

Garonga Safari Camp Fact Sheet:

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Opening: Safari Camp: June 1997. Little Garonga: December 2007. Major revamp in 2016 completed at the end of May.

Link to Images: <https://www.dropbox.com/sh/sydzeimhtfpx1nh/AADECjd8nCwNagSd9-El85Vva?dl=0>

Location: Situated in the Greater Makalali Pidwa Private Nature Reserve (22,000 HA) near Hoedspruit, Limpopo, South Africa.

Safaris: One in the morning, and one in the afternoon. Game Walks are taken during Safari Times only. Guests are welcome to sleep in/stay In -no pressure! Open air Landrovers capable of taking 8 guests, but **normally 6**.

Game: The Big "5" - Elephant, Lion, Leopard, White and Black Rhino. In addition, there are Cheetah, Hippo and Croc, Spotted Hyaena's, and an abundance of Plains Game. The Buffalo are currently enclosed in a 400hactre Boma for breeding. Release date is anticipated in 2019 on to the "Free Area".

The Tents: Voltage 220V, room safe, International adaptor, Hairdryer, Yoga Mat, and Mini Bar. Each tent has an indoor and outdoor shower, two separate basins, Toilet, platform Deck and Hammock. Ceiling Fans and extra side fans are in each tent. Duvets make up the bedding, however beds can be made up with Blankets if requested.

Air Access: From Johannesburg, and Cape Town International Airports.

To Hoedspruit: Daily flights with SA Airlink, CemAir, and SA Express. The flight takes about 70 Minutes from Johannesburg and 2.5 hours from Cape Town; then a 75 mins Road Transfer to the Camp.

Johannesburg to Phalaborwa: Daily flights with SA Airlink except weekends. This is a far more user-friendly route than Hoedspruit. The flight also takes about 70 Minutes and a road transfer of 75 Minutes to the Camp.

Federal Air fly within the Lowveld between Lodges, and from/to Kruger Airport. Very worthwhile. Cuts out long hours on the road! Kruger Airport to Garonga takes 45 Minutes. By Road it takes 3.5 hours and is not particularly scenic, and you would miss your Lunch and Afternoon Safari.

Federal Air also flies from ORT Johannesburg to/from Garonga. It takes about 90 Minutes door to door. Our Airstrip is 5 Minutes from the Camps. These are scheduled flights and quite affordable.

Medical: Low risk malaria area (strongly recommend anti-malarial precautions). Please consult either a Travel Clinic or a Tropical Diseases Clinic for advice. MEDEVAC facilities through Africa-Assist. Suggest bringing Imodium, Valoid, and Panadol. MEDEVAC is complimentary as long as you have Medical Insurance that includes MEDEVAC.

Seasons: Summer: September – April. Rains: Average 500mm pa. Can reach up to 45 degrees C in peak summer and fall to 25 degrees at night. It starts cooling down from March.

Winter: May – August. Generally, no rain at this time. Cold mornings and evenings/night. Temperatures reach about 25 degrees C max during the day and fall to between 5 - 10 degrees C at night. Electric blankets are put on the beds during the winter. It is very cold first thing in the mornings (Winter); this is also due to wind chill factor on the vehicles. Please be prepared.

Clothing: Bring the following:

Summer: Waterproof Jacket, swimming costume, light cotton type clothing, sandals, good walking boots, and a Cap.

Winter: Fleece, Jacket, jersey, scarf, gloves, cap/hat.

Other useful items: Camera, bino's, adaptor plug, sun cream, sunglasses.

Laundry: Complimentary Service. **Only essential laundry is done.**

Credit Cards: M/C and Visa only.

Currency: We do accept Foreign Currency for tipping purposes only, but we cannot change it into Local Currency.

Dietary Requirements: Most, if not all are covered, if we have good notification.

Phones: We have good mobile signal. Please be aware we do not allow use of private phones (Phone calls in or out) in the Public Areas or on Safari.

Affiliations: Classic Safari Africa (www.classicsafari.com), ATTA, and SATSA.

Weddings: We do these often. It is a very painless experience. Check www.garonga.com. As a suggestion, get your wedding License in your Home Country in a registry Office (quick and easy) and then come out and do "The Wedding Ceremony" here at Garonga. It means no waiting for your License any longer and is much easier. However we can also provide fully licensed Weddings with a Padre who will organise all the legal documentation etc.

Safari Camp: Accommodation: 6 x Luxury Tents En-Suite. Can accommodate a maximum of 2 x Persons in one room. Each tent looks down onto a normally dry riverbed. 12 x guests can be accommodated. Youngest age is 12 years.

Facilities: Our new Star Bath (November 18), an Open air Bush Bath, Sleep Out Experience, Massage (we have a full-time therapist on site), Yoga Sala, Swimming Pool, Large Open Lounge with "help yourself" Bar, Boma (with a Pizza Oven) and Bar, and a Gift Shop.

Wine Cellar: An excellent selection of South African wines are stocked here.

Wireless: We have wireless reception in the Main Area at Safari Camp and at the Curio Shop. At Little Garonga all Suites and Main Area have Wifi. This is complimentary.

Guide Room: There is one room for Guides or Pilots to stay in. It is en-suite, practical and comfortable.

Meals: Guests have their own private table for breakfast and lunch. We vary the location and theme for dinner by providing either a communal round table in the main lounge, or a boma dinner, or private tables which all have their own unique position. In winter time, there is a huge fireplace where guests can gather round before dinner. We also do breakfasts out in the bush. Health meals/Options are always available.

Little Garonga: This Luxury Bush Camp can be taken out independently (ie, using one or two suites), or for Exclusive Use.

Accommodation: 3 x Suites all built under thatch. Can accommodate 8 guests (including 2 Children). Youngest Child age is 6 years old.

Hambleden Suite: Consists of the main bedroom for 2 x adults, and a closed off room for 2 x children with their own Bathroom; so it can be used by a couple or a family. There is an indoor and outdoor lounge (covered), a huge bathroom consisting of a beautiful hand beaten copper bath tub, separate indoor shower and outdoor shower, two basins and a toilet. It has its own plunge pool with deck and hammock. The suite has its own mini-bar, and is fully air conditioned as well as having ceiling fans.

Chiltern and Buckingham Suites: Each suite has their own platform deck and hammock. On the deck, there is a covered area, and an open area. There is a lounge area in the main bedroom consisting of a mini-bar, and airconditioning unit as well as ceiling fans. The bathroom consists of a bath, two basins, an indoor shower and vast outdoor shower. They each have their own writing desk. The suites are suitable for two guests only.

Main/Lounge Area: There is an indoor and covered outdoor Lounge. The breakfast deck under a tent is suitable for Four guest's maximum. The Plunge pool area consists of a deck with loungers, and a barbeque area. The indoor lounge is fully air-conditioned, and also has ceiling Fans. It has a dining area, lounge/seating area, fireplace, selfservice bar, and reading area.

Meals: Breakfast can be taken on the breakfast deck. Lunch inside the main lounge or outside depending on the weather. Dinner either outside on the swimming pool deck by the fire, or inside the main lounge area. BBQ's can be done easily on request.

Safari: The camp has its own guide and vehicle.

General: The Camp is run separately from Safari Camp. It has its own host, chef, waiter and housekeeper and so is totally self-contained. Wifi is complimentary and accessible in all suites and the Main Area.

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