

## **LIVINGSTONE, ZAMBIA MARCH 22-29, 2023**

Rotary Friendship Exchange, Visits to Rotary Projects, Rotary Activities and Events, Day Trip to IVV, Hands-on Service, Botswana Safaris, Mwandu, Optional adventures  
**Information Updated December 12, 2022**

### **I. OVERVIEW**

Using general information and guidelines, people will design their own itineraries and schedules in contact with Rotarians in Zambia. Individually or in groups, they may leave from and return to different airports in California. Some will travel to or from other countries and/or want to explore different areas of Zambia or Zimbabwe or Botswana.

Highlights include a Rotary Friendship Exchange, a day trip to International Vision Volunteers in Zimba, visiting service projects, social and cultural events and meetings, hands-on activities, and optional trips to Zimbabwe and Botswana.

#### **Visa fees**

Typical visa fees are \$50-80, depending on the type of visa (single entry vs double or multiple entry). Zambia may be waiving all tourist visa fees for US citizens, so current information must be verified.

Visas may usually be purchased upon arrival or electronically ahead of time online.

#### **Vaccines/medical information**

This information is provided for general guidance. Please consult with your physician or medical advisor for your personal situation

- Highly recommended: Hep A, tetanus, typhoid, polio booster if never received before, as well as age-appropriate vaccines.
- Yellow fever vaccine is not required for Zambia.
- Malaria prophylaxis is recommended.

**Travel insurance is recommended.**

**Consult your tax advisor to inquire about possible tax benefits or deductions.**

With general questions about traveling in Zambia, please email Dr. Yenjean Hwang [yenjeanh@yahoo.com](mailto:yenjeanh@yahoo.com)

### **II. AIRFARE**

For humanitarian airfare for service-related trips, contact Laura Maron at Mission Nation Travel [laura.maron@missionnation.com](mailto:laura.maron@missionnation.com).

Travel insurance can be purchased through Laura Maron once tickets are confirmed and purchased. The policies that she offers include medical evacuation insurance.

Airfare estimate from SFO to Livingstone, Zambia is currently about \$2000 economy, depending on the airline and travel dates but always subject to change.

### **III. ACCOMMODATIONS**

Rotary Friendship Exchange: Wednesday, March 22 to Tuesday, March 29, 2022.

District 5160 Rotarians, their family, and friends may be hosted in the homes of local Rotarians March 22-28 for social, cultural, and service activities.

Please see *Rotary Friendship Exchange Livingstone March 2023 Information Booklet*.

Ten spaces may be available to participate in the Rotary Friendship Exchange.

- There is a deposit of \$250 per person to reserve a space.
- The \$250 per person is refundable upon arrival in Livingstone and is transferable to someone else or to the next person on the waiting list (if there is a waiting list).

If interested,

- Email Rachel Ward to inquire about space availability.
- If she confirms that space is available, reply to her with cc: to Yenjean Hwang.
- Mail a deposit check for \$250 per person payable to International Vision Volunteers. (Please see notes about receiving the refund of the deposit.)

International Vision Volunteers  
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Contact: Rachel Ward

District Rotary Friendship Exchange Chair  
Rotary Club of Lusaka Metro  
rachwar1402@yahoo.co.uk

#### Other Accommodations

For those not participating in the Rotary Friendship Exchange or who would like to stay longer, following are a few suggestions for accommodations provided by Rotarians.

- Maramba River Lodge, Landela Tent Bed & Breakfast - \$145 per room
- Victoria Apartments, 2 bedrooms each with en-suite facilities, kitchenette and Lounge with TV and WiFi , max 4, pax (good value) - \$150 per unit per night
- Waterfront Adventure Village Rooms Bed & Breakfast - \$75 per person sharing per night
- Pumulani Lodge, clean and small property, Bed & Breakfast - \$50 per room per night

Several 4- and 5- Star options:

- Avani Victoria Falls Resort
- The Royal Livingstone Victoria Falls
- Protea Hotel by Marriott Livingstone

#### **IV. EXAMPLES OF ACTIVITIES and EVENTS**

- Visits to Rotary Projects
- A Welcome Rotary Club Meeting
- A Rotary Multi-Club Dinner
- A Rotary Boat Cruise on the Zambezi River
- Sightseeing in Livingstone and Victoria Falls

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#### **DAY TRIP TO THE IVV EYE CLINIC IN ZIMBA - Friday, March 24**

The International Vision Volunteers Zimba Eye Clinic was the beneficiary of a recent District 5160 Global Grant and a District 5160 Grant. Visit the Eye Clinic and see an Eye Camp. Attend the Dedication Ceremony of the new IVV/Rotary Children's Library and the renaming of the General Library with acknowledgement of the clubs that participated in these Grants. A Service Activity is being planned and will be announced.

Transportation round trip from Livingstone to Zimba as well as lunch will be provided. Approximate cost: \$30/person.

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Rotary Club of Orinda  
Club International Service Chair  
Chairman of the Board of IVV  
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#### **OPTIONAL TRIP TO ZIMBABWE**

Project Visits with the Rotary Club of Victoria Falls  
Village Experience (Mtomba Homestead)

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#### **OPTIONAL TRIP TO BOTSWANA AND MWANDI VOLUNTEERING**

Please see separate itinerary and details for BOTSWANA SAFARI (Elephant Sands and Jackalberry Chobe Lodge) and MWANDI VOLUNTEERING.

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## **SOME OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES IN AND NEAR LIVINGSTONE**

1. Sunset Cruise - \$85
2. Lion Walk - \$145
3. Cheetah Walk - \$130
4. Lion & Cheetah Walk Combo - \$205
5. Elephant Interaction - \$85
6. City Tour including Livingstone Museum and local market - \$45
7. Game Drive /Rhino Walk - \$100
8. Helicopter/Microlight Flight over Victoria Falls - \$189
9. Steam Train Dining Experience - \$199
10. Half day Rafting and Sunset Cruise Combo - \$175
11. Chobe Day Trip (includes River Safari, lunch, and Game Drive in the Chobe National Park - Botswana) - \$190
12. Bungee Jumping and/or Zip Line at Victoria Falls
13. High Tea at the Royal Livingstone Victoria Falls

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District Rotary Friendship Exchange Chair

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## **OTHER TRAVEL IDEAS IN ZAMBIA AND BOTSWANA**

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