

# THE EXPLORER *Itinerary*

## 3 Night Walking & Driving Expedition



### **Definition: "A person who familiarizes oneself with an unknown area or Country."**

Our standard walking safari experience. For those who want a small taste of Africa on foot, or those who want to combine a bit of walking with another lodge in the park, this option is for you. Your guide, will take you for a three night experience into some of the most remote areas of the park where we will tread our way along the banks of rivers, over hills and rocky outcrops, exploring terrain where few have been before you, each night relaxing in our comfortable and charming little camp near a roaring fire.



### **Day 1 : KICHAKA ZUMBUA**

Pick up from Msembe airstrip or any other camp in the park around lunchtime depending on plane schedules. Your first game drive into the wilderness begins immediately which may take up to 5 hours depending on what animals you see along the way. Jump straight in with both feet, it will not be long before you encounter your first Elephant. With a fabulous bush lunch and refreshments en route we will arrive at the camp late afternoon or early evening to settle in after a warm welcome from our friendly staff.

### **Day 2 : KICHAKA ZUMBUA**

The first day will commence with a steaming tray of coffee delivered to your room, sip it as you wake up and enjoy the paling of the African sky as dawn slowly sheds its light on a new day full of anticipation. After a quick but nourishing breakfast we depart camp to tackle our first walking experience lasting about 5 hours and covering approximately 10 Km. Allow yourself to fall into nature's rhythms, test your senses as you begin to learn and observe the natural world on foot, interpret the smells, sounds and signs which all form part of the addictive walking experience. For all afternoon activities there is a choice, from learning about tracking, short walks into the vast Kopje and Inselberg systems (huge rock outcrops), specialist birding, and normal game drives to name but a few.

### **Day 3 : KICHAKA ZUMBUA**

Another early morning departure on foot after breakfast as we push further into Ruaha's wilderness. Armed with our previous days knowledge we now put it to the test. Hone your tracking skills and pit your wits against some of nature's mightiest beasts. Every footprint, bent blade of grass, dropping and urine smell must be analyzed in detail to provide clues as to the current whereabouts of the quarry as we slowly apprehend it. You will learn quickly though, some you win and some you lose but every step is a reward in itself. After lunch in camp the usual afternoon activities will apply and the evening will be spent viewing the African Milky way with our high powered telescope.

### **Day 4 : Departure**

A more relaxed breakfast today, but departure soon after to commence the long drive back to 'civilization' with arrival at the Msembe airstrip in time for the scheduled flight or a mid-morning drop off at any other camp in the Park.