



JANUARY

The short rains are ending but the landscape is still green and lush. Daytime temperatures are comfortable and both game viewing and birding is excellent. These ideal conditions mean increased visitor numbers.

❄ 13°C / 55°F ☀ 25°C / 77°F ☁ 87mm / 3.4in

FEBRUARY

The days are dry and comfortable with good game viewing. If you are trying to escape the crowds, why not suggest an afternoon drive to the crater floor rather than the more popular morning visit?

❄ 13°C / 55°F ☀ 25°C / 77°F ☁ 104mm / 4.1in

MARCH

Mid-March sees the start of the long rainy season and most days have intermittent rain. This is when many animals calve, which can attract predators and make for quite spectacular game viewing. A great time for those looking for fewer vehicles on the crater floor.

❄ 13°C / 55°F ☀ 25°C / 77°F ☁ 137mm / 5.4in

APRIL

Long rains continue and it is now colder than previous months. Photographic opportunities in April are excellent - the crater floor is carpeted with blooming wildflowers and there are fewer crowds than any other month.

❄ 15°C / 59°F ☀ 23°C / 73°F ☁ 140mm / 5.5in

MAY

The long rains continue but the flowers continue to bloom, and visitor numbers remain low. Another excellent month for those that don't mind the cooler temperatures and want to experience fewer vehicles than normal.

❄ 14°C / 57°F ☀ 21°C / 70°F ☁ 60mm / 2.4in

JUNE

The long rains are ending, and the dry season brings sunny days with cloudless skies. Nighttime temps can drop to freezing on the crater rim, so it is important to bring cold weather clothes. Excellent game viewing and photography conditions – so expect vehicle numbers to be higher than May.

❄ 12°C / 54°F ☀ 21°C / 70°F ☁ 12mm / 0.5in

JULY

Pleasant days and cold nights continue, as do the wonderful game viewing opportunities. In July the vegetation in the crater is less dense increasing the possibility of excellent sightings. These optimum conditions start to bring the crowds back.

❄ 11°C / 52°F ☀ 21°C / 70°F ☁ 13mm / 0.5in

AUGUST

The fantastic game viewing continues. Many of the resident game species are concentrated around permanent water, making viewing easy and rewarding. The temps remain consistent – sunny warm days, possibly freezing at night.

❄ 11°C / 52°F ☀ 21°C / 70°F ☁ 23mm / 0.9in

SEPTEMBER

The temperatures are starting to creep up a little but it's still advisable to bring cold weather gear for those early starts. The game viewing on the crater floor is at a peak and as such vehicle numbers are high. Keep an eye out for those big tuskers.

❄ 12°C / 54°F ☀ 24°C / 75°F ☁ 7mm / 0.4in

OCTOBER

Excellent conditions continue for daytime game viewing. Still chilly at night and toward the end of the month, there may be some intermittent, short showers – these usually happen in the afternoon and would very rarely affect a safari activity.

❄ 13°C / 55°F ☀ 25°C / 77°F ☁ 27mm / 1.1in

NOVEMBER

The short rains, which last about one month, can occur anytime between October and December. Despite potential rain the game viewing remains excellent and the increased hours of daylight allow for more viewing opportunities, for both game and birds.

❄ 14°C / 57°F ☀ 24°C / 75°F ☁ 85mm / 3.3in

DECEMBER

If the rains have not yet fallen, they are still possible at this time. Otherwise conditions remain consistent: excellent game viewing and pleasant daytimes. As we approach the festive season, crowds and vehicle numbers will increase to the highest volumes seen all year.

❄ 12°C / 54°F ☀ 24°C / 75°F ☁ 113mm / 4.4in