GONAREZHOU SAFARI AREAS IN SOUTH EASTERN ZIMBABWE

The Gonarezhou Safari areas are hunting areas that are open/un fenced areas adjoined to the Gonarezhou National or Kruger National Park or the Mozambique National Park, these are massive areas made up of different concessions that form part of the collective Gonarezhou Hunting concessions, the ones that TAS offers are as follows from North to South.

· Mahenye is a Gonarezhou hunting area that is situated on the North Eastern Boundary of the Gonarezhou National Park and has a further boundary with Mozambique. The Mahenye riverine jess bush including forests along the river is perfect territory for elephant bulls and buffalo bulls, this area has produced very big ivory in the past, the concession changed hands in 2018 allowing Take Aim Safaris the opportunity to market and sell these sought after Gonarezhou hunts, there has been very little to no hunting here for the last 10 years. The Northern parts of the Gonarezhou National Park that are adjoined and unfenced to Mahenye have this highest concentration of elephant bulls in the entire park, this is due to the volume of water being high and available feeding being high, there is lots of water on the hunting area side. Keys species of Mahenye are elephant, buffalo, hippo and crocodile. Mahenye borders on Mozambique and onto the Gonarezhou National Park in its North Eastern region of the park. The confluence of the Save River and Runde River is within the Mahenye Safari area including many large islands formed by the confluence of these rivers, most famous of these islands is Muchemeni Island, and also well known within the area is Chilo Gorge. Lots of water on the Mahenye Safari area side.

· Naivaisha Safari Area is a community owned safari/hunting area that is operated by a Zimbabwean Safari Operator on a community sharing program, there are no people living in Naivaisha that shares a 33 kilometre un-fenced open boundary with the Gonarezhou National Park, the concession including the adjoined Chibedziva hot spots is around 100.000 hectares. Naivaisha is amongst the best leopard areas in Zimbabwe, is perfect for buffalo, very good for trophy elephant bulls, sable, lion and plain game all found in good numbers in this beautiful, well run concession. See camp photos attached. A big plus for cat hunters is that night hunting of nocturnal species is permitted in Naivaisha. Hippo and croc are available nearby.

· The Sengwe 1 and 2 TTL (Tribal Trust Land) hunting areas are open and adjoined to the Gonarezhou National Park, the Kruger National Park and also Mozambique, Crooks Corner on the Zim side is in our concession and a real hot spot for dagga boys. Sengwe is well known for top trophy quality elephant and buffalo. There are people living in and around the Sengwe areas in a low population density scenario. Hippo and croc are available and on quota in Sengwe.
EXPLAINING THE GONAREZHOU HUNTING CONCESSION BOUNDARIES OFFERED BY TAKE AIM SAFARIS AS OF JULY 2019

From North to South Gonarezhou Nation Park, to be read in conjunction with the map of the Gonarezhou on the TAS website.

MAHENYE:

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NAIVAISHA:

The central Gonarezhou National Park hunting area Naivaisha is adjoined to the Gonarezhou National Park on the parks Western Boundary by a 33 kilometre boundary road that ends just short of the railway that dissects the bottom portion of the Gonarezhou NP, the Safari area includes portions of Chicombedzi and Gonacudzingwa.

SENGWE 1 AND 2:

Sengwe 2 starts at the Sango border post (Zimbabwe/Mozambique) where the Sengwe 2 corridor begins that connects the Gonarezhou National Park and the Kruger National Park forming the Transfrontier National Park, this is a vital channel for elephant and buffalo migration between the national parks, this corridor is within the hunting area, Sengwe 2 continues right down to the Limpopo River that is the International boundary between Zimbabwe and South Africa, this is our open and unfenced boundary with the Kruger National Park that starts at the Mozambique/RSA/Zim border and extends back into our Sengwe 1 boundary starting point at the Bubye River that flows into the Limpopo River. Sengwe 1 and 2 merge halfway between the Bubye River and Crooks corner boundary along the Limpopo River.
MAHENYE

The camp consists of 2 luxury client tents with own bathroom plus 1 luxury client chalet with own bathroom (can sleep 6 clients 2x room comfortably), the lounge and dining room are very nice and could be considered as luxurious. The fireplace and view overlooking the Save River can only be described as awesome, I took pictures of the nearby Chilo Gorge that is adjoined to Mahenye. The Mahenye camp has hot water, generator power, a luxury camp indeed.
NAIVAISHA

Located between Chiredzi and Mabalauta National Parks office nestled into Gonarezhou National Park and has a 33 kilometre unfenced shared boundary with the National Park.

KWALA-KWALA / SENGWE 1

Located in the Southernmost tip of Zimbabwe on the Limpopo River that is the border between Kruger Park and Zimbabwe this magnificent location allows free roaming for animals between Kruger and the hunting concession, a truly beautiful place to hunt and can be described as a part of the Kruger Park.

DUMISA CAMP / SENGWE 2

Also located on the Nuanetsi River to the South of Malipati another top concession in the southern Lowveld of Zimbabwe.