



**PRICE PER PERSON:**  
 Adults US \$ 95  
 Children US \$ 47  
 Minimum Pax: 2 Adults  
 Maximum Pax: 6

**PRICE EXCLUDES:**  
 \$5 per person for museum entry fee.

# MUA MISSION

This area is historically important to the Chewa people as the traditional home of their medium and rain priestess Mwali (980 to 1200), with her capital at Mankamba and their king Karonga (1200 to 1800) with his capital at Manthimba. These two important rulers being the focus of spiritual and political power of the lake shore. Today, Mua is the capital of the Maseko Ngoni, who ruled the area from 1898 till present. Around the same period, a migration of Yao traders established themselves among this tribal mix. In 1902, the White Fathers established this catholic mission.

Its main function is to preserve the area, its people & their culture and surrounding flora & fauna as close to its original state as possible. The mission is particularly famous for its wood carvings and artwork, which are made on commission and displayed around the world. A visit to the mission would not be complete without visiting the Kungoni Centre, the Chamare Museum, its art gallery and showroom, which is a tribute to the Chewa, Ngoni and Yao people and illustrates their history and culture. The church is unique and is amongst the most unusual and famous in Malawi.

Visitors can watch the carvers at work and visit the show room on site after a picnic lunch near the Nadsipokue River that flows through the mission and leads to the Kungoni Falls. This trip is a cultural experience that cannot be matched elsewhere in Malawi. Driving from the Retreat is approximately 1.15hour, 110km each way.

