



WILDERNESS
SAFARIS

HWANGE JOURNEY WITH A

Purpose



A close-up photograph of two elderly women, likely from Zimbabwe, looking intently at a camera lens. The woman on the left is wearing a purple headwrap and a blue jacket, while the woman on the right is wearing a white shirt and a dark headwrap. The background is dark and out of focus, suggesting an outdoor setting at night or in low light. The overall mood is one of focus and engagement.

BE PART OF A ONCE-IN-A-LIFETIME SAFARI THAT
Honours our Community Partnerships

Celebrate Zimbabwe through the eyes of its people, all while enjoying a remarkable safari in Hwange National Park. From experiencing Zimbabwe's largest park within our pristine and wildlife-rich private concessions, to getting involved with the income-generating community projects and our Children in the Wilderness (CITW) programme, this journey promises to be life-changing.

Spending four nights at Linkwasha or Davison's offers an altogether immersive experience into the local culture – its locale, its people, its wildlife and its rhythm.

Itinerary

- Day 1: Arrive at Victoria Falls Airport where your Wilderness Safaris representative will assist you onto your light aircraft flight to Hwange. Arrive at Linkwasha, enjoy lunch at leisure, followed by an afternoon game drive.
- Day 2: After your early morning activity, continue onto the Ngamo and Ziga villages' glass bead-making and glass/cement brick-making project, where you have the opportunity to assist the men in this recycling business. End the day with a picnic lunch and afternoon game drive.
- Day 3: An early morning safari kick-starts the day; you then go on to learn how the women's basket-weaving project takes care of the plastic waste in the community. We help with the recycling, sewing and educational toy-making before breaking for a picnic lunch and afternoon safari.
- Day 4: After an early morning activity, visit the community school where we meet the staff and learners, and get involved in the lessons, work in the vegetable garden and discover their innovative ways of tending the garden. An afternoon game drive follows our picnic lunch.
- Day 5: Our life-changing journey ends after a morning activity as we head back to Victoria Falls on a Wilderness Air flight, or continue on to other Wilderness camps for an extended journey.

MAKING A

Difference

- Each couple travelling together, or individual traveller (booked as a single supplement), will receive **a pair of Olympus binoculars** to use on their journey, and to take home afterwards. Our partnership with Olympus was founded on ensuring the ongoing conservation of Africa's remote wilderness areas. Olympus now supports a scholarship programme for secondary education run by CITW, as well as the development of community structures, such as the women's centre/dining hall at Ngamo and Ziga, and the clinic housing.
- By travelling, each couple – or individual traveller – will ensure that one **rural student receives a scholarship for a year**.

5 DAYS/4 NIGHTS

Includes return VFA – Hwange flights on Wilderness Air

LINKWASHA

10 – 14 January 2020

DAVISON'S

07 – 11 February 2020

Contact your preferred travel agent or tour operator for pricing and further information.



Project outlines

GLASS BEAD-MAKING AND BREEZE BLOCKS

The glass recycling project is headed up by 15 men from the Ngamo and Ziga villages, who substitute river sand with finely-crushed glass materials to make breeze blocks, which are then sold to Wilderness camps, the community and surrounding lodges. Empty wine and beer bottles from our Hwange Wilderness camps are collected and used as the crushed glass component. Coloured bottles are used to make the concrete breeze blocks, while the clear bottles are used for making beads, which in turn, are turned into works of art.

WOMEN'S WAR ON PLASTIC

A group of women were using their traditional basket-making skills to produce items that were becoming overtraded. With a little extra training, these women have started producing more items that are more innovative and unique. By weaving discarded plastic waste around strips of the local invasive sisal plant, they create beautiful and colourful baskets, placemats, trays, coasters and more, which we use as tableware in our camps. What is more, litter has become a scarcity in the villages, and our Hwange camps now "recycle" their plastic waste once a week with this group.

CITW ZIMBABWE AND THE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME

Over the last year, CITW Zimbabwe supported 10 Eco-Clubs with more than 600 participating learners, hosted 150 Youth Environmental Stewardship (YES) programme participants and trained 12 teachers or Eco-Mentors. A total of 195 primary school scholarships were awarded, as well as 71 secondary school scholarships and 17 tertiary education scholarships to students excelling within the CITW Zimbabwe programme. CITW Zimbabwe also has close to 1 000 children benefiting from its feeding scheme in the region.