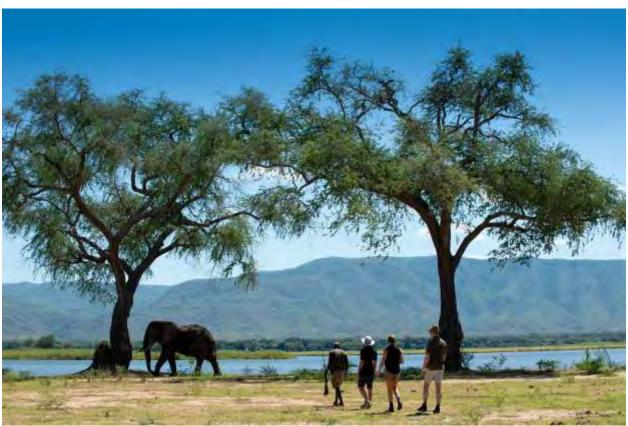


## Where to Go in 2020

The 24 destinations that will be especially hot this year and the data you need to plan your trip.

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Mana Pools National Park SOURCE: DOOK PHOTOGRAPHY

## **Zimbabwe**

It's a wonder so many travelers never make it past Victoria Falls when some of Africa's biggest concentrations of wildlife, most qualified guides, and best allaround values are just beyond its roaring depths. Now that the Robert Mugabe era is over, though, Zimbabwe is a better bet—and laws that encourage hunting

in next-door Botswana are driving some adventurers here instead. An hour from the falls, you'll find newly thriving packs of wild dogs in Mana Pools National Park, where Wilderness Safaris' <a href="Chikwenya Camp">Chikwenya Camp</a> has seven tents at the confluence of the Sapi and Zambezi rivers. Nearby, the Nyamatusi Camp by the Zimbabwean-owned <a href="African Bush Camps">African Bush Camps</a> team offers canoeing, walking safaris, and the chance to catch the famously ferocious tigerfish. And with conservation work getting a boost from <a href="African Parks">African Parks</a>, the venerable nonprofit backed by the U.K.'s Prince Harry, the spotlight has never been brighter.

**When to go:** June to November, when the wildlife congregates along the Zambezi River near Mana Pools. Within those months, September is best, coming just before dry season peaks and making for relatively private but prime animal spotting.

When not to go: Most camps are closed during the green (rainy) season, from December to March.

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