

CHIAWA CAMP & OLD MONDORO

LOWER ZAMBEZI NATIONAL PARK • ZAMBIA





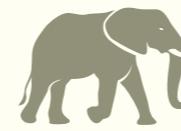
A DREAM BECOMES REALITY

Attracted to Africa over a century ago the Cumings family has for five generations been exploring and conserving Africa's wild places. In 1989 they finally settled on an untamed place of raw beauty on the banks of the Zambezi River and in so doing established Chiawa Camp, the very first safari camp in the then unknown and unexplored Lower Zambezi National Park. More than 20 years and a second safari camp later, through their utter dedication to conservation and their two multi award winning safari camps, the Lower Zambezi National Park has become one of Africa's most

desirable safari destinations. This magical wilderness hosts prolific wildlife on its riverbanks, islands, woodlands and grasslands, creating incomparable land and water based safari activities. Home to some of Africa's best lion and leopard viewing, herds of elephant and buffalo, hippos, crocodiles and over 300 bird species the Park, with its gigantic baobab and acacia trees dwarfed by the towering escarpment in the background, provides the perfect setting for a memorable and awe-inspiring African safari.

Let the Cumings family and their multi-award winning team show you the very best of this pristine wildlife sanctuary by visiting both of their fabulous, contrasting but complementary Chiawa Camp & Old Mondoro.





CHIAWA CAMP

LOWER ZAMBEZI NATIONAL PARK

WINNER - BEST SAFARI PROPERTY IN AFRICA - SAFARI AWARDS

Chiawa Camp - the pioneering and flagship safari camp in the Lower Zambezi - blends in effortlessly with its idyllic surroundings and provides a retreat which guests are invited to make their home away from home, where guests receive the friendliest of welcomes, the biggest of smiles and where guests, who leave as

friends to return time and again, experience the very best in Africa.

A stunning thatched lounge/bar area with upstairs viewing deck provides one of the best views of the Zambezi whilst after enjoying Chiawa's renowned cuisine on the al-fresco dining veranda, one can relax by the open camp fire with a cocktail in hand to reminisce of the day's adventures before retiring to the tents, each a sanctuary of luxury and peace to dream about what tomorrow may bring. Also available for guests' enjoyment and relaxation are two perfectly positioned game viewing hides, a viewing platform and a plunge pool with timber sun deck overlooking the Zambezi.





BUSH LUXURY

Chiawa Camp's stunning "tents" each rest on their own elevated timber platform under shade with panoramic views, catching the breeze from the Zambezi.

Each has everything you need and more - insect proofing, super king beds (or generous single beds) draped in Egyptian cotton linens and mosquito nets, free WiFi, 24/7 power for lighting and charging cameras, electric fans, en suite wash room with indoor and outdoor showers, his & hers washbasins and ball & claw bath with complimentary Charlotte Rhys amenities.





OLD MONDORO

LOWER ZAMBEZI NATIONAL PARK

The beautiful and intimate Old Mondoro is also within the Lower Zambezi National Park about 35km downstream of Chiawa Camp and derives its name from the Goba legend of a white lion that used to prowl the area. Although the white lion is long gone, the camp reflects the wild spirit that still lives on



in its descendants that roam free in the spectacular woodlands and plains, which you too will explore.

By virtue of its accommodating a maximum of 8 guests at any one time, Old Mondoro is the Lower Zambezi's most exclusive camp and offers an ideal blend of nature and comfort.

A rare find, this is the ideal safari escape for those who expect the very best yet want a little less of lavish luxury – a real safari.



BACK TO THE BUSH

Appropriately constructed of canvas and natural materials, Old Mondoro has an open and adventurous feel, providing a perfect retreat after a day filled with excitement in the bush and yet where much of the action will happen right in front of you. At night canvas blinds are rolled down and secured although with the night chorus you are assured of never feeling too cosseted or cut off from the action!

A King size bed (or two singles) draped in mosquito nets and Egyptian cotton



linens, 24 hour lighting supplied by an ingenious green 220v electricity supply system, 24/7 hot and cold water supply the en suite facilities which include indoor flush loo and wash basin and outdoor shower & huge "splash-tub" all overlooking the Zambezi

Each room also has a shaded timber sun deck complete with comfy daybed for relaxation with the very best of views.

Brunch, perhaps at a surprise location in the bush, dinner and drinks served under the stars by the campfire, smiling faces and the warmest of welcomes all make magic memories of Old Mondoro to last a lifetime.



SAFARI ACTIVITIES

An unmatched variety of safari activities in any combination, led in safety and comfort by our Best in Africa award winning guiding team, are available at both Chiawa Camp and Old Mondoro.

Day game drives are conducted in custom, open 4x4 safari vehicles and this is the best way to see as many animals as possible, close up.



After "sundowners" night game drives are conducted to find nocturnal and crepuscular wildlife using a unique system of red filtered lights to minimise the disturbance of both predator and prey, and opaque filtered lights for natural looking photographs.

Armed guides can take you on bush walks, essentially a micro safari emphasising spoor, ecology and bush lore but where often the larger mammals are encountered. Walking safaris were pioneered in Zambia and the Lower Zambezi is one of the best places to do these.

One can also explore the Zambezi River and its islands by boat, awesome opportunities for photographing birds, elephant, hippo and croc abound, and the sunsets are to die for.

Or try your hand at fishing (catch & release, artificial lures only) for the "striped river dog" or tigerfish, considered to be the planet's finest freshwater angling fish due to its aggression and propensity to leap into the air whilst chewing up the most hardy of fishing tackle. Our conservation efforts and angling methods have ensured that this stretch of the Zambezi River remains one of the best places in Africa for fishing.



Canoeing safaris were founded on the Lower Zambezi. Tranquil yet exciting, close up viewing of fauna and riverine flora in near silence is one of Africa's bucket list experiences. Drift down legendary waterways such as Waterbuck Island, Chifungulu Island and the Discovery Channel comfortable in the knowledge that you are in the hands of some of Africa's best and most experienced river guides.

Although out in the bush and on the river offers the most rewarding game viewing, many of our best sightings are had in and around camp by guests who have opted to simply stay in and relax!



CONSERVATION

From their design which is in harmony with nature, to the considerate manner of the guiding, to their significant contributions to conservation activity, to lobbying for the better protective measures, at Chiawa Camp & Old Mondoro you will find that conservation is a way of life and we strive for the continued protection of one of Africa's last true wilderness areas.

A large portion of Chiawa Camp & Old Mondoro's revenue and resource is reinvested into programs that support conservation, education and the

improvement of the surrounding village communities. Providing financial and in-kind support for the education of 110 AIDS orphans, having strict waste control and energy conservation programmes in camp, using renewable energy sources and emissions/fuel efficient 4- stroke outboard motors; and actively contributing to and participating in conservation activity, makes for a better and more sustainable Lower Zambezi.

These efforts have resulted in the Lower Zambezi becoming one of Africa's most attractive and best protected safari areas. Your visit to Chiawa Camp and/or Old Mondoro is therefore not only an investment in yourself but also a vital contribution to a secure future for the Zambezi Valley's bountiful, yet vulnerable, wildlife.



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