



SWALA CAMP

TARANGIRE NATIONAL PARK



TANZANIA 12 CANVAS TENTS

Swala Camp is located in a secluded area of Tarangire National Park, one of the most exciting and least visited parks in the country.



SWALA CAMP

OVERVIEW

Sometimes less really is more. Fewer people, more animals. No crowds, better experience. So it is at Swala Camp, in Tanzania's magnificent yet relatively little visited Tarangire National Park. It's not exactly undiscovered or any kind of secret – the park's thriving elephant population is world-famous. Nevertheless, a wonderful serenity prevails in and around Swala. The camp's name alludes to its resident herd of impala, though their presence at the waterhole attracts a lot of other wildlife too – elephants, of course, but also lions and leopards, whose interest in the dainty impala may or may not be entirely benign.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Located in an exclusive pocket of Tarangire National Park, famed for its baobab trees and herds of elephants
- Exciting additional activities available including a hot air balloon ride, walking safaris and night drives
- Sundowners, bush dinners and picnics
- Wildlife viewing from your deck with a waterhole in front of the camp

ACCOMMODATION AND FACILITIES

Swala Camp has been built to the highest eco-friendly standards and offers 12 luxurious open-plan and spacious canvas tents; all shaded by acacia trees and within site of the waterhole frequented by elephants and big cats. Each tent has an ensuite bathroom with indoor and outdoor shower and features a spacious open plan arrangement with comfortable king or twin beds and relaxing chairs.

A hair dryer, ceiling fan, in room safe, mosquito nets and private deck are available in all tents. Each tent has a personal attendant to attend to guests' every need. Complimentary Wi-Fi is available in all guest tents.

The main dining area, deck and library are lifted on stilts and surrounded by ancient baobab trees and the wooden decked boma boasts a canopy of stars. The camp also features a bush boutique. Electricity supply is a combination of silent packed generator and small solar panel set up.

LOCATION AND GETTING THERE

Swala Camp is located in a secluded area of Tarangire National Park. Kuro Airstrip is approximately a 45 minute drive from Swala Camp.

Flying times:

- Arusha (ARK) to Kuro Airstrip - 25 minutes
- Kuro airstrip to Serengeti South (SGS) airstrip – 1 hour 30 minutes

Road transfers:

- Arusha to Sanctuary Swala – 4 hours
- Kilimanjaro to Swala Camp – 5 hours
- Swala Camp to Ngorongoro Crater – 5 hours

PLEASE NOTE:

The luggage restriction for light aircrafts is 15kg / 33lbs per person in a soft-sided bag.



SWALA CAMP

GAME VIEWING AND ACTIVITIES

The Tarangire National Park is famous for its large herds of elephants that congregate under the spectacular baobab trees. The park attracts an abundance of zebra and is home to waterbuck, giraffe and kudu with their immense spiral horns as well as oryx with their lengthy rapier horns. The park is also home to over 550 species of bird with yellow-collared lovebirds a common sight in the trees along the Tarangire River. Key wildlife include: lion, leopard, elephant, buffalo, cheetah, giraffe, zebra, brown and spotted hyena, kudu, wildebeest, waterbuck, eland, wild dog, fringe eared Oryx.

The following activities are included in your stay:

Game Drives: Tarangire is famed for its large concentrations of elephant. The river is the park's lifeline and attracts much of the game to its banks. You may also find some of the many leopards that rest by day in the shady trees. The low volume of visitors to the park offers a truly unique and private experience and our customised open safari vehicles offer unobstructed viewing and great photography opportunities.

Bush breakfasts, picnics and dinners: Plan with your guide to take a picnic breakfast or lunch with you, or enjoy a bush dinner where a secluded clearing is prepared for a traditional East African meal. With a sundowner in hand, watch as the sun swiftly sinks and you're setting becomes illuminated by a magnificent log fire. Once you have settled into your surroundings let our chef introduce you to traditional Swahili fare and experience a memorable evening under the African night sky.

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES

Hot Air Balloon Safari

Your balloon is inflated against the first rays of sunshine and once aloft floats gently over the Tarangire National Park. Gaze down upon towering baobab trees and spot leopards and herds of elephants from the sky. The balloon flight time is around one hour, with breakfast including bacon, sausages, eggs and pastries awaiting you upon landing.

Walking Safaris

Put on your walking shoes and experience beautiful Tarangire National Park from a different perspective with a walking safari. With our professional walking guide and armed ranger, guests can now explore the grassland around camp in one of the most secluded areas of the park. Our qualified guide has a wealth of knowledge and will explain how to understand animal behaviour while tracking a variety of game. (Seasonal activity. Please contact for availability)

Night game drives

Experience the wonders of a safari at night in Tarangire. As dusk falls, relax in the comfort of Swala's customised safari vehicle as you venture into the park transformed by night. Search for nocturnal animals rarely seen as this is one of the few places in northern Tanzania where you can enjoy a safari by moonlight. At night, you may encounter an African wild cat, the elusive leopard or feel the round eyes of a bush baby. With specialised lighting, you will be able to look for lion and hyena, as well as smaller creatures such as spotted genet, serval, bat eared foxes, owls and nightjars. (Maximum 5 people.)

Additional activities are at an additional cost and can be pre-booked or while guests are in camp.

A TYPICAL DAY ON SAFARI

- 06:00 Wakeup call
- 06:30 Breakfast
- 07:00 Depart for morning game drive
- 13:00 Lunch (at the camp or a bush picnic)
- 16:00 Afternoon game viewing activity
- 18:30 Sundowners
- 19:30 Dinner



SWALA CAMP

DINING

Breakfast, lunch, snacks during activities and dinners are all included in your stay. Breakfast is served before the morning game activity. No coffee, cakes etc on morning activity – unless guests are taking a picnic breakfast. Lunch can be enjoyed back at the camp or as a picnic in the bush. Afternoon game viewing includes classic sundowner drinks and snacks at specially selected spots before returning to the camp for pre-dinner drinks and dinner. Romantic private dinners can be arranged upon request. With prior notice, our camps are able to arrange halaal meals, however, please note our kitchens aren't strictly halaal and our chefs are not trained in halaal food preparation. Unfortunately, we are unable to arrange kosher meals.

Meals typically consist of the following:

- Breakfast: Continental and full English Breakfast
- Lunch: Table d'Hôte, 3 course meal with 2 choices, one being a vegetarian
- Dinner: Table d'Hôte, 3 course meal with 2 to 3 choices, one being a vegetarian

HONEYMOONS AND SPECIAL OCCASIONS

Guests celebrating their honeymoon will receive special surprises during their stay. All attempts are made to keep honeymooners separate from other guests.

Our honeymoon services include:

- Honeymoon welcome card in tent
- Special honeymoon cocktail during sundowners
- Sparkling wine in guests' tent on night before departure

FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN

We welcome children 6 years and older Swala Camp.

Children aged 15 years and younger are required to share with their parents. Two triples are available on request.

Children aged 15 or younger are not permitted on walking safaris.

CLIMATE

Tanzania has a tropical climate which is mainly characterised by warm days and cool evenings. December to March are usually the warmest months of the year, while June to August are the coolest. April and May often see intermittent rains, and from September to November the days are warm with short scattered rains falling in November.

CLOTHING

Clothing should be cool and comfortable. Greens, browns and khaki coloured clothing are advisable for safaris especially when doing a walking safari. We suggest long sleeves and long trousers and for morning and evenings due to mosquitoes; and a fleece, sweater or warm jacket for morning and evening game drives. Sturdy and comfortable shoes are essential. A complimentary overnight laundry service is offered in the camp.

Accessories: Sunscreen, sunglasses and hats are essential. Binoculars and good cameras are an absolute must. The camp provides a torch as well as complimentary mosquito repellent and toiletries.



SWALA CAMP

HEALTH

Please discuss health precautions for your travel itinerary with a qualified health professional at least six weeks before you depart. We advise all travellers to take precautions against malaria and we recommend speaking to your GP or personal physician four to six weeks before departure. Yellow fever vaccination is required for guests travelling to Tanzania.

MONEY AND CREDIT CARDS

All extras can be paid for with Visa, MasterCard, American Express, US dollars, Pounds, Euros are also accepted; however change will be given in the local currency. Diners Cards are not accepted.

TIPPING GUIDELINE

Tipping is not obligatory but generally accepted rates are \$15 per guest per day for the guide and \$15 per guest per day for the rest of the staff.

SPECIAL REQUESTS

Swala Camp prides itself on its personalised services. Please let us know if you have any special requests, dietary requirements, allergies or medical conditions.



SWALA CAMP



BE IMMERSED IN NATURE, GUIDED BY LOCALS, ENLIGHTENED BY EXPERTS

Discover our collection of chic retreats in some of the most sensational, soul-stirring locations on earth – 13 safari lodges and luxury camps in Africa's greatest national parks, and five sophisticated riverboats voyaging the Nile and the Amazon.

RESERVATIONS AND ENQUIRIES

For more information and for your next booking, please contact your preferred travel specialist.