an expansive thatched dining and lounge area for guests to socialise and relax and further a pool which is fed by borehole water. The dining area also has a moderately stocked bar.







SOUTH MALAWI ACCOMMODATION



**ZOMBA FOREST LODGE**  
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Zomba Forest Lodge is a cosy and intimate guest house nestled in 20 acres of mixed woodland. A perfect forest retreat where relaxation is guaranteed.

The house sits in 20 acres of stunning gardens and mixed woodland, varying from indigenous rainforest in the valley by the stream, to pine on the slopes and giant eucalyptus trees overhanging the garden. There are 3.5km on nature trails and a huge variety of birds, including the rare yellow-throated and White-winged apalis, Bertram's weaver and the double-coloured forest sunbird feeding from the flowers mere inches from the veranda, a real treat for the eyes.

Completely off-grid and with no electricity, Zomba Forest Lodge is an ideal place to hide away, to take it slow, to sit back and relax... or you can step it up and go walking on one of the many trails around the lodge or on the Plateau.

However, Zomba Forest Lodge isn't all about relaxing and hiking, it is also about enjoying great food. At ZFL, guests will enjoy some of the best home-cooked food available in Malawi. ZFL also has its own conservation project, TREEZ.



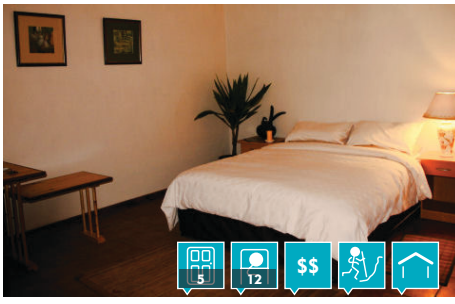
**HILL SPRINGS LODGE**  
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Hill Springs Lodge's vision is to provide the highest quality hospitality service Malawi has to offer. They pride themselves on the quality of their accommodation, conference and food & beverage facilities.

The lodge focuses on individual travel as well as smaller groups and will always do their best to cater your experience to ensure a pleasant stay. Luxury standards are emphasized among all of Hill Springs Lodge's services and divisions, and their well-trained, motivated and enthusiastic employees will create a platform for an entertaining, exciting and enjoyable experience.

Available at the lodge are a total of 13 rooms, including larger executive suites and single rooms. Two conference rooms and three boardrooms are available to hire, with catering also available for any conference, small or large and outside catering. Food & beverage facilities are also available at Hill Springs as it holds a restaurant and a bar.

Hill Springs is a non-smoking facility located just outside of Zomba, along the Zomba-Blantyre road around 5 miles from Zomba. The lodge is surrounded by the beautiful hills of Zomba, Malawi. Therefore, in addition to picturesque landscapes it has a peaceful atmosphere and space for outdoor walking.



**VILLA 33**  
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Villa 33 is a charming property offering stylish accommodation for business and independent travellers who are in Blantyre for a short to medium term visit. The lodge is set in an expanse of beautiful tropical gardens, and is easily accessible from the centre of town.

There are en-suite standard rooms, twin rooms and 1- bedroom apartments to choose from, and so the lodge is able to cater for a variety of configurations. All rooms are spacious, tastefully furnished, and have the reputation of having the comfiest beds in town.

There are private entrances to all rooms, with some having their own private garden. Rooms are equipped with satellite TV, fan, electronic safe, Queen size bed and complimentary coffee and tea making facilities. The fully-furnished apartments are ideal for longer-term stays and monthly self-catering rates are available on request. Guests can connect wirelessly to the internet throughout the premises, there is a large secure car-park, and a free laundry service is provided to guests which is an added bonus not commonly offered in Malawi.

Accommodation is on a bed and breakfast basis and cooked-to-order breakfasts are served. A restaurant with outdoor seating area serves delicious dishes in an attractive casual atmosphere.

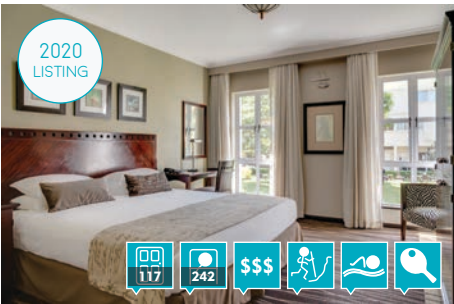


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**SERENDIB SUITES & CONFERENCE CENTRE**  
The Serendib Suite & Conference Centre is probably the largest suite hotel in Blantyre, and offers excellent facilities for conferences and meetings. Serendib Suites bears testament to the traditional African hospitality the brand exemplifies, and offers respite to both business and leisure travellers.

**LOTUS - By Serendib**  
Lotus is a prestigious hotel which combines glamour, sophistication and world-class service, thus offering contemporary elegance at its best. The hotel is located in a pleasant and serene part of the city and is renowned for its well-appointed and luxurious rooms and suites. The hotel boasts a state-of-the-art Convention Centre which is one of the country's most technologically-advanced, purpose-built facilities that can host a wide array of events.

**HERITAGE - By Serendib**  
Heritage is one of the very few beautifully restored colonial hotels in the country, offering a stylish blend of modern comforts and classical antiquity, reviving memories to many who arrived in Nyasaland back in the 1970s. The hotel offers its guests some of the finest accommodation that the city has to offer, and serves as a getaway oasis for both local and international guests in search of pure comfort.



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This hotel is situated in the central business district of Blantyre and ideal for business travellers and holidaymakers alike. Since Protea Hotel by Marriott Blantyre Ryalls is in the financial hub of Malawi and only 15 minutes from the airport, corporate guests don't need to travel far to get their business done. We have spacious, elegant and comfortable en suite rooms with air-conditioning, complimentary unlimited Wi-Fi and a satellite TV. It's a hotel that complements your travel style. Leisure facilities at the hotel include an outdoor swimming pool a fitness centre and a beauty spa. The nearby Blantyre Sports Club offers the use of additional sporting activities such as golf, tennis, squash and bowls. For those who would like to experience some local culture, the Blantyre City Museum is worth a visit. For nature lovers, the Zomba Plateau and Mount Mulanje (3rd highest peak in Africa) are both within an hours' drive from the hotel.

The hotel offers the "21 Grill on Hannover" and "Ryalls Restaurant & Coffee Shop" 2 superb dining venues for all residents. The "21 Grill on Hannover" offers the finest à la carte dining in Malawi, while the Ryalls Restaurant & Coffee Shop serves varied buffet meals. Other services and facilities at the hotel include free secure open air parking, laundry service, 24-hour room service, babysitting services, foreign exchange, spa and a hotel shuttle service at a nominal charge. Conferencing and Banqueting facilities in 6 venues, with standard equipment, seat up to 200 delegates in various configurations, or sub-dividable into breakaway rooms. This offers an ideal venue for conferencing and banquets. A business centre is also available.







SOUTH MALAWI ACCOMMODATION



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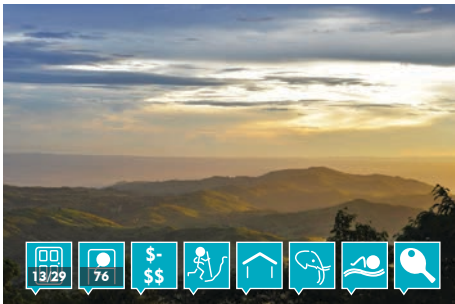
The all-new Amaryllis Hotel Blantyre is an artful blend of modern luxury and legendary Malawian hospitality.

This stunning 5-star property boasts 91 spacious rooms and suites, three state-of-the-art contemporary restaurants, 24-hour Guest Services, multiple innovative banquet and conference venues, all nestled in the centre of Malawi's financial capital.

Superior King Rooms and Delux King Rooms offer expansive views from the comfort of your personal open-air lounge. Conveniently located on the pool level, just steps from our Splash Bistro.

Presidential Suites offer outstanding views and an expansive private entertainment deck for you to enjoy whilst being surrounded by luxurious services and amenities to make the most of your stay, be it corporate or leisure.

Guests can lounge by our rooftop pool, enjoy convenient access to nearby shopping and wildlife attractions or simply indulge in our in-house amenities, all while being catered to by our caring and courteous staff.



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Fisherman's Rest is surrounded by magnificent views over the Great Rift Valley and Shire River.

Accommodation ranges from the lodges and chalets, to rustic bush camp hides and traditional village huts. All residences are set in our private nature reserve, inhabited by antelope and 500 acres of rare indigenous woodland. The nature reserve is exclusively for resident guests, group bookings need to be made in advance. The tranquil atmosphere offers a wonderful, peaceful retreat from the hustle and bustle of life.

From Fisherman's Rest there are wild walks and exciting cycle routes. Guests can experience more of Malawi at Fisherman's Rest Community Centre or out in communities getting stuck into Fisherman's Rest Projects. For a more relaxed afternoon there are two stunning swimming pools overlooking the Shire Valley or plenty an evening under the African stars listening to local musicians.

Fisherman's Rest is exceptionally well located for visitors wishing to do business in Blantyre. The venue is also a unique setting for workshops, conferences and board meetings. Its excellent location means guests can easily spend some time exploring the local wildlife parks for the Big Five.



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This serene, beautiful 500 acre Chimwenya Game Park and lodge is set in the indigenous forests and grasslands of the Shire Highlands of Southern Malawi approximately 20km from Blantyre. Experience exceptional viewing of wildlife which include Giraffe, Zebra, Eland, Roan, Sable, Nyala, Waterbuck, Wildebeest, Impala and for birdwatchers, prolific birdlife. A total of 28 rooms comprising of our 5 luxurious en-suite cottages, each complete with fireplace and verandah with exceptional views. 10 spacious Nyala suites. 10 Sable family rooms and three self-catering guest houses accommodating 6 people each. Two conference halls (40 guests each) provide the ideal venue for team building and business discussions.

The internationally designed & constructed Peter Matkovich 9 hole golf course combines the amazing natural environment with a challenging course.

Enjoy international cuisine at the Ambrosia restaurant, relax at the picturesque swimming pool or fishing and braaing on the lawns of Lake Bvumbwe at Nswala Malo - Lounge Bar. For the kids Mwana Park, a children's playground with qualified staff.

Game Haven Lodge - There's something for everyone.



**HUNTINGDON HOUSE**  
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Originally the family home built by Maclean Kay in the mid -30s, Huntingdon House exudes a colonial charm and unique character that cannot be recreated. This magnificent house forms the heart of Satemwa Tea Estate and is surrounded by sprawling manicured gardens with secret patios and terraces waiting to be discovered. Owned and run by the Kay family since 1923, Satemwa Tea Estate is undoubtedly among the country's most respected and established tea and coffee producers. Now under third generation management, Chip, one of Maclean Kay's sons, still lives on the estate, he is a regular visitor to Huntingdon and is always happy to share some of his wonderful memories of the family home and the fascinating history of Satemwa Tea Estate.

The house has been tastefully refurbished to offer 5 unique suites, each individually decorated to reflect the quirks and character of this grand residence. Each area of the house has a story of its own from the original children's nursery to the resident priest's quarters and private Chapel.

Guests are able to discover the multitude of teas exported from the estate and learn all about the tea making process during a tea tasting session. Take a guided walk through the tea and coffee fields, explore the estate by mountain bike or watch the sunset from Thyolo Mountain, sipping one of their famous gin and teas. At Huntingdon you can do as little or as much as you like.



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Sited on the slopes of Thyolo Mountain, approximately 3 km from Huntingdon House this historic tea planters bungalow offers a relaxed, family friendly retreat surrounded by lush subtropical rainforest on Satemwa Estate. With beautiful manicured gardens, a private swimming pool and panoramic views.

Chawani has been sensitively refurbished to retain the rustic character and charm which has made this property enormously popular with visitors to the Shire Highlands for decades. As one of two properties available to guests on the Estate, Chawani Bungalow offers the perfect retreat for a family or a group of friends. It is self catering but our friendly staff are there to assist you with basic cooking and cleaning. Available as an exclusive rental the 4 bedrooms provide comfortable accommodation for 10 guests. The estate provides great opportunities for walking and bird watching. The hike to the famous picnic spot is one not to be missed.

Tea tasting, coffee tours, guided walks, and mountain bike hire can be arranged through Huntingdon House. There is also the opportunity to engage with the local community by meeting some of the small holders Satemwa work with and visiting the nearby orphanage and schools.

Also, if you feel like a real treat, afternoon teas, lunch and dinner can be booked in advance at Huntingdon House.





# Transport, Tours & Safaris

Malawi is a destination that lends itself to touring. Most visitors will be travelling round the country to a greater or lesser degree rather than simply visiting one game park or a single resort. Travelling within the country is not difficult. There is a quite good bus service, especially between the main towns; the roads are generally better maintained than many other African countries and self-drive is straightforward. Car hire, with or without a driver, is available throughout the country. To save time, some visitors fly between their destinations and there are daily flights between the two main towns as well as regular ones connecting key attractions.

The easiest way to get your itinerary organised is to use a tour operator/agent in your home country or one of the many and highly experienced operators in Malawi. These companies, listed below in this Directory, will book your accommodation, organise your tour, set up your safari and even take you across the border into one of Malawi's neighbouring countries. You can select from their scheduled tours, ask them to suggest a trip to meet your preferences, or plan your own itinerary and ask them to book it all up for you. Remember to make any bookings with these companies in Malawi in good time before you expect to visit. The most popular periods, when accommodation and safaris may be limited, are the northern hemisphere summer and the period around Christmas and the New Year. To contact any of the companies shown in this part of the Directory (and generally in communicating with Malawi) it is often best to use email. All the email addresses are in this Directory and re-printed on the inside back cover in the Contacts A-Z.

## TRANSPORT, TOURS & SAFARIS



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The Travel Centre is an inbound Tour Operator in Malawi offering you the most exciting, personalized, best value for money tour packages and travel arrangements in Malawi.

Catering for individual travelers and groups, the Travel Centre can tailor-make an itinerary to suit your specific needs. Transfers, hotel and lodge reservations, guided tours, boat cruises, self drive tours and helpful travel advice are also available.

With range of activities on offer, you have the opportunity to kayak around the clear waters of lake Malawi, hike on breath-taking mountains or watch the wildlife in the natural beauty that Malawi has to offer.

Travel Centre staff are young, energetic and professional, offering exclusive information on all aspects of travel and holidays. They are passionate about travel and take pride in having the most diverse tours and services available.

Explore with the Travel Centre.



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Central African Wilderness Safaris (CAWS), formerly a member of the well-known Wilderness Safaris Group was established in Malawi in 1987 and its founders Chris and Pamela Badger have been in the travel business since 1980.

Operating in two of Malawi's premier wildlife areas, Central African Wilderness Safaris offers incredible stays at the spectacular Mvuu Lodge overlooking the Shire River in Liwonde National Park and the Chelinda Lodge set into the rolling hills of the spectacular Nyika National Park. At each destination we offer a camp option for those seeking a family experience or a more affordable safari option.

Our emphasis is on delivering specialist, photographic and family safaris in our beautiful spaces, hosted by our professional team of caring staff and experienced guides.

Our private quality safaris in Malawi deliver a hassle-free journey, enhanced by exceptional standards of service and hospitality. Our strong reputation for high standards and reliability has been built up over 30 years. We remain dedicated to offering personalised and authentic travel experiences that have a minimal impact on the planet and a lasting impact on people.

Our conservation and community initiatives include the running of the Children in the Wilderness program, Root to Fruit and H.E.L.P Malawi, details of which can be viewed on our website.



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Crafted Africa is a specialist tour operator based in Malawi offering a large range of adventures in and around beautiful Malawi and Zambia, as well as further afield to Mozambique and Zimbabwe.

Founded in 2009, the company has, over this time, expanded and developed a range of itineraries to satisfy all kinds of travel and holiday needs. Our experienced team combines local knowledge with international standards, and we offer a highly personalised level of service ensuring that trips are perfectly tailored to our clients needs. It's important to us that your African dream becomes a reality... and an unforgettable one at that.

With a focus on unique tailored holidays we are lucky to be promoting places with high conservation success, incredible value for money and (at the moment) low tourism density so we will never make you queue for a sighting (or share it if we can help it)! Why not give us a call or drop us an email to help plan your next adventure- our friendly team will be happy to help.



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Kiboko Safaris offers high quality, modestly priced safaris in Malawi and Zambia, including Malawi's gems Liwonde and Nyika National Parks and South Luangwa in Zambia. We are also happy to add Lake Malawi to your itinerary or help extend your trip to the Victoria Falls upon request. Operating for 20 years, it is established as one of Malawi's biggest operators and a trendsetting tourism enterprise. In October 2019, Kiboko Safaris opened the Msandile River Lodge. This is a brand new eco-friendly Lodge with large en-suite safari tents and luxury chalets, all overlooking the fascinating scenery of the Luangwa Valley alongside a busy wildlife crossing point.

There's a great variety of trips on offer or Kiboko Safaris can organize a tour at your own requirements. Prices of Kiboko's all-inclusive safaris cover transport, accommodation, all meals, game drives and even the national park entrance fees. Chalet accommodation upgrades are available on many of the mobile safaris. Kiboko Safaris has its own booking office situated at Mitengo House (Area 10) in Lilongwe for all your tailor-made tours in Malawi and Zambia.

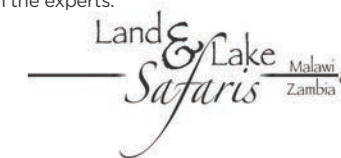
"Experience" safaris are our specialty, allowing participants to get an in-depth experience of Malawi and the extended region's attractions. No matter what your itinerary is, Kiboko Safaris' friendly and experienced staff will ensure the holiday of a lifetime.



**LAND & LAKE SAFARIS**  
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Land & Lake Safaris is a professional, personal, owner-run, medium sized tour operator, offering a comprehensive range of travel services throughout Malawi, Zambia and Mozambique. As the oldest tour operator in Malawi (33 years), their knowledgeable, professional and dedicated team advises and delivers a range of services from adventure itineraries to leisurely sightseeing trips. The region has tremendous capacity for specialist pursuits such as birding, entomological, historical, archaeological, charity challenges, cycling safaris, hiking, mountain climbing, religious visitations and water based adventures.

To cater for these myriad of options, they have the staff, equipment and vehicles to ensure all their clients are well looked after by the industry leaders. Their fleet of hire and safari vehicles, range from comfortable saloon cars for the business traveler, soft off road SUV's for local lodge based explorations, twin cabs for the more adventurous, purpose built 4X4 safari vehicles to carry 8 people in comfort to fully fledged and equipped 4X4 expedition vehicles that can handle any terrain any time of the year. Land and Lake are the only company in Malawi that operate guaranteed monthly, fixed date, scheduled safaris. With only a minimum of 2 and max of 12 guests, these trips offer a comprehensive, well balanced and rounded insight into Malawi, and the region, suitable for all ages, every month. Located in old town Lilongwe, the Land and Lake Office and very popular café is the perfect launch point for your Malawi journey with the experts.



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Set in a protected forest reserve in the heart of the capital, the award-winning Lilongwe Wildlife Centre offers the perfect space to escape the city and get back to nature. Run by Lilongwe Wildlife Trust, Malawi's leading conservation NGO, the site is home to Malawi's only wildlife sanctuary, which cares for over 200 animals rescued mostly from the illegal pet and bushmeat trades, and is widely regarded in welfare circles as one of Africa's best run facilities.

Visitors can enjoy walking or running along the 4km of beautiful nature trails which wind along the Lingadzi River and through the forest, which is home to antelopes, crocodiles, monkeys, bush pigs and over 200 species of bird. There's also a cafe, playground and gift shop. A new education zone is currently under construction and will be open to school groups and visitors towards the middle of 2022.

Lilongwe Wildlife Trust also runs an international placement programme which offers conservation experiences for students, researchers and the general public in everything from sanctuary work and wildlife research to veterinary medicine. Volunteers can join the programme from 2 to 12 weeks, with tailored experiences that are based both at Lilongwe Wildlife Centre and at field sites across the country.







## TRANSPORT, TOURS & SAFARIS



### ULENDO SAFARIS

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ULENDO SAFARIS is widely considered to be Malawi's premier Travel Agency and Tour Operator having been fortunate to enjoy steady growth since our inception as a small marketing agent and inbound tour operator in 1998. The superb support received from inbound leisure travel, on both regional and international fronts, have allowed ULENDO to expand rapidly and position itself to offer guests the widest range of travel related products in Malawi.

Our products and services have evolved to meet market demand and fill gaps in the local travel market. By offering a comprehensive range of in house services, Ulendo are in a position to assist tour operators in all aspects of an itinerary to our region – starting from international flights to encompass meet & greet services, road and air transfers, guided safaris, accommodation and specialist itinerary planning. A major area of expansion was into airline reservations and ticketing and in 1999 we obtained our IATA accreditation and started handling select clients' flight requirements.

Malawian owned and managed – Ulendo believes in tailoring our product to suit the needs of our customers. We take pride in maintaining standards comparable to the finest international travel service providers and extending these to the Malawi market. We invite you to try the Ulendo travel experience and look forward to exceeding your expectations when planning an itinerary for your guests to our region of Africa.



### THE RESPONSIBLE SAFARI CO. BLANTYRE

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The Responsible Safari Co. (RSC) is a Social Enterprise Tour Operator based in Blantyre specialising in Sustainable, Educational, Philanthropic & Experiential Group Travel to the country.

Operating since 2008, RSC provides specialised planning and logistical support for School Expeditions, University Field Trips, Charity & Adventure Challenges, Donor groups, Corporate, Conference and CSR Groups as well as Independent Travellers.

Specialising in tailored Educational Workshops & Challenge Events, RSC work in partnership with inspiring Community Initiatives offering immersive learning opportunities for students & businesses to gain an insight into key global challenges facing rural communities in Africa.

We are committed to creating sustainable growth through social enterprise, reducing the dependence on the aid industry and driving tourism generated income to rural communities.



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Jambo Africa is a tour company, now based at Nyala Lodge in Lengwe National Park. The company specialises in tailor-made tours throughout Malawi and also into Zambia, Mozambique, Tanzania and Zanzibar. With their knowledge of Malawi and their long experience, Jambo Africa can make the most of the time a visitor is in the country. Jambo Africa will organise every part of your stay in Malawi, booking your accommodation throughout the country and arranging your transfers between locations, car hire and even air charters. We can also provide airport transfers for groups of most sizes. Jambo Africa can make your trip to Malawi unforgettable. Whatever your requirement: a relaxing beach holiday at Lake Malawi, an active hiking trek up Mount Mulanje or a tour of Malawi's beautiful game parks, Jambo Africa will look after your every need. For the fresh water fishing enthusiast Jambo Africa can also arrange fishing expeditions to Mozambique, Zambia and within Malawi. You will enjoy your visit to Malawi and let Jambo Africa look after the logistics. Through a public private partnership we operate an airboat, MV Elephant Marsh Master on the Elephant Marsh which has been recently declared a RAMSAR site, a must especially for bird enthusiasts.

We are also the booking agents for The Conforzi Lake House, Villa Nyasa, White Rock Villa and Lujeri Lake House in Mangochi. Jambo Africa Ltd is the owner of Nyala Lodge in Lengwe National Park which now has a modern conferencing facility.



### FISHERMAN'S REST TOURS AND PROJECTS BLANTYRE

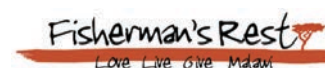
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Fisherman's Rest is the perfect place to start exploring Malawi. We tailor individual and group holidays to suit individual requests and budgets.

Over the last 20 years Fisherman's Rest has worked in local communities, meeting needs and offering support to local schools, entrepreneurs and community organisations. Guests are welcomed into villages, schools, churches, prisons and clinics to partner with communities making soil stabilised blocks, conservation, reforestation, tree nurseries, fuel efficient stoves, making briquettes, teaching, repairing and monitoring water supplies, helping out with school feeding programmes and more.

It is exciting to see how communities are changing and developing through team work, hard work and a lot of laughter. In partnering with Fisherman's Rest and its communities guests can't help but leave a little of their hearts in Africa.

Malawi is a unique and beautiful country. So to complete the adventure Fisherman's Rest organises tours and travel to Malawi's many Wildlife parks, Mulanje Mountain, the historic Zomba Plateau, and relaxing in the luxury of Lake Malawi - to create the ultimate African experience.



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Budget Safari has been operating safaris within Malawi since 1995 with offices in Nkhata Bay and in Lilongwe. The company offers safaris that are tailor-made to your taste. You can choose from recommended tours like the popular 4-day South Luangwa Safari, across the border in neighbouring Zambia, and from other safaris from 4 to 21 days which cover the northern as well as the southern part of Malawi and parts of Zambia and Tanzania. The two or three week safaris cover all the highlights of Malawi or combine Malawi with Zambia and/or Tanzania.

Tailor-made tours of any duration are available. Budget Safari will make your hotel reservations, organize your dive course and car hire. A popular choice is car hire with chauffeur. The Company offers tours for any budget. Camping safaris where excellent chefs prepare your meals are on offer, as well as comfortable lodge tours.

Quality is Budget Safari's main concern. The Company has reliable vehicles, a well-trained staff and the accommodation that you'll experience will be to your fullest satisfaction.

Budget Safari specialize in tours that highlight culture, wildlife, birding, trekking or diving.



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Kayak Africa are the founders and owners of the camps on Mumbo Island and Domwe Island in the Lake Malawi National Park, and manage the camps on a daily basis.

The camps are run on sustainable green principles, and the islands are astounding in their natural untouched beauty.

Key features of a visit to Mumbo and Domwe include:

- Exclusive, small-capacity, island-style camps on remote tropical islands, with the option of a single party booking the whole camp for just themselves.
- Camp facilities are reed and thatch buildings combined with open-air, outdoors spaces. Choose between cool quality hammock time; or healthy outdoor fun in the sun including swimming, snorkelling, kayaking and walking the nature trails.
- The islands are not about man-made grandeur and five-star service, but instead strive to offer peace and tranquillity in a beautiful setting where Mother Nature provides the "Wow!".

Twenty-seven years at the helm has taught us that when it comes to deserted tropical islands like Mumbo and Domwe, less is often more. Our reception overlooks Lake Malawi from the beach at Cape Maclear. Our central reservations in Cape Town can help you get to the islands and anywhere else in this peaceful and authentic African country.







## TRANSPORT, TOURS & SAFARIS



**WARM HEART ADVENTURES**  
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The Malawi Shipping Company (MSC) is a privately owned company running passenger and cargo services on Lake Malawi, as well as ship repair activities at its Monkey Bay port. MV. Ilala is a 630 tonne (displacement) passenger vessel which sails the full length of the Lake. It has a total capacity of 360 passengers and 33 Crew members. It offers Cabin Class, Boat Deck Class, Second Class and Economy Class facilities as well as two bars and two eating places. The vessel currently stops at 12 ports, which are Monkey Bay, Makanjira, Senga Bay, Nkhota Kota, Likoma Island, Chizumulu Island, Nkhata Bay, Usisya, Ruarwe, Tcharo, Mlowe and Chilumba. The Ilala travels along the Lake weekly. MV. Chilembwe is currently used as a relief vessel whenever the Ilala is taken out of service for annual survey. The Chilembwe carries 120 passengers and 20 tonnes of cargo.

MSC further acts as a major maritime transporter of cargo on Lake Malawi. It currently operates three cargo vessels, namely, MV. Katundu which can carry 720 tonnes of cargo; MV Karonga which carries 270 tonnes of cargo; and Tug Vipha and Pontoon which carries up to 600 tonnes of cargo. Cargo carried is mainly break bulk such as bags of coal, clinker, sugar, fertilizer etc. A sister company to MSC is the Malawi Ports Company (MPC) which manages the ports both under the umbrella of Mota-Engil. MPC provides services such as cargo storage, cargo handling and so on.





# Travel Advisory

## GETTING TO MALAWI

For intercontinental flights from Europe, Kenya Airways (also with KLM), and Ethiopian Airlines offer good options to Malawi, with routes involving an aircraft change at their respective national hubs (Nairobi and Addis Ababa). Both airlines now serve Blantyre as well as Lilongwe. SAA also served Malawi pre-COVID. It has yet to resume flights but may do so in the future. Regional links between Malawi and Kenya, South Africa, Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe are provided by Malawi Airlines and some of the national airlines of those countries. Such links can sometimes be used in conjunction with another African or European airline flying from Europe. Malawi Airlines, through its association with Ethiopian Airlines can also offer connections around the world. Malawi-based air charter companies also link Malawi to its neighbours. There are road routes into Malawi from Tanzania, Zambia and Mozambique. Assume that border posts will be closed from about 18.00hrs and reopen at 07.00hrs. Visitors requiring a visa an intended to enter via a land border should obtain the documentation in advance. Requirements for vehicle documentation should be checked before travelling.

## BEST TIME TO TRAVEL

For most people the dry (winter) season is most attractive (i.e. April/May to October/November). However, some of the best birdwatching can be had from November to April and the orchids of Nyika are best seen from December to March/April. In the hottest month (usually November) maximum temperatures will be around 30°C. In the coldest month (probably July) maximum temperatures will be in the low 20's. On the uplands (e.g. Zomba, Nyika and Viphya) it can be cold at night. The hottest area, all year, is the Lower Shire Valley.

## PASSPORTS & VISAS

In 2015 Malawi introduced a new regime requiring visas for citizens of those countries that charge Malawians for visas. The majority of nationalities now need visas to enter Malawi. An online e-visa system was introduced in 2019 and visitors are now expected to obtained their visas in advance of arrival. For up to date details, see the How to Get There page in the Travel Guide section of our website: [www.malawitourism.com](http://www.malawitourism.com). A full valid passport is required for entry into Malawi.

## DUTY FREE

International travellers over the age of 18 may import, duty free: 200 cigarettes or 225gm of tobacco; 1 litre of spirits; 1 litre of beer; 1 litre of wine; plus a "reasonable" quantity of consumable goods to meet the traveller's immediate needs in Malawi.

## CURRENCY

Malawi's unit of currency is the Kwacha (abbreviated to MK internationally; K locally). Banks in the towns are open weekdays from 0800 to 1500. Mobile banks operate along the lakeshore and in more remote areas (check days/times locally). Travellers Cheques or foreign (hard) currency notes are best exchanged when in the main towns as there are no exchange facilities in many tourist spots. There is no limit to the amount of foreign currency imported but it must be declared and accounted for on departure. Only MK3000 of local currency may be exported. There are 24-hour ATMs in Lilongwe, Blantyre and Mzuzu. Only local currency is dispensed and there are sometimes limits to the amounts that can be withdrawn.

## HEALTH

Immunisation against polio, tetanus, typhoid and hepatitis A is recommended. Yellow fever immunisation may be required only by visitors entering from a yellow fever zone. There is a risk of malaria and prophylactics should be taken. Seek up to date advice from your doctor. There is a risk of contracting bilharzia if bathing in some parts of Lake Malawi but the risk is negligible near the main beach hotels. The infection is relatively easily treated once diagnosed. Malawi is a high risk area for AIDS.

## SAFETY

Malawi is considered a safe country for tourists and Malawians are rightfully known for their friendliness. However, the usual precautions should be taken as would be advised for tourists anywhere.

## FOOD & DRINK

Excellent fish dishes are widely available but especially near Lake Malawi. Most hotels and safari camps serve "western" dishes with, perhaps, game and occasionally local foods such as maize meal porridge. Soft drinks are available everywhere. Beers (Carlsberg is the most common), spirits such as Malawi gin and South African wines are reasonably priced and commonly available.

## WATER

For drinking, bottled water should be used in preference to tap water.

## TIME

Malawi time is GMT+2, as with most of southern Africa.

## DRIVING

Car hire is possible from most centres and at the airports, but standards of vehicles vary and hiring may seem expensive. Most of the main roads are tarred but narrow. Potholes may be expected in any road and speeds should be kept low. However, the general quality of roads is good by African standards. Driving is on the left. Expect to find people and animals on any road. Driving at night is to be avoided. Breakdowns are traditionally indicated by placing bush or tree branches at the side of the road behind the vehicle, but red triangles are strictly needed. Petrol is widely available but tanks should be filled when the opportunity occurs as soon as the indicator falls below half. An International Driving Licence is required for longer period of hire, but national

driving licences are sufficient in most instances if a photograph is included. In recent times, regulations regarding speed limits and the use of safety belts have been more rigorously enforced. On-the-spot fines can be collected by uniformed police. Routine roadblocks may be encountered, especially near the borders, but should not entail a stop of more than a couple of minutes.

## PUBLIC TRANSPORT

There is a good network of inexpensive public buses throughout Malawi.

## DOMESTIC AIR TRAVEL

Malawi Airlines provides regular links between the main cities of Blantyre and Lilongwe. Local air charter companies serve the main tourist destinations in the country.

## LUGGAGE

If using light aircraft for domestic transport, there is likely to be a limit of 10-12 kg per person.

## SAFARIS

There are five National Parks and four Wildlife Reserves, including one Freshwater National Park (at Cape Maclear). All types of safari are available, not only 4x4 driving but also walking and by boat. Most game viewing is in small groups.

## ACTIVITIES

Organised activities for travellers to Malawi include: Climbing, hiking, cycling, birdwatching, angling, game viewing, horse riding, mountain biking, quad-biking, yoga, art safaris, pottery. On Lake Malawi: kayaking, scuba diving, sailboarding, parasailing, diving, snorkelling, water-skiing, sailing and cruises. Many of the larger hotels and main towns offer the usual range of sports from tennis to golf. There are now a few hotels/ lodges with Spa facilities.

## SHOPPING

Small supermarkets are found in towns and larger villages. Large supermarkets and European style shops are almost exclusively found in Blantyre and Lilongwe. Markets and roadside vendors are popular with travellers. Attractive souvenirs are the excellent wood carvings, widely available, and straw goods, together with work by local artists. The standard of craftwork varies but at its best is quite outstanding. In the markets, bargaining is expected. Traditional Chief's chairs are popular.

## OPENING HOURS

Shops and offices open and close earlier in the day than is the custom in Europe or North America.

## DRESS

Dress is generally informal. Swimwear and very skimpy clothing should be confined to the beach resorts. For safaris, "natural " colours should be worn in preference to light/bright colours. In the uplands, especially in the winter (April-September), it can be cool in the evening and sweaters may be needed. It can be very cold on morning or night safari drives.

## ELECTRICITY

Supply is based on the 220/240 volts system, using "British type" square bayonet three-pin plugs.

## TV & RADIO

There is a national TV station and a number of radio stations which broadcast in English. In addition, many hotels receive international satellite channels.

## COMMUNICATIONS

The telephone system is fairly reliable. Sim cards for local mobile phone networks are widely available and relatively cheap and easy to use. Most hotels and offices are readily reached by email. The postal system tends to be slow.

## LAUNDRY

Laundry service is usually available at hotels and lodges or in the bigger safari camps. Dry cleaning is less easy to obtain and standards may vary.

## PHOTOGRAPHY

Any camera equipment is best brought into the country and care should be taken to avoid its exposure to extremes of heat. Most Malawians will not mind being photographed but it is common courtesy to ask permission first.

## PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

Jan 1, 15; March 3; May 1; June 25; July 6; 2nd Monday in October; Dec 25, 26. Also: Good Friday and Easter Sunday. If a holiday falls on a Saturday or Sunday, then the next Monday becomes a holiday.

## RECOMMENDED READING

'Malawi' published by Bradt Travel Guides (8th Edition, 2019 by Philip Briggs). £17.99

## LANGUAGE

While English is an official language, and is widely understood, a number of indigenous languages are also spoken. The most common is Chewa (or Chichewa - the language of the Chewas).

## DID YOU KNOW?

Lake Malawi, home to the world's first freshwater National Park is home to more species of fish (over 1000) than all of the lakes and rivers of Europe and north America put together!





DID YOU KNOW?

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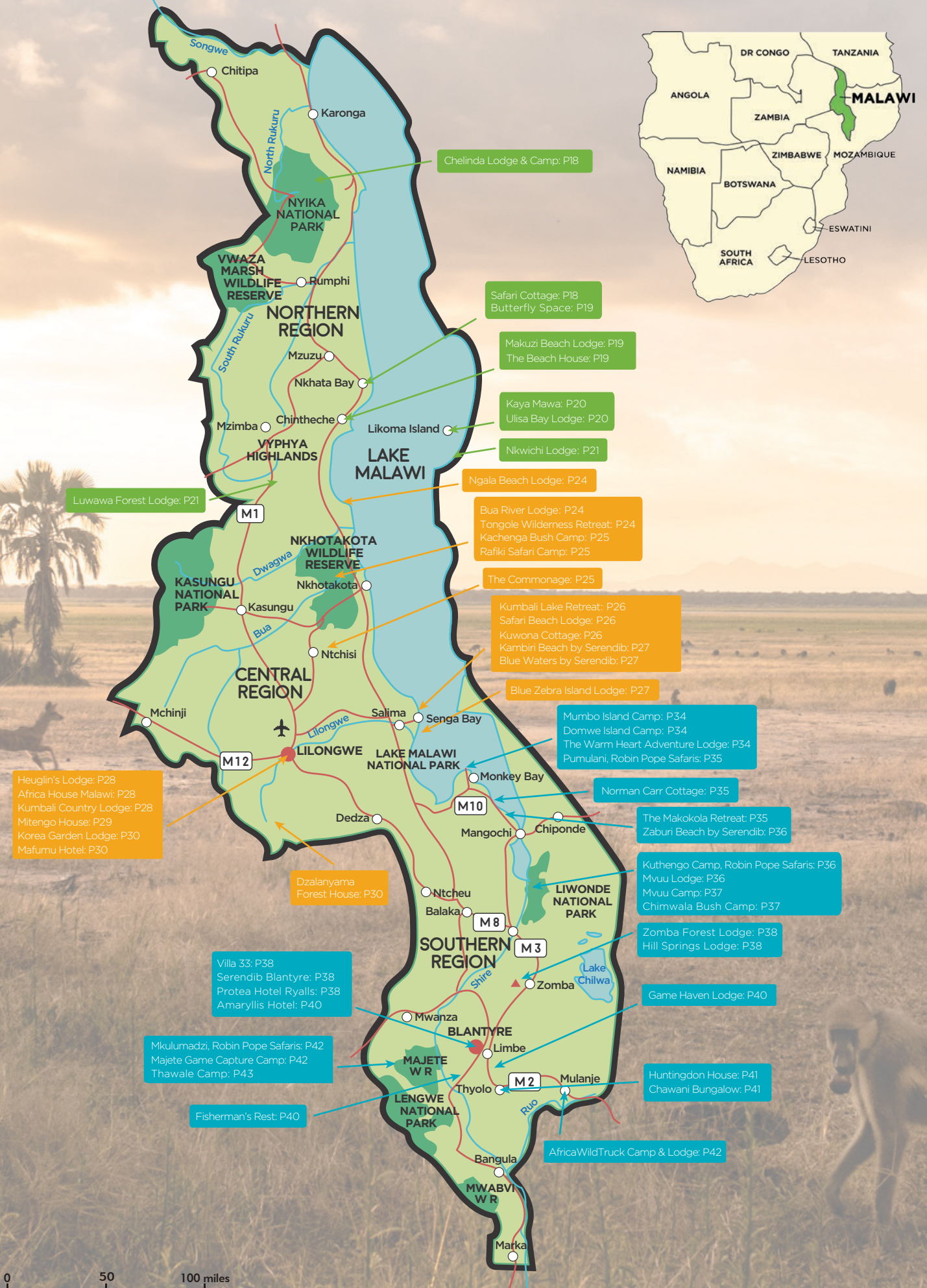
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