



CHIAWA SAFARIS

CHIAWA CAMP | OLD MONDORO | PUKU RIDGE



SAFARI & TRAVEL INFORMATION

Our Zambia, Your Way.

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TRAVEL & LOGISTICS

INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL

subject to change without notice

Lusaka (Zambia) is easily accessed on the following direct flights
Johannesburg on South African Airways - Dubai on Emirates
Addis Ababa on Ethiopian Airlines - Istanbul on Turkish Airlines
Nairobi on Kenya Airways - Windhoek on Air Namibia

IN-ZAMBIA TRAVEL

Proflight currently handles all domestic air travel within Zambia and offers cost effective and convenient flights around the country. Private aircraft are also available for hire on a charter basis from Proflight and other reputable Zambian charter companies.

AIRCRAFT + FLIGHT PATH DETAILS

Usually the flights between Lusaka and the Lower Zambezi are carried out in Cessna Grand Caravan aircraft however sometimes smaller aircraft such as Britten Norman Islanders, Cessna 401/2, Piper Chieftains and Beechcraft Barons are used. The flight to the Lower Zambezi leaves Lusaka, flies over farmland before crossing the rugged Zambezi Escarpment and then dropping 1,000M into the Zambezi Valley, with some of the most spectacular views (of the escarpment, river, islands and wildlife) to be had from an aircraft. Flights between Lusaka and Livingstone/Mfuwe are usually on Jetstream twin turbine commuter planes whereas flights between Jeki and Mfuwe/Livingstone are usually on a Cessna Grand Caravan or a King Air 90.

**Note: Please refer to official aviation sources for pilot information. This is for general reference only.*

ROYAL (charters only): FLRZ, Elv 1243ft, Cord S15.43.37.0 E029.17.53.0, Runway 08/26 1700 x 30m TAR

JEKI: FLJK Elv 1200ft Cord S15.38.00.0 E029.36.00.0, Runway 06/24 800x20m gravel

MFUWE: FLMF Elv 1841 fit Cord S13-16.0/E031-56.0, Runway 09/27 7218 x 98m TAR

CAMP ACCESS

| CHIAWA CAMP + OLD MONDORO |

Access in light aircraft via **JEKI AIRSTRIP**
from Lusaka (35 minutes)
from Livingstone (90 minutes)
from Mfuwe (90 minutes, direct)

| PUKU RIDGE |

Access in light aircraft via **MFUWE AIRPORT**
from Lusaka (60 minutes)

**Royal Airfield is only used on a charter basis*



CAMP ACCESS

After touchdown guests will be welcomed by one of our driver's or guides, offered a refreshing towel and a drink before loading up luggage and departing the airfield in a 4x4 Toyota Land Cruiser.

JEKI > CHIAWA CAMP

Guests will enjoy a 15-minute game drive to the banks of the Zambezi River where you will board one of our aluminum speedboats waiting to take you the 40-minute boat ride to camp, game viewing and incredible scenery guaranteed en-route. There are no facilities at Jeki.

JEKI > OLD MONDORO

Guests will enjoy a 40-minute game drive through the National Park direct to camp. However, this is prime wildlife country so don't be surprised by a detour to see a leopard or a delay to view a herd of elephants or zebras crossing the Jeki Plains.

CHIAWA CAMP <> OLD MONDORO

Travel the 35kms between camps by motorboat (usually departing just after brunch). The journey takes about an hour, all within the National Park and is surely a highlight of any visit to the Lower Zambezi and one of the world's great boat trips.

MFUWE AIRPORT > PUKU RIDGE

Guests will enjoy a 90-minute drive in one of our closed, air-conditioned safari Landcruisers or in an open game-viewing Landcruiser. The drive spends equal time winding through villages and market places as it does within the National Park, game viewing en-route.

ARRIVAL AT CAMP

Upon arrival at our camps you will be greeted by our camp managers, selected for their passion and ability to provide world-class hospitality in a remote and challenging environment. You will be offered one of our specialty in-house refreshments or a drink of your choice before sitting down with our managers who will orient you with the camp, the safari activities, the meals, and matters of safety. If you have not already signed our Terms & Conditions and Waiver of Liability they will ask you to do so at this time, also asking you to please include any special requirements/occasions, and your passport and insurance details in the event of an emergency.

After this, depending on the time of day and what wildlife sightings might be going on nearby, you will then be settled into your room, have a meal and go out on safari.



NB: Chiawa Safaris' camps are renowned internationally for their high levels of hospitality. Even so, sometimes things do not always go perfectly. In such cases please immediately make your concerns known to the managers so the situation can be addressed and corrected as quickly as possible.

TRAVEL CHECKLIST

✕ AIR TICKETS

International and domestic, booked and paid for – ensure these have Zambian Domestic airport charges included, if not have your credit card (AmEx not always readily accepted) on-hand or cash in Zambian Currency to pay these on arrival.

✕ INSURANCE

Trip cancellation, medical evacuation & hospitalization, and lost/damaged property/baggage

✕ PASSPORT + VISA

Passports must be valid for at least 6 months after travel - Visas for entry into Zambia and other countries may be required dependent upon your passport country. Apply beforehand or bring cash for these if purchasing on arrival.

✕ INOCULATIONS

Including Yellow Fever if visiting South Africa after Zambia.

✕ PRINTED ITINERARY

Bring a printed travel itinerary showing all accommodation, travel and meet & greet services are booked and paid for plus contact numbers.

✕ CASH + CARDS

Bring USD cash to pay for visas and travel needs, to exchange for the Zambian Kwacha, and credit cards just in case.

✕ UPDATES + ALERTS

Check with your Foreign Office before travel for any updates or alerts, and register with their travel authority as well.



CHIAWA CAMP

THIS “BEST IN AFRICA” AWARD WINNING SAFARI LODGE HAS IT ALL – COMFORT, AN ATTENTIVE TEAM DEDICATED TO ENSURING YOU HAVE THE BEST IN HOSPITALITY AND PERSONALIZED ATTENTION, PLUS A “BEST IN AFRICA” AWARD WINNING TEAM OF SAFARI GUIDES.

AIM

To provide guests with Africa’s finest safari experience, whilst actively conserving the precious wildlife and habitat of the Lower Zambezi.

BACKGROUND

Owned and operated by the Cumings Family since it opened in 1989, Chiawa Camp was the first safari camp to be established in the Lower Zambezi National Park. Dedicated to conserving this incredible wilderness, Chiawa Camp remains the only camp in the Park that is still owned and operated by its founders.

THE CAMP

| OPEN 01 MAY - 15 NOV | Comprising a lovely thatched lounge/bar area with upper & lower viewing decks and lots of comfy furniture is complemented by a similarly styled dining room with al-fresco dining area, set under a large winter thorn tree and overlooking the Zambezi River. Other amenities include a refreshing plunge pool with sun deck for the hot months, a viewing deck overlooking a flood plain dotted with wildlife, a small but well equipped bush-gym, and a small gift shop with curios, safari wear, film and toiletries.

THE TENTS

Accommodation is in nine gorgeous safari tents, including one Safari Suite, on wooden decks under the shade of a giant grove of mahogany trees, spread out along the river and then up a flood plain area ensuring everyone has differing but amazing views.

King-size beds swathed in mosquito nets and 100% cotton linens, en-suite facilities including his & her’s washbasins, roll top bath, indoor and outdoor showers (“the best showers in Zambia”) all with views of the Zambezi, flush loos, hot & cold running water, an outdoor bench-wallow - or on demand plunge pool - and free WiFi.

For those guests wanting even more luxury and privacy, Chiawa Camp’s Safari Suite is everything you could want and more, with its own access, plunge pool, lounge area (that converts into a second bedroom for young families) and views to die for.



SAFARI SLEEPOUT UNDER THE STARS

Zambia's newest open-air bedroom, privately placed along the Zambezi River with an uninterrupted ceiling of stars. This is the safari sleepout experience you've been waiting for at our luxury lodge Chiawa Camp. Imagine starting your night out with a private, four-course dinner, served to you whilst drifting on the Zambezi River at sunset.

After your dinner, your private boat will deliver you to Zambia's most luxurious Star Bed Tower, the 'Star Drift', where a hot bath and a bottle of crisp bubbly on ice will be waiting. Drift off to sleep, under the incredible night sky with the sounds of nighttime Africa all around you, in this wildest of locations. Camp is on-call, nearby, to ensure you have a restful and easy sleep.

Wake to a continental breakfast, delivered to you at the wake up time you desire. Choose from a selection of teas and a pot of freshly pressed coffee, along with juices, just-baked scones, homemade jams and so much more to settle your appetite before you head out on safari or return to your tent. A perfect complement to a Zambian luxury safari with Chiawa.



A DAY IN THE LIFE

Although no two days are ever the same and we are not regimented, typically the day starts with a choice of tea/coffee/hot chocolate/juice delivered to guest's tents about 15 minutes before sunrise.

Guests meet by the campfire for a light varied breakfast and depart for morning safari activity. Guests return to camp about 11am and lunch is served midday. Guests siesta or relax in camp if they so wish until afternoon tea which is served around 15:30 with sweet and savoury snacks before the afternoon activity which usually culminates in a night drive returning to camp about 20:00.

Drinks and snacks are served at the bar or by the campfire, until a 4-course dinner, usually with a choice of main dish, is served. Coffee and liqueurs are offered after dinner and guests typically turn in for the night around 22:00. Soft drinks, bottled water, spirits, beer and House Wines are included in the price and a selection of renowned South African wines is also available for sale.

Chiawa Camp specialises however in making every day a unique and special occasion.

ACTIVITIES

Are led by some of Africa's most experienced guides and guests may choose from day & night game drives, nature walks, game viewing by pontoon boat, canoeing, fishing (catch & release only) and birding.

CONSERVATION

Guests should understand the following before they travel:

NIGHT GAME DRIVES

are conducted using red filters on the headlights and spotlights of our vehicles as a conservation measure. Historically this has made photography difficult but we have now developed a diffuse white light, which is used for night photography. Although its range is limited to less than 15M the results are excellent. Although this is not Law in Zambia we believe it should be and will lead by example, and so we do not permit the use of unfiltered spotlights and vehicle headlights, flash photography or use of flashlights on any of our night drives.

FISHING

is entirely catch & release, and no cut/drift/live bait fishing is permitted. Additionally only one hook per lure, and the hook must be barbless. These are first world conservation measures proven to measurably and significantly reduce injury and mortality to the fish. Although these measures are not Law in Zambia we believe they should be and will lead by example, and so we do not permit the use of barbed hooks, multiple hooks or any live/cut bait at Chiawa Camp and Old Mondoro.

CONSIDERATION

we ask all our guests at both camps to please be considerate of the environment, the wildlife and other guests during their visit. We do not permit the use of cell phones, lap tops, or electronic games in the social areas of camp or on our activities unless where tablets or cell phones are being used solely for access to a relevant wildlife information app as are now readily available. We ask that guests remain cognisant at all times and conduct themselves accordingly remembering that they are in a wildlife sanctuary sharing the moment with others who have travelled great distances and at significant expense to experience its peace, solitude and natural state of affairs.



CHECK-IN & OUT

Check-in -12:30PM / Check-out -11:30AM. It is unusual that a guest is asked to check in to or check out of a room at a time not of his choosing however, especially during the busy season, there will be times when the same room is needed for guests arriving on a morning flight and other guests leaving the same day on an afternoon flight. On these occasions we will need to strictly apply said check in and check out times although we will do our utmost to keep guests comfortable and entertained in such cases.

ELECTRICITY

Electricity is supplied 24 hours per day in 220V/AC format to all rooms in camp via a combination of diesel generator (in noise-reduction canopy) and a silent eco friendly inverter/battery system. This means you can have lighting and charge your cameras and other electronic devices throughout the day and night. The same power also runs electric fans during the day and most of the night. All rooms are equipped with international plug points that accept USA, UK and European plugs however if you have equipment that requires 110/120V/AC only you will need to bring a power adaptor with you.

COMMUNICATIONS

All rooms have wifi serviced by satellite. Due to the remoteness of the camp the bandwidth is limited, and will be slow, like old dial up. Please view our internet use policy [here](#). There is also a satellite telephone for use in emergencies and camp also maintains a Skype-out account, which provides (usually) reliable VOIP telephone calls. A VHF radio network connects both our camps with other camps in the area and beyond. Each room has a VHF radio with which guests may communicate with camp management.

WATER

All water in camp is pumped from wells or boreholes into tanks after which it is filtered and chlorinated before being reticulated through all faucets in camp. All drinking water is safe, safer than most bottled waters as it goes through additional filters including an activated charcoal filter, a reverse osmosis process and finally a UV treatment. Ice is prepared with water treated the same way.

STAFF

An enthusiastic & professional team of 36 professionals, including a host, hostess & 6 professional guides, who take care of Chiawa Camp and its guests.

SAFETY

Guests are given comprehensive briefings upon arrival and before activities, and qualified, experienced guides with First Aid training lead all activities. Each activity and tent has a personal vhf radio for emergencies and these are scanned 24/7 by Chiawa Camp management. Chiawa Camp has 24-hour contact with the rest of the world.

CHILDREN

Are welcome at Chiawa Camp, generally 8 years of age and older, but families are welcome and all enquiries catered to on a case-by-case basis.

TRANSPORT

Chiawa Camp utilizes 7 Toyota Land Cruisers, 4 motorboats, and 6 canoes - all modern and meticulously maintained.

EMERGENCY FACILITIES

We have limited emergency facilities and the nearest medical facility is located in Lusaka however for serious cases evacuation to South Africa or elsewhere should be considered. Our own Medical Evacuation insurance covers all guests at Chiawa Camp for medical emergencies that require evacuation, however this cover does not provide any hospitalization. We strongly recommend that you purchase global Medical Evacuation & Hospitalization Insurance.

CONTACT DETAILS

Chiawa Camp Coordinates: 15°41'3.54"S 29°24'49.03"E

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OLD MONDORO

A BEAUTIFUL, SMALL CAMP WHICH TAKES A STEP BACK FROM THE COMPLEXITY AND SOPHISTICATION OF MANY SAFARI CAMPS, FOCUSING INSTEAD ON PROVIDING GUESTS WITH A MORE DOWN-TO-EARTH (THOUGH NO LESS COMFORTABLE OR REWARDING) SAFARI EXPERIENCE. SITUATED FAR INSIDE THE PARK IN LOVELY WALKING COUNTRY WITH TOP GAME VIEWING, OLD MONDORO IS A HOT SPOT FOR ELEPHANTS, LEOPARDS, AND SEASONAL WILD DOG SIGHTINGS.

AIM

To offer guests a unique but complementary safari extension or alternative to Chiawa Camp. Visit both for the ultimate safari as the camps contrast each other perfectly.

BACKGROUND

Opened in 2002, owned & operated by the Cumings Family, Old Mondoro is the smallest camp in the Lower Zambezi National Park. Although still a “bush camp” it is comfortable and sophisticated enough to stand-alone or combine with any top safari camps.

THE CAMP

| OPEN 01 MAY - 07 NOV | Comprising a canvas and reed lounge area, or sitenje, with timber decks overlooking a maze of islands in the Zambezi River, as does an imaginative outdoor loo. Turn around in your seat and you look across mature open woodland and some of Africa’s finest walking country!

THE TENTS

Accommodation is in five screened-in reed chalets spread out along the Zambezi River and up the Old Mondoro Lagoon. All with canvas roofs, left open during the day and canvas blinds with window screens are lowered for privacy and security at night. All chalets have shaded timber viewing decks, lighting & power point, indoor flush loo & wash basin, outdoor shower & bath - all with 24/7 hot & cold water.

Comfy beds (King or two twins) with 100% cotton linens and mosquito nets complete the accommodation – all with wonderful views. There is, for families, an alternative 2-roomed chalet of similar design with 2 en-suite loos and washbasins, 2 outdoor showers and 1 shared outdoor splash tub.

There are 10 beds for independent travelers, in 5 bush chalets.



A DAY IN THE LIFE

The day typically starts with a wake-up call about 15 minutes before sunrise however the movements of the wildlife and guests' interests determine the order of the day. Guests meet by the campfire for a light breakfast and depart for morning safari activity soon after.

Guests return to camp around 11:00 to a brunch buffet with optional full English breakfast served around midday. Guest's typically siesta or relax until afternoon tea which is served around 15:30 with sweet and savoury snacks before the afternoon activity which usually culminates in a night drive returning to camp about 20:00.

Drinks and snacks are served at the bar or by the camp fire until a 3 course dinner is served. Coffee and liqueurs are offered after dinner and guests typically turn in for the night around 22:00. Soft drinks, bottled water, spirits, beer and House Wines are included in the price.



ACTIVITIES

Are led by some of Africa's most experienced guides and guests may choose from day & night game drives, nature walks, game viewing by pontoon boat, canoeing, fishing (catch & release only) and birding.

CONSERVATION

Guests should understand the following before they travel:

NIGHT GAME DRIVES

are conducted using red filters on the headlights and spotlights of our vehicles as a conservation measure. Historically this has made photography difficult but we have now developed a diffuse white light, which is used for night photography. Although its range is limited to less than 15M the results are excellent. Although this is not Law in Zambia we believe it should be and will lead by example, and so we do not permit the use of unfiltered spotlights and vehicle headlights, flash photography or use of flashlights on any of our night drives.



FISHING

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CONSIDERATION

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CHECK-IN & OUT

Check-in -12:30PM / Check-out -11:30AM. It is unusual that a guest is asked to check in to or check out of a room at a time not of his choosing however, especially during the busy season, there will be times when the same room is needed for guests arriving on a morning flight and other guests leaving the same day on an afternoon flight. On these occasions we will need to strictly apply said check in and check out times although we will do our utmost to keep guests comfortable and entertained in such cases.

ELECTRICITY

Electricity is supplied 24 hours per day in 220V/AC format to all rooms in camp via a combination of diesel generator (in noise-reduction canopy) and a silent eco friendly inverter/battery system. This means you can have lighting and charge your cameras and other electronic devices throughout the day and night. The same power also runs electric fans during the day and most of the night. All rooms are equipped with international plug points that accept USA, UK and European plugs however if you have equipment that requires 110/120V/AC only you will need to bring a power adaptor with you.

COMMUNICATIONS

Old Mondoro maintains a Skype-out account, which provides VOIP telephone calls should an emergency call be required. A VHF radio network connects Old Mondoro with Chiawa Camp and with other camps in the area and beyond. Each room has a VHF radio with which guests may communicate with camp management.

WATER

All water in camp is pumped from wells or boreholes into tanks after which it is filtered and chlorinated before being reticulated through all faucets in camp. All drinking water is safe, safer than most bottled waters as it goes through additional filters including an activated charcoal filter, a reverse osmosis process and finally a UV treatment. Ice is prepared with water treated the same way.

STAFF

An enthusiastic team of 16 professionals including 3 pro guides take care of Old Mondoro and its guests with host and hostess – all overseen by the Cumings Family.

SAFETY

Old Mondoro has an excellent safety record and takes precautions to maintain this. All guests are given comprehensive briefings upon arrival and before activities, and all activities are led by qualified and experienced guides with First Aid training. Each tent has its own VHF radio to call management and a whistle for back up! Old Mondoro has 24 hour contact with the rest of the world via vsat internet although there is no access for guests except in emergencies.

TRANSPORT

Old Mondoro utilizes 3 Toyota Land Cruisers, 2 motorboats, and 4 canoes - all modern and meticulously maintained.

EMERGENCY FACILITIES

Old Mondoro has limited emergency facilities and the nearest medical facility is located in Lusaka however for serious cases evacuation to South Africa or elsewhere should be considered. Our own Medical Evacuation insurance covers all guests at Old Mondoro for medical emergencies that require evacuation, however this cover does not provide any hospitalization. We strongly recommend that you purchase global Medical Evacuation & Hospitalization.

CONTACT DETAILS

Old Mondoro Coordinates: 15°37'51.14"S 29°41'31.20"E
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PUKU RIDGE

NEWLY RENOVATED WITH NO ASPECT LEFT UNATTENDED TO, THE UPGRADED PUKU RIDGE BLENDS STYLE AND COMFORT SEAMLESSLY WITH NATURE. LOCATED WELL INSIDE THE INCREDIBLE SOUTH LUANGWA NATIONAL PARK, THIS NEW COLLABORATION BETWEEN CHICHELE SAFARIS AND THE CUMINGS FAMILY HAS REIMAGINED PUKU RIDGE AS WILDERNESS REFINED.

AIM

To provide its guests with one of Africa's finest safari experiences whilst actively conserving the precious wildlife and habitat of the South Luangwa.

BACKGROUND

Sold by Sanctuary Retreats / A&K in 2018 to Chichele Safaris, its new owners are collaborating with Chiawa Safaris and the Cumings Family in rebuilding Puku Ridge and putting it back on the map as one of Africa's very best wildlife safari experiences, but now with more comfort and professional guiding.

THE CAMP

| OPEN 01 APRIL - 30 NOV | Comprising a lovely thatched lounge/bar area with panoramic views of the Puku Ridge flood plain which is usually covered with wildlife and is one of the best views in the South Luangwa. There is a specialist photographic hide, a camp fire, indoor and outdoor dining, and telescopes for viewing the stars and the wildlife.

THE TENTS

Each of Puku Ridge's 8 luxury safari tents are set on an elevated ridge overlooking plain and woodlands, full of wildlife. A super-king or large twin bed configuration for the ultimate sleep with air conditioning (which is a rare and welcome luxury in the Luangwa valley) and overhead fans, all within a stylish take on the mosquito net.

Ensuite facilities include an private wc and indoor shower plus "his & hers" washbasins and huge bathtub with view. A multi-level veranda with plunge pool overlooking the plains and wildlife, plus a tower with star bed perfect for nights under the vast African sky. Inside the luxury tents you'll of course find a minibar with tea + coffee station, complimentary wifi, 24/7 220v power, and international charging facilities.

The main area of Puku Ridge offers indoor and open-air lounge with various dining options, as well as a campfire and viewing hide overlooking the waterhole.



A DAY IN THE LIFE

The day typically starts with a wake-up call about 15 minutes before sunrise however the movements of the wildlife and guests' interests determine the order of the day. Guests meet by the campfire for a light breakfast and depart for morning safari activity soon after. Guests return to camp about 11:00 and a brunch buffet with optional full English breakfast is served around midday.

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ACTIVITIES

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CONSERVATION

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ELECTRICITY

Electricity is supplied 24 hours per day in 220V/AC format supplied via clean (hydro) mains power to all rooms in camp. There is a back-up diesel generator (in noise-reduction canopy). This means you can have aircon, fans, lighting and charge your cameras and other electronic devices throughout the day and night. All rooms are equipped with international plug points that accept USA, UK and European plugs however if you have equipment that requires 110/120V/AC only you will need to bring a power adaptor with you.

COMMUNICATIONS

There is intermittent cell phone cover at Puku Ridge. All rooms also have wifi serviced by satellite. Due to the remoteness of the camp the bandwidth is limited, and will be slow, like old dial up. Therefore, please restrict use of wifi to within your rooms only and to messages and attachments of less than 250kb only. A VHF radio network connects both our camps with other camps in the area and beyond. Each room has a VHF radio with which guests may communicate with camp management.

WATER

All water in camp is pumped from wells or boreholes into tanks after which it is filtered and chlorinated before being reticulated through all faucets in camp. All drinking water is safe, safer than most bottled waters as it goes through additional filters including an activated charcoal filter, a reverse osmosis process and finally a UV treatment. Ice is prepared with water treated the same way.

CHILDREN

Generally 12 years of age and older, but families are welcome and all enquiries catered to on a case-by-case basis.

STAFF

An enthusiastic & professional team including a general management couple and 3 pro guides, who take care of Puku Ridge and its guests - overseen by the Cumings Family.

SAFETY

Guests are given comprehensive briefings upon arrival and before activities, and qualified, experienced guides with First Aid training lead all activities. Each activity and tent has a personal vhf radio for emergencies and these are scanned 24/7 by Camp management. Puku Ridge has 24-hour contact with the rest of the world.

TRANSPORT

Puku Ridge utilizes 3 Toyota Land Cruisers with removable canopies, 1 transfer Land Cruiser (closed with air-conditioning, large windows and pop up roof).

EMERGENCY FACILITIES

Puku Ridge has limited emergency facilities and the nearest medical facility is located in Lusaka however for serious cases evacuation to South Africa or elsewhere should be considered. Our own Medical Evacuation insurance covers all guests at Puku Ridge for medical emergencies that require evacuation, however this cover does not provide any hospitalization. We strongly recommend that you purchase global Medical Evacuation & Hospitalization Insurance.

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WEATHER

The Chiawa Safaris lodges operate seasonally due to the intense rainfall that blesses most of Zambia between November and March/April. The attractiveness of the dry season is two-fold for visitors, with optimal weather conditions for enjoying the range of safari activities as well as enhanced wildlife viewing, as they emerge from the heat and gather along the Zambezi and South Luangwa rivers and water systems.

SEASONS & WILDLIFE CALENDAR

LOWER ZAMBEZI NATIONAL PARK

	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER
DAILY AVG TEMPERATURE °C	27 °C Cooler AM/ PM	27 °C Cooler AM + PM	27 °C	30 °C	30 °C	34 °C	34 °C Increased Humidity
RAINFALL	0mm	0mm	0mm	0mm	0mm	10mm	50mm
WILDLIFE & SCENERY	Flowers bloom, very green landscapes great for photography contrast with wildlife	Predators abound making for excellent sightings of hunting	Sunsets enhanced, lion & leopard sightings	Carmine Bee Eater seasons begins, Elephant activity increases	Tiger Fishing season starts up	Wild dog with pups sightings possible	Lower water levels great for canoeing, Tiger Fishing at its peak time

SOUTH LUANGWA NATIONAL PARK

	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER
DAILY AVG TEMPERATURE °C	30 °C	27 °C Cooler AM/PM	27 °C Cooler AM/PM	28 °C	30 °C	30 °C	34 °C	34 °C Increased Humidity
RAINFALL	10mm	0mm	0mm	0mm	0mm	0mm	10mm	50mm
WILDLIFE & SCENERY	Wild dog sightings	Green landscapes great for photography	Caracal or serval sightings possible	Perfect weather for walking safaris	Carmine Bee Eater seasons begins, Elephant river crossings	Predator sightings & hunting	Water supply thins out	Impala babies born after first rain

SAFARI ACTIVITIES

The Lower Zambezi National Park, by virtue of the Zambezi River fringed by forests and its parallel escarpment, and the South Luangwa National Park, by virtue of its incomparable wildlife, are two of Africa's most scenic, wild and wildlife-rich wildernesses that are home to an impressive quantity and variety of wildlife.

Viewing, all led by some of the best guides in the business, is typically by open 4x4 and on foot although in the Lower Zambezi activities also include canoeing, game viewing by boat and catch & release angling.

Do not expect vast open plains with countless prey animals constantly being hunted down by multiple predators. There are other places for this, with more animals and more variety – but these places are usually on the path more traveled, suffering from an overload of tourists and average guiding. Zambia's wildernesses are still wild and not yet overrun with lodges and tourists, where tracking down its precious wildlife requires skilled guides and patient guests who appreciate the adventure and remoteness as much as the sightings.





GAME DRIVES

A “game drive” is a safari activity conducted in an open 4x4 safari vehicle. This is the most effective way to see wildlife as these cover much ground and can get close sightings with out placing our guests in harms way or disturbing the wildlife that has come to accept our vehicles almost as much as the scenery around them.

We eschew canopies as these interfere with the views of the trees (& leopards in them) and birds during the day, and at night the stars. Each vehicle has bean bags for photography, 3 bench seats with a back rest and a foot rest for each, so up to 6 guests can each travel comfortably with a “window seat” however we typically restrict each game drive to 4 guests maximum. These leave camp in the morning and return before brunch, stopping for a mid-morning coffee stop. Cool box and First aid kit are carried on each vehicle, which is also equipped with a VHF radio for safety and for our guides to share news of interesting sightings so that the likelihood of any of our guests missing out on a great sighting is minimized.

Your guide is an expert in the bush and will point out interesting subjects as if by magic, a flick of a tail here, a curve of an ear there, a movement wherever. If one opts for a game drive in the afternoon, this will depart after high tea and then stop at sunset for sundowners (snacks and a drink, usually a cocktail, of your choice) before an experienced tracker assisting the guide switches on a red filtered spotlight and looking for the nocturnal creatures on a “night drive”.

The light will be handled sensitively, avoiding shining on the eyes of any animals but particularly the herbivores. Even the vehicle’s head lamps are covered with red filters, as the red light reduces discomfort and improves the viewing experience for all concerned. Although this can affect photography we have developed, unique to our camps, soft, diffuse filters for photography and these produce natural looking photographs.

Our guides will help you set your camera for best results. Night drives will return to camp before dinner.



WALKING SAFARIS

Walks are an interesting way to get a “back stage pass” look at the wildlife and how the ecology of the Lower Zambezi works. Our guides are trained naturalists who can not only identify spoor, birds, plants and insects but also explain in interesting detail how these all interact with each other, how each relies on each other in this, the great circle of life. Taking advantage of the cooler weather these usually take place in the early morning and are led by one of our pro guides and a Zambia Wildlife Authority armed “escort scout”.

Sometimes walks happen right out of camp but usually we drive a short distance into more open country. Guests are given a thorough safety briefing and orientation, and although the pace is much like a stroll in the park (no pun intended) and are by no means exerting. In the interests of safety, mediocre fitness and mobility are required in order to participate.

Your professional guide will be carrying a first aid kit, radio, pencil flare and “bear banger” to warn off any aggressive animal, and additional water. You will also have a water bottle and a custom-made carry sling for it, a welcome touch and convenience.

After the walk, which will last between 1-3 hours, a short (or long if you prefer) game drive back to camp, perhaps via a sighting one of our other vehicles has picked up. Important to note that although both our camps have sufficient pro guides licensed to walk each camp is only provided with one ZAWA escort scout and as we are able to only take 6 guests on a walk at any one time, occasionally guests may not get to walk on a day or time of their choosing – circumstances which are unusual and beyond our control.

CANOING



Canoe trips always head downstream, eastwards, as the current of the Zambezi is deceptively powerful. The canoes take either 2 or 3 people. All trips are led by at least one pro guide with current experience of that stretch of the river, and all canoes are paddled by one experienced “back paddler”, usually a trainee guide or other member of staff who has grown up and spent his young life paddling on the Zambezi. All canoe trips carry a dry bag, cool box, first aid kit and at least one VHF radio – guests are required to wear the floatation vests provided throughout the trip.

The best canoeing experience is to be had in the channels above camp, the Inkalange Channel above Chiawa and the Discovery Channel above Old Mondoro, both of which offer world class canoeing. Otherwise canoeing amongst the islands down the main river close to shore makes for an equally memorable experience. Drifting in near silence past birds, crocs and a variety of mammals makes for an amazing experience of a lifetime however this is the Zambezi at its most natural and unfortunately, also at its most dangerous.

Do not be lulled into a false sense of security - canoe trips can go horribly wrong. Although our camps have a perfect safety record, both have had crocs and hippos bump our canoes - and other camps have been less fortunate with incidents resulting in serious injury and, on very rare occasions, fatal consequences.

Although our camps follow best practice and take steps to mitigate the risks, we cannot eliminate the risks and it is important that all guests who participate in canoeing and indeed any activity at our camps, understand and accept these risks and the associated liability with them. Canoe trips usually leave camp at about 1430, by boat towing the canoes in tandem behind after which you are dropped off at the channel entrance around 1515 followed by a safety briefing and orientation. These float back into camp just before sunset and sundowners after which guests have the choice to relax before dinner by the camp fire and enjoy perhaps another cocktail or two or join a night drive.

RIVER SAFARIS

Boat Cruises or River Safaris conducted on custom built, stable pontoon boats with a canopy that can be raised or lowered according to circumstance and powered by near-silent, environmentally sensitive 4-stroke outboard motors give guests the opportunity to see more of the river and perhaps more wildlife by being able to cover more area – and in more comfort and safety than a canoe. Each boat carries first aid kit, flares, vhf radio, sufficient life vests, fire extinguisher and of course the obligatory cool box. Guided by one of our expert river guides who will have grown up on the Zambezi, explore the main bank, islands and channels coming across fish eagles, herons, perhaps a buffalo lurking in the reeds, a crocs and hippos sunning themselves, or elephants crossing the river – these are a relaxing way to enjoy wildlife viewing all the while in awe of the scenery. As the sun sets your guide will pour your cocktails of choice and serve you snacks before gently motoring back to camp or dropping you off at a waiting 4x4 to take you on a night drive. Sometimes we use the boats to drop off our walks on the mainland or – for those wanting a walk on a totally pristine habitat with no vehicles - on the permanent islands.



Fishing for tiger fish is one of the seasonal specialties of the Zambezi River. The best time to catch them is from late August to mid-November during the hotter months. Netting and killing of any fish is not permitted within the National Park – 100% catch & release for all species. Additionally, no live or cut bait is permitted (artificial lures only), no ultra-light tackle (minimum 20lb) and only one single de-barbed hook per line is allowed. These measures have all been proven by science to reduce stress and mortality of caught and released fish, making this activity in the National Park more conscionable and sustainable, and hence making this stretch of the Zambezi River the most protected stretch along its length. Which consequently offers some of the most productive sport angling opportunities available.

Both Chiawa Camp and Old Mondoro have expert river guides who have grown up on the Zambezi and have been guiding anglers, novice and expert alike, for a decade and more. With our custom built 18' pontoon boats and local knowledge of the river there is nowhere else on the Zambezi that offers finer opportunities to fish from. Over the years absolute beginners and world-class anglers alike have set a number of IGFA World Records for tiger fish at Chiawa Camp. The tiger fish is a wily and strong adversary. Somewhere between a trout and a piranha on the evolutionary scale, they are equipped with large bony jaws and a mouthful of razor sharp interlocking teeth. Wire leaders and strong, sharp hooks are a must. Apex predators, they eat smaller fish up to 75% their own length including their own species, and even young ducks and swimming reptiles.

Your guide will position the boat to help you get the right cast to the fish. Getting them to stay hooked is the trickiest part with strike to catch ratios of roughly 10:1 whereby after their initial and unmistakable hit, they tear line off the spool with a short, intensive run before leaping into the air, shaking their heads and usually throwing the hook at that point. At this point keep your rod tip down and your fingers crossed, don't allow any slack line, ever, and don't stop working until the fish is at the boat or lost! Once secured by the boat side, whilst watching out for crocs and ensuring the boat does not drift over a pod of hippos, your river guide will help to revive your fish before lifting it out briefly for you to hold and photograph and then release.

Like fishing anywhere, some days you're going to get "skunked" and catch nothing, but most days anglers can expect to boat perhaps half a dozen. On a really good day an accomplished fly fisherman can boat 40+ fish. Most common size is about 3lbs, average size 5lbs, a trophy would be in excess of 8lbs and a monster in excess of 12lbs. Camp record 21lbs and there are still stories of the one that got away, we believe that there are fish in excess of 25lbs waiting ... Catching and landing a trophy tiger fish is the stuff of dreams and we have an impressive array of loaner equipment (fly, spinning and bait casting) which complies with our FISHING POLICY at no charge to help you in your quest.

However, one should be prepared for lost and broken tackle and all losses and breakages whatsoever will be charged for, in lieu of a tackle rental fee, and we strongly recommend that serious anglers bring their own tackle according to this LIST, which has been crafted over years of experience. tackle rental fee, and we strongly recommend that serious anglers bring their own tackle according to this LIST, which has been crafted over years of experience.



CATCH & RELEASE ANGLING

Photography is becoming increasingly important on safari as the quality and availability of equipment improves, putting professional level results and memories in easy reach of most guests. As a rule of thumb, bring the best quality cameras, lenses and binoculars that you can afford because some of the best sightings and photo opportunities are in low light situations requiring bright optics and digital cameras with quality sensors - Nikon, Canon, Leica, Swarovski are in our experience all reliable brands with excellent optics which will make your safari that much more enjoyable. Typically, lenses need not be longer than 300mm and binoculars need not be more powerful than 8x. Our guides and managers are all keen photographers and will help our guests get the best photographs that they can for the variety of situations whilst on activity and in camp. We offer loaner protective slip cases for your cameras and bean bags on all safari vehicles to help protect and steady your gear. Aside from the photographic opportunities out on activity we offer one hide at Puku Ridge, and a viewing platform and two hides close to Chiawa Camp, ideal for viewing or photographing from - use of these two hides are treated as a walking activity in that a pro guide and a National Parks' escort officer are required due to the proximity of potentially dangerous animals.



PHOTOGRAPHY

Private guiding is available at a surcharge and by prior arrangement for Game Drives and Fishing however we only recommend this for those who do not wish to share their activities with others or who have specific requirements that would make sharing with others difficult.

The majority of our guests do not book privately guided activities and will be flexible, happy to share with others and our managers go out of their way to ensure that each guest's requirements are personally attended to, and that like-minded guests and interests are matched to the best of their ability.

Some guests choose to bring their own private guide or tour leader with them, they can be housed accommodation especially for them at a reduced rate, however if visiting private guides and tour leaders require guest accommodation they will be charged at the full rate.

Chiawa Camp's and Old Mondoro's pro guides are accustomed to working with visiting guides and tour leaders to help our guests get the very best guiding experience possible.



PRIVATE GUIDES

HIDES



There are two photographic/viewing hides close to Chiawa Camp (not available at Old Mondoro), and one at Puku Ridge. These are treated as a walking activity inasmuch that there will be a pro guide and armed National Parks' officer accompanying any guests due to their locations - one at a spot we call Scouts Hollow just by the edge of the Zambezi which is fabulous for all types of wildlife, and another just above camp by the water tank overflow which our trail cameras have shown to be very active. This provides an eye-level view of the animals that drink there.

NIGHT DRIVES



WHY DO WE OFFER NIGHT GAME DRIVES?

It is a privilege for safari camps in Zambia to be permitted to conduct night drives in National Parks, as these are not permitted everywhere because they are considered by many authorities to be too invasive. Yet, if conducted responsibly and sensitively, they can afford an excellent opportunity and perspective in which to view predators and the secretive nocturnal animals that one seldom sees in daylight. Not only are these animals out and about at night, but they are usually much easier to find than they would be in daylight, simply by using the reflection from their eyes. We developed a unique spotlight protocol at Chiawa Camp & Old Mondoro, now practiced at Puku Ridge, that offers our guests the opportunity to observe these creatures behaving naturally and to take natural looking photographs without compromising the same creatures' behaviour and well being.

IS THERE A PROBLEM WITH THE WHITE SPOT LIGHTS AND, IF SO, WHY DO OTHER CAMPS STILL USE THEM?

Shining a powerful white spot-light on animals at night is hugely disruptive to the animal's behaviour and hence, ultimately, its well-being. Additionally, using a white spot-light when animals are hunting will inevitably interfere with the outcome. Either the hunter will be revealed to its prey and the hunt ruined, or its task will be made unnaturally easy. Not all camps care about the wildlife like we do, and many can't or won't innovate or lead. We continue to lead, innovate, educate and lobby for improved practices in the safari industry.

HOW DO WE KNOW THERE'S A PROBLEM - IS THERE ANY SCIENCE AND/OR EXPERIENCE TO PROVE THIS?

There are two types of light-receptor cells in an eye: rods, which are light-sensitive, and cones, which are colour sensitive. Most mammals have many more rods and less cones than humans do, making their eyes more sensitive to light and allowing them to see better in low light conditions. The eye normally protects itself against bright light by automatically reducing the size of the pupil in bright conditions to limit the amount of light coming in, and opening it up when it is dark, just as adjusting a camera aperture prevents over-exposure. Natural light changes gradually so the pupil has plenty of time to adjust to the change, but thoughtless humans with instantaneous artificial lights throw a spanner in the works – with no time for the pupil to adjust it gets hit with a million-candlepower white light and instantly the animal is effectively blind, vulnerable and unable to function properly. Experiments have shown that cats' eyes take 35 minutes to recover fully after only 60 seconds exposure to bright light. It is quite common to see a leopard which was walking purposefully along when first spotted stop and lie down when a white spot-light is put on it; this is not because it doesn't care about the light, it is because it can't see anything and it is waiting for you to go away so its eyes can recover. Impala are so disorientated by white light that when game capture was in its infancy the standard way to catch impala was to dazzle them with a spotlight and physically tackle them: the expression "like a deer in the headlights" is used internationally to describe someone helpless and unable to protect themselves.

SO HOW DOES RED LIGHT HELP?

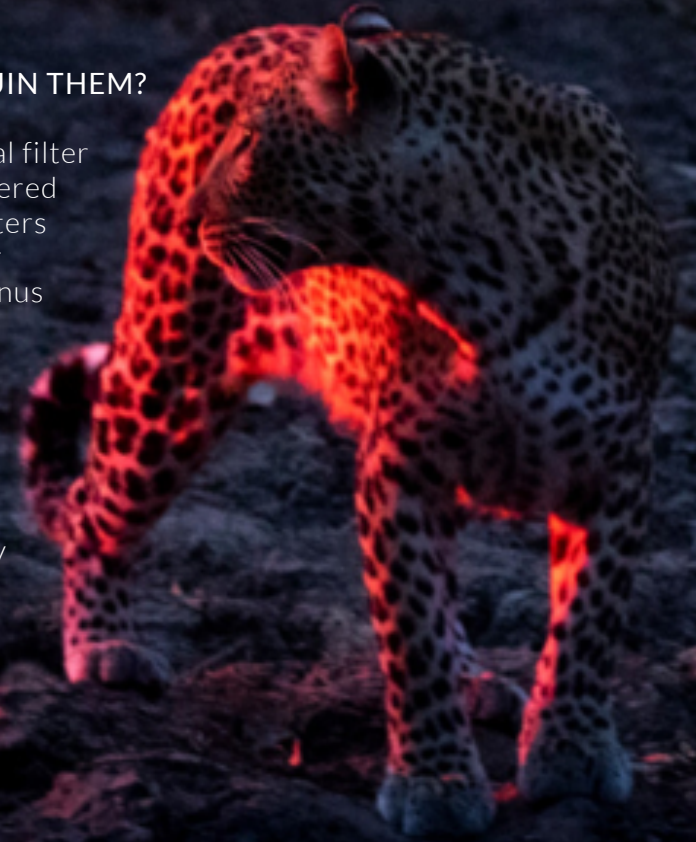
Red lights are standard on the bridges of ships because it has long been known that they do not affect one's night vision in the way that white light does. Many mammals simply do not see the red spotlight at all. This means we can bathe a leopard in red light and the animals it is stalking cannot see it any better than they can in the natural ambient light, and vice-versa. The animals continue to go about their business as if the light was not there, because as far as they are concerned it isn't. Hence, at Chiawa Camp & Old Mondoro, we only use filtered spot lights and headlamps on our vehicles, and prohibit the use of camera flashes on our night game drives.

BUT WHAT ABOUT MY PHOTOGRAPHS - WON'T THE RED FILTER AND LACK OF FLASH RUIN THEM?

We use two spotlights on our night drives, a red one for "spotting" and then a very diffuse natural filter used intermittently just for photographs. Repeated field trials have demonstrated that these filtered lights, developed in 2013 by Grant & his team in response to the unwelcome effect of the red filters on photographs, do not have the detrimental effect of bright unfiltered lights, i.e. no confused or dazzled creatures and yet these allow us to take natural looking photographs, with the added bonus of no "hot spot", albeit at ranges of less than 20 meters.

HOW DO I SET MY CAMERA FOR THIS?

Increase the ISO setting to at least 1600; increase your aperture to maximum setting, preferably 2.8 or 4.0; shutter speed 1/40, switch flash OFF - these two images of the same subject were taken without flash and are untouched. We hope you understand and appreciate how these measures will maximize your enjoyment and photo opportunities on a night safari whilst minimizing the intrusion on the very creatures we cherish and respect.



FISHING + SPORT ANGLING POLICY

Fishing Code of Ethics:

As leaders in the field of Responsible tourism, the following polices have been implemented for the welfare and of the resource. These practices are the standard for responsible anglers worldwide, standards that we as a business, as members of Conservation Lower Zambezi and the Lower Zambezi Tourism Association, wholeheartedly endorse and for which we require the full compliance from those wishing to fish during their stay at Chiawa Camp & Old Mondoro

- | Catch and Release ONLY on all species – no killing of any fish!
- | No bait fishing; if using blue soap for Vundu then use of circle hooks only.
- | No treble hooks to reduce the risk of multiple injuries to fish.
- | Barbless hooks only, all barbs must be crimped down for ease of release.
- | Only one hook per line / lure only.
- | Preferably no handling of the fish, use a boga grip for photos. If absolutely necessary then hands must be wet before touching the fish and fish must be held horizontally, not vertically.
- | No fishing between December- March as per Park regulations.
- | Minimum breaking strain of fishing line: 20LBS to reduce on line breakages.
- | Strictly no fishing on the Zimbabwean side of the River – our guides are the most informed about the best places to go and regardless of requests will not move beyond the allowed parameters.

Fishing Tackle:

Fishing tackle is available for use by all of our guests at no additional charge, however all losses and breakages will be recorded by your guide and charged for (in cash) as follows:

- | Lost / broken fishing rod or reel - \$100
- | Lost Boga Grip - \$200
- | Lost spinner / spoon / fly - \$10

By participating in any fishing and/or sport angling at Chiawa Camp & Old Mondoro you are also agreeing to comply with the above-mentioned regulations and accept liability for any potential charges that may occur.



WAIVER OF LIABILITY AND INFORMATION FORM

PAPERWORK

Responsibility & Release of Liability

Chiawa Camp and/or Old Mondoro and/or Puku Ridge and/or Chichele Lodge are located in a dynamic, remote, African wilderness environment populated with wild animals. Guests must understand and accept there are hazards associated with travelling, visiting and participating on safari in such an environment. Travel schedules to and from Zambia can change due to adverse weather, strikes, or other factors beyond our control. This can cause delay and even missed international connections. Such delays could impose additional cost to you in hotels or in changing airline tickets for which we cannot be responsible.

Voluntary Participation

I acknowledge that I have voluntarily applied to visit and participate in the activities at Chiawa Camp and/or Old Mondoro and/or Puku Ridge and/or Chichele Lodge. I am voluntarily travelling to and / or from, visiting and participating in the activities at Chiawa Camp and/or Old Mondoro and/or Puku Ridge and/or Chichele Lodge with knowledge that the travel, accommodation and activities associated with Chiawa Camp and/or Old Mondoro and/or Puku Ridge and/or Chichele Lodge are potentially hazardous with risk of loss, damage, delay illness, injury or death which may be caused by forces of nature, the negligence of Chiawa Camp and/or Old Mondoro and/or Puku Ridge and/or Chichele Lodge, their affiliated agencies, their employees, or other agencies known or unknown. I am also aware that medical services or facilities may not be readily available or accessible during some or all of the time while I am at Chiawa Camp and/or Old Mondoro and/or Puku Ridge and/or Chichele Lodge.

In order to visit and participate in the activities associated with Chiawa Camp and/or Old Mondoro and/or Puku Ridge and/or Chichele Lodge, I am willing to accept the risks and uncertainty involved as being an integral part of my experience at Chiawa Camp and/or Old Mondoro and/or Puku Ridge and/or Chichele Lodge. I hereby accept and assume full responsibility for any and all risks of loss, damage, delay, illness, injury, or death due to the negligence (but not the reckless, willful, or fraudulent conduct) of Chiawa Camp and/or Old Mondoro and/or Puku Ridge and/or Chichele Lodge, G&G Safaris Ltd and/or Chakwenga Safaris Ltd and/or Chichele Safaris Ltd, their Directors, Shareholders, Officers, affiliated agencies, their employees, or other agencies known or unknown.

Indemnity

As consideration for being permitted to visit and participate in the activities associated with Chiawa Camp and/or Old Mondoro and/or Puku Ridge and/or Chichele Lodge, I hereby agree that neither I, nor any of my heirs, personal or legal representatives, or family members will bring suit or make a claim for illness, injury or death resulting from the negligence (but not reckless, willful, or fraudulent conduct) of Chiawa Camp and/or Old Mondoro and/or Puku Ridge and/or Chichele Lodge, G&G Safaris Ltd and/or Chakwenga Safaris Ltd and/or Chichele Safaris Ltd., their Directors, Shareholders, Officers, affiliated agencies, their employees, and the supplier of the hospitality, facilities and equipment I will use during my visit to Chiawa Camp and/or Old Mondoro and/or Puku Ridge and/or Chichele Lodge. I hereby indemnify and release Chiawa Camp and/or Old Mondoro and/or Puku Ridge and/or Chichele Lodge, G&G Safaris Ltd and/or Chakwenga Safaris Ltd and/or Chichele Safaris Ltd, their Directors, Shareholders, Officers, affiliated agencies, their employees, and the supplier of the hospitality, facilities and equipment I will use during my visit to Chiawa Camp and/or Old Mondoro and/or Puku Ridge and/or Chichele Lodge from and against any and all liability arising out of, or in any way connected with, my visit to Chiawa Camp and/or Old Mondoro and/or Puku Ridge and/or Chichele Lodge, including any liability for negligence (but not reckless, willful, or fraudulent conduct).

Controlling Law

Any controversy or claim arising out of or relating to this Agreement or the performance hereunder, including without limitation any claim related to the loss, damage, illness, injury or death shall be governed by Zambian law. Any lawsuit filed as a result of my visit to Chiawa Camp and/or Old Mondoro and/or Puku Ridge and/or Chichele Lodge shall be filed in the High Court in Lusaka, Zambia.

Knowing and Voluntary Execution

I have carefully read this agreement and understand its contents. I am aware that this is a release of liability and that paying in part or in full for a visit to Chiawa Camp and/or Old Mondoro and/or Puku Ridge and/or Chichele Lodge and / or traveling to and / or from and / or visiting Chiawa Camp and/or Old Mondoro and/or Puku Ridge and/or Chichele Lodge is acknowledgement that I have read and accept the cancellation/refund and responsibility clauses.

To be signed by each adult in the party. Parents must list and sign for all minors in the party.

Full Name: _____ Date: _____ Sign: _____

Passport Number: _____ Expiry: _____ Nationality: _____

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INFORMATION

To assist us in ensuring your complete comfort and enjoyment during your stay at Chiawa Camp and/or Old Mondoro and/or Puku Ridge and/or Chichele Lodge, please take the time to complete the following:

Personal Information

First and Last Name: _____ Email: _____

Emergency & Medical Information

Emergency contact name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Emergency contact's address: _____

Medical insurance carrier and member number: _____

Known medical conditions: _____

Do you have any medical training? Y / N *If so are you willing to assist in an emergency? Y / N

Travel Information

Date of arrival: _____ Flight number and time: _____

Traveling from (previous destination of itinerary): _____

Date of departure: _____ Flight number and time: _____

Traveling to (next destination of itinerary): _____

Do you have any special dietary requirements? _____

Are there any special interests or celebrations during your safari that we should be aware of? _____

Many Thanks,

The Cumings Family and the Chiawa Safaris Team

CORONAVIRUS EXCLUSION

The Company will not indemnify any client for any loss following any contraction of the following

- a) Coronavirus disease (COVID-19);
- b) Severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2);
- c) any mutation or variation of SARS-CoV-2;
- d) any fear or threat of a), b) or c) above.

SUGGESTED PACKING LIST

Most Important

Note: Please pack in soft duffle bags with a maximum weight of 15kg.

| A photocopy of your passport, in case loss of original. It must be valid for at least 3 months after travel completed

| Passport | Your Visa, if you are a national that cannot obtain one at Zambian port of entry.

| Airline tickets | Pen for filling out immigration forms etc | Cash for curious/gratuities (any Visa fees) and credit cards

| Insurance for accident; medical and medivac; baggage and cancellation | Inoculations and other medications (as per your local health clinic or personal physician)

Clothing

Note: Dark bush colours of natural fabrics work best. Chiawa Camp offers a laundry service at no charge so don't over-pack.

| Wind-proof, warm jacket for morning and evening game drives

| Tropical-weight long sleeve shirts (2-3) | Tropical-weight long pants (2) | Casual shirts (2) | T-shirts (2-3) | Casual pants (1-2)

| Shorts (2) | Socks | Underwear | Pyjamas | Cap or wide brim hat

| Hiking boots (light & well worn in, especially if going on walking safaris) | Tennis shoes and/or boat shoes

| Teva-type sandals for boating and canoeing Sunscreen and lip balm (30 SPF minimum)

Other

| Aloe Vera gel for sunburn | Insect repellent with high DEET concentration | Toiletries | Personal medications

| Consider a small first aid kit with bandaids, topical antibiotics etc. | Imodium AD tablets | Locks and high visibility ID for duffel bags and luggage

| Camera with long zoom lenses for game viewing, spare batteries, charger and lots of memory storage

| Binoculars, good quality (i.e. Leica, Swarovski, Zeiss, Nikon, Pentax), not too heavy i.e. 7x32, 8x32, 8x42

Optional Items

| Ear plugs (for noisy light aircraft, to drown out a snoring roommate, or snoring hippo) | 2 zip-loc bags (half gallon size) | 2 hefty bin bags for dirty clothes, etc.

Items to Leave at Home

| Jewelry, other valuables, drugs, firearms | Colognes (attracts insects) and hair dryers

COVID-19 Items

| Hand sanitizer | Face masks + buffs | Gloves (if desired)

CAMP MAPS

Chiawa Camp



Old Mondoro



Puku Ridge

