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# HideAway Fishing Camp

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## Quest Information

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### Situation:

**From Harare:** The camp is situated  
48km from Westgate Shopping Centre  
75km from the Harare International Airport

**On Manyame (Darwendale) Dam:** about 1/3<sup>rd</sup> up the dam from Norton on the North Bank. The Team at HideAway thank you for your booking and look forward to looking after you, in order for us to do the best we can we ask you to read the following notes, so as to make your stay an enjoyable experience!  
HideAway is a fishing camp on Lake Manyame, otherwise known as Darwendale Dam, which stretches some 27kms from river mouth to Dam wall, and is 10kms wide at its widest.

HideAway offers the serious or weekend anglers either full catering and self-catering options in the lodges or camping facilities.. Its seclusion affords you a relaxing, tranquil setting in which you can unwind and enjoy our magnificent sunsets over the Dam in a blend of luxury and wilderness.

### PHASE 1 - TENTED CHALETS (EAGLES CALL 1-4) used for either catered or self-catering

There are 4 tents under thatch Chalet available each sleeping up to 5 people, the chalet has 2 rooms and a bathroom / shower / toilet attached.  
These are mainly used as a block booking ie 4 families take the whole phase 1 over and share the fully kitted kitchen, and entertainment area. There is an upstairs deck with a TV; all you need to **bring** is a decoder and **smart card**.....  
There are cooks and staff to prepare meals for you, making your stay as stress free as possible. Mid-week bookings are available at cheaper rates.

Weekends are extremely popular on this Phase, so get 4 families together and try them out....or book as a group! If you are not able to fill all the tents - there are facilities in place to share the kitchen area. There are 2 chefs and 2 deep freezers and 2 fridges so sharing is not a vital problem.

**The tented area comes with :-**

The main lodge veranda has Zim-brella's for you to relax and take in the tranquillity of the countryside. Also a great spot to enjoy a breakfast or lunch.

The Hideaway bar, dining, coffee lounge, where you can wrap up each day with an ice cold beer or your favourite drink, served with snacks including our famous fresh bream fingers!

An evening bonfire (winter months) welcomes you to gather around and recall the days fishing, with the backdrop of the lake.

Each of the four (tent under thatch) chalets offers the feeling of camping with the comfort of home! Each chalet has its own sweeping view of the lake. Each can sleep 5 comfortably.

### **SELF CONTAINED CHALETS (DAWN 1-3)**

There are 3 of these units available, one new one half ready. These can sleep up to 4 people. It has two bedrooms, on suite - outside toilet, shower, basin. This section no longer requires the ablutions. Small kitchenette with micro-wave, 2 plate cooker, kettle, toaster, fridge, and freezer. Also the basics required for your stay ie cutlery and crockery etc. We have installed satellite dishes so bring your decoder and smart card for full DSTV & ask Mayplan camp manager for a tv.

A thatch gazebo on each lodge with tables and chairs should you wish to eat outside. The cottage has its own braai facility. These are serviced twice a day by staff but do not offer the option of the cook. These can be booked individually or together. Should you need a maid - please ask Mayplan and he can organise to have someone to service the lodge provided extra charge for staff tip.

Perfect for the family getaway or keen angler who wants to be close to the action. The 3 self catering Chalets are also available for those people who want to do their own thing. If extra bedding is required please enquire at reception and it can be arranged at an extra \$10 per person.

### **About us**

The camp was built in August 2005 and opened its doors in March 2006. We are continually trying to value add, so as to offer more to our guests. HideAway is a private family run camp, and we pride ourselves on personal service. Maplan our camp manager is on hand to provide any assistance that you might require during your stay.

Our aim is to service the fisherman on his quest for a big bass, as well as provide a comfortable environment for the family to join in.

We can tailor make a package or trip for 2-35 guests and each personal requirements can be catered for to ensure a most enjoyable and value for money trip.

We offer the venue for weddings, and with the backdrop of the dam, you would look very hard to match the beauty of the setting for your special day.

Angling in the waters around Hideaway offers some of the best Bass fishing in the world, with the All African record coming from a few hundred metres of the camp. So if your dream is to land a ten pounder in an awesome setting, we can make that a dream a reality! **NEW CAMP RECORD : - 15,6POUNDER - AUG 2010.**

Set in the country, guests are offered a number of activities, including horse trails around the Lake shore, Bird watching, walks, and sun downer booze cruise! Or just doing your own thing in the camp. We are a family friendly camp and have various options for all types! Including inflatable jumping castles and slides for kids. A great place to bring your bike too! great family fun and certainly one way of getting the younger family members hooked on fishing.

We have a swimming pool that offers a great spot to sit and relax with a cold drink as you ponder on the day's activities. It has been said that Zimbabwe has one of the finest climates ever to be encountered, which more importantly means: **365 days of fishing!** The Lake is located a comfortable 1 hours drive from Harare

Fishing peak season - Augsut-Feb.

### Client information

Tackle is not supplied as yet, but we have a shop on site that you can purchase tackle and rods. Hairdriers are avail on request from reception. Our own personal DVD library and DVD player will be avail shortly at a extra charge. Laundry avail - enquire at reception.

### Activities at extra cost. - BOOK through Reception.

Booze cruises on "sorted" the camp pontoon

Horse rides & Donkey ride.

Jumping castles and water slides.

Bring your bikes for great fun

Running/ walks avail along the waters edge

Organised Game drive to Chivero National Park or next door. 12 species game.

Organised Trip to Craft fair in Harare

Organised Trip to Bushman Painting.

Organised Golf at Three of Zimbabwe's best courses

Trip to Lion and Cheetah Park & Snake World.

Learn how to Milk a cow !!

Trampoline

Horse Lessons around our horse ring.

## Clothing

Daytime temperatures are warm through out the year so we do recommend light clothing. However during winter months, nights can get quite chilly so warm clothes are essential. Other items that are important are a pair of binoculars, light rain suit (summer), camera, sunglasses, sun block and a good hat.

## Health and Safety

If you require special medication we recommend you bring a sufficient supply. As we are not a malaria- zoned area and never had hassles in the past ever – we suggest that if you are not sure - start a course of anti-malarial pills, two weeks prior to arrival. A 24hr trauma centre is located 60km away in Harare and the airport is 80km away. The camp has an electric fence and 24hr security on patrol. Arrangements can be made to leave boats in the water over night, but please consult with management if you require doing this.

## Climate

In Zimbabwe, summer is October to April when maximum temperatures average 30 degrees Celsius, and during which rains may be expected. Winter is May to September and average temperatures during the day are 20 Celsius, but can drop much lower at night. Little rain can be experienced at this time.

## Camping

There is a new campsite, with ablutions, although no plug points as yet but hopefully by mid Oct, there will be zesa to these sites, with a light and plug point.. There are 4 gazebos built with a braai unit/outside tap/dustbin/and fireplace area in place. New Ablutions are on site for campers with hot water and showers.

## Day visitors

Please try and call first on 0913 109 334 – incase the camp is closed for a function. Please do not interrupt the over night guests, who have preference to the swimming pool area and main boma - so your assistance on this would be appreciated. There will be a day- visitors gate fee of 5\$ per person inc kids. Please note all Day visitors are to stay away from the main boma toilets and kitchen as these are privately booked. Overnight guests have full access and do not want to be bothered by strangers. Please use the abluation for toilets. Day- visitors are either to make use of the camping section braai facilities supplied or the braai units next to the pool, NOT the main boma braai – PRIVATE. They can make use of the shop and other boma on side of the pool.

## Shop

We have a fully stocked shop the "hook, line & sinker"  
various groceries, ice, drinks, fishing tackle, clothing, charcoal etc may be purchased here.

## "Lookout Boma "

new conference room & entertainment area next to the main lodge where you can relax.

## Plans

4<sup>th</sup> self-catering chalet in progress  
Maids accomadation/showers/toilets.

## TV

The main lodge has an upstairs lounge with TV. Guests are asked to bring their own decoder and smart card. Each of the cottages has option for a TV too, but you will need to bring your decoder and smart card along.

## Power

A Gokva generator has been installed; however due to the fuel shortages we have a strict timetable for the use of it, please bath and cook food within these times, should the power be off.

## **Generator times:**

**07h00- 09h00**  
**12h00- 14h00**  
**18h00- 21h00**

If the generator is required for more than the times supplied, an extra charge will be incurred for this service on a per hour basis. We suggest you bring extra diesel if you want extra hours.

Bring torches and DC lighting if you have!

On the back of each chalet are 15amp and 13amp sockets for charging batteries.

## Water

All water is from a borehole and can be consumed.

## Wood

We have wood and charcoal at the shop here.

### Swimming pool

We have a swimming pool, but it is **uncovered**. Please note that all children must be supervised at all times. The responsibility of children rests solely on the parents of the child and HideAway and its Management will not be held responsible for any injury or death.

### Pets

Under **NO** circumstances may pets or any animals be brought onto the premises at any time.

### Security

We do have an electric fence on the perimeter of the camp, and guards. We do however ask our guests to be vigilant and aware at all times. If boats are left in the water please inform management. (You are advised to remove your boat at night) Better safe than sorry! We will try offer our best service to make you secure, however do not accept any responsibility if there is any loss or damage to property. All valuables must be locked in your car or some where safe! We will be installing safes shortly in each room!

### Launching and fishing permits

National parks permits can be bought from the camp, and please note that these must be paid on the day! We have had people refuse these fees, please note you will not be allowed back if these are not paid as it puts us in a very difficult spot with the Parks!

Our new harbour is in operation now and this can be done with most 2 wheel drive cars. We have 3 launch sites in operation now!

### Breakage Deposit

We ask that a deposit of us\$50 be paid on arrival at the reception area, which will be refunded on departure.

### Exclusivity

If you require the camp exclusively for your own use ie (no day trippers) then this can be arranged but needs a month notice! An extra charge will be charged for this!

### Self-catering

For those guests that are self-catering, please provide the following:

- Own towels for bathing and swimming.
- All toiletries.
- All your own food and beverages.
- Your own charcoal or brickets for braaiing.
- Suitable DC lighting for when the power is off.

- If coming with a domestic please bring all their own bedding, tent, pots, plates, cups etc or you will be charged if they use the camp facilities. Maid's pay 5\$ per night.
- Decoder and smart card
- Mossy spray for the evenings (nets for little ones)

The camp has a friendly team of staff who will assist where possible to make you stay as comfortable as possible. Please feel free to ask any of them if you require assistance. If you require any further information please feel free to contact us.

#### RATES AS OF SEPT 2010-09-22

All lodges 100\$

Mid week rates 25\$ per person. (MON - THURS)

Entry & Daytrippers \$5 per person.

Camping \$5 per person.

Launching \$5 per boat.

National Parks to be paid here. Lake usage \$3 per boat. \$2 per fisherman.

EMERGENCY CALL OUT RESCUE BOAT \$30

Staff tips : - on average : - \$10 per lodge (2 night stay.)

FINE FOR PETS - \$ 20 !!!

Breakage Deposit on arrival \$50 per lodge.

BACHELOR PARTY'S - Please note we have a clean up/extra deposit fee.

#### STAFF ON SITE

(Bridget & Tracey) on tented section. (India) in kitchen. (Kuda) on self catering section. (Mayplan) - camp manager on reception/shop. (Jerai and Jabulani) on garden and to help with boats.

The STAFF are here to help you. Should anyone experience any problems with the above staff - please enter a comment on your booking in sheet at reception on exiting property. We will get back to you.

We are a multi functional venue for

WEDDINGS/CONFERENCES/BACHELOR PARTY'S/BIRTHDAY PARTIES/FAREWELL'S/SCHOOL LEAVERS DANCES/SCHOOL TRIPS/KIDS CAMPS/ CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP/RUNNING CLUB/HEALTH RETREATS/CAMP OUT/FISHING TOURNAMENTS/BIRD WATCHERS/ DAY TRIPPERS.

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