

African Monarch Lodges

KAZILE ISLAND LODGE

FACT SHEET



Bwabwata National Park

Kazile Island Lodge is situated on a private island on the banks of the Kwando River, within the heart of KAZA.

Kazile together with its sister lodge Nambwa are the only lodges uniquely situated within the Bwabwata National Park. The Lodge offers thirteen Meru tents nestled within a Mangosteen forest. The tents overlook the Kwando River as well as the expansive floodplains between the Island and the famous Horseshoe Bend.

Kazile Island is a special paradise that can only be reached by boat. Here, herds of buffalo and elephant traverse the wet Zambezi landscape. Sitatunga, an elusive aquatic antelope, are often spotted along the floodplains and marshes.

Fall in love with this enigmatic corner of Namibia as the sun rises over the tree canopies. Enjoy the sounds of birds chirping from your tent, explore the waterways and absorb the ambiance of this beautiful wilderness.

LOCATION

- Situated on a private island adjacent to the famous Horseshoe bend in Bwabwata National Park
- On the banks of the Kwando River and it's floodplains in the heart of KAZA, the largest wildlife conservation area in the world
- Accessible from Kazile Boat Station approximately 11 km from Kongola off the new tar road between Kongola and the Linyanti
- From Kazile Boat Station a short 5 minute boat cruise to the lodge



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ACCOMMODATION

- 13 tented rooms with 2 three quarter beds

RATES

- Provided upon enquiry from reservations@africanmonarchlodges.com

TENTED ROOM DETAILS & AMENITIES

- Meru Style Tents raised above the ground on wooden platforms
- En-Suite bathroom with shower
- Fans in all tents
- 220V European two pin plug points for charging equipment
- Hair dryer
- Outside viewing deck
- Personal laptop safe
- Complimentary in-room mineral water
- WiFi connectivity in all guest rooms



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SEASONS

Green Season:

April - June; December - March

Peak Season:

July - November

LODGE AMENITIES

- WiFi connectivity in the lodge main area and all guest rooms
- All major credit cards accepted

ELECTRICITY & WATER

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

SMOKING POLICY

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

DIETARY NEEDS

- Guests are encouraged to let us know when they make their reservations if they have any special dietary needs

LAUNDRY

- We provide laundry services



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CHILD POLICY

- We welcome children of all ages. Children should be under the control and supervision of their parents at all times.
- Children between the age of 0 and 5 will be charged 25% of the adult rate.
- Children between the ages of 6 to 11 will be charged 50% of the adult rate. Children aged 12 count as adults and are charged the full adult rate.
- Extra beds cannot be provided.
- Private game drives or boat cruises are compulsory for guests travelling with children under 12.

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.



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ACTIVITIES

Morning or Afternoon Game Drive	<p>When dawn breaks or the afternoon shadows lengthen, our game drives depart to discover the unknown along meandering tracks within the Bwabwata National Park, ideally located within the largest conservation area in Africa.</p> <p>Our guides find the perfect spot to disembark and set up the morning coffee or sundowner refreshment in true legendary African Monarch Lodge style</p> <p>Duration: 3 hours</p>
Morning or Afternoon Boat Cruise	<p>As the early morning sun's rays reflect off the water and the boat's bow gently breaks the watery mirror eluding a rhythmic soothing sound of water against the side of the boat, our guides will steer you past varied landscapes of papyrus islands and reed floodplains and get within a respectful distance of hippos, crocodiles, other mammals and the varied bird species this area is known for. This informative, yet soulful experience on the Kwando Rivers' waterways is similar to that of the Okavango Delta.</p> <p>Duration: 2.5-3 hours</p>
Bush Walk	<p>Walking Safaris are an incredible way to experience the bush in a more personal and energetic way.</p> <p>Our local guides take great delight in sharing their ancestral repertoire of medicinal uses of the flora along the way and their tales of the wild and their upbringing in this area. It is an experience which connects and grounds any participant to our Earth.</p> <p>As we are in a truly natural environment with lion, buffalo, elephants, leopard and other wildlife roaming these plains freely, we discourage guests under the age of 12.</p> <p>Duration: 2-3 hours</p>
The Sijwa Project Sustainability Tour	<p>Embark on a boat cruise from the Lodge to Sijwa, where the Sijwa host will meet and guide you through the project. The Sijwa Project was established by African Monarch Lodges as part of its endeavor to be sustainable and give back to the community and conservation by protecting the natural resources and developing the local community through a bio-diverse economy. Take a walk through the permaculture plants and recycling workshops, where waste such as plastic, glass and cans are turned into beautiful artifacts for sale. You can also buy and plant trees from our indigenous tree nursery to offset your carbon emissions at the project.</p> <p>Duration: 2.5-3 hours</p>

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ACCESS BY ROAD

- GPS coordinates are:
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)

ACCESS BY AIR

- Immelman landing strip (no floats)
- Co-ordinates S 17° 46' 500" E 023° 18' 300"
- Length of runway 1300 meters
- Directions 00927

DIRECTIONS

- Kazile Island Lodge is located approximately 1114 km northeast of Windhoek.
- To reach the lodge, visitors take the B1 from Windhoek to and until 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.
- You continue on the C49 for 11 km where you will see the turnoff to Kazile Island Lodge on the right handside (western side of the road). There is also a lay-bye under a big tree on the right handside.
- Turn off at the sign and follow this 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.

