

# Press Release

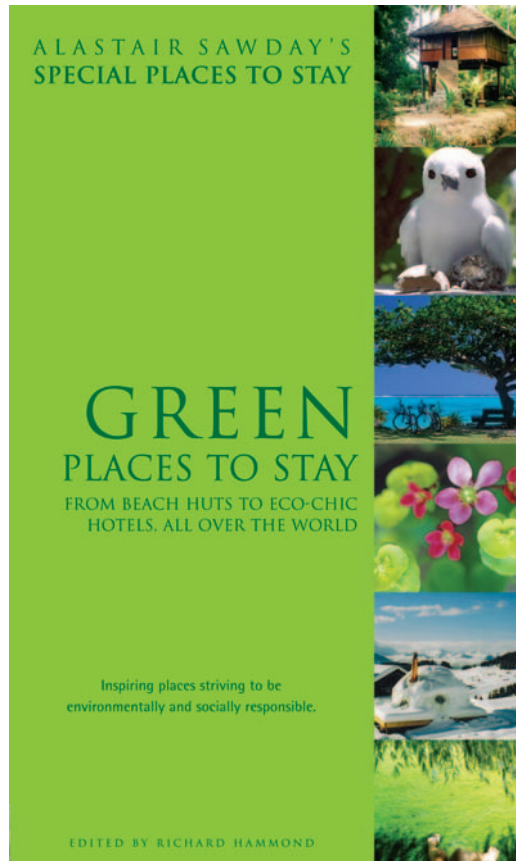
# ALASTAIR SAWDAY'S SPECIAL PLACES TO STAY GREEN PLACES TO STAY

## Things we can do for you:

- Help with news stories
- Suggest ideas for features and compile them
- Extracts
- Giveaways and special offers

## Coming soon:

- **India**  
edition 2 – 27th July
- **British B&B**  
edition 11 – 28th September
- **British Hotels, Inns & Other Places**  
edition 8 – 26th October
- **French B&B**  
edition 10 – 2nd November
- **Croatia**  
edition 1 – 30th November



Green – it's the new black. And thank goodness for that. Travellers and holiday-makers are waking up to the fact that their wanderings do have an impact on the environment while an increasing number of accommodation providers are investing in green technologies and socially responsible practices. Green Places to Stay is a worldwide guide to those special places that go the extra mile to provide responsible holidays – authentic, real places with a heart that are, just as importantly, a delight to stay in.

- Stay with the Wachagga people beneath the mighty Kilimanjaro in huts made from forest vines and stones from the river, masterfully sculpted under a banana-leaf roof
- Camel trek in vast dunes, then sup on Mongolian dishes under the stars before retiring to a luxurious ger or nomadic tent complete with hand-painted bed, pristine sheets and incredibly comfy mattress
- Castaways with a conscience and a love of the finer things in life can stroll along a sugar-white beach on a definitive paradise island, then tuck into grilled lobster at a moonlit table laid by the mercury sea
- Not forgetting good old Blighty – seven eco-cottages deep in the Cornish woods where the visionary owner is aiming to be totally self-sufficient in food and fuel

## About The Editor

Richard Hammond is a travel journalist who specialises in ecotourism and green travel. He writes 'Guilt-Free', a monthly column on eco-friendly holidays in The Guardian. He is one of the judges of the highly respected Responsible Tourism Awards and is a member of The International Ecotourism Society and The Travel Foundation.

Environmental policies are a priority at Alastair Sawday Publishing and we are always looking at ways of improving our 'green' credentials.

## Facts and Figures

Each entry will include at-a-glance scales showing just how green or socially responsible they are.

A worldwide guide with 166 entries across 53 countries.

A mix of self-catering, B&Bs and hotels: treehouses, safari camps, bohemian yurts, beach huts, mud huts, organic farms, homestays and chic hotels.

For more information or review copies, due late August, call: Sarah Bolton on 01275 395433 or email: [sarah@sawdays.co.uk](mailto:sarah@sawdays.co.uk)

- Publication date: 28 September 2006
- 166 entries with colour photos
- Price: £13.99
- 1st edition
- ISBN: 1-901970-77-9
- Pages: 288
- Maps: 20

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### Tongabezi Lodge

Private Bag 31, Livingstone

Discard your alarm clock; awake to the light with a noisy pod of hippos! High on the riverbank, each of the four (different) houses has one side missing, liberating the view to a sweep of the Zambezi River. Some, like the Tree House, are split-level, with tree-trunks (still growing) around the billowing mosquito net of the king-size bed. Stairs to a deck below reveal the open-air toilet and sunken bath. The airy cottages (slightly smaller than the houses) stand beside the water's edge; their claw-footed baths looking out through picture windows. Amidst the riverbank's vegetation, Tongabezi's open layout feels very natural – from the waterfall tumbling into the small splash-pool to the floating deck where efficient local staff serve breakfast. Tongabezi sets the pace for African lodge design and is notable for employing and training Zambian managers – surprisingly uncommon in the safari industry.

- Boating,; birdwatching; white-water rafting
- Crocodiles, hippos & occasional elephants
- The Victoria Falls; Livingstone

rooms	15: 5 river cottages, 5 chalets, 1 garden cottage, 4 houses.
price	Full-board US\$750-\$1,060.
meals	Full-board only.
closed	Never.
directions	Take the Kazangula rd from town towards Botswana. Exit park & take next left (500m) after layby. Follow dirt road for 3km to Tongabezi.



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Tongabezi supports a programme for the schooling of local children.

Safari Camp

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