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THINGS TO NOTE ABOUT SEASONS

Wet. Wetter. Wettest. These are the seasons of equatorial Africa. In the rainforest, rain is an essential part of the ecosystem and brings a cooling effect on balmy days after long walks exploring the region. Our big mammals do not migrate,

and so they are in the area year-round. For this reason, any time of year is a wonderful time to explore the last jungles of Tarzan. The below is a general guideline based on our experience and is by no means a guarantee.

WEATHER GUIDELINE

ODZALA-KOKOOUA NATIONAL PARK		
HIGHLY RECOMMENDED		JANUARY - MARCH
January	Av day: 34°C / 93°F Av night: 18°C / 64°F	Middle of the short dry season - fair temperatures, less rain and lower humidity.
February		Quite like January, with a few more rainy days and light elevated temperatures.
March		One of the year's warmest months, usually the end of the low-rainfall season.
SHORT RAINS & HOT DAYS		APRIL - MAY
April	Av day: 32°C / 90°F	Variable rainfall to becoming hotter and heavier later in the month.
May	Av night: 22°C / 72°F	Rainfall is much the same as in April, and temperatures slowly start to decline.
HIGHLY RECOMMENDED		JUNE - SEPTEMBER
June	Av day: 30°C / 86°F Av night: 21°C / 70°F	An almost a sudden slowing of heavy rainfall and temperatures cool down.
July		One of the least wet, coolest times of the year with occasional gentle rains.
August		The temperature is slightly cooler than July and rainfall remains much the same.
September		Rainfall increases towards the middle of the month, so does the temperature.
FABULOUS CONTRASTS		OCTOBER - DECEMBER
October	Av day: 32°C / 90°F Av night: 21°C / 70°F	Rains continue this month getting wetter and it can be very humid.
November		Tropical rainstorms contrast with sustained periods of clear blue skies.
December		Rain declines as the low-rainfall season sets in towards the end of December.



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CLIMATE OVERVIEW:

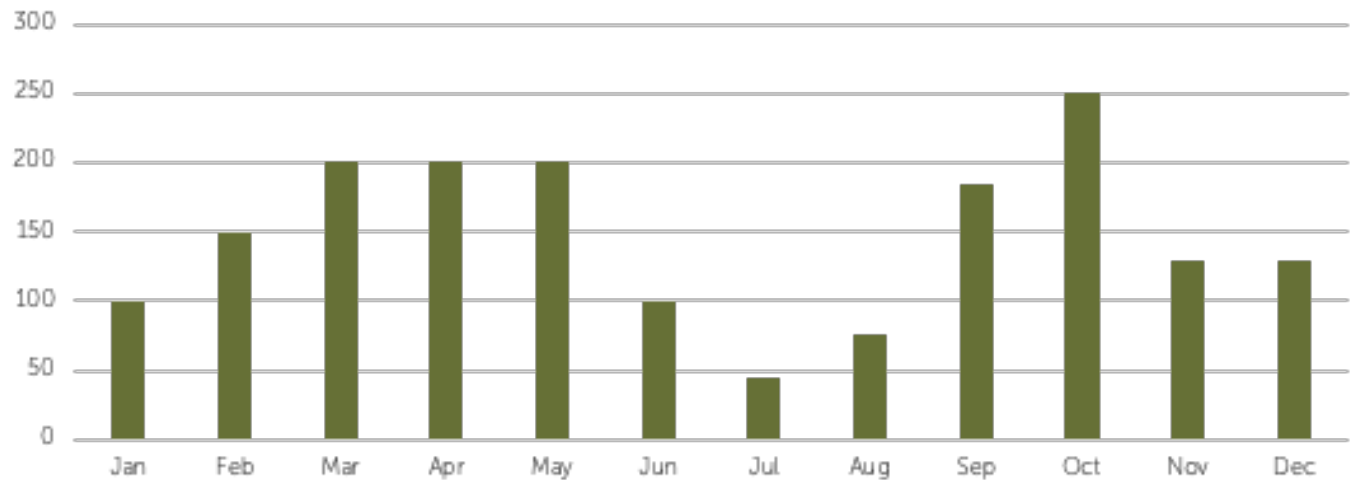
A tropical climate characterised by relatively heavy precipitation, moderately high temperatures, and humidity. Odzala-Kokoua National Park lies just north of the equator where the primary low-rainfall season extends from June through September, with a gentle-rain season from December through February. It starts to get hotter towards the end of March.

With temperatures rising steadily, the short heavy rains begin towards the end of April with high rainfall through May. As the temperature declines gradually, rainfall drops steadily and the long low-rainfall season settles in mid-June.

July is one of the least wet and coolest months. Temperatures stay fairly low right through August. Rainfall starts to increase again towards the middle of September and so does the temperature. September is usually the end of the low-rainfall season.

The heavy-rain season often begins in October, which can be one of the most variable months of the year. Temperatures are high, but cool down a bit in November, which can also get very humid. This is the typical feel right through December when the rains start to simmer down.

ANNUAL RAINFALL (MM):



During the wetter months, tropical rainstorms contrast with sustained periods of clear blue skies and soft light for photography.