

RUAHA NATIONAL PARK SEASONALITY AND WILDLIFE VIEWING

Asilia camps: Jabali Ridge, Jabali Private House, and Kokoko Camp

❄️ Minimum average temperature ☀️ Maximum average temperature ☁️ Average rainfall

■ High season ■ Low season ■ Camp closed



JANUARY

Elephant viewing can be excellent due to the abundance of food. All other herbivores are also healthy and present in good numbers. Meadows of flowers after the rains, landscapes lush and green. *Least tsetse flies. Kokoko Camp is closed.*

❄️ 17°C / 63°F ☀️ 28°C / 82°F ☁️ 155mm / 6.1in

FEBRUARY

There can be lots of baby elephant at this time of year and sightings of other herbivores remain high in February, again due to an abundance of food. Landscapes at most beautiful, wildflowers (ginger lilies, pretty lady), Palearctic birds arriving. *Least tsetse flies. Kokoko Camp is closed.*

❄️ 17°C / 63°F ☀️ 28°C / 82°F ☁️ 141mm / 5.6in

MARCH

Large elephant herds can be spotted together with many youngsters. Birding is particularly rewarding at this time of year. Cat sightings can be more infrequent but more rewarding as no vehicles around. *Least tsetse flies. Kokoko Camp is closed.*

❄️ 17°C / 63°F ☀️ 28°C / 82°F ☁️ 138mm / 5.4in

APRIL - MAY

Long rains - *all camps closed*

A ❄️ 17°C / 63°F ☀️ 28°C / 82°F ☁️ 66mm / 2.6in

M ❄️ 15°C / 59°F ☀️ 27°C / 81°F ☁️ 6mm / 0.2in

JUNE

The grass is tall in June (waist-high) after the rains, reducing in height as months go on. Lack of vehicles and plentiful game. Rivers mostly dry, still some water in Great Ruaha River. *High season for Kokoko Camp*

❄️ 13°C / 55°F ☀️ 26°C / 79°F ☁️ 0mm / 0in

JULY

Cheetah and wild dog can be particularly good this time of year but varies each season so hard to predict. Lion is active but more spread out. Grass becoming lower so visibility increases. Seasonal balloon safaris are now possible.

❄️ 13°C / 55°F ☀️ 26°C / 79°F ☁️ 0mm / 0in

AUGUST

August is traditionally good for cat sighting, particularly lion and leopard. Buffalo come down from escarpment in herds of between 10 – 1000. Elephants digging in dry riverbeds. Landscapes becoming arid, lots of combretum flowers.

❄️ 14°C / 57°F ☀️ 27°C / 81°F ☁️ 0mm / 0in

SEPTEMBER

Great sightings of cats are still possible and again lion and leopard being the most prevalent. It is still possible to see those large buffalo herds and in general the wildlife is becoming concentrated around waterholes and riverbeds.

❄️ 17°C / 63°F ☀️ 28°C / 82°F ☁️ 0mm / 0in

OCTOBER

Peak dry season, outstanding game viewing. Great for cat sightings – lion, leopard and cheetah. Seasonal balloon safaris operate until the end of the month.

❄️ 17°C / 63°F ☀️ 30°C / 86°F ☁️ 7mm / 0.3in

NOVEMBER

Game viewing is very dependent on rain. When rains come, herbivores and cats disperse, and the buffalo move up onto the escarpment. The baobab and mahogany trees are in flower in November and at the end of the month the migratory bird species start to arrive. *Kokoko Camp is closed.*

❄️ 18°C / 64°F ☀️ 30°C / 86°F ☁️ 39mm / 1.5in

DECEMBER

A lovely quiet time to visit – no vehicles around so you will have the wildlife to yourself. Cats are more spread out but still active. Migratory bird species in abundance. Elephant sightings are excellent. Flowers and smaller things – slower, more intimate safari experience. *Kokoko Camp is closed.*

❄️ 18°C / 64°F ☀️ 29°C / 84°F ☁️ 151mm / 5.9in

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