

# Siwandu - Fact Sheet

Siwandu (formerly Selous Safari Camp) is a classic luxury tented camp located on the banks of Lake Nzerakera in the most prolific and thrilling game viewing area of the Selous. North camp caters for 6 tents and the South camp caters for 7 tents, each with its own pool, dining and main area providing a very personal and intimate safari experience. The North camp can be partly or completely booked (4-6 tents) to ensure the ultimate "private" exclusivity.

## **The setting**

Set amongst trees on the banks of Lake Nzerakera, one of the oxbow lakes that bejewel Selous Game Reserve, southern Tanzania.

## **Accommodation**

- \* Both camps together have a total of 13 vast luxury tents raised onto wooden platforms with palm canopies & views.
- \* Tents designed with widest side to front, to maximize views and breeze.
- \* 6ft wide double beds with bedside tables & lamps.
- \* Ceiling fans and ambient 240v lighting.
- \* En suite bathrooms with double brass basins, cupboard space and dressing area. Adjoining shower area open to the stars.
- \* Two verandas - one to front off the bedroom, second off rear of tent.

## **Lounge & Dining**

Dining area and bar raised on viewing platform, with large comfortable sofas, and wildlife reference library. Table d'hote dining makes the most of African influences and local fresh fruit, vegetables & spices.

## **Swimming pool**

Private swimming pool set in shade with day beds and towels.

## **Activities**

- \* Game drives in open-sided 4-wheel drive vehicles.
- \* River safaris in boats with outboard motors.
- \* Game walks.
- \* Fishing (subject to conditions and fee to be paid in camp).
- \* Walking Safari / Mobile bush camping (fly camping) in pristine surroundings (pre-booking essential).

## **Wildlife**

The river & lake systems around the camp attract a huge diversity of animals including lion, leopard, elephant, buffalo, hippo and crocodile. The area is also home to one of the few remaining wild dog populations in the world.

## **Birding**

The Selous is a birders' paradise with more than 300 bird species.

**The season**

\* June to September: Dry and warm – animals are drawn to dwindling water supplies in the lakes around the river. With vegetation sparse, this is the perfect season for walking and for larger concentrations of game.

\* October – March: Hotter and greener. This is the season for bird and plant lovers and is the main reproductive time of year so a good time for seeing young. There's a chance of rain in November and December, flowers are in abundance and the deciduous trees are starting new growth.

**Getting there**

\* 45 minute flight from Dar es Salaam, with Siwandu airstrip just 10 minutes from camp. Transfers included from Siwandu airstrip to camp.

**Payment**

\* Cash: Dollars, Euro's, Pounds Sterling and T-shillings (We do not accept Dollar notes from before the year 2000)

\* Credit card (5% surcharge on all cards): Visa (preferred), Amex & Master Card

\* Travellers cheques (no Thomans Cook)

**Internet facility**

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