

HODI ♦ HODI

RUAHA SAFARI BUSH CAMP

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RUAHA NATIONAL PARK

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Nature at her Wildest!

RUAHA -The Wilderness in the Deep South

20,000 square kilometres of game park, crossed by the Great Ruaha River. This is the largest park in East Africa, and one of the least visited. Uniquely at the intersection of northern and southern ecosystems, it is a haven of rich flora and fauna, including several endemic species, with healthy populations of elephant and a strong carnivore presence. Dry from June to December and green from January to May, the vast scenery of hills, riverbeds and baobab trees is constantly changing.



Game gets progressively more concentrated towards the end of the season when the traditional water sources dry up. In the green season, the park transforms into a lush and dazzling Eden, of interest to specialist visitors such as botanists and bird-watchers.

The name '**Ruaha**' originates from the local Hehe tribe word 'ruvaha', which means 'river'. The Hehe are one of the great Southern tribes, and there are several historical and cultural sites in the park for visitors to explore.



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*HODI HODI is Swahili for
'May I come in?'
The answer is always Karibu-
'Welcome'*

The new sister-camp of the popular **HODI HODI** Beach Houses in Zanzibar is **HODI HODI** Bush Camp. Two hours drive from **Iringa** town airport, through villages and forests, our stunning camp awaits you, on the edge of a ridge overlooking **Ruaha National Park**, in a vast wildlife management area.

Situated 8 kilometres outside the park, a thousand metres above sea-level, a horseshoe shaped valley facing into the sunset is the setting for our tented camp. Our land merges into the Wildlife Management Area bordering the park itself. Game on the mountain ridges around us and the wide plains below is constant and varied, including giraffe, klipspringer, elephant, sable antelope and occasionally lion, leopard and the rare African wild dog.

This is an untouched wilderness that **Makifu**, the little village behind our mountain, populated by the Hehe tribe and the Maasai, have allowed us to look after and keep as pristine as the **Ruaha National Park**.

In return we assist **Makifu** with their educational and healthcare needs, and contribute \$5 per person per night towards a village fund.



RUAHA BUSH CAMP

ACCOMMODATION and FACILITIES



*A Safari Experience with
all the Comforts of Home!*

200 private acres of pristine bush is yours to explore on the edge of the park - by foot, by car, by day or by night. Canvas tents on teak decks with thatch roofs, 4 double or twin rooms and 3 family suites, all with panoramic views over the plains.

Dining under the stars, full-day game drives, waking safaris and bush sundowners complete your experience.

The **Hodi Hodi Bush Camp** accommodation is spread along the ridge both sides of our dining area. The tents are stylish and comfortable, built hanging off the steep ridge, on teak wood decking, with a brick-built bathroom, tented front and sides and protective netting open to your views. Full solar-power ensures you have light, hot water and cold drinks.

Our meals are taken around the firepit in an area safe from wildlife, and all produce is bought from local farms, in line with the **HODI HODI** 'buy local, employ local' policy. The bar and lounge with a cooling plunge-pool is above our wildlife waterhole, where impala, zebra, kudu, warthog and baboon may come and drink as you refresh yourselves after a dusty day exploring the bush, and if we are lucky, elephant and leopard will visit later at night.

