

ACCOMMODATION

IN OR NEAR THE CITY:

Hotels: 13 licensed, graded from no star to three star, 7 unlicensed—reasonable price range from \$4,00 to \$10,00 single b. and b. Most tariffs on a bed and breakfast basis.

Motels: One 8 km (5 m) and the other 13 km (8 m) north on the Victoria Falls road.

Caravan Park, Municipal, in Central Park 750 metres from City Centre — all facilities including electricity, TV points and children's playground. Daily delivery of foodstuffs, etc. No dogs allowed. This Park is one of the finest in Southern Africa.

Camping Sites: Municipal, 6½ km (4 m) Beitbridge Road. Electric light, ablution blocks, hot water, laundry room, firewood, T.V.

Caravan Park, Rest Camp and Camping Site: Willow Park, 29 km (18 m), south and 2,4 km (1½ m) off main Beitbridge road. Swimming pool, recreation room, bath & toilets, electric light, fishing, tuckshop. No restaurant or store. Bedding, and iceboxes may be hired.

Hostels: Youth; Toc H; YWCA.

IN THE RHODES MATOPOS NATIONAL PARK AND SURROUNDING AREA.

1 licenced hotel 22 km (14 m) Matopos Road, swimming pool, T.V.
1 unlicensed Guest House 48 km (30 m) Antelope Road, Pool.

National Park Rest Camp. Maleme Dam 58 km (36 m) 100 beds in lodges, cottages and chalets. All have electricity, bedding, basic cooking utensils, refrigerators. Lodges have cutlery, crockery and a servant. Cottages have indoor kitchen, bathroom and toilet. No restaurant. Store and petrol 8 km (5 m). Telephone Matopos 0-1913.

Caravan Parks and Camping Sites: At Maleme, Toghwana, Mtsheli, Mpopoma Dam and Arboretum. All in beautiful surroundings, and all have ablution blocks and firewood. Drinking water should be boiled.



The Municipal Caravan Park, offers all amenities in really beautiful surroundings within walking distance of the city centre. ▲

◀ Cover the 75th Anniversary Fountain in Bulawayo's restful and lovely Central Park

GENERAL INFORMATION

Population 1976: 340 000 (all races)

Altitude 1356 metres (4450 ft) above sea level

Sunshine — annual average 8,3 hours a day

Maximum speed limit on main roads 100 km/h, others as indicated.

Same day laundry and cleaning services

Local sightseeing tours.

Rail and air excursions available to other tourist centres.

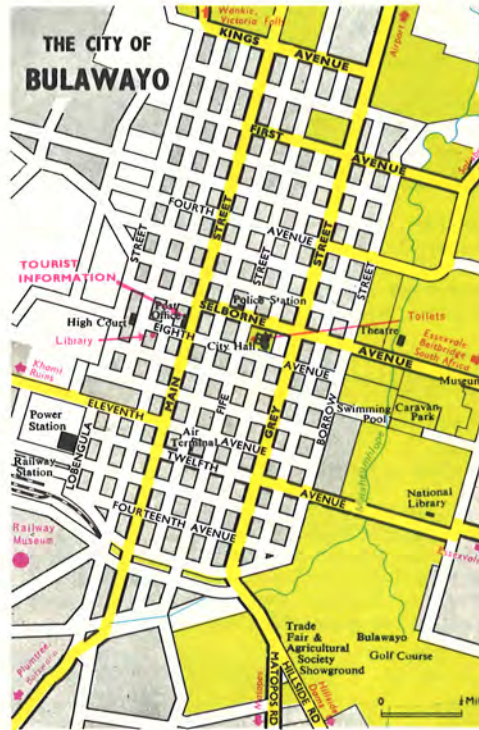
Shopping hours:

Weekdays 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Saturdays 8 a.m. - 12 noon or 1 p.m.

Most shops are open during the lunch hour.

Milk, bread and other essentials can be obtained after normal hours.

Banking hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 8.30 a.m. - 2 p.m., Wednesday 8.30 a.m. - noon; Saturday 8.30 a.m. - 11 a.m.



Garage Service.

Visitors can obtain all the petrol they require.

Most petrol stations in the city and suburbs operate from 6.30 a.m. — 8 p.m. Some remain open later. All are open daily including Sundays. One has a 24 hour petrol service and two a 24 hour breakdown service. All have normal forecourt service — petrol, oil, puncture repairs, small spares and refreshment kiosk. Self drive and chauffeur driven cars can be hired.

Automobile Association offices — corner Selborne Avenue/Wilson St.

Information Bureau.
A free tourist and information service is available from the Bulawayo and District Publicity Association next to the General Post Office in Main Street between Selborne and 8th Avenues (see map), open from 8.30 a.m. - 4.45 p.m. weekdays and 8.30 a.m. - noon Saturdays. Telephone 60867.

Brochures and Maps covering the whole of Rhodesia are available free, as well as more detailed information about Bulawayo. Write for a comprehensive Bulawayo brochure to P.O. Box 861, Bulawayo.

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STOP-OVER in BULAWAYO



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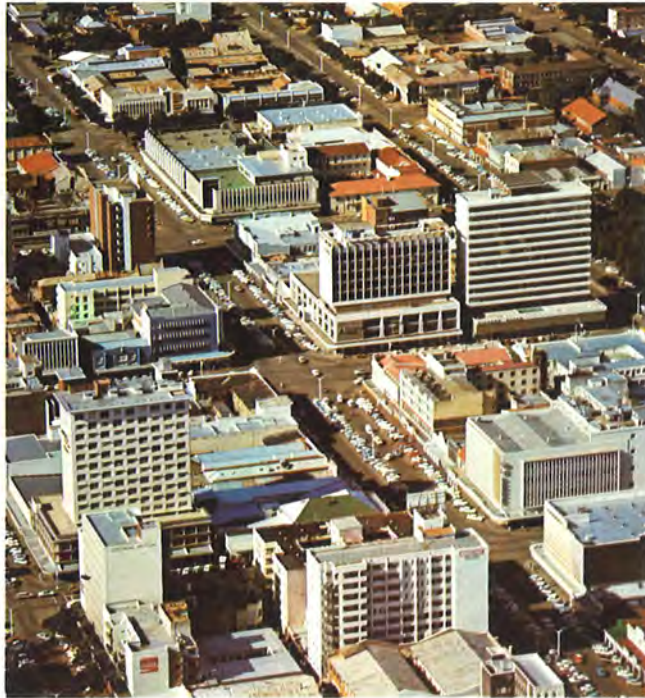
BULAWAYO

Bulawayo, Rhodesia's second largest city, is also the provincial capital of Matabeleland, which stretches from Beitbridge to the Victoria Falls.

Because it is situated about halfway between Beitbridge and the Victoria Falls, and has many amenities and national tourist attractions in and around the city, Bulawayo is a very pleasant and convenient place to stop-over. It is renowned for its friendly atmosphere and excellent shopping facilities, and is the historical heart of Rhodesia.

Bulawayo is 322 km (200 m) from Beitbridge and 438 km (274 m) from the Victoria Falls. The road is fully tarred to international standards all the way. Average driving time to Bulawayo is approximately 4 to 4½ hours, from Bulawayo to Wankie Main Camp 278 km (174 m) 3 hours, and from Bulawayo to Victoria Falls 5 - 6 hours.

From Beitbridge to Bulawayo the road passes through West Nicholson, the headquarters of Rhodesia's largest meat canners; Colleen Bawn, with Rhodesia's largest cement works; Gwanda, a gold mining and cattle area and headquarters of Southern Matabeleland; Balla Balla and Essexvale. Wild animals are frequently seen.



In Centenary Park, within walking distance of the city centre, is the impressive National Museum of Rhodesia. A treasure house of the nation's history, wild life and geology, its extensive modern galleries are a vivid and colourful introduction to the riches of Rhodesia. Nearby is a collection of mining antiques.

◀ An aerial view of part of the city centre, showing the wide streets and good parking and shopping facilities.

The entrance to the Matopos Game Park, 62 km from the city on tarred roads, is in the shadow of one of the strange rock formations typical of the area. ▶

▼ 22 km west of the city are the Khami Ruins, a series of terraces and passages supported by massive granite walls. Discovered in 1897, it is believed the ruins date from the 17th century, and were inhabited by the Rozwi people until about 1820. A small museum, set amongst aloe gardens, displays relics found on the site. A Tea-garden Caravan Park adjoins Ruins.



WHAT TO SEE

Outside the City

The Rhodes Matopos National Park, one of Rhodesia's major tourist attractions, begins 32 km (20 m) from Bulawayo, covers more than 310 000 hectares and contains fantastic rock formations, Bushman painted caves, picturesque dams, a game park, a comfortable 100 bed Rest Camp, and the grave of Cecil John Rhodes at "View of the World". There is an African Craft Village en route to the Matopos (22 km).

Cyrene Mission's decorated church 32 km in the Matopos area.

Old Bulawayo, 19 km (12 m) south of Bulawayo, the site of Lobengula's first township, where he lived from 1870 - 1882. Lobengula's wagon shed and hut foundations can still be seen. The remains of the old Jesuit Mission, the oldest European-built dwelling in Bulawayo, is 2,4 km (1½ m) further on.

The Bulawayo area is rich in historical associations and many other historical sites can be visited.

Chipangali Bird and Animal Sanctuary 23 kilometres from Bulawayo on the Johannesburg road.

WHAT TO DO

Bulawayo has its own TV and radio stations. TV programmes commence at 5 p.m. with an hour's children's programme, and close about 11 p.m.

Theatre — high standard of local and visiting productions. Many cinemas, including 'Drive-In' and 'Vistarama'

Many licensed restaurants, some specialising in national dishes and dinner dancing; steak houses; drive-in restaurant; discotheques; two night-clubs.

Modern cocktail bars and lounges, tea-rooms and coffee bars.

All sports clubs welcome visitors, and provide the usual facilities, especially tennis, golf and bowls. Fishing is available in many dams.

Horse racing on alternate Sundays at Ascot racecourse.



WHAT TO SEE

In the City

Art Gallery — Open daily except Saturday afternoon and Mondays. Jairos Jiri Craft Shop.

Civic Centre — Pioneer Well; curio and flower sellers, beadworkers; Civic Plate; paintings.

Centenary and Central Parks in Selborne Avenue (main Johannesburg road). They contain:

National Museum of Rhodesia (open daily including Sundays) — small game park for children; aviary; lovely gardens; illuminated fountain. Band performances, refreshment kiosk and miniature railway at weekends.

Nearby — within 7 km (4 m)

Rhodes' Rondavel and Lobengula's Indaba Tree — historical monuments.

Mzilikazi Art and Craft Centre—pottery manufacture, sculpture, drawing and painting studios.

Hillside Dams and Bird Sanctuary. Refreshment kiosk open daily. Band

TOURIST ATTRACTIONS REACHED FROM BULAWAYO

Victoria Falls. The finest sight in Africa, and the world's mightiest curtain of falling water (438 kilometres).

Wankie National Park. (Main Camp) 278 km (174 m) on the Victoria Falls Road. One of Africa's largest and most accessible game sanctuaries.

Lake Kariba. Binga, at the western end of the lake, about 193 km (120 m) from Wankie National Park, provides good tiger fishing and has comfortable chalet accommodation. A passenger and car ferry service operates between Mlibizi and Kariba. Mlibizi is 369 kilometres from Bulawayo.

Zimbabwe Ruins, Lake Kyle and Game Park. 320 km (200 m) east of Bulawayo and 27 km (17 m) south of Fort Victoria, the Zimbabwe Ruins are believed to be at least 1 000 years old.