

Zambia Bike

Explore the beauty of South-Eastern Zambia finishing at the beautiful Victoria Falls



Ultimate Challenges

T: 020 7386 4680
events@theultimatetravelcompany.co.uk
www.ultimatechallenges.co.uk

Zambia Bike

Conquer Zambia by Bike

Landlocked in Southern Africa, Zambia is fed and shaped by its rivers, lakes and of course, by its waterfalls; the most famous of which is the Victoria Falls which at 2kms wide and 103m deep are the largest falls in the world. Vast lakes, rich wetlands and breath-taking African sunsets all contribute to the country's scenic splendour.

In addition to its natural wonders, Zambia offers a taste of its diverse tribal and cultural heritage through its craftwork, music, dance and traditional ceremonies.

This incredible 5 day challenge takes place in south-eastern Zambia. We have the opportunity to experience wildlife in their natural habitat and pass through rural Zambian villages and sugar plantations. The climax of the ride being the grand finale at the breath taking Victoria Falls.



Detailed itinerary

Day 1: Overnight flight from London to Lusaka

Day 2 : Lusaka

On arrival in Lusaka we will be transferred by road to our hotel, approx. 1 hour from the airport. Here we will have our bike fitting and a briefing on the challenge ahead. This afternoon, we will have the opportunity to relax in the bush surroundings, try out your new bikes, enjoy the curious giraffe and zebra who meander amongst the chalets or visit the city on a cultural tour. Our meal will depend on time of arrival - either a late brunch, afternoon or evening dinner.

Day 3: Kafue to Mazabuka: approx. 95kms

After breakfast, we start the challenge with a road transfer to our starting point. From here we set off towards Mazabuka, Zambia's sweetest town and home to the country's sugar plantations. Today we cycle past local villages, baobab trees and plenty of sugar plantations on a mixture of tar roads and good dirt roads. Today's cycling will give us a great introduction to the challenge and to this beautiful country. We spend the night at a mission clinic and orphanage.

Day 4: Mazabuka to Monze: approx. 64kms

Today we continue south towards Monze. This is a challenging but fantastic day. Our first 20km is on tarred road but we then take a more adventurous route off - road. From here the roads vary from good dirt roads to slightly sandy making it challenging cycling, however, this route does take us through real rural Africa! Throughout the day there are many winding tracks through countless villages where we have the opportunity to meet the friendly Zambian people. We spend the night a peaceful private farm.

Day 5: Monze to Choma to Lake Kariba: approx. 88kms

We cycle back through town today and all cycling is on tarmac roads. We cycle through many villages and market sellers along the main road. We then cycle down to Lake Kariba on a fantastic downhill route. We then end our day on a wonderful 20km dirt track, passing massive baobabs near the lake shore. After reaching the shores of the lake we will return by vehicle to Choma where we stay overnight.

Day 6: Choma to Kalomo: approx. 78kms

Another challenging day as we tackle 70kms off-road. The dirt roads are generally in good condition with just a few small sandy sections. Again, we pass countless small villages, seeing rural Africa at its best, as yet untouched by tourism.

Day 7: Kalomo to Livingstone: approx. 40kms

We transfer to our start point for the final push into Livingstone, our ultimate destination. This last ride is on one of the few good tarred roads we have in Zambia, it is new and has a large hard shoulder so should be a relief for all who are used to road riding and were missing it! As we head into Livingstone, we cycle straight through the town and end our challenge at the Victoria Falls. What a spectacular end to the week! We end this unique adventure with a well deserved celebratory meal.

Detailed itinerary

Day 8: Free day in Livingstone

Today is a free day to take part in one of the many local activities and challenges available in the adrenaline capital of South Africa, Livingstone. Activities include: white water rafting, an early morning walk on the wild side with rhinos in the National Park, helicopter ride over Victoria falls or a hike across the lip of the falls for a swim in "Devils pool", a pool that flows over the edge of the falls. Alternatively, you can opt for a game drive in the small National Park which lies alongside the Zambezi, spot incredible game from elephants, to hippo, rhino, zebra, giraffe, wildebeest and warthog! Overnight in Livingstone.

Day 9: Livingstone to UK

Transfer to Livingstone airport for our overnight flight back to the UK.

Day 10: Arrive UK

© *Ultimate Challenges*

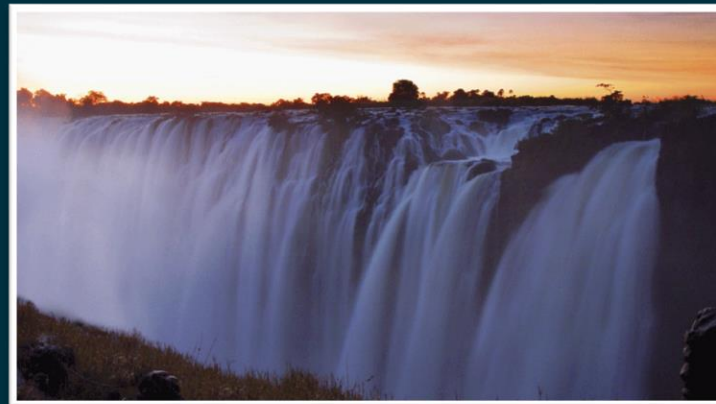
This itinerary is complex and subject to change

Challenge grade

Tough

Best time of year

August to October



Why choose Ultimate Challenges?

- We have almost two decades of experience running pioneering charity challenges e.g. Kilimanjaro , the Inca Trail, California Bike, to name but a few
- We choose the most unexplored and upcoming regions for our amazing expeditions
- We are built on a team of Senior Event Fundraisers
- Our team is driven to provide inspiring, life changing and effective fundraising events for our charity partners
- We use the best ground agents, the most experienced trek staff and doctors to ensure your supporters have a safe and memorable challenge
- We operate an Ethical Code of Conduct with all our ground handlers to ensure fair treatment of all our local staff. We have high health and safety expectations and all our partnerships are conducted with respect for local cultures and environmental concerns
- We offer an end-to-end service to ensure our charity partners are given full support from our experienced staff ensuring you maximise your income

Our pricing policy

We believe that we are very competitive and offer excellent value for money. However, it can be confusing when comparing prices, as small alterations in an itinerary, can make a substantial difference. We would be happy to review proposals you may have received from other tour operators, as we are confident that we can beat any genuine quote.

‘ Choose your Tour Operator with your head, so your supporters can follow their hearts when they travel’



Ultimate Challenges

25 - 27 Vanston Place, London. SW6 1AZ
T: 020 3642 9830
E: events@theultimatetravelcompany.co.uk
www.ultimatechallenges.co.uk



ABTA
ABTA No. W0745