

Day 1 & 2: Rio Savane

Rio Savane campsite is nestled beneath a large coconut grove between the Savane River and the open ocean only 60km from Beira. Tropical vegetation including coastal forest, riverine forest, open wet grassland and mangrove are all found in the area.

Specials: Black-rumped Buttonquail, Blue Quail, Great Snipe and Locustfinch can be found in the moist grassland immediately south of the resort. East Coast Akalat and White-chested Alethe have been seen in the forest whilst Mangrove Kingfisher and Palm-nut Vulture can be seen in and around the campsite.



Day 3 & 4: Chinizua Forest

Chinizua is an area of coastal lowland forest that lies to the east of the Muanza to Inhamitanga Ridge. It has to date proved to be the most convenient locality for finding the coastal lowland forest specials of Mozambique. There is good miombo birding on the way down to the forest with large expanses of fairly pristine miombo woodland. **Specials:** White-chested Alethe, East Coast Akalat, African Pitta, Barred Long-tailed Cuckoo, Madagascar Cuckoo, Mascarene Martin, Black-and-white Flycatcher, Southern Banded Snake-Eagle, Palm-nut Vulture, Marsh Tchagra, Chestnut-fronted Helmet-Shrike and Plain-backed Sunbird.

Day 5 & 6: Mphingwe Camp (Catapu Concession)

The camp is situated 32km south of the Zambezi River and is a great base from which to explore the areas abundant birdlife. There are short walks leading from the camp through the native forest, over 240 different bird species and 75

indigenous trees have already been identified around the camp. Small mammals such as suni, red duiker and nyala are often seen in and around the camp. Time and road conditions permitting we will make an excursion to some of the wetlands along this stretch of the Zambezi river.

Specials: East Coast Akalat, White-chested Alethe, African Pitta, Narina Trogon, Black-headed Apalis, Slender Bulbul, Chestnut-fronted Helmet-shrike, Barred Long-tailed Cuckoo, Vanga Flycatcher, Livingstones Flycatcher, Orange-winged Pytilia.

Day 7 & 8: Gorongosa National Park

Gorongosa National Park is currently the subject of an ambitious restoration project by the Carr Foundation to re-establish the parks facilities and concentrations of game. Chitengo Camp has been substantially rebuilt and there are currently plans for new camps and improved road access. Numbers of game animals are low but growing and becoming easier to see. Currently the main attraction of the park is the spectacular concentrations of waterbirds on the Urema River Floodplain.

Specials: African Skimmer, Long-toed Lapwing, Greater Painted-snipe, Collared Pratincole (thousands), Grey Crowned Crane, Great White Pelican, Pink-backed Pelican, Black-and-white Flycatcher, Moustached Grass-Warbler, Collared Palm-Thrush, Palm-nut Vulture, Mascarene Martin, Lemon-breasted Canary.

Day 9 & 10: Mount Tsetserra

Mount Tsetserra gives us access to the highlands which one would normally have to enter Zimbabwe to gain access to. This option allows us to get at some of the montane specials for which the Zimbabwean Highlands are so renowned without having to actually enter the country and sponsor Bob's retirement. Both the location and the drive up there are spectacular.

Specials: Chirinda Apalis, Roberts's Warbler, Orange Ground-Thrush, Red-faced Crimsonwing, Lemon Dove, White-starred Robin, Olive Bush-Shrike, Spotted Creeper, Rufous-bellied Tit.

