

Hondo Hondo - Udzungwa Forest Lodge



Highlights	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Beautiful setting at the edge of the forested mountains● Ideal escape to the wilderness of Tanzania● Great base for hiking in the Udzungwa Mountains● Fantastic birding
Situation	Edge of Udzungwa Mountains National Park, Southern Tanzania, access by road or train.
Activities	Hiking; birdwatching; cycling; village and town visits; canoe trips; cultural tours

Hondo Hondo (which means hornbill) sits on the forest edge at Udzungwa Mountains National Park, in a very beautiful part of Southern Tanzania. Silvery-cheeked, Crowned and Trumpeter Hornbills are often in the trees near camp and primates found here regularly include the Black and White Colobus Monkey and the endemic Iringa Colobus Monkey.

There are two types of accommodation at Hondo Hondo, Udzungwa Forest Lodge has 6 tented en-suite rooms and Udzungwa Forest Camp has 5 basically furnished traditional Swahili style huts (shared ablutions). The tented rooms have spring mattresses & feather pillows and local fabrics and furnishings (such as bed throws made by the local womens weavers group). They have open air bathrooms with flush toilets and hot water, so you have views up to the forest canopy while you shower! These 'forest en-suite tents' are in the forest boundary and are made from renewable resources such as bamboo and coconut wood. Each has one plug socket in the tents.

Meals can be served on tent verandahs or in the Lozenge Bar & Dining Area. Cold drinks and supplies can be purchased from the Canopy Bar, which is also a great place to enjoy a sundowner and watch the colobus monkeys and hornbills in the trees. Electric lighting is provided by low energy LED bulbs.

There is a cozy fire pit to sit around at night and local drummers can visit in the evening on request. Sometimes if there are enough people in camp a pig spit roast can be done. Snacks and picnics can be arranged for hiking and day trips.

Local guides from the lodge can take guests on hiking trails in to the mountains and hiking and camping equipment can be provided from Hondo Hondo. See separate regional page for Udzungwa Mountains National Park for details of hiking trails.

