



MUYENI RESORT & SAFARIS NEWSLETTER: ISSUE 02 OF 2025

EXPLORE ZIMBABWE'S HERITAGE SUSTAINABLY, LOCALLY, AND **AUTHENTICALLY** WITH OUR
ECO-FRIENDLY CULTURAL TOURS



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At Muyeni Resort and Safaris, our Eco-Friendly Cultural Tours are more than just travel, they are journeys into the living heritage of Zimbabwe.

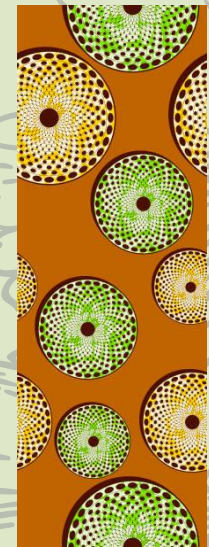
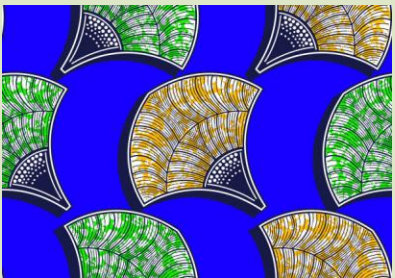
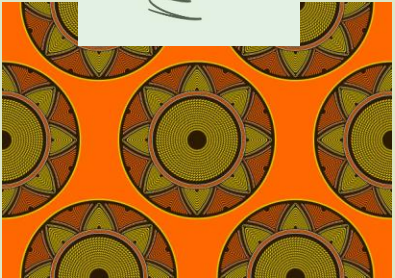
From the sacred granite caves of Domboshava to the majestic stone cities of Great Zimbabwe and Khami, from the spiritual waters of Chinhoyi and Kariba to the mountain echoes of Nyanga and Matobo, each destination invites you to connect deeply with Zimbabwe's land, people, and stories.

Our tours are community-led and locally-rooted, hosted by cultural custodians, historians, artists, and elders who bring tradition to life through immersive experiences. You'll trace ancient footsteps at Ziwa and Great Zimbabwe, sail past Tonga legends in Binga and Kariba, learn beadwork in Matobo, cook with families in Murehwa, and hear oral histories passed down for generations.

At the heart of it all is our commitment to sustainability:

We keep groups small, partner only with local guides and businesses, reduce our environmental impact with low-waste practices, and reinvest a portion of every tour into community-led conservation, education, and cultural preservation. Every itinerary is carefully curated to honor traditions, protect sacred sites, and ensure tourism is a force for good.

Whether you're drawn to sacred caves, heritage ruins, or village rhythms, you'll leave with more than memories. You'll leave with meaning.



FEATURED ECO-TOUR EXPERIENCES



01

Cultural Experiences

Mbira music & traditional dance workshop; Shona ancestral ceremony simulation; local cooking experience; local artisan market visits.

02

Authentic Experiences

Visits to traditional homesteads; basket-weaving & pottery demos; community story circles with elders.

03

Folklore Experiences

Story telling around Nyaminyami legends & traditional fishing techniques; visit to Tonga Village Homestead; tasting locally prepared kapenta & bream.

04

Mystical Experiences

Herbal medicine trails; exploration of ancestral caves; spiritual rituals; uncovering ancient architecture & royal legacies. **3**

ECO-tour 01

Great Zimbabwe Ruins (Masvingo)

Highlights: UNESCO World Heritage Site, medieval stone city, spiritual heart of the Shona people.

Experiences: Guided tour of Hill Complex and Great Enclosure, mbira music and traditional dance workshop, stone masonry demonstration, Shona ancestral ceremony simulation, local cooking experience, artisan market visits.

Duration: Option 1: Day tour; Option 2: Overnight stay in Masvingo

Tour Cost: Option 1: US\$100pp. Option 2: US\$175pp

Group size: Min.10pax



ECO-tour 02

Nyanga (Eastern Highlands)

Highlights: Mystical mountains, sacred waterfalls, ancient homesteads.

Experiences: Cultural treks to Nyangombe Falls, mbira and ritual performances, visits to traditional homesteads, basket-weaving and pottery demos, community story circles with elders.

Duration: Option 1: Day tour; Option 2: Overnight stay in Nyanga

Tour Cost: Option 1: US\$110pp. Option 2: US\$185pp

Group size: Min.10pax





ECO-tour 03

Kariba (Mashonaland West)

Highlights: Spiritual Lake Kariba, Tonga heritage, fishing culture.

Experiences: Visits to Tonga villages, drum and dance performances, storytelling around Nyaminyami legends, traditional fishing techniques, tasting locally prepared kapenta and bream, craft demonstrations.

Duration: Option 1: 2night stay in Kariba;
Option 2: 3nights stay in Kariba

Tour Cost: Option 1: US\$270pp. Option 2: US\$345pp

Group size: Min.10pax

ECO-tour 04

Khami Ruins (Bulawayo)

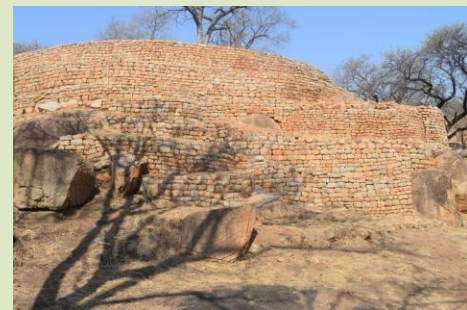
Highlights: Khami Ruins, a pre-colonial stone city and former capital of the Torwa Kingdom, recognized as a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Experiences: Heritage walk through the Khami Ruins, uncovering ancient architecture and royal legacies. Engage in traditional stone carving and pottery demonstrations, hear oral histories shared under sacred trees, and create your own crafts alongside Ndebele artisans known for their beadwork and murals.

Duration: Option 1: 2night stay in Bulawayo;
Option 2: 3nights stay in Bulawayo

Tour Cost: Option 1: US\$315pp. Option 2: US\$385pp

Group size: Min.10pax



ECO-tour 05

Domboshava Caves (Mashonaland East)

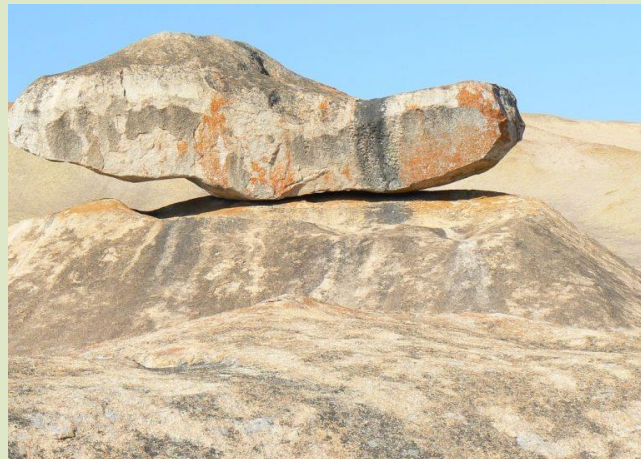
Highlights: Ancient rock art, sacred caves, spiritual rituals.

Experiences: Hikes to prehistoric paintings, storytelling with spiritual leaders, herbal medicine trails, Shona music and dance performances in natural amphitheaters.

Duration: Day tour

Tour Cost: US\$45pp

Group size: Min.10pax



ECO-tour 06

Matobo Hills (Matabeleland South)

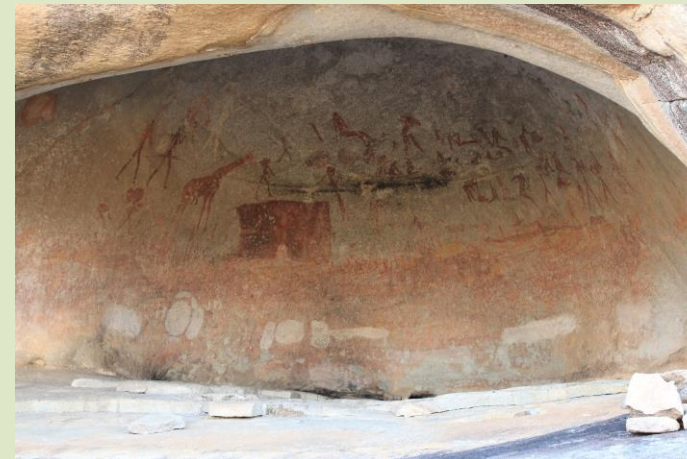
Highlights: World Heritage Site, rock art, sacred shrines and spiritual energy.

Experiences: Trek to Njelele Shrine, explore ancestral caves, spiritual rituals, Nguni cattle culture, Ndebele beadwork and homestead visits.

Duration: Option 1: 2night stay in Bulawayo;
Option 2: 3nights stay in Bulawayo

Tour Cost: Option 1: US\$310pp. Option 2:
US\$380pp

Group size: Min.10pax



ECO-tour 07

Binga (Matabeleland North)

Highlights: Tonga culture, lakeside communities, traditional crafts.

Experiences: Drum-making, storytelling on relocation history, visits to traditional huts and hot springs, fishing expeditions with local communities, visit to the beach.

Duration: Option 1: 2night stay in Binga;
Option 2: 3nights stay in Binga

Tour Cost: Option 1: US\$330pp. Option 2:
US\$405pp

Group size: Min.10pax



ECO-tour 08

Chinhoyi Caves (Mashonaland West)

Highlights: Sacred limestone caves and spiritual water bodies.

Experiences: Guided tours of the Blue Pool, spiritual ceremonies, engagement with spirit mediums, crafts from nearby rural communities.

Duration: Day tour

Tour Cost: US\$70pp

Group size: Min.10pax



ECO-tour 09

Murehwa Cultural Villages (Mashonaland East)

Highlights: Authentic village life, music, crafts.

Experiences: Spend a day farming, cooking, drumming, and dancing with a traditional Shona family; learn about village customs and ancestral wisdom.

Duration: Day tour

Tour Cost: US\$45pp

Group size: Min.10pax



ECO-tour 10

Ziwa Ruins (Manicaland)

Highlights: Lesser-known stone ruins, prehistoric architecture.

Experiences: Walks through the ruins with archaeologists, clan history discussions, hands-on pottery, grinding, and storytelling sessions.

Duration: Option 1: Day tour; Option 2: Overnight stay in Nyanga

Tour Cost: Option 1: US\$105pp Option 2: US\$180pp

Group size: Min.10pax

NB: Each tour includes transport, certified local guides, entrance fees, and a cultural meal. Customization is available!



How We Travel Matters: Muyeni's Commitment to Sustainability and Community Impact

At Muyeni Resort and Safaris, we believe tourism should not just show the beauty of a place, it should protect it, respect it, and elevate its people. Here's how we make that happen:

1. Eco-Friendly Travel Practices

Small Group Tours: We limit group sizes to reduce environmental impact and enhance personal connection with each destination.

Low-Impact Transport: Where possible, we use fuel-efficient, or shared transport options. Walking tours and canoe safaris are promoted over vehicle-based excursions.

Waste Management: All tours follow a strict "leave no trace" policy. We provide reusable water bottles and eco-packaging for meals to minimize plastic use.

Local Sourcing: We use local food, supplies, and crafts, cutting down emissions and supporting nearby producers.

2. Supporting Local Communities

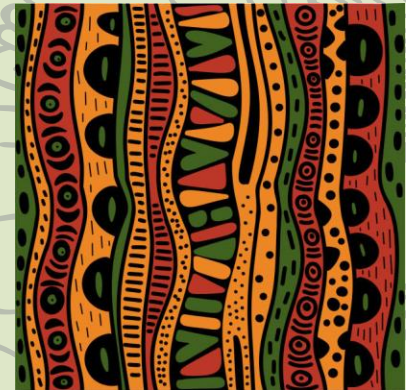
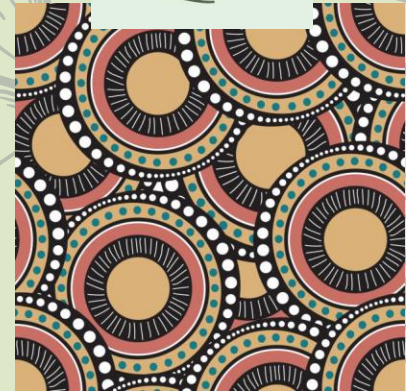
Community-Led Experiences: Every tour is hosted by trained local guides, artists, chefs, and historians from the very communities being visited.

Revenue Sharing: A portion of every booking goes directly to community development initiatives, including schools, women's cooperatives, and village infrastructure.

Job Creation: From guiding to consultancy services, Muyeni actively recruits and trains locals to build skills and create income-generating opportunities.

Fair Trade: All artisan goods sold through tours (crafts, textiles, carvings) are bought at fair, above-market prices to ensure artisans benefit directly from tourism.

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3. Preserving Culture with Purpose

Respectful Cultural Exchanges: We co-design every cultural experience (music, storytelling, ceremonies) with community leaders to ensure traditions are honored, not commodified.

Cultural Workshops & Demonstrations: Our guests don't just observe, they participate, learning directly from elders and artists in a respectful, immersive way.

Language & Storytelling: We encourage the use of local languages (Shona, Tonga, Ndebele, etc.) and promote oral histories to help preserve Zimbabwe's rich storytelling traditions.

Heritage Protection: Tour fees help fund the maintenance of sacred sites, ruins, and cultural landmarks, in partnership with local councils and national heritage bodies.

With Muyeni, every journey becomes a form of giving back; to nature, to tradition, and to community. We travel light on the land, but our impact runs deep.



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