



Ruaha National Park in Southern Tanzania: A hidden jewel of African Safari!

Ruaha is one of the finest game parks in Africa with a broad range of landscapes and habitats, rich and diverse wildlife, top quality guiding, intimate owner run camps and above all, fabulous game sightings. Ruaha is a special place indeed!

It is a classic dry season park best visited mid June to mid November. The Ruaha river acts as a magnet drawing huge concentrations of game from the hinterland.



Game viewing is truly exceptional! Ruaha is reputed to have the largest elephant population in Tanzania close to 12000 and big herds of buffalo about 500 to 1000 strong. Lion prides are unusually large and different prides are specialized in hunting buffalo and giraffe. Leopard sightings are very good and cheetah are seen hunting on the plains.



Ruaha is also lucky to have both the lesser and greater kudu, eland as well as the rare and beautiful roan and sable antelopes. It is one of the last strongholds of the highly endangered wild dog in Africa.

One of the best camps in Ruaha is Mwangusi Safari Camp located on the Mwangusi Sand River. The camp is renowned for its intense game drives, formidable game viewing and is run by its legendary owner Chris Fox. He is a wonderful story teller and over drinks around the evening camp fire, he weaves spellbinding tales of his close encounters with elephants, lions and leopards.

The “bandas” or tents are elegantly designed with wide verandahs overlooking the Mwangusi Sand River. The décor is quirky and rustic. Dinners are served alfresco in beautiful locations with lanterns lighting up the dining area.

Wild elephants are regular visitors to camp as well as the occasional lion and leopard. In September 2013, a mother leopard gave birth to her young right next to one of the bandas. It is a wonderful camp!

An ideal safari circuit would be a combination of Selous and Ruaha both easily accessed from Dar es Salaam. Another great circuit is a combination of Ruaha and Serengeti.



Safari Africa invites you to experience the magic of Ruaha!