Kafunta is a classic Zambian safari lodge and combines all the essentials when going on safari. Here you will find the rest and peace you need after an exciting safari day in combination with personalised service and a warm welcome by our team.

Our attention to detail and relaxed atmosphere is matched by our professionalism. We love what we do and pass this on to our guests. Highly qualified guides take you on exciting game drives and share their extensive knowledge of the African bush with you.

“We were blown away with the wildlife we saw in the first 15 minutes out in front of our cabin. We took a game drive into the park that first afternoon and realized our safari was going to be like living in an issue of National Geographic.”
Lodge Chalets & Luxury Suites

At Kafunta each of the luxury private chalets and the main lounge / dining area overlook the game rich flood plain. Beyond the plain is the Luangwa River and one of the best game viewing areas of the magical South Luangwa National Park, Zambia.

Our eight private safari chalets have been built on raised wooden platforms and have thatched roofs. They are tastefully decorated with African style and charm. All were refurbished in 2014 to a high standard.

Additionally, there are two luxury suites which feature an upstairs viewing veranda and a luxurious bathroom.

Lodge Facilities

✦ Bar service
✦ Safe drinking water
✦ Laundry facilities
✦ Wheelchair access

Chalet Facilities

✦ Spacious rooms
✦ Private veranda with stunning views from all rooms
✦ En-suite bathroom with hot & cold running water
✦ Walk-in mosquito nets
✦ Electric fans
✦ Mini bar
✦ Tea & coffee making facilities
Central to the lodge is the spacious lounge and dining area that has been thatched in the traditional style. A tall old semi-evergreen wild mango tree in the centre gives shade on sunny days.

Here is a welcoming camp fire which is lit each evening as the sun goes down and guests and guides meet around the fire to share the latest stories of wildlife encounters or, simply to listen to the sounds of the bush.

Kafunta’s spacious wooden deck above the waterhole provides our guests with undisturbed views over the plain. You can absorb the stunning location and, while darkness falls, enjoy sumptuous candle lit meals under a vast African night sky, whilst watching as animals of all types come to the floodlit waterhole, a simply magical experience.

A peaceful early morning breakfast on the deck as the sun rises is a great way to start your day, just before the excitement of exploring the wildlife of the Luangwa with your guide. The wildlife hide underneath the deck is also the perfect place to enjoy a spot of birding or photography during the hottest part of the day.
Kafunta River Lodge has its own pontoon 5 minutes from the lodge and this adventurous river crossing takes you into the more remote areas of the park, giving access to extraordinarily good wildlife encounters. We are also a short game drive from the main gate 10 km giving access to the abundant game viewing of the Mfuwe sector.

The early morning hours are ideal for a game drive or alternatively a walking safari can be arranged.

During your afternoon game drive we stop for sundowners in the bush to fully experience the magnificent African sunsets. You continue with the drive in the dark which allows you to spot nocturnal animals.
Fig Tree Spa

Tucked away in a quiet and private corner of the Kafunta property you can enjoy some refreshing and relaxing treatments. The little hut is open towards the plain and surrounded by indigenous bush that provides cool shade. We offer massages and a variety of products that will be a great addition to your safari experience.

Viewing Deck

Our tree viewing deck is situated along the river bed, providing a beautiful bird’s eye view of the plains and the Luangwa River. Guests have the opportunity to enjoy a delicious meal with their family or friends in the privacy of the tree tops. The deck is also ideally situated for general game and bird viewing and will be available for any of our guests to use at their request.
A Day at the Lodge

- **5:30** Wake-up call.
- **5:45 - 6:15** Early morning tea & coffee, toast, cereals and fruits are served on the deck.
- **6:15 - 10:15** Morning safari. Snacks & drinks are offered during the morning walks and drives.
- **11:30** Buffet brunch is served.
- **15:30** Afternoon tea & coffee, cake or biscuits are offered.
- **16:00 - 19:30** Afternoon/night safari. Snacks & drinks are offered during the sundowner stop.
- **20:00** Dinner (4 course menu) is served on the deck. The floodlights offer a great view of the plains.

Bush Brunch

After starting out at first light on your morning game drive, the welcome sight of a lavish bush brunch is sure to make your mouth water. Step out of your vehicle and take pleasure in another perspective of the Zambian landscape. Sit back, relax and enjoy the mixture of sights, smells and sounds that only brunch in the bush can offer.
Next to the bar is our infinity pool and the only natural hot spring in the Luangwa Valley. This unique hot tub is fed from a completely natural geothermal source on Kafunta’s grounds. Here you can enjoy pure relaxation while being presented with magnificent views over the flood plain and the Luangwa River.

The water is very therapeutic and has an average temperature of 37 degrees. During the cooler nights from May to July this is just the perfect ending of an eventful day in the park.
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