

# OLD MONDORO

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Old Mondoro is the sister bushcamp of renowned Chiawa Camp in the Lower Zambezi National Park. Set in a grove of acacia trees on the banks of the Zambezi River, Old Mondoro is some 10 kilometers downstream from Jeki Airstrip, near the Chakwenga River confluence. It is a beautiful site overlooking a maze of hippo-inhabited islands and channels. Here, the park is characterised by vast flood plains and open acacia woodland making for ideal walking and game viewing opportunities. This is very different from the rest of the park, which is on higher ground and characterised by thicker bush and large inland lagoons.



## Location & Access

BY AIR: From Lusaka International Airport guests fly to Jeki Airstrip followed by a 45-minute game drive to camp.

FROM CHIAWA CAMP: 1 hour and 20 minutes by scenic motorboat transfer – a stunning activity in itself!



## Owners & Managers

Grant & Lynsey Cumings are the owners of Chiawa Camp and Old Mondoro.

Old Mondoro is managed by Michele Addison and Reon Probert.



## Classic Factors

- **Intimate:** No more than 8 guests
- **Guiding:** Multi-award-winning team - learn from the best!
- **Walking:** The best walking area in the Lower Zambezi National Park
- **Off the Grid:** Connect with nature and each other

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## Giving Back



### CONSERVATION

Owner of Chiawa and Old Mondoro, Grant Cumings, is a founding member and Trustee of Conservation Lower Zambezi (CLZ) which is a non-profit organisation committed to the protection of the wildlife and habitat of the Lower Zambezi National Park and the surrounding Chiawa Game Management Area.

Through their support of Conservation Lower Zambezi, Chiawa Camp's involvement in local communities aims to provide sustainable living and farming practices. People are encouraged to refrain from polluting the rivers and farming near to riverbanks. They are taught more sustainable farming practices to prevent erosion and run off, ensuring they also see a harvest during heavy rains and floods.

### EDUCATION

Chiawa has raised funds and designed a Safari Guide Training course available at subsidised rates for all Lower Zambezi trainee guides. This is focused on practical and theoretical training for locals particularly in guiding and hospitality.

Each Spring Chiawa Camp purchases and distributes school uniforms and stationery for approximately 140 students in the 1st & 2nd grade of Chiawa and Mugurameno primary schools. They also donate about 20 bed nights per year (raising some \$25,000+ annually) which are auctioned off to raise funds for Zambian charities that assist its most vulnerable people, wildlife and habitats.

### COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

75% of Chiawa's staff are hired locally, creating an economy and opportunity for otherwise impoverished communities. It provides training for employees so that they can grow within the company, or branch out and establish their own businesses, making them partial beneficiaries of tourism. In 2003 Chiawa Camp introduced a joint program with a Swiss charity in order to increase Aids education in the CLZ's Environmental Education Program. Since then, more than 41 villages have benefited through a 3-day health camp for kids, and educational programmes for adult teaching on Aids and STIs, pregnancy prevention, mother to child transmission (MTCT) of HIV/AIDS, malaria and sanitation.

## Old Mondoro

OPEN 24 APRIL – 07 NOVEMBER

*Old Mondoro is the smallest camp in the area with 4 reed and stone chalets & 1 two-bedroom en suite family cottage. The chalets have canvas roofs and blinds with window screens, and each one has a shaded timber deck. There is an indoor flush loo and wash basin in each chalet, and the outdoor shower and bath are screened-in. The water is solar heated.*

### CAMP FACILITIES

### CHALET FACILITIES

Number of chalets	5	Electricity	220V*	Extra beds	✓*	In-room safe	✓
Maximum guests	8*	Wi-Fi	✗	Fans (standing)	✓	Separate WC	✗
Children	12 yrs+*	Private dinners	on request	Air con	✗	Mini bar	main bar
Childminding	✗	Credit cards	✗	Mosquito nets	✓	Camp communication	radio
Fenced	✗	Spa facilities	✗	Private pool	✗	Hairdryer	✗
Check in	12:30	Keep fit	✗	Bath (outdoor)	✓	Laundry included	no smalls
Check out	11:30	Guide room	✓	Indoor shower	✗	Disabled access	✗
Swimming pool	✗			Outdoor shower	✓		

\*Maximum guests: Old Mondoro will accept up to 12 guests in one group booking, but never more than 8 guests for separate bookings.

\*Children: Old Mondoro will accept children younger than 12 in group bookings, but only children 12 years and older are permitted on canoe and walking safaris.

\*Extra beds: One extra bed can be accommodated in a chalet to accommodate a child under 16 years sharing with parents.

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## Activities

Private open vehicle – extra charge	max 4 guests	Night drives	✓	Sunset cruise on Zambezi River	✓
Shared open vehicle	max 4 guests	Walking safaris	✓	Canoeing safaris	✓
Day drives	✓	Boat safaris	✓	Tiger fishing (catch & release)	✓

## Travel Information

SEASON	Old Mondoro is seasonal and operates between April and November annually. Dates may vary slightly each year.				
WEATHER	Warm and temperate climate all year round. Dry season is from May to October, with little rainfall & low humidity.				
RAINFALL	November to April are the wettest months, characterized by torrential downpours in the afternoon.				
		<b>APR - MAY</b>	<b>JUN - AUG</b>	<b>SEP - OCT</b>	<b>NOV</b>
TEMPERATURE	<b>Average day</b>	24°C / 75°F	23°C / 73°F	37°C / 98°F	29°C / 84°F
	<b>Average night</b>	12°C / 52°F	10°C / 50°F	14°C / 54°F	18°C / 64°F
GPS COORDINATES	15.678577°S, 29.450912°E				
MALARIA	Yes - protection recommended. Please seek advice from your health professional.				
CURRENCY	Zambian Kwacha & USD (Only notes printed after 2006 will be accepted. Notes must be new with big heads, older notes not accepted by Zambian banks due to high incidence of counterfeit money).				
TRAVEL VISA	Required for most passports. Single entry visa costs US\$50 per person at the point of entry to Zambia.				