

KAZILE
ISLAND LODGE
—
FACT SHEET



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A touch of luxury in the wild

Set on a secluded island in the winding Kwando River, Kazile Island Lodge offers 13 Meru tents and is only accessible by boat. Here you'll be immersed in the sounds, scents and secrets of the wild – all while nestled in comfort and surrounded by a lush mangosteen forest.

The tasteful tented suites overlook the Kwando River as well as the expansive floodplains between the island and the famous Horseshoe Bend. This is where herds of buffalos and elephants traverse the wet Zambezi landscape. Sitatungas, an elusive aquatic antelope, are often spotted along the floodplains and marshes. The famous Horseshoe Lagoon is also the ideal spot for a breathtaking sunset sundowner. The silhouettes of hippos and elephants can often be seen in purple hues over the water.

Together with its sister lodge, Nambwa, Kazile Island Lodge is one of the only lodges uniquely situated within Bwabwata National Park, at the heart of the KAZA Transfrontier Conservation Area – the largest wildlife conservation area in the world. It's an enigmatic corner of Namibia and one you're sure to fall in love with.

Recharge next to the unspoilt Kwando

Explore the waterways and absorb the ambience of this beautiful wilderness. Or simply enjoy the sounds of birds chirping from your tented room with all the amenities you need.

- 13 tented rooms with two three-quarter beds
- Mosquito nets around the bed
- En-suite bathroom with shower
- Private wooden deck overlooking the Kwando River and floodplains
- Laptop safe
- Bottled water in all rooms
- Wifi in the main area and all guest rooms



Helpful information

SMOKING POLICY

Smoking is only allowed on the private, outside wooden decks that form part of each tented suite. Smoking is not allowed anywhere in the bush or public guest areas or while taking part in any activity.

LOCATION

Accessible from Kazile boat station approximately 11 km from Kongola, off the new tar road between Kongola and the Linyanti. From Kazile boat station it's a five minute boat cruise to Kazile Island Lodge.

LAUNDRY

A laundry service is available.

ELECTRICITY & WATER

- Kazile Island Lodge operates on 220V solar power, 24 hours a day.
- Guest accommodation is equipped with a 220-volt AC plug suitable for hairdryers and the recharging of camera and video batteries.
- Mineral water is supplied to guest rooms, however the lodge water is pumped from the Kwando River. It undergoes rigorous UV filtration and is safe for human consumption. Regular tests are performed to ensure we meet the highest safety standards.

DIETARY NEEDS

When making your reservation, please let us know if you have any special dietary needs.



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Helpful information continued...

PAYMENT POLICY

A 30% deposit is required at least three months prior to arrival, once a reservation is made. Full payment of the balance is due 30 days prior to guests arrival, unless the booking is made within 14 days, in which case full payment will be required to confirm the reservation.

For all bookings cancelled between:

- 60 and 30 days prior to arrival
– 50 % of the total amount will be due.
- 29 and 15 days prior to arrival
– 75 % of the total amount will be due.
- 14 and 0 days prior to arrival
– 100 % of the total amount will be due.

All major credit cards accepted.

SEASONS

- Green season: April – June, December – March
- Peak season: July – November

CHILD POLICY

- Children should be under the control and supervision of their parents at all times.
- Children between the ages of 6 and 11 will be charged 50% of the adult rate. Children aged 12 count as adults and are charged the full adult rate.
- Private game drives or boat cruises are compulsory for guests travelling with children under 11.

RESERVATIONS

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Access

By Road

- GPS coordinates:
17°54'11.80"S 23°19'00.70"E
- Road transfers are available from Vic Falls, Livingstone, Kasane and Katima Mulilo (rates on request).

By Air

- Immelman landing strip (no floats).
- Co-ordinates S 17° 46'500" E 023° 18' 300"
- Length of runway: 1300 meters.

Directions

FROM WINDHOEK

Kazile Island Lodge is located approximately 1114 km and 11 hours' drive northeast of Windhoek.

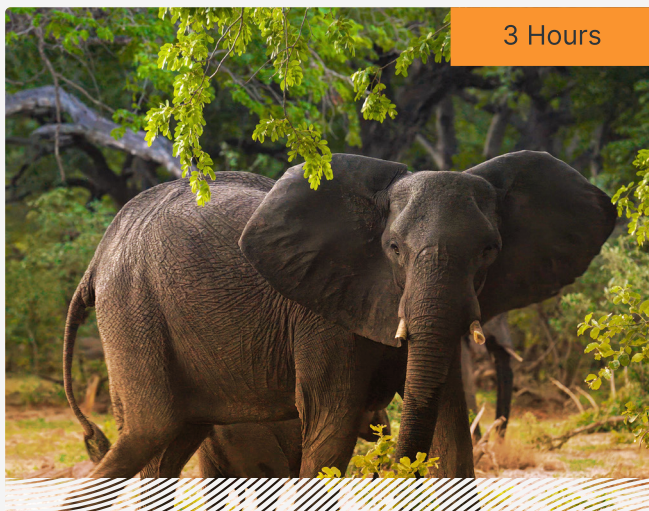
- Take the B1 from Windhoek to Otavi. At Otavi, turn right on the B10 and go northeast until Rundu. At Rundu, go east on the B8 for 200 km where you will cross the Okavango River at Divundu. You will pass through a police checkpoint. From the Divundu checkpoint you will drive a further 194 km until you reach the next police check point on the Kwando River.
- You will pass through a police checkpoint, drive a further 7 km to the Kongola Filling Station where you turn right onto the C49.
- Continue on the C49 for 11 km until the Kazile Island Lodge turnoff on the right (western side of the road). There is also a lay-bye under a big tree on the right. Turn off at the sign and follow the dirt road for 2.4 km. You will reach the river parking area where you will be met for your transfer to the lodge.

You do not require a 4X4 for the 2.4 km dirt road to the Kazile boat station. Your car can be parked safely at the Kazile boat station. A short 5-minute boat cruise along the Kwando River will take you to Kazile Island Lodge.



Inspired experiences you can look forward to

Our unquenchable desire to create the most authentic African experiences will take you drifting down the Kwando River, exploring fauna and flora on foot with our experienced guides, or taking in the untapped Zambezi region on a game drive. You'll discover a different side of Namibia that is vast, untouched, and filled with wildlife.



Game Drives

Look out for the Big Four: lions, elephants, buffalos and leopards, as well as wild dogs and more. It's also a birder's paradise with 450 bird species to identify.



Boat Cruises

An informative, yet soulful experience on waterways similar to that of the Okavango Delta.



Bush Walks

A rare opportunity as we're the only set of lodges permitted to offer guided walks within the park.



Sijwa Project Tour

Enrich your vacation and explore local culture with a visit to our award-winning community project.

The Sijwa Project



The Sijwa Project was launched in 2018 with a vision of empowering the community. The project re-purposes and re-invents all recyclable waste from African Monarch Lodges and the local community, turning it into exquisite arts and crafts. It's also an organic permaculture nursery supplying food for lodge guests and locals alike.

Our integrated holistic approach to conservation incorporates traditional knowledge and cultural values while we measure our results by looking at tangible benefits like upskilling or sales. A visit to this community project will leave you feeling enriched by local culture as you take part in and enjoy the activities.





Hints and tips to make the most of your time in the bush

- Bring a good camera and binoculars. Take care not to disturb animals when using a flash.
- Bring sunglasses, a hat, sunblock, insect repellent and a sweater or fleece for evenings especially in the winter.
- During the winter, we provide blankets and hot water bottles if it's cold, and ponchos if it is raining.
- It's best to wear pale and neutral colours when going on wild experiences so as not to attract the animals' attention any more than necessary.
- Closed shoes are required for bush walks.
- We do provide basic fishing tackle, but you are welcome to bring along your own. Should you lose any of our tackle it will be charged additionally.

Get in touch

If you have any questions, please feel free to get in touch.
We're here for you.

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