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1. Geographical location

The capital city of Zimbabwe, Harare is the most populous city with an estimated population of 1,606,000 with 2,800,000 in its metropolitan area. The city is located in the north-east of the country in the heart of historic Mashonaland. It is sited at an elevation of 1,483 meters above sea level. Harare is a cosmopolitan province which also includes Chitungwiza town and Epworth.



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2. Neighbouring cities/countries

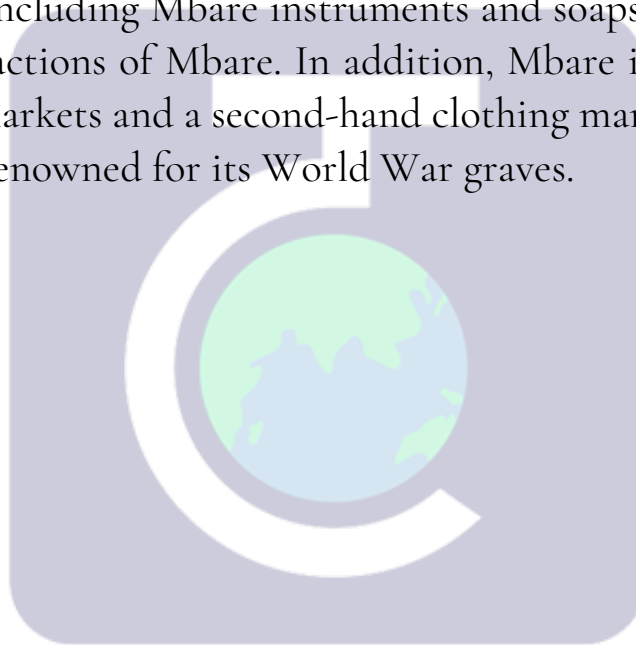
The Neighboring Cities Of Harare Are Chitungwiza With A Distance Of 26.8 Kilometers, Mutare With A Distance Of 254.78 Kilometers, Gweru With An Approximate Distance Of 278 Kilometers, Chimoio With An Approximate Distance Of 360.3 Kilometers, Bulawayo With An Approximate Distance Of 434.9 Kilometers And Lusaka With An Approximate Distance Of 492.49 Kilometers.



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3. Significance

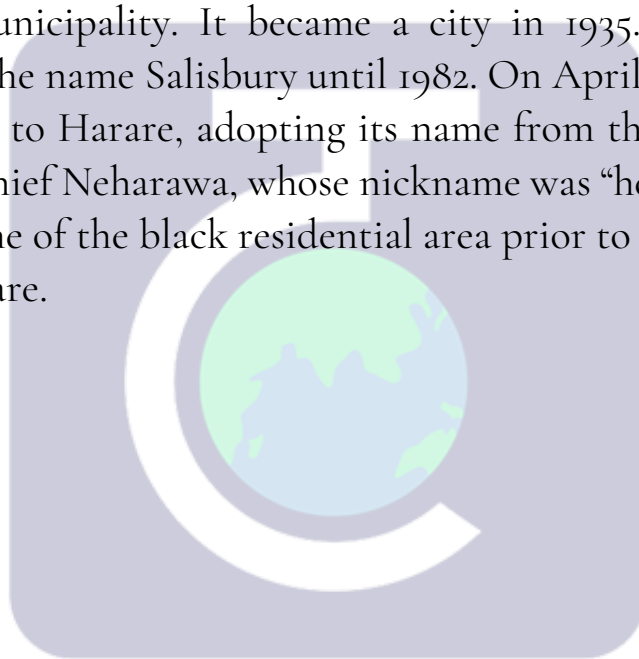
Established in 1907, Mbare is a highly populated, southern suburb of the capital city of Zimbabwe. Mbare includes Rufaro stadium which hosted the 6th Africa Games and the Mai Musodzi Hall, one of Harare's oldest theatre centre. Stodart Hall which is home to many bodies of state veterans ahead of burial is also situated in Mbare. The Curio Market which is apparently the largest market of traditional artwork including Mbare instruments and soapstone sculpture is also one of the most attractions of Mbare. In addition, Mbare is home to the largest food and vegetable markets and a second-hand clothing market. Harare cemetery is a landmark place renowned for its World War graves.



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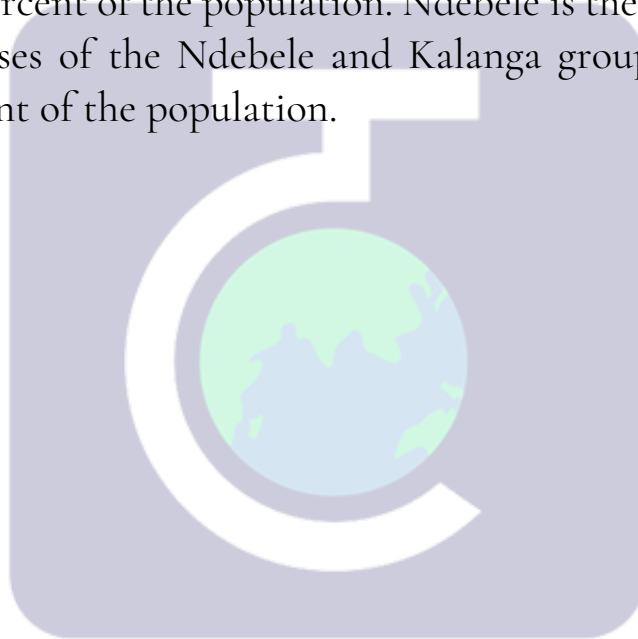
4. History

The city of Harare was founded as a fort on September 12, 1890 by Pioneer Column who was a military volunteer force of settlers organized by Cecil Rhodes. Originally the city was named as Fort Salisbury after The 3rd Marquess of Salisbury, then British Prime Minister and later became known as simply as Salisbury. In 1896, the Salisbury Polo Club was formed and in 1897 it was declared to be a municipality. It became a city in 1935. The capital city of Zimbabwe reserved the name Salisbury until 1982. On April 18, 1982, the name of the city was changed to Harare, adopting its name from the village near Harare Kopje of the Shona chief Neharawa, whose nickname was “he who does not sleep”. “Harare” was the name of the black residential area prior to Independence, which is now known as Mbare.



Index**5. Cultural identity**

The culture of a place reflects its society. Zimbabwe is one African country which exemplifies a diverse culture. Zimbabweans highly regard dance and music. Dancing plays a significant role in portraying the culture of the capital city, Harare. Shona, is the largest ethnic group of Zimbabwe which comprises of Manyika, Karanga, Zezuru, Rozwi, Korekore and Ndau groups, which constitutes around seventy six percent of the population. Ndebele is the second largest ethnic group which comprises of the Ndebele and Kalanga groups, which constitutes about eighteen percent of the population.



Index**6. Natural resources**

The city of Harare is rich with natural resources leading to a lucrative mining industry in the city. The city is home to copious amounts of coal and platinum. Zimbabwe has a significant percentage of the world renowned reserves of metallurgical-grade chromite. Other commercial mineral deposits include copper, gold, asbestos and iron ore.



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7. Key site seeing places (paid and free)**7.1. Paid****7.1.1. Zimbabwe Museum of Human Sciences**

Formerly known as the Queen Victoria Museum, this museum is known for displaying historical and zoological collections. The museum exhibits the ancient Lemba artefact, ngoma lungundu, which is believed to be a duplication of the Ark of the Covenant and is considered as the oldest wooden object ever found in the sub-Saharan region of the continent.

Address : Civic Centre, Rotten Row, Box CY 33, Causeway, Harare, Zimbabwe

Location : -17.8325, 31.03888889999996

Contact : +263 4 751 797

Nearest Public Transport : Market square bus station

Entry Fee : 3600 ZWD (\$10)

Open & Close Timing : Monday to Friday: 08:00hrs-16:00hrs Saturday & Sunday: Closed

Time Required : 2

Expected Wait Time : 15 minutes

Buy Ticket : Yes

7.1.2. National Art Gallery

The National Art Gallery of Zimbabwe exhibits the country's contemporary art and visual heritage through stone, metal and wooden paintings, and other installations. The Art Gallery was opened in 1957 and Queen Elizabeth II attended the 6th Zimbabwe Heritage Exhibition in 1991. From 1957 to 1973, McEwen was the curator of this gallery. Roy Guthrie became his successor and in 1970, founded the Chapungu Sculpture Park. The gallery is a hub of Zimbabwe's national culture and houses an extensive collection of paintings, images, and sculptures.

Address : 20 Julius Nyerere, Park Ln, Harare, Zimbabwe

Location : -17.8249883, 31.048806799999966

Contact : +263 4 704 666

Website : <http://www.nationalgallery.co.zw/>

Nearest Public Transport : Market square bus station (not recommended)

Entry Fee : 360 ZWD (\$1) per person

Open & Close Timing : Tuesday to Sunday: 09:00hrs-17:00hrs Monday: Closed

Time Required : 1.5

Expected Wait Time : 5-10 minutes

Buy Ticket : No

7.1.3. Wild Is Life

Formed in 2010, Wild is Life is a well-known place for tourists in the city. The trust was established considering the need for wildlife conservation and protection. Tourists can spend some time here, enjoying the company of animals and learning about the significance of conservation. All the animals here are either salvaged or have been taken into the sanctuary leading it to be a true wildlife retreat.

Address : Delport Road, Harare 0000, Zimbabwe

Zipcode : 0000

Location : -17.9439419, 31.10515350000003

Contact : +263 77 994 9821

Website : <http://www.wildislife.com/index.html>

Nearest Public Transport : Mbare Musika bus station (not recommended)

Entry Fee : Adult: 34,200 ZWD (\$95) Teen between 12 and 16 years: 28,800 ZWD (\$80)

Open & Close Timing : Tuesday to Saturday: 15:30hrs-18:00hrs Sunday & Monday: Closed

Time Required : 3

Expected Wait Time : 10 minutes

Buy Ticket : No

7.1.4. Mukuvisi Woodlands

A safari in the city of Harare, the Mukuvisi Woodlands is the perfect place to spend time with your family, especially if you are traveling with kids. Around 18,000 school children visit the Woodlands each year. The Mukuvisi Woodlands are spread across 256 hectares of natural habitat and is an absolute treat for the eyes of every bird-watcher. You can either go for a bike or horse safari, or gaze the vast vistas from a platform viewing deck. The Mukuvisi Woodlands provide you

with a landscape that will leave you with a feeling of being closer to nature than ever.

Address : Hillside Road, Harare, Zimbabwe

Location : -17.8362962, 31.088433300000002

Contact : +263 4 747 111

Website : <http://www.mukuvisiwoodland.co.zw/>

Nearest Public Transport : Market Square bus station (not recommended)

Entry Fee : Adult: 1,800 ZWD (\$5) Child between 5 and 12 years: 1,260 ZWD (\$3.50)

Open & Close Timing : Daily: 08:00hrs-17:00hrs

Time Required : 3

Expected Wait Time : 10 minutes

Buy Ticket : No

7.1.5. Kuimba Shiri Bird Park

The only bird park in Zimbabwe, the Kuimba Shiri Bird Park was established over 2 decades ago. Located on the shores of Lake Chivero, the National Park houses over 460 species of native birds in the world. Tourists can enjoy game-viewing by boat, waterfront chalets, a camp site and a sumptuous meal here while allowing themselves to get captivated by the remarkable backdrop of the massive lake. Away from the monotony of everyday life, spend some time here with your family.

Address : Harare, Zimbabwe

Location : -17.8689538, 30.801793299999986

Contact : +263 4 292 6136

Website : <http://www.kuimbashiri.co.zw/>

Nearest Public Transport : Market square bus station (not recommended)

Entry Fee : Adult: 1,800 ZWD (\$5) Child under 12 years: 1,080 ZWD (\$3)

Open & Close Timing : Daily: Open 24 hours

Time Required : 3

Expected Wait Time : 15 minutes

Buy Ticket : Yes

7.1.6. National Botanic Gardens

The pride and joy of Harare, the National Botanic Gardens houses an array of vegetation that thrives in the climate of Zimbabwe. The majority of plants here are from Zimbabwe and a few parts of South Africa, while the remaining are from different regions of the world like South America, Asia and other Eastern countries.

Address : PO Box CY140, Causeway, Mashonaland East, Harare, Zimbabwe

Zipcode : 140

Location : -17.8251657, 31.033509999999998

Contact : +263 4 706 077

Nearest Public Transport : Market square bus station (not recommended)

Entry Fee : 1,800 ZWD (\$5)

Open & Close Timing : Daily: 09:00hours-17:00hours

Time Required : 2

Expected Wait Time : 5 minutes

Buy Ticket : No

7.1.7. National Archives

The National Archives of Zimbabwe is known for storing diaries, historical reports and notebooks in Rhodesian and Africana. The archives display writings and exploration of the most famous names in African missionary work, which is open for the visitors to read. If you crave for historical information, do visit this museum to know more about the background of Zimbabwe.

Address : Borrowdale Road, Gunill Area, Harare, Zimbabwe

Location : -17.7598666, 31.0872480000000045

Contact : +263 4 792 7413

Website : <http://www.archives.gov.zw/>

Nearest Public Transport : Market square bus station (not recommended)

Entry Fee : 360 ZWD (\$1)

Time Required : 2

Expected Wait Time : 5 minutes

Buy Ticket : No

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7.2. Free

7.2.1. Chapungu Sculpture Park

Founded by Roy Guthrie in 1970, Chapungu Sculpture Park is aimed at promoting the art of sculptors from around the world. Roy Guthrie displayed the sculptures in botanical gardens in an exhibition called “Chapungu”. Today, various workshops are held here for budding sculptors and is a perfect spot for buying Shona sculptures as a memorabilia.

Address : 1 Harrow Road, Msasa, Harare, Zimbabwe

Location : -17.847868, 31.11223240000004

Nearest Public Transport : Mbare Musika bus station (not recommended)

Open & Close Timing : Daily: Open 24 hours

Time Required : 1.5

Expected Wait Time : 5-10 minutes

Buy Ticket : No

7.2.2. National Heroes' Acre

Constructed in the year 1981, the National Heroes' Acre consists of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. It is a burial ground for Patriotic Front Guerrilla troops and Zimbabweans, and the people buried here are a proof of the difficult times faced by the inhabitants of the country. This monument is built in remembrance of those brave souls and to keep their heroic acts alive for years to come.

Address : Harare, Zimbabwe

Location : -17.8349881, 30.987811400000055

Nearest Public Transport : Mbare Musika bus station (not recommended)

Open & Close Timing : Daily: Open 24 hours

Time Required : 0.5

Expected Wait Time : 10 minutes

Buy Ticket : No

7.2.3. Avondale Flea Market

Treat your eyes with an assortment of colorful baskets, clothing, food and other items. Goods produced locally are inexpensive, however, the imported ones are relatively costly.

Address : Bath Rd, Harare, Zimbabwe

Location : -17.8014501, 31.037989400000015

Time Required : 0

Buy Ticket : No



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8. Key sites sports & adventure

- **Horseback Riding & Fishing -**

Address : Zimbabwe

Location : -17.9116667,30.7875

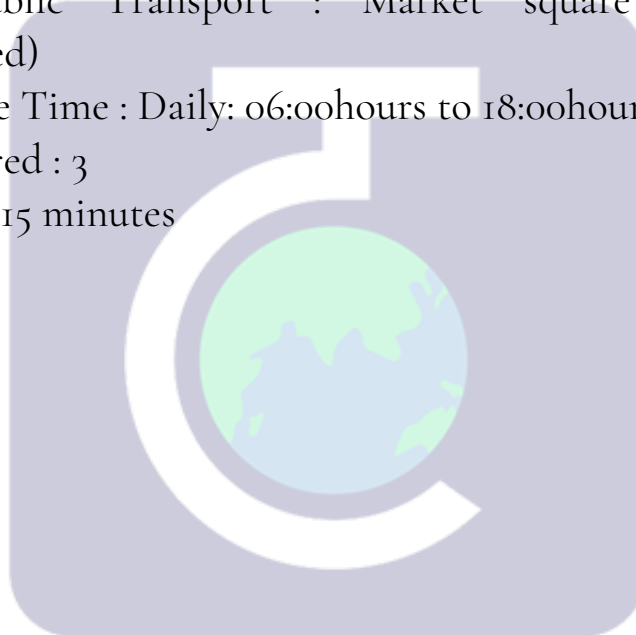
Contact No : +263 62 3367

Nearest Public Transport : Market square bus station (not recommended)

Open / Close Time : Daily: 06:00hours to 18:00hours

Time Required : 3

Wait Time : 15 minutes



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9. Adventure sports, Local sports, stadiums

The most popular sports game among the people of Harare is Soccer. The capital city of Zimbabwe is home to Harare Sports Club ground and it has hosted many Test, One Day Internationals and T20I cricket matches. The city is home to the Zimbabwe Premiere Soccer League clubs Dynamos F.C., Harare City, CAPS United F.C. and Black Rhinos F.C.

- **Rufaro Stadium:**

Address : Harare, Zimbabwe

Location : -17.8538422,31.03745189999995



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10. Spas and relaxation

What's a holiday without pampering your skin with some massages and beauty therapies?! Many 5-star hotels provide spa services in the capital city of Zimbabwe, which is open for outsiders too. Unwind yourself at any of the following spa centers after a hectic day at sightseeing.

- **Amara's Health Spa:**

Address : 19, Fernleigh Road, Harare, Zimbabwe

Location : -17.75934,31.081789999999955

Contact No : +263 4 886 663

Website : <http://www.amarahealthspa.com/>

- **Skin Spa Dacomb:**

Address : 1 Dacomb Drive, Chisipite, 1 Dacomb Drive Road, Harare, Zimbabwe

Location : -17.7896951,31.123849199999995

Contact No : +263 4 497 541

Website : <http://www.skispazim.com/>

11. Events calendar

Month

Events

Harare International Food Festival

Harare International Food Festival is organized to make an impact on the foodie and gourmet scene.

Zimbabwe International Book Fair

The capital city of Zimbabwe hosts a top-class literary event by the name of Zimbabwe International Book Fair every year in the month of July.

Harare Jazz Festival

Harare Jazz Festival is an annual festival which is also organized in the month of April. Famous African musicians are invited from across the continent to take the stage and several workshops are held to unleash the talent of budding stars.

Harare International Festival

One of the best organized festival in the regional and international arts and culture, the

Harare International Festival of Arts is a 6-day annual festival celebrated in the capital city of Zimbabwe.



Index**12. Key local guides and tours**

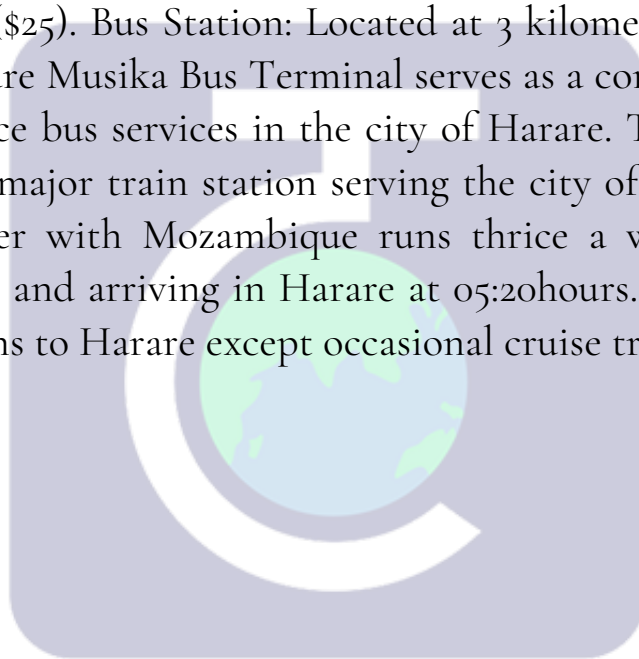
The capital city of Zimbabwe can be explored with or without a local tour and local guide. But, it is advisable to explore the city through the eyes of a local guide or a tour. Some of the tour agencies in the city are Tours by locals, Wengayi Nhau Tour Guide and Nyati Travel.



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13. Transportation hubs

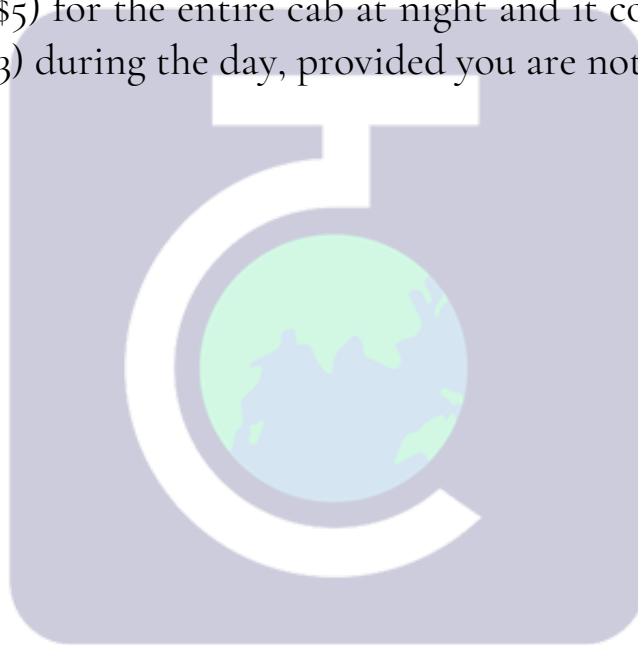
Airport: The largest airport in Zimbabwe, the Harare International Airport serves as the base of Air Zimbabwe. The airport is located at a distance of over 15 kilometers from the city center. You can reach to the city center either via using the services of shuttle services at the airport or via a taxi ride. Shuttle transfers are relatively cheaper than a taxi ride. A taxi ride from the airport would cost you around 9,000 ZWD (\$25). **Bus Station:** Located at 3 kilometers southwest of the Central district, Mbare Musika Bus Terminal serves as a common point for most ordinary long-distance bus services in the city of Harare. **Train Station:** Harare Train Station is the major train station serving the city of Harare. Trains from Mutare at the border with Mozambique runs thrice a week departing from Mutare at 21:00hours and arriving in Harare at 05:20hours. At present there are no international trains to Harare except occasional cruise trains.



Index**14. Transportation cost**

Minibus: Minibus taxis are enthusiastically available to provide you internal transfers between central and all suburbs. Ask around for the terminal of your destination and get down of the minibus. Usually the fare is about 360 ZWD (\$1).

Taxi: 4+1 style taxis run on the road of Harare. It's a common sight that the driver of the taxi would accommodate 8 people inside these taxis. It would cost you around 1,800 ZWD (\$5) for the entire cab at night and it costs around 720 ZWD (\$2) or 1,080 ZWD (\$3) during the day, provided you are not going to the suburbs.



Index**15. Baggage allowance**

Prefer exploring the capital city of Zimbabwe either by taxi or a cab when carrying a large suitcase. Large suitcases are allowed in the buses but refrain yourself from travelling via same because pickpockets are the regular passengers. One can carry a backpack easily when exploring the city. When riding on the city bus, no additional fee is charged for carrying extra luggage but it is advisable not to carry bulky and too many baggage. Else, keep an eye on your luggage.



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16. Must try food and local savouries

Maize / Corn is the main staple of Zimbabwe gastronomy and it is used in a variety of dishes. Food in Zimbabwe is influenced by traditional African food only for the most of its part. However British colonization has apparently left its mark on Common British breads, spices, sugar and tea. Try following dishes in the city of Harare:



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17. Restaurant & Nightlife

The capital city of Zimbabwe is very vibrant. Harare is one Zimbabwean city which never sleeps. The nightlife of Harare is very lively but a little infamous. The restaurants and clubs are scattered throughout Harare but a cluster of clubs in the newer Sam Levy Village in Borrowdale will give you a feel of a US strip mall.

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- **Gavas:**

Address : Belgravia Sports Club, 2nd St Ext Harare, Zimbabwe

Location : -17.8067527,31.040676899999994

Contact No : +263 77 238 1863

Website : <https://www.facebook.com/Gavas-443323195751941/>

Open / Close Time : Daily: 11:00hours-22:00hours

- **Paddy's Hotpot:**

Address : Leeds Close Harare, Zimbabwe

Location : -17.8119796,31.082492199

Contact No : +263 4 755105

Website : <https://www.facebook.com/paddyshotpot/>

Open / Close Time : Monday to Saturday: 08:00hours-17:00hours,
Sunday: Closed

- **Dende Restaurant:**

Address : 15, Lezard Ave, Harare, Zimbabwe

Location : -17.8101593,31.035194100000012

Contact No : +263 77 301 9378

Website : <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Dende-Restaurant/926500724142533?fref=ts>

Open / Close Time : Monday to Saturday: 12:00hours to 04:00hours,
Sunday: Closed

- **Amanzi Restaurant:**

Address : 158 Enterprise Road, Harare, Zimbabwe

Location : -17.7925147,31.105302899999997

Contact No : +263 4 497 768

Website : <http://www.amanzi.co.zw/>

Open / Close Time : Tuesday to Saturday: 12:00hours to 22:00hours,
Sunday: 12:00hours-15:00hours, Monday: 15:00hours-22:00hours

- **Fishmonger Restaurant:**

Address : 50 East Road, Belgravia Harare, Zimbabwe

Location : -17.800424,31.042041799999993

Contact No : +263 4 302 285

Website : <https://www.facebook.com/fishmongerharare/>

Open / Close Time : Monday to Saturday: 11:30hours-22:00hours, Sunday:
11:30hours-15:00hours

- **Fusion Cafe Bar:**

Address : Harare, Zimbabwe

Location : -17.780229899999999,31.087655400000017

Contact No : +263 4 290 0746

- **Tinkabell Restaurant:**

Address : Q4 Upton Road, Harare, Zimbabwe

Location : -17.876073,31.021948000

Contact No : +263 77 453 2184

Website : <https://www.facebook.com/Tinkabell.Restaurant/>

Open / Close Time : Monday to Friday: 08:00hours to 16:00hours,
Saturday: 12:00hours-17:00hours, Sunday: Closed

- **Emmanuel's Restaurant:**

Address : Josiah Chinamano Ave, Harare, Zimbabwe

Location : -17.8168902,31.0521698

Contact No : +263 4 707 5227

Open / Close Time : Monday to Friday: 12:00hours to 14:00hours and
18:30hours to 21:30hours, Saturday: 18:30hours-21:30hours, Sunday: Closed

- **Paula's Place - ZOLspot:**

Address : 314 Samora Machel Avenue/Glenara Avenue, Eastlea, Harare,
Zimbabwe

Location : -17.8238051,31.0932719999999956

Contact No : +263 4 497 950

Website : <http://paulasplacezw.com/index.html>

Open / Close Time : Daily: 12:00hours-21:00hours

- **Mojo's Restaurant:**

Address : 10 East Road, Harare, Zimbabwe
Location : -17.8058902,31.0416113
Contact No : +263 4 290 0746
Website : <https://www.facebook.com/Mojosharare/>

- **Sitar Restaurant:**

Address : A2, Harare, Zimbabwe
Location : -17.8150924,31.07311249999998
Contact No : +263 71 261 6562
Open / Close Time : Wednesday to Friday, Sunday & Monday:
12:00hours-14:30hours and 18:00hours-21:30hours Saturday:
18:00hours-21:00hours Tuesday: Closed

- **Book Cafe - ZOLspot:**

Address : Sixth Street, Harare, Zimbabwe
Location : -17.825037,31.05688090000001
Contact No : +263 73 446 8874
Open / Close Time : Monday to Saturday: 12:00hours-03:00hours Sunday:
Closed

Index**18. Average meal cost**

Economical meal: 3600 ZWD Mid-segment restaurant: 10800 ZWD Luxury dining: 18000 ZWD



19. Shopping

To have the best shopping experience in the city of Harare, it is advisable to stroll around at the avondale flea market at Mbare.



20. Tourist benefits

The provision for VAT refund services to a tourist in Zimbabwe in foreign currency is zero rated if supplied by:

- The operator of a tourist facility designated as such in terms of Statutory Instrument 106 of 1996.
- The operator of a hunting safari
- The owner of any place (other than a place wherein the owner ordinarily resides) where persons are provided on payment of a charge with residential accommodation, whether with or without meals.



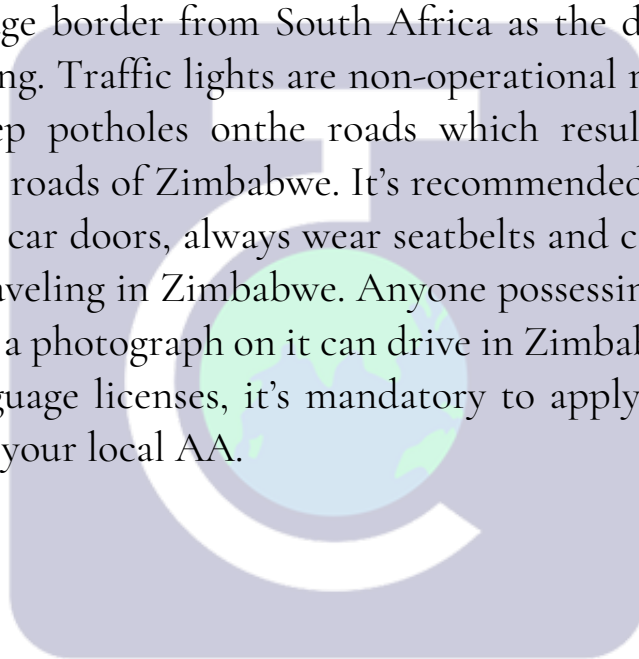
Index**21. Essential local apps**

Download ZOL Restaurant Week – EATOUT app for easy searching of restaurants during the celebrations of restaurant week in the city of Harare. To notify your Facebook friends if something goes wrong, download Yalahwy and your friends will mobilize to come at your rescue. Download GTaxi app to book a taxi by just one click in the city of Harare.



22. Driving

One of the best ways to explore Zimbabwe is self-driving. The roads in the country are better than in many other African countries. Nonetheless vigilance is a must for speeding vehicles and animals crossing. The scenery around the country and the sheer stretches of sun-kissed bushes make a perfect backdrop to your unforgettable road trip. First time visitors are advised to avoid driving through the Beitbridge border from South Africa as the delays and paperwork can be time-consuming. Traffic lights are non-operational most of the times and the country has deep potholes on the roads which results in accidents as a common sight on the roads of Zimbabwe. It's recommended to drive carefully on inter-city roads, lock car doors, always wear seatbelts and carry a comprehensive medical kit whilst traveling in Zimbabwe. Anyone possessing a driving license in English language and a photograph on it can drive in Zimbabwe for up to 90 days. For non-English language licenses, it's mandatory to apply for an International Driving Permit from your local AA.



Index**23. Travel essentials**

The power sockets in Zimbabwe are of type D and G. The voltage throughout the country is 220-240 volts AC 50 Hz. So, ensure packing a travel adaptor or portable charger when traveling to Zimbabwe. To relish some game viewing, pack a good pair of binoculars.



Index**24. Essential clothes**

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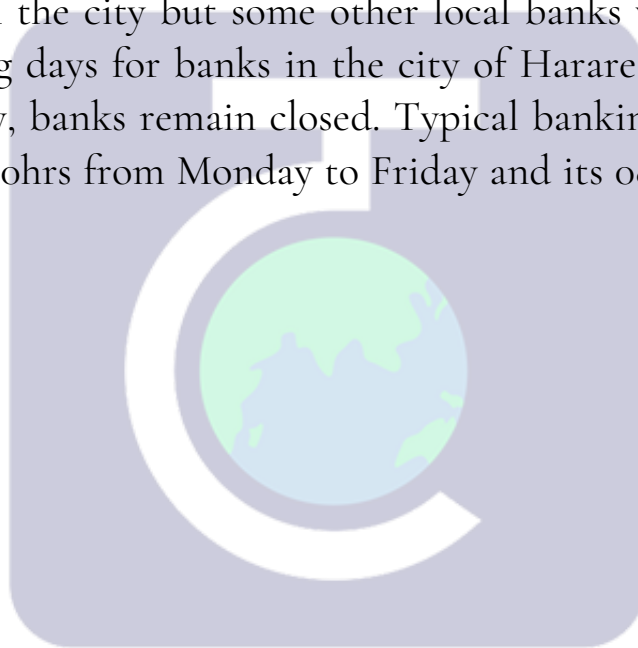
Index**25. Local currency**

Zimbabwean Dollar is the official currency of Zimbabwe. It is denoted as ZWD. 1 USD = 360 ZWD



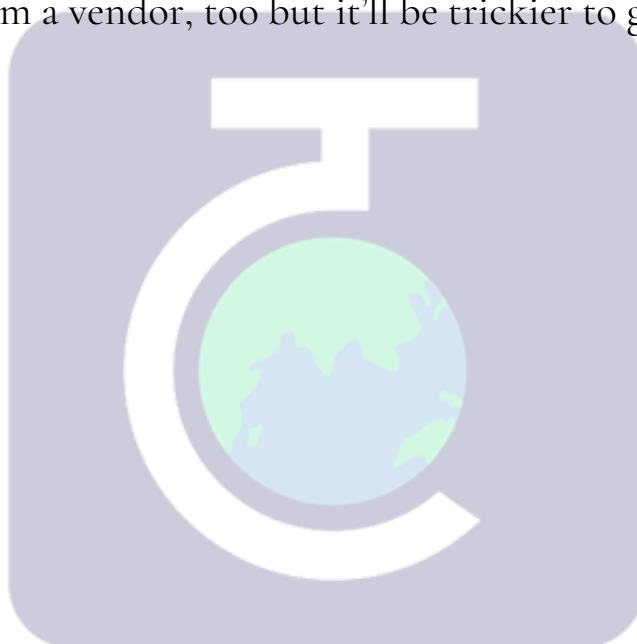
26. Change vendor's commission, ATM charges

Authorized banks and Bureau de Change remain the best source of exchanging currency. Nonetheless, one can change currency at hotels too. Also, for convenience, private exchange agencies are located in the city. No commission is charged for currency exchange in the capital city of Zimbabwe. ATMs are ubiquitous in the city of Harare. Barclays and Standard Chartered have a large network of ATMs in the city but some other local banks will also take foreign VISA cards. Working days for banks in the city of Harare are from Monday to Saturday. On Sunday, banks remain closed. Typical banking hours of banks are from 08:00hrs to 15:00hrs from Monday to Friday and its 08:00hrs to 11:30hrs on Saturdays.



27. Staying connected

Econet and Net One are two of the best networks in Zimbabwe. It's super easy to buy a sim card in the city of Harare. And the cherry on the cake is it's cheap, too. A sim card ranging from 360 ZWD (\$1) to 1800 ZWD (\$5) can be bought from any of the shops and vendors of Econet and Net One. All you need is a copy of your passport. Visit any of the shops, they'll register you and activate the sim on the spot. You can buy from a vendor, too but it'll be trickier to get yourself registered with a vendor.



28. Time Zone

Zimbabwe Time Zone: UTC+02:00



Index**29. Languages**

There are 16 official languages spoken in Zimbabwe. English, Ndebele and Shona are the most widely spoken languages in the country. Seventy percent of the population speaks Shona as their first language. Around twenty percent of the population speaks Ndebele as their first language.



30. Political Scenario

The African country, Zimbabwe is a legislative democracy regulated by a president. The president is elected by direct vote and he/she holds the office for six years. The legislative power is conferred in both the government and parliament.



31. Economic Scenario

After 2000, the economic condition of the country shrank resulting in widespread poverty and a 95% unemployment rate. The country has reserves of metallurgical-grade chromite and other commercial minerals are copper, coal, asbestos, nickel, gold, iron ore and platinum which are helping in rebuilding the economy of the city. But unemployment and poverty are at its peak at the moment.



Index**32. Religious belief**

Christianity (of many different denominations, including Catholic, Anglican, Baptist, Dutch Reformed Churches and Presbyterian) is practiced widely across the country. But till date many people hold on the traditional beliefs in their ancestors as well as in prophecy and divination, where divine inspiration is sought through communication with the spirits.



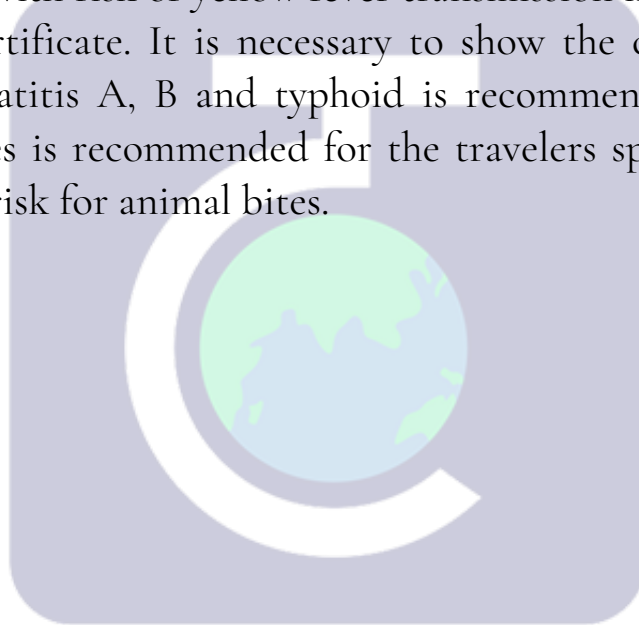
33. Visa requirements

Australian, British, Canadian, Other EU and USA nationals need a passport valid for at least six months beyond the date of departure, a return ticket and a VISA to explore Zimbabwe. Nationals of Cyprus and Malta don't require a VISA. All other nationals may buy a VISA on arrival except the nationals of Bulgaria, Croatia, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania and Romania. These nationals need to buy a VISA in advance. VISA issued on arrival is valid for up to 90 days. It is advisable to keep 2 pages free in your passport for arrival and departure stamps. In certain cases, it has been observed that applying and receiving a visa can be a process of 20-30 days. Hence, it is essential that you check the timeline with the relevant authority in the country where you intend to make the visa application.



Index**34. Essential vaccination**

Every traveler should be up-to-date on routine vaccinations before every trip. These vaccinations include measles-mumps-rubella (MMR) vaccine, diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis vaccine, varicella (chickenpox) vaccine, polio vaccine and your yearly flu shot. Also, travelers arriving from countries with risk of yellow fever transmission and travelers who have transited more than 12 hours through the airport of a country with risk of yellow fever transmission need to possess yellow fever vaccination certificate. It is necessary to show the certificate on arrival. Inoculation for Hepatitis A, B and typhoid is recommended for all travelers. Inoculation for rabies is recommended for the travelers spending a lot of time outdoors, or at high risk for animal bites.



Index**35. Theft and Safety**

Moderate level of crime including pick pocketing, mugging and jewelry theft prevails in the city of Harare. Due to poor street lighting, extra vigilance is required especially after dark. Don't carry valuables and large amounts of cash whilst exploring the city. Ensure safety of your accommodation at all the times.



Index**36. Embassy/Consulate**

To know more about foreign embassy consulates in Zimbabwe, click here
<http://embassy.goabroad.com/embassies-in/zimbabwe>



37. Accessibility

The city of Harare is not ‘differently-abled’ friendly. Seemingly it needs a lot of improvement with respect to infrastructure to ensure easy accessibility for disabled. Majority of the tourist attractions in the city are not accessible by “differently-abled”. Also, cobblestones and potholes are common throughout the city due to poor and old infrastructure. Manual wheelchair is a better option to explore this area. Also, there are very limited wheelchair accessible restrooms in the city of Harare.



Index**38. Emergencies**

- Dial 995 to reach out to police in Zimbabwe.
- Dial 994 for any medical help and call an ambulance in Zimbabwe.
- Dial 993 to call a fire brigade in Zimbabwe.

Parirenyatwa Hospital NOTE: All health insurances and travel insurances are accepted here.

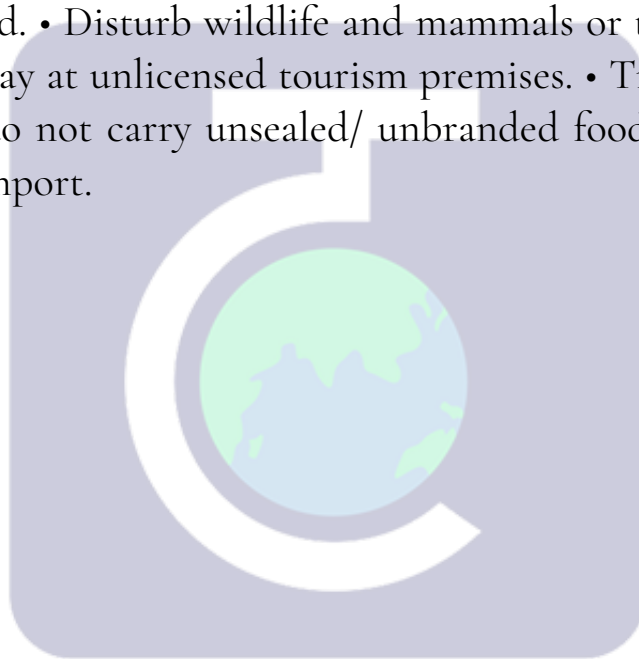


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39. Do's and Don'ts

Dos • Greet everyone and shake hands with the people you meet in the city of Harare. • Carry minimum cash and valuable items whilst exploring the city. • Always keep an eye on your luggage when moving places. • Apply sunscreen before getting sun tanned. • It is advisable to carry a certified doctor's prescription along with the medicines to ensure hassle free import clearance.

Don'ts • Litter around. • Disturb wildlife and mammals or their nesting grounds by feeding them. • Stay at unlicensed tourism premises. • Travel alone at night. • It is advisable that do not carry unsealed/ unbranded food articles as the same may be banned for import.



40.Tipping basics

There is no tipping culture in the city of Harare. But 10-15% of tipping is standard in restaurants.

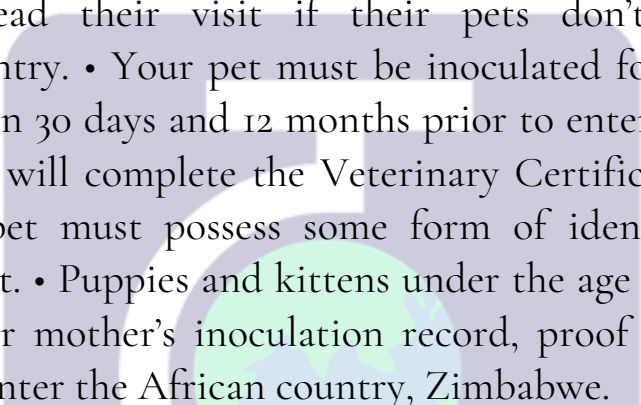


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41.Pet info

Healthy pets meeting the following requirements are not quarantined in Zimbabwe:

- An import for entry is a must for the dogs and cats who are not from another SADC member (Angola, Botswana, Malawi, Republic of Congo, Mozambique, Tanzania, Zimbabwe, Zambia, Namibia, South Africa and Swaziland). It is highly recommended to the visitors to apply for the permit of their pets well ahead their visit if their pets don't belong from the abovementioned country.
- Your pet must be inoculated for rabies and various other diseases between 30 days and 12 months prior to entering the country.
- A licensed veterinarian will complete the Veterinary Certificate for Zimbabwe.
- The owner of the pet must possess some form of identification indicating ownership of your pet.
- Puppies and kittens under the age of 3 months must be accompanied by their mother's inoculation record, proof of parvovirus and a health certificate to enter the African country, Zimbabwe.



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Conclusion – Why to select this destination

One of the most vibrant African city, Harare offers many great things to do for the visitors visiting Zimbabwe. The capital city is very fascinating and is a well-designed place. It is home to plenty of parks and open spaces to unwind and adore the culture of working Africa. The city is located close by to some of the most significant nature reserves of the country. Since it is sited on one of Zimbabwe's highest plateau, the air you'll breathe is fresh and the view is magnificent. Harare is known widely for its fine craft work. You simply cannot afford to miss out on the Shona soft stone carvings in the city. To get the best and the finest of the craft work, either visit the National Gallery or peruse the Curio stalls. Your visit to the capital city of Zimbabwe is considered incomplete if you don't step into the Mukuvisi Woodlands. You'll be spellbound to see an assortment of plant and animal species here including countless varieties of bird and mammal. Impala, zebra, giraffe, red cuck, bushbuck and eland are a common sight here. To relish the hypnotic view of the city visit the Kopje, which is a largest granite hill that rises out of the central Harare. Highlighting some of the best sculptural art of Africa, you simply cannot miss out on the Chapungu Sculpture Park in the city. Enjoy your vacation in the city by spending some time at the charming outdoor cafes and indulging in some outdoor massages and spa in the city.

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