

Nomad Tanzania's Private Guides

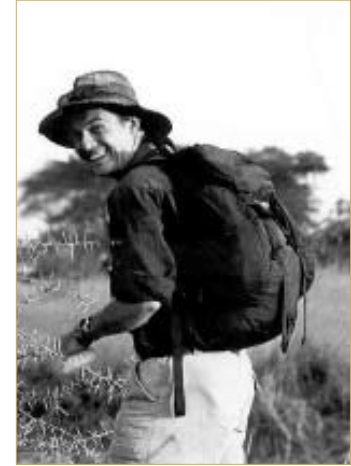
On Safari with the Best





The make or break of a safari?

Great game, amazing areas, beautiful camps are all important factors to the success of any safari. But we think the real make or break element is the guide.



"He was also, as well as being an excellent guide, such an entertaining and hospitable companion who gave us the most incredible week of our entire lives".



For our guests, the guide is the ambassador for all that Nomad believes in; experience, enthusiasm, knowledge and passion. A good relationship between guide and guest makes for the ultimate once in a lifetime experience.

Why one of us?

~ As Nomad guides, we know more than just the Big 5, it's about the smaller things too: we have serious bird enthusiasts, primate experts, frog fundis, butterfly fanciers and many more diverse interests and passions. Our training covers an eclectic mix of topics:- Botany, Geology, Astronomy, rifle training, photography, elephants, herbivores, environment awareness, HIV training, tribal history and culture, carnivores, snakes, ecology, fishing, beetles, data collection and disease control, not forgetting how to make the perfect cooked breakfast and how to prepare the very best bush cocktail.

~ The best have never left. Most of our core team have been together since the very beginning; 10 years ago when we set out into the wilds of the Serengeti with two Landrovers and an old trailer. We're proud of our history, and belonging to this family - and there are lots of young Tanzanian guides who aspire to join the team.

~ We know our way around Tanzania, not just the regular run-of-the-mill safari circuits. We've all spent time in the Nomad camps in Katavi, Mahale and the Selous as well as the northern circuit. With the well-oiled and highly experienced Nomad basecamp team behind us, we have the confidence to head into the wilds knowing that we're covered.

~ We do it all, from walking safaris to boating expeditions to night drives or hanging out with the Maasai. We're part educator, part entertainer, part bush-mechanic, conservationist and explorer.

~ Did you know that many of us have bought our own cars, thanks to soft loans from Nomad, and are now able to hire them back to Nomad for our safaris? This fair trade model has given us the opportunity to move beyond being standard safari guides.

~ And last, but by no means least, when you're on safari with Nomad Tanzania in the north, you'll have your own dedicated Nomad guide and private vehicle at no extra cost.

Nomad's Greatest Ambassadors

Local Knowledge & Training

“Our guide showed us a daily feast of animals and incredible sights; a bush smorgasbord, and thanks to him we didn't miss a thing ”

At Nomad, we've always held our guides in special regard as an integral part of what makes a Nomad safari 'a Nomad Safari'. They take pride in finding the more remote areas that are off the beaten track, the out of the way special spots that others often miss. Our guides have traveled the length and breadth of the country, gaining valuable experience in many of Tanzania's protected areas as well as spending time in all the Nomad camps.

Our annual guide training 'fest' brings together all our guides, trackers and scouts. Each year, we mix their own interests together with specialised training by a variety of internationally recognised safari experts. The emphasis is on field work: walking, rifle training, first aid, and gaining an in-depth knowledge of their subject.



We are Family

It may sound something of a cliché, but our guides really are like a family, with many of them having worked together, and with the company, for years. From Emmanuel's loud and infectious laugh, to Chediel's quiet sense of humour, they make up the core team that helps to drive Nomad's guiding mission.



"His patience and quiet humour were hugely appreciated, and we all learnt so much from him - the children also thought he was fabulous and consequently listened to him with rapt attention, and that is no mean feat"



We admit to being somewhat biased, but we don't think a safari is complete without one!

