

# Fishing at Fothergill



Lake Kariba has a world-renowned reputation as a prime fishing destination. The Lake's gorges, bays, flooded forests and floodplains are rich with tilapia, Cornish Jack, Bottlenose, numerous species and subspecies of catfish, and the vundu (a catfish), and it is not uncommon to catch fish that exceed 40 pounds. Famously, Lake Kariba is a prime place to catch the formidable tigerfish species, Africa's finest freshwater fighting fish.

## SEASONS

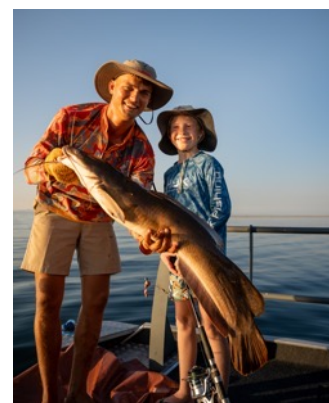
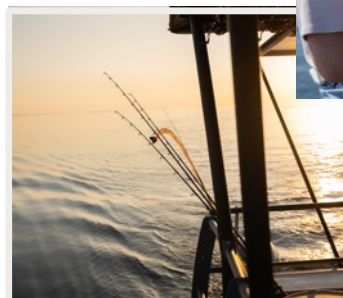
All fish can be caught year-round on the lake and the rivers, the best fishing for all species, including Tigerfish, is from September through to April, with great luck being had on live bait, spinning or even fly fishing.

## ACTIVITIES

Fishing excursions can be conducted throughout the day, as well as early morning and afternoons, but is largely dependent on both the temperament of the lake and the species targeted for the day. Excursions can range in length from a couple of hours to all-day expeditions – the choice is yours!

## LEVEL OF EXPERIENCE

Lake Kariba is a fisherman's paradise for experienced anglers, but also an idyllic starting point for those who have never fished before.



## CONSERVATION

The Fothergill team is deeply committed to conservation and community. One of our primary objectives is to use sustainable sport fishing to create long-term positive change for the people, fauna, and flora within the area. In line with this, we promote and practice catch and release fishing only.

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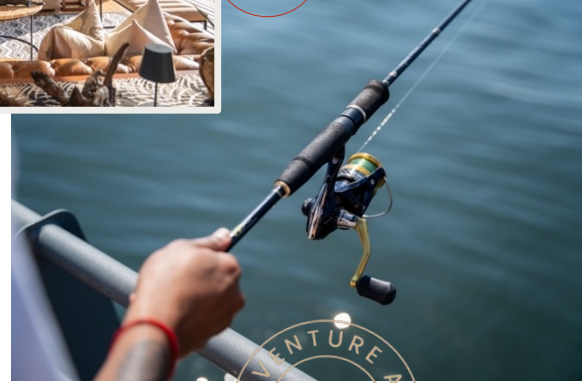


## ACCOMMODATION

Many experienced fishermen have come to accept that the best fishing spots are usually accompanied by sub-par accommodation and a hefty cost. Fothergill offers something different. Our team and the magnificent Lake Kariba work together to create an outstanding fishing experience as well as offering luxurious accommodation.



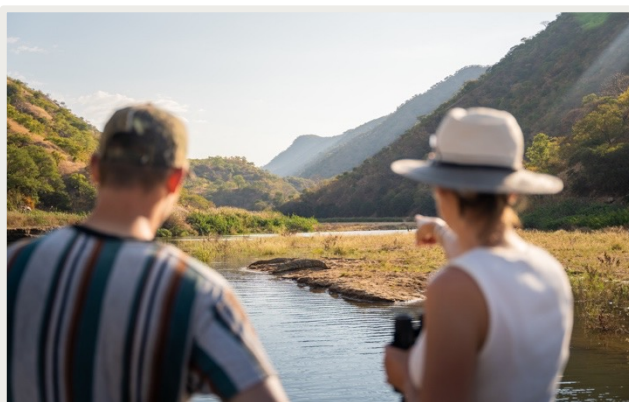
We also have a full spectrum of world-class conventional and fly-fishing equipment on site, along with our superb guides who have represented Zimbabwe for freshwater angling globally and have an unparalleled knowledge of the area.



## SANYATI GORGE

The Sanyati is one of the three largest rivers that feed Lake Kariba along its 240 kilometre length and the source of the river originates some 300 kilometres away where it weaves its ways through commercial farmland and communal areas before entering the lake through the Matusadona mountain range.

The Sanyati forms the northwestern boundary of Matusadona National Park and whilst the banks of the gorge are host to numerous species of wildlife and birds, including Osprey, Pels Fishing Owl and the iconic Fish Eagle, the deep waters hide all species of fish. Our guides come here to target both the iconic and giant Vundu as well as Tigerfish for guests.



Trips to Sanyati are recommended for the afternoons. It is approximately a 40-minute boat ride, so the trip usually departs at 15h30 from the the lodge. The gorge is quiet, mystical and brooding and even the journey should be enjoyed!



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### FISHING ROD SELECTION

We have the following rods available for use when staying at Fothergill. Please get in touch if you would like any more information.

#### BREAM SELECTION

26 Off the hook Finesse Special 7'4" 4-10lb (rods)

26 Shimano Nasci 2500s (reels)

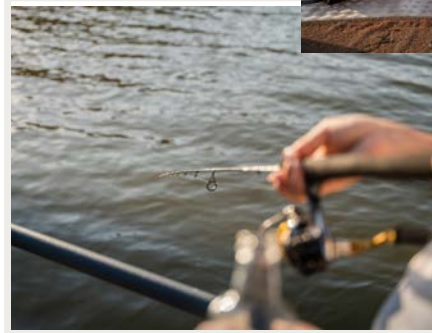
#### TIGER SELECTION

6 Shimano intenza 7'4" 30-35lb power rating, heavy fast action (rods)

6 Shimano curado 300HG(reels)

7 Shimano aerocast 2.4m (rods)

7 Shimano Nasci 4000s (reels)



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#### VUNDU SELECTION

5 Crony pelagic 7'6" 50-135lb (rods)

5 Shimano SW8000HG (reels)

#### FLY FISHING SELECTION

3 xplorer 9 weight fly rods

3 xplorer 5 weight fly rods

3 xplorer 3 weight fly rods



### FISHING BOAT SELECTION

2 x AliBoat-Africa 7.5m discovery catamarans powered by twin 115hp Yamaha 4-strokes

2 x Marine Centre 19ft Sabres powered by 200hp Yamaha 4-strokes (until October 2023)

2 x AliBoat-Africa conquest 7.5m powered by 300hp Suzuki 4-strokes (from October 2023 onwards)



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