



Cultural Experience in South Luangwa

Exploring cultural activities during an African safari can be a deeply enriching experience that embraces authenticity and respect without swerving into stereotypes or exploitation. At Kafunta Safaris, we promote genuine relationships with our local communities, and we encourage our guests to immerse themselves in firsthand experiences of life and the perpetuation of traditions in Mufwe, spanning across generations from children to parents to elders.

By actively engaging with the local people on their own terms, you are bound to enjoy a far richer and more genuine encounter that resonates with the true essence of the Luangwa Valley and its people.

If you are interested in a "cultural tour", we would be happy to switch one of your game-viewing activities with a comprehensive tour which could involve:

Project Luangwa

Start your tour with a visit to [Project Luangwa](#), an initiative of which we take immense pride as both a founding member and a dedicated supporter. Learn about sustainable projects that benefit education, healthcare and economic development and how they bring positive changes to the people.

Community School

Visit a local school, respecting class schedules to avoid disruptions (subject to seasonal variation). Learn about the difficulties faced by the education system and the community in remote rural areas, and discover the dedicated efforts to overcome these obstacles.

Artisan Workshops

At Project Luangwa and along the main street, engage with artisans who specialise in garment tailoring, welding, bicycle repair, and related skills while observing their craftsmanship. Gain an appreciation for how these trades improve their livelihoods.



Village Immersion

Venture beyond Mfuwe's main street to understand the traditions and the daily challenges faced by the community, including housing, transportation, food storage, water collections, farming, family dynamics, marital traditions etc. Interact with the people when opportunities arise. Take opportunities to interact with locals, and perhaps even visit a local bar if appropriate, to gain insight into these gathering spots'role in community bonding and leisure.



Religious Exploration

Attend a local church service when available, appreciating the significance of religion in the community. Engage in respectful conversations about the importance of spirituality and about array of religious practices that enrich the local culture.



Conservation Matters

Stop by Conservation South Luangwa's office and have a look at the media centre. Learn about the necessity of conservation for Luangwa's wilderness future, and the importance of anti-poaching patrols, dog detection units as well as wildlife-human conflict management.



If you are travelling with children, they will enjoy a tour of Chipembele's base in Mfuwe to learn about their conservation and educational programs. Alternatively, an extensive visit to their interactive Conservation Center and world-class Discovery Room can be organized separately as it is located further south of Kafunta River Lodge.



Additional Activities

A number of other "commercial" initiatives are also available in Mfuwe, positively contributing to the welfare of the local community. Talk to our Lodge Manager for additional arrangements.

If you travel with a group, you may also consider reserving a performance by the Seka Educational Theater for engaging, yet entertaining, insights into social and environmental concern (costing upon request).



Please note that these tours and activities should emphasise respectful engagement, active listening, and a desire to understand the community's way of life without intruding or imposing. This approach ensures an authentic and mutually enriching cultural experience for both visitors and locals. Availability varies for some activities, and donations are often preferred in lieu of fees.

Responsible Tourism



At Kafunta Safaris, we are committed to practising responsible tourism. We believe in preserving the environment and positively impacting our communities. Learn more about the organizations we support and other initiatives we promote by visiting [our dedicated website page](#).