

Southern & Western Tanzania

The south and west of Tanzania are relatively unknown but contain some of the largest and wildest safari areas on the continent with only a tiny fraction of the visitors that visit the North. Access is usually by air from Zanzibar or Dar Es Salaam as distances are long and roads poor.

The premier destination is the Selous Game Reserve a vast Wilderness area with the unspoilt Rufiji River running through its heart. The game viewing is spectacular particularly in the dry season months and the varied activities include guided walks, game viewing from boats along the river and fly camping.

Ruaha National Park combines with Selous and is now Tanzania's largest park with good game viewing and few visitors.

Katavi in the west is perhaps the most remote of all the parks in this region with huge herds of buffalo and plentiful lions as well as the most dense population of Hippo and crocodile found in Tanzania.

Mahale on beautiful Lake Tanganyika is home to wild chimpanzees and provides an unusual and complementary experience.

Southern Tanzania and Selous in particular is perfect for a Safari and beach combination with Zanzibar, Mafia or Pemba Islands.

Highlights:

- Boat Safaris on the Rufiji River
- Wild dogs in the Selous game reserve
- Fly camping overnight in the bush
- The habituated wild chimpanzees at Mahale



Timezone:	GMT +3hrs
Language:	English, Swahili
Currency:	Tanzanian Shilling US Dollars
Flights:	9 hours from Europe
Visas:	Required for EU citizens

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
Tanzania South	Intermittant rain with hot weather, game viewing is fair. The green season starts in Ruaha and Selous	Ocasional rain with hot weather, game viewing is fair. The green season in Ruaha and Selous	Ocasional rain with hot weather, game viewing is fair. The green season in Ruaha and Selous	Long rains. Low season rates apply. Many camps are closed.	Long rains. Low season rates apply. Many camps are closed.	Long rains should end, relatively cool clear days, good game viewing, seasonal bargains	Relatively cool clear days, bush green and lush, good game viewing	Now much warmer especially during the day. Animal herds getting larger on land near water. Good game viewing	Hot and dry, the bush has dried out and game viewing is excellent	Weather is now hot but dry and scarce water makes for outstanding game viewing near to permanent water	Hot weather with intermittent rain later in the Month. Game viewing is excellent	Intermittant rain with hot weather, game viewing is good

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