

# TRACKS SAFARIS

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**Nine Night - Remote Big Game in Katavi, Ruaha and Selous**  
**3 Nights Chada Katavi, 3 Nights Kigelia Ruaha, 3 Nights Sand Rivers Selous**



### **FLY FROM ARUSHA TO KATAVI NATIONAL PARK**

#### **Days 1 - 3**

On arrival into Kilimanjaro you are met and transferred to Arusha airport for your morning flight from Arusha arriving in Katavi around mid-day. Please note that you may have to overnight in Arusha depending on the flight schedule. It is also possible to fly in from Dar es Salaam. Your safari starts at the airstrip where you are met by your guide and transferred to Chada Katavi Camp in time lunch and a siesta, before a first afternoon of discovery in Katavi. Accommodation has been reserved for 3 nights on an all-inclusive basis.

#### **CHADA KATAVI**

Katavi has hardly changed since Nomad set up camp around twenty years ago and is still one of the most remote and wild parks in Tanzania. Deep in the heart of Katavi National Park in remote Western Tanzania,

Chada Katavi sits under a shady canopy of acacia and tamarind trees overlooking the wide Chada Plain and is a hub of wildlife activity, particularly elephants in the dry season.

A classic expeditionary outpost with just six spacious safari tents with large shade net windows to let in lots of light and cool breezes, each tent has en-suite bathrooms with traditional safari style bucket showers, eco- flush toilets and hot and cold water available on demand

The area enjoys superb game with vast herds of buffalo roaming the plains; also elephant, lion, leopard, crocodiles and hippo. Katavi is known for hundreds of hippo gathering in limited water sources in the dry season, and aestivating crocodiles in river bank caves.

Activities include epic walking safaris, game drives in open 4WD vehicles, night drives, fly camping under the stars, outstanding birding and big mammal safaris. June is green and lush after the long rains, and this is one of the best times of the year to visit. July to October starts to dry out, the rivers and pools are drying up concentrating the game in certain areas which makes for amazing sightings, particularly of the famous phenomenon surrounding hippo and crocodiles in Katavi.



## **FLY FROM KATAVI NATIONAL PARK TO RUAHA NATIONAL PARK**

### **Days 4 - 6**

This morning after an early breakfast, board your scheduled flight southeast to the great Ruaha National Park. Ruaha is rich in big game and herds of over 100 elephant are seen regularly, in addition to the big cats and some more unusual antelope such as sable and roan. After lunch in camp, head out on an exploratory drive in an open game viewing vehicle, pausing for a sundowner near an iconic Ruaha baobab tree. Accommodation has been reserved for 3 nights on an all-inclusive basis.

### **KIGELIA RUAHA**

Kigelia Ruaha is located in one of the best wildlife areas of Ruaha National Park on the banks of the Ifiguru seasonal sand river. There are just six large safari tents with comfortable beds, wide verandas and thatch roofs. Each tent has a traditional safari en-suite bathroom with flush toilet and outdoor safari style bucket



shower under the stars with hot and cold water showers on request. The camp has one large family tent with two en-suite tented bedrooms under one thatch roof.

Activities include game drives in open 4WD vehicles, walking safaris, sundowners and bush picnics, and outstanding mammal and bird viewing in one of Tanzania's wildest parks. Ruaha is a remote park with fabulous game, particularly big cats, vast herds of elephant, greater & lesser kudu, very few camps and wonderful scenery including epic baobab trees studding the open plains.

June to September enjoy warm days and cool nights and is the best time of year for walking safaris and is a great time to view elephant and buffalo. October-November offers the chance to see heavy concentrations of game around the Ruaha and Mwagusi rivers with the weather dry and hot in the day. December-March sees prolific bird life, many animals calving and the weather starts to get more humid with the possibility of rain.



## **FLY FROM RUAHA NATIONAL PARK TO THE SELOUS GAME RESERVE**

### **Days 7 - 9**

Early drive to the airstrip to catch the flight over to the Selous in time for lunch. Settle in then take a short sundowner boat trip up river before a candlelit dinner in the main dining room, or around the pool.

### **SAND RIVERS SELOUS**

Sand Rivers Selous is located in the remote heart of the Selous Game Reserve in Southern Tanzania on the banks of the mile-wide Rufiji River. There are just 8 spacious open-fronted cottages raised on high concrete platforms - 5 Standard Riverside rooms and 3 Hillside Suites. All have en-suite bathrooms with flush toilets, powerful showers and hot and cold running water. The 3 Hillside Suites have an additional lounge area and private plunge pool and all rooms have overhead ceiling fans over the bed and epic views out over the river.

This area of the Selous affords great opportunities for game viewing by vehicle, on foot and by boat and you can enjoy picnics, fishing, trips to the hot springs and fly camping. The area is quiet without many

other camps and is perfect for full immersion in the bush. Fly-camping is a highly recommended part of any safari to Sand Rivers Selous and is available at an extra supplement.

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## **FLY FROM THE SELOUS GAME RESERVE TO DAR ES SALAAM**

### **Day 10**

Lazy start with breakfast around the pool and maybe a swim, before your departure to the airstrip and onward flight.







This safari can be extended to enjoy more time on safari in Tanzania or the Indian Ocean islands of Zanzibar, Pemba, Mafia or Fanjove – please ask!

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