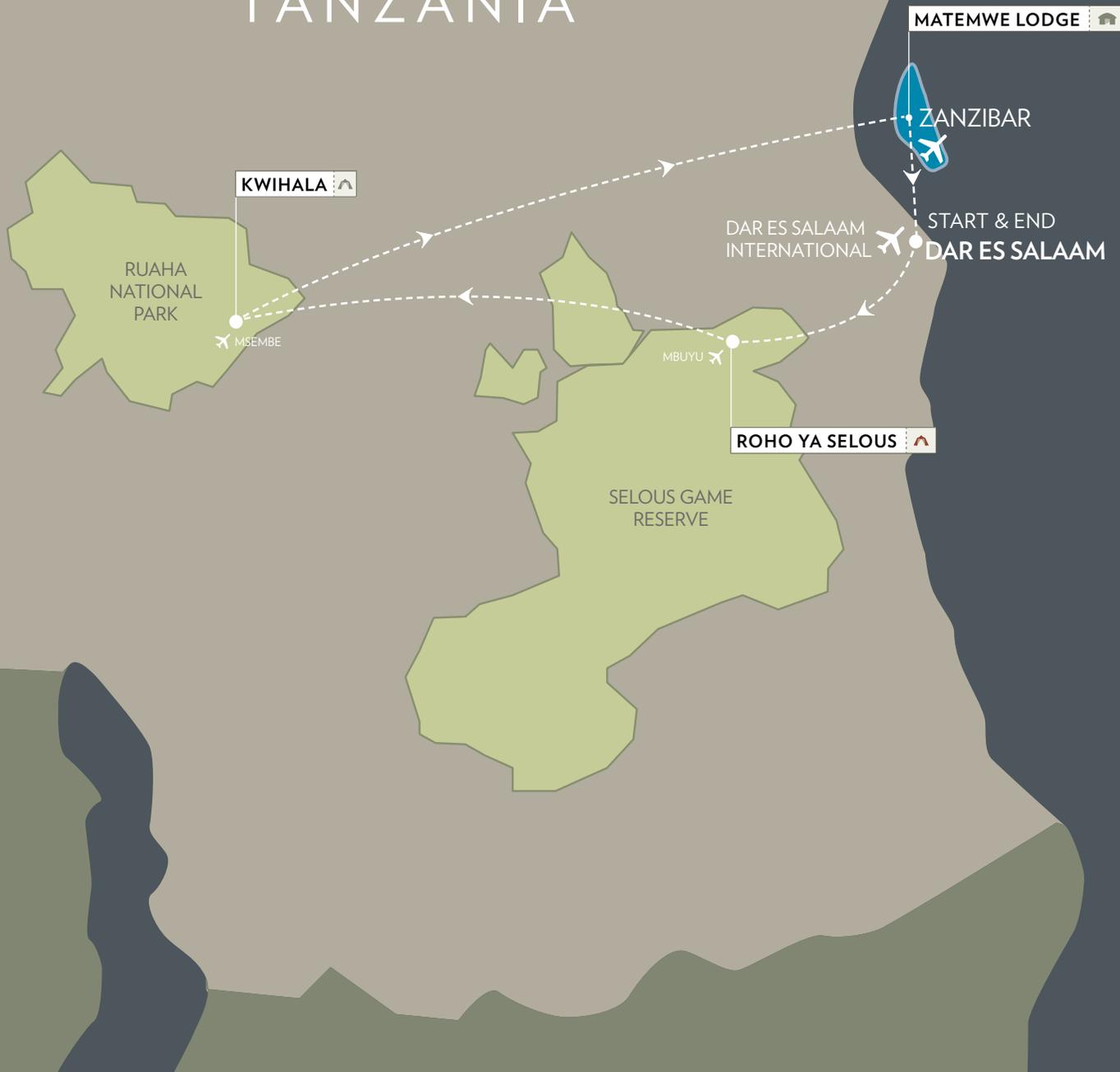




SOUTHERN TANZANIA SAFARI

*Asilia*  BY AIR

# TANZANIA



## 10 DAYS, 9 NIGHTS

COMBINING  
SOUTHERN TANZANIA SAFARI  
WITH ZANZIBAR

- 3 nights Roho ya Selous, Selous Game Reserve
- 3 nights KwiHALA, Ruaha National Park
- 3 nights Matemwe Lodge, Zanzibar Island

### STARTS:

Dar es Salaam International Airport, Tanzania

### ENDS:

Dar es Salaam International Airport, Tanzania

### INTRO:

Explore the wildlife-rich and unspoilt wilderness areas of southern Tanzania's game reserves on safari, before hopping by plane to the island of Zanzibar for days spent snorkelling on tropical reefs and enjoying sandbank picnics. Explore the waterways and plains of the Selous Game Reserve by boat, vehicle and on foot, before searching for big cats in Ruaha National Park, home to 10% of Africa's lion population.

## DAY 1:

On arrival at Dar es Salaam International Airport you fly with Coastal Aviation to the Selous Game Reserve, only an hour away. (15kg luggage limit per person; soft bags required for all flights on this itinerary). Your guide from Roho ya Selous camp will meet you at the airstrip and game-drive you the short distance to the camp, giving an introduction to this beautiful reserve and its wildlife on the way. Settle into your spacious tent and after lunch there's time to relax by the pool before you set off on your afternoon safari activity. A boat safari is a lovely relaxed introduction to The Selous, watching wildlife come to the water's edge to drink, and stopping for sundowners on a sandbank.



### SELOUS GAME RESERVE

- 45,000km<sup>2</sup> wilderness area
- Wildlife: lion, leopard, elephant, hippo, wild dog, giraffe, buffalo and much more
- 400 bird species
- Safari activities: game drives, walking safaris, boat safaris, fishing and seasonal fly-camping (supplementary cost)
- UNESCO World Heritage site
- Varied ecosystem to explore: lakes, wide rivers, sandbanks, grassy plains and woodland
- Only one hour's flight from Dar es Salaam

## ROHO YA SELOUS

Located in the heart of the Selous Game Reserve, Roho ya Selous is tucked into a shady grove of trees, overlooking Lake Nzerakera. There are eight spacious tented rooms, each with an Evening Breeze cooling system over the beds to keep you cool and comfortable even in the hotter months. There is a swimming pool and open-sided mess area with plenty of space to relax during siesta time, or with a drink chatting to other guests after dinner. Expert guides lead guests on a variety of safari activities to explore this wildlife-rich reserve, with boat safaris, fishing, walking safaris and game drives included in your stay.



-  8 tents (including 1 family tent)
-  Swimming pool
-  Wi-Fi
-  Classic

All en suite with outdoor showers

Over-bed “Evening Breeze” air cooling system

Communal dining, often outdoors under the African stars

Excellent guiding and hosting

## DAY 2 & 3:

Each morning and afternoon you can choose from the safari activities on offer. Game drives are a good way of exploring further afield and seeing the larger wildlife and predators – The Selous is home to a superb variety of wildlife including good populations of lion and leopard, and Africa's largest population of wild dog. Walking safaris are a real treat and offer a slower pace to learn about the flora and fauna of The Selous. Boat safaris on the lake are particularly lovely in the afternoon, combined with a spot of fishing or sundowners, and are a good chance to get up close to pods of hippos and bird colonies nesting on small islands.

## DAY 4:

Depart on a short morning game drive to the airstrip to fly to Ruaha National Park, an hour and a half's flight away. On arrival in Ruaha, a guide from Kwihala will meet you and game-drive you back to camp, exploring this very different landscape on the way. Settle in, unwind and freshen up before heading to the dining tent for a delicious lunch served in a shady spot overlooking the sandy river. Rest during the heat of the day before afternoon tea is served and you set off on an afternoon drive, searching for the big cats and other wildlife that make this park such a rewarding safari destination. In the evening, enjoy drinks around the campfire before a three-course dinner alfresco, surrounded by lanterns and often the sounds of elephants in the distance as they search for water.



## RUAHA NATIONAL PARK

- Home to 10% of Africa's lion population
- Wildlife: lion, leopard, cheetah, wild dog, hyena, buffalo, elephant, giraffe and rare antelope species such as sable and roan
- Safari activities: game drives, night game drives, walking safaris
- More arid terrain than The Selous, offering an excellent contrast to your safari
- Unique habitat includes baobab forests, dry riverbeds, rocky kopjes and miombo woodland
- Accessible from the Serengeti, Selous, Dar es Salaam or Zanzibar



## KWIHALA

Kwihala combines raw beauty with simple excellence. Situated in the safari frontier of Ruaha in Tanzania, this is a charming, authentic tented camp located on a sandy riverbed in the prime wildlife area of the park. With just six guest tents, excellent guides and a variety of safari activities available, including walking safaris, night drives and game drives, it is the perfect base for your safari.



 6 tents

 Wi-Fi in communal areas (service is variable)

 Comfort

All en suite with hot bucket showers

Located on the banks of the sandy  
Mwagusi River

Communal dining – often outdoors  
under the shade of a tree or dinners lit  
by lantern in the riverbed

## DAY 5 & 6:

Safari activities take place in the early morning and late afternoon, when the wildlife is most active. You will head out with expert guides on game drives to explore further afield, on walking safaris to seek out the smaller details and learn how to track wildlife from prints and signs in the bush, and night drives to watch nocturnal species. Breakfast is often a picnic to maximise your explorations, and you will return to camp for lunch and a siesta.

## DAY 7:

After breakfast, depart camp and game-drive to the airstrip, where you will fly to Zanzibar, two and a half hours away. On arrival you will be met and driven by private vehicle to Matemwe Lodge in the north east of the island. Spend the rest of the afternoon unwinding in your thatch-and-stone chalet right on the ocean, snoozing in the hammock or swimming in one of the two pools.



## ZANZIBAR ISLAND

- Indian Ocean island with warm tropical seas to swim in
- Snorkelling and diving on reefs – enjoy abundant marine life including turtles and dolphins
- Other water sports include kayaking, kitesurfing and SUP
- Mix of African and Arabic culture and history
- Powder-soft white sandy beaches
- Watch fishermen sail in traditional dhow and ngalawa boats
- Stone Town, a historic UNESCO World Heritage Site, is well worth a visit to shop for curios and photograph iconic Zanzibari carved doorways



## MATEMWE LODGE

One of the first boutique lodges in Zanzibar, Matemwe is perched on a coral rock outcrop overlooking a sandy beach gently sloping into the Indian Ocean. Adjacent to the lodge, the corals surrounding the Mnemba Atoll offer superb diving and snorkelling. Fresh seafood, refreshing cocktails and relaxing massages are just some elements of the laid-back daily routines of Matemwe's guests. Matemwe is made up of only 12 beach chalets all overlooking the Indian Ocean. Each of the private verandas is furnished with large hammocks and sofas, perfect for whiling away the time as the occasional dhow drifts past in the distance.



-  12 thatch-and-stone cottages right on the ocean
-  2 swimming pools
-  Spa
-  In-room Wi-Fi
-  Comfort

Located on the north east of Zanzibar

1 1/2 hrs drive from Zanzibar Airport and Stone Town

Included activities: kayak hire, guided reef walks at low tide, village visits

Additional cost activities: snorkelling, diving, sandbank picnic, SUP, kitesurfing, spice farm tour, Stone Town tour

## DAY 8 & 9:

Spend your days at Matemwe relaxing and swimming in the warm Indian Ocean, taking a boat to the reef to snorkel or dive, kayaking along the shoreline looking for turtles, sailing in a dhow watching for dolphins or taking a picnic lunch to a remote sandbank.

## DAY 10:

After breakfast you will be driven back to Zanzibar Airport for your flight to Dar es Salaam, only 20 minutes away, where you can connect to your international flight home.

**END OF ASILIA BY AIR SAFARI**

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**INCLUSIONS:** All logistics starting and ending at Dar es Salaam International Airport, all light-aircraft flights within Tanzania, private road transfers from airport to hotel in Zanzibar, all park fees and taxes, shared safari activities, all meals and house drinks on safari, and half-board basis (breakfast and dinner included) on Zanzibar, and medical evacuation insurance.

**EXCLUSIONS:** International flights to Tanzania, Tanzania entry visa, inoculations, gratuities, additional activities, meals and drinks.

