



PLEASE NOTE THIS ROAD IS ONLY ACCESSIBLE FROM THE END OF MAY/JUNE THROUGH TO THE 1ST WEEK OF DECEMBER DEPENDING ON THE AMOUNT OF RAIN. ITS SAFER TO RUN IN CONVOY ON THIS ROAD AS THERE IS VERY LITTLE TRAFFIC IF YOU HAVE A PROBLEM.

1. Use **Lusaka-Mongu Rd (M9) to Nalusanga Gate** in KNP (Google Maps calls it Nalusanga Market) it is approximately 190km from East Park to **Nalusanga Gate**). Note that there is a Toll on this road so have the K20 charge ready.
2. Just before the **Mumbwa** town junction and Weigh Bridge, you can stop at the Olive Grove (on the left) for a break, clean toilets, coffee and a snack!!! Around KM 153 from Lusaka.
3. After driving approximately 155km (\pm 2.5hrs) from East Park, you will reach the Petrol Station "Oil Bay" (on your left side) on the left side of M9 road (by the turn off to Mumbwa town). This is the last fuel station. (From here you have \pm 2.5hrs to reach the lodge) .
4. At this point, you can decide to use the public road - Kasempa Road (Google Maps following D181) or the New Bush Road (directions below).
5. To use the bush road, continue on **Lusaka-Mongu Rd (M9) for 38km** (\pm 30min) to reach Nalusanga Gate. (If the Wildlife Officers ask, tell them you are going to Hippo Lodge using the new bush road that African Parks made).
6. After the **Nalusanga Gate**, continue on Lusaka-Mongu Rd (M9) for 26km (\pm 20min). You will see **3 boulders** on the right side of the road (just before the bush road turning right) **turn right onto the gravel road**. (Google Maps coordinates for this turn-off: -14.9702674, 26.4688821). If you reach the Itezhi-tzezi turn to the left you have gone too far). If you need to use the loo, do so now because Tse-Tse flies become pretty nasty.
7. Drive approx. 3.8km (5min) from M9, turn left onto the dirt road (miss the 1st turn to the left about 900 m down the road) Take the **second turn-off on your left (there is a barrier in front of you)**).
8. You are now in Kafue National Park. Drive carefully , there are elephants and other wildlife on or near the road. Enjoy a slow game drive and following the bush road (ignore all small turn- offs). **Basically, after your 2nd turn left from the M9, stay to the right at any small forks and you will start to see signs for Hippo Lodge.**
9. After 30km, the road will lead you across the first (dry) gully. Another 9 kms you reach the second deep gully.
10. After crossing the second gully **turn left** and follow the road.
11. By now you should start seeing Hippo Lodge signs.
12. Follow the signs, if no signs stay of the road. Signs will appear.
13. Turn left to reach the airstrip. You are now only 1.5km away from Hippo Lodge
14. At the airstrip turn left (west) and follow the road to Hippo Lodge.

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