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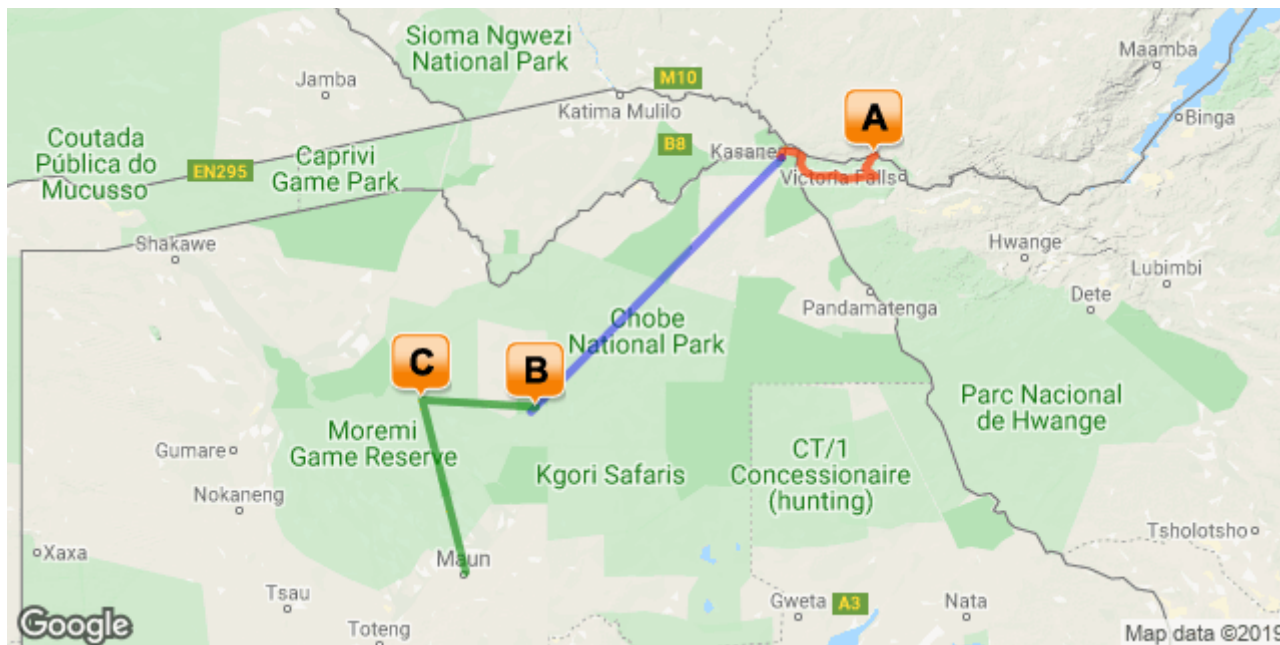
BOTSWANA IS OUR HOME SAFARIS ARE OUR PASSION

8nts Bush Explorer - Mid Range

Livingstone (Victoria Falls) - Khwai Conservancy - Okavango Delta

9 Days / 8 Nights

Starts Livingstone/Ends Maun



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Introduction

Start	Accommodation	Destination	Basis	Duration
Day 1	Chundukwa River Lodge	Livingstone (Victoria Falls)	FB+	2 Nights
Day 3	Machaba Camp	Khwai Conservancy	FI	3 Nights
Day 6	Young Explorers	Okavango Delta	FI	3 Nights

Key

FB+: Full Board Plus - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast, Lunch and Activities. FI: Fully Inclusive - Bed, All Meals, Fees and Activities

Transport

Flight Information

Date	Flight	Details
Day 6	Safari Air (Ker & Downey Safaris)	Machaba Camp – Shinde/Young Explorers
Day 9	Safari Air (Ker & Downey Safaris)	Shinde Young Explorers - Maun Airport [MUB]

Transfers

Date	Company	Details
Day 1	Chundukwa River Lodge	Livingstone Airport - Chundukwa River Lodge
Day 3	Wild Horizons	Chundukwa River Lodge - Kasane Airport [BBK]
Day 3	Mack Air	Kasane – Khwai/Machaba Camp

Cost of the safari 2020 – on application

Child Policy

- The minimum age recommended on this safari is 7 years old, all children are at the responsibility of the parents at all times. Younger children may be accepted – on application.
- Each camp has a different child policy for pricing and therefore pricing is worked out on an individual basis – varying with number of people in the family and specific ages.
 - 1) Footsteps across the Delta – pricing is based on a sole use booking of the camp and the price is scaled accordingly (a family of 3 would pay more per person than a family of 4 or 5). There is 1 family tent and 2 twin tents, maximum occupancy is 6 in total. Minimum age is 7 years unless otherwise arranged. All activities are modified to suit the ages of children as it is a specialty family program. Parental and guide discretion will be used in planning activities.
 - 2) Machaba Camp – is priced on a per person basis and children 6-11 yrs pay 50% of the adult price, children under 6 are free of charge however require private vehicle hire. Machaba has 2 Family Units and allows 2 adults/2 children to share, unless otherwise arranged. No children under 12 yrs are permitted on mokoro or on guided walks
 - 3) Chundu Cottage - pricing is based on a sole use booking of the cottage, paying for a minimum of 4 adults and thereafter children receive a discount, to a maximum of 6 guests. Children of all ages are accepted.

Additional Notes:

- Young Explorers is open from 1st March through to 30 November 2020. For travel outside of this time, please discuss alternatives with your consultant.
- The Young Explorer's programme can also be operated in a modified format from one of the more luxury permanent camps – Shinde, Kanana or Okuti – pricing on request
- We recommend that guests book a private vehicle at Machaba Camp for the duration of their stay. This is not compulsory, for children aged 7 – 12, but a recommendation as this allows your family flexibility on activities.
- Please note that where a booking crosses over 2 different rate periods e.g. June & July, neither rate is applicable – please request a special quote
- Subject to availability at time of booking, major currency fluctuations and fuel surcharges

- Optional pre and post safari extensions on request
- The above rate is subject to change due to major currency fluctuations, fuel surcharges and increases in National park fees (see below)

Park Fees and Departure Taxes and Tourism Levy

Please be aware that Park Fees, Conservation Levies, VAT, Airport Taxes and Government Levies may increase in 2020. Regrettably such increases are beyond our control and are excluded from any bookings, provisional or confirmed. We will inform you should any increase be advised.



Travel for Impact – Responsible Travel

By booking this itinerary, you donate USD\$2 for every night of travel per person on the booking. Your donation goes to Travel for Impact (TFI) and ensures that your safari has a meaningful impact on the people who live locally. For more information on giving back to your chosen destination of travel, visit www.travelforimpact.com



Feed a Child Botswana

Safari Specialists contribute USD\$5 per person per booking to Feed A Child Botswana. This contribution goes directly towards the purchase of Nutri-meal, a fortified cereal provided to undernourished children in our local community in Maun.



Okavango Air Rescue

Please note that we include Okavango Air Rescue patronage. They provide paramedic or Doctor assisted helicopter medical evacuation as required, in conjunction with your travel insurance. Please discuss further details with your consultant and visit www.okavangorescue.com

Day 1-3: Chundukwa River Lodge, Livingstone (Victoria Falls)

Upon arrival at Livingstone Airport you are met and transferred to Chundukwa River Lodge, approximately 35 minutes by road. Here you spend for 2 nights on a full board basis at the private Chundu House with selected in-house activities included. See below for inclusions and discuss options for additional activities with your consultant – recommendations will be based on your children's age and personal preferences.



At Victoria Falls, the earth splits open and swallows one of Africa's greatest rivers, the mighty Zambezi, creating the largest sheet of falling water on earth. As the water hits the narrow depths of the Batoka Gorge beneath, it blasts a cloud of mist skywards, lending the falls their local name 'mosi-oa-tunya' (the smoke that thunders). When the Zambezi is at its fullest, the mist hangs a permanent raincloud above the falls, showering visitors on even the sunniest of days and visible for miles around.

Above the falls on the upper Zambezi, boats cruise the tranquil water at sunset while the distant spray catches the fading light downstream. Below the falls, the Batoka Gorge's rocky walls funnel the lower Zambezi into a chain of world-class rapids, prime for white water rafting.

Aside from being a UNESCO world heritage site and a natural world wonder, Victoria Falls also forms a natural border between Zimbabwe and Zambia. The falls can be seen from both countries, and for the most part the same activities are offered on both sides, from helicopter scenic flights to village visits and souvenir shopping.

Whether your idea of getting away from it all is a relaxed high tea in colonial grandeur or a heart-stopping bungee jump off a bridge, Victoria Falls keeps both the faint of heart and the most insatiable of adrenalin junkies busy for days.

From Zambia, a side on view of the falls is on offer with views into the Batoka Gorge, as well as the possibility of perching yourself at the edge of the falls on the vertigo-inducing Livingstone Island.

From Zimbabwe, you'll get a full-frontal view of three quarters of the falls' 1.7km wide curtain of water from viewpoints and footpaths meandering through a rainforest kept hot and humid by the spray of the falls.

Overnight: Chundukwa River Lodge [View iBrochure](#)

Includes: meals, local drinks, 1 Victoria Falls Tour, laundry, airport transfers and a Sunset Boat Cruise

Excludes: all park fees, premium drinks and additional activities and transfers

Activities: game viewing, Victoria Falls activities, canoe trips, horse trails and fishing

Additional Activities for stays of 3 Nights or more, included from Day 3 onwards only: white rhino tracking in Mosi-oa-Tunya National Park (2-3 hour walking safari), morning or late afternoon horse ride (1.5 hours), local village and community preschool visit, sunrise or sunset cruise, guided bush walk or mountain bike ride on the property and for children: a visit to meet the domestic animals, be led out on horseback for 30 minutes (by a groom) and fishing (with a guide) in a dam on the property

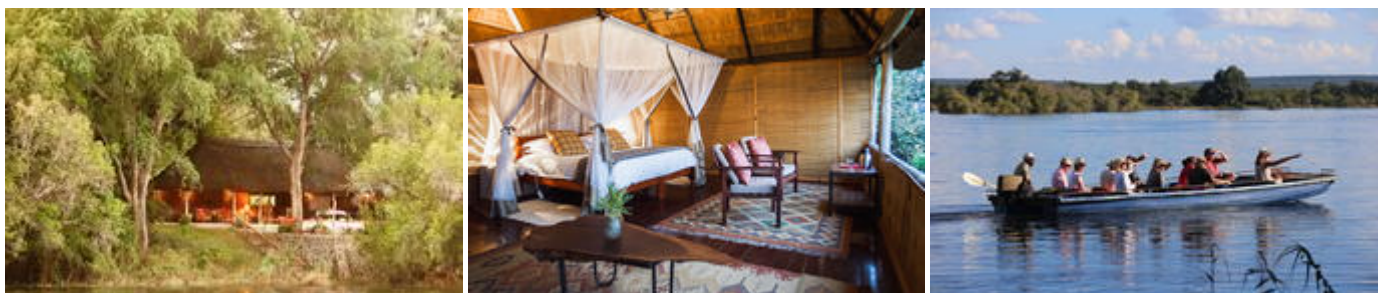
Situated on the grassy banks of the Zambezi River just 25 km upstream from the mighty Victoria Falls, our elevated open-fronted chalets boast stunning views of the Zambezi River. We are located in a game-rich area and sightings of hippo and elephant among other animals are common. There is also an abundance of plant and birdlife to be found surrounding the lodge and although the sounds of the bush might briefly keep you awake; this is short-lived as their chatter soon softens to a unique African lullaby.

With a maximum of 10 guests in camp, we ensure a personalised service and advice on planning your stay in order to maximise your time in this beautiful corner of Zambia. Our lodge is built in local fashion and blends in perfectly with its surroundings thus providing our guests with comfort and privacy. All our chalets have uninterrupted river views, mosquito nets and fans. The main lodge comprises of 5 rustic, open-fronted stilted chalets: 1 family unit, 2 double/ twin rooms and 1 honeymoon suite.

The Victoria Falls region has become the premier adventure hotspot of Africa with a multitude of activities to suit every traveller. Some of the most popular are elephant back safaris, exploring the local craft market for African treasures and taking a helicopter flight over the mile-wide Victoria Falls. Of course, guided walking safaris and game drives are activities not to be missed. Game drives take place in 4x4 safari vehicles, providing guests with the chance to see big game and enjoy a buffet meal on the banks of the mighty Zambezi River. Those seeking adventure will enjoy adrenaline-pumping white water rafting in the river or taking a horseback ride through areas with a high concentration of game and beautiful scenery.

Guests can choose from a host of activities available from the lodge and in and around Livingstone including canoe trips, horse trails and tiger fishing not to mention a guided tour of the Victoria Falls and a sunset cruise on the Zambezi River. These can all be pre-booked or booked directly at the lodge.

Airport Transfer Time: 35 minutes



Day 3-6: Machaba Camp, Khwai Conservancy

After breakfast and morning at leisure you are transferred across the border by road/boat transfer and onto Kasane Airport for a light aircraft transfer to Khwai Airstrip. From here it is a short game drive transfer to Machaba camp for 3 nights on a fully inclusive basis.



The Khwai Community area lies just north of the Moremi Game Reserve and is easily accessible via the North Gate of the park. Although the Khwai area is not officially part of the Moremi Game Reserve it can be seen as an extension of it as there are no fences and animals are free to roam. Khwai was established by the former inhabitants of the reserve (the River Bushmen) and is now managed by the community through the Khwai Development Trust. The wildlife experience in Khwai is the same as inside the reserve with the key advantage being the freedom to participate in walking safaris, off-road driving and night drives as the area is not governed by National Park rules.

The vegetation is varied, with dry land complemented by permanent and seasonal swamplands, resulting in an excellent diversity of both wildlife and birdlife. Game is more concentrated around the permanent water during the dry season (Apr - Oct) with it becoming very hot in the later months. The rainy season (Nov - Apr) invigorates the lush scenery with wild flowers, dramatic thundershowers, spectacular sunsets and the birthing season brings great predator and prey interaction.

Overnight: Machaba Camp [View iBrochure](#)

Includes: meals, local drinks, activities, park fees, conservation levy, laundry and Intermittent WiFi

Excludes: premium drinks

Activities: day & night game drives and mokoro (seasonal and water level dependent). Walking safaris on request

Machaba Camp is situated in the game rich Khwai area, on the eastern tongue of the Okavango Delta, and is constructed on the same site as the previous Machaba camp. The name Machaba is the local Setswana name for the Sycamore Fig Tree, the tree of life.

The camp is built in the classic 1950's style, with luxury safari tents, en-suite bathrooms and romantic outdoor showers. All the tents are situated on the ground and the pathways to the tents meander between the large

riverine trees.

All 10 luxury tents are situated in the beautiful riverine tree line on the Khwai River, overlooking the famous Moremi Game Reserve. From these tented verandas one can watch the daily parade of animals coming down to drink at the river in front of camp. The camp consists of 8 luxury twin tents and 2 luxury family tents. Activities offered at Machaba include day and night game drives, mokoro (seasonal and water level dependant), walking (provided a suitable guide is available – advance booking strongly advised) and a visit to the local community.

Airport Transfer Time: 20 minutes



Day 6-9: Young Explorers, Okavango Delta

After breakfast and morning activity (flight time permitting) you transfer to Footsteps Across the Delta (via Shinde airstrip and a game drive transfer) to begin your 3 night Young Explorers Safari. The camp is booked exclusively for your family with a private guide and family focus.



The Okavango Delta is where the wild things are: an immense, waterlogged oasis alive with elephants and birdlife, adrift in the middle of Kalahari sands. The real magic of the Delta lies in its water, trickling through from far away highlands, and spreading across the channels and floodplains.

During winter in the Kalahari, when the sun has baked the earth bare and turned the desert its driest, water fills the Okavango; transforming the floodplains into a Noah's Ark of African wildlife.

As the water brings life to the delta, its local residents shape and recreate it. Termites slowly build mounds into islands, germinated with palm trees by passing elephants. Waterways open and close on the whim of wide-bottomed hippos, carving out channels where they crash through reeds, and leaving room behind them for exploration by mokoro.

The Okavango has many faces, which change throughout the year, prompted by that most unpredictable diva of all: the weather. Water levels rise and drop, expanding and shrinking islands, while animals move where the life is easiest and the grass greenest. In a few days, a sandy road driven by vehicle can become a waterway of unknowable depth, prompting a safari by boat instead.

Where and when you stay in the Okavango Delta will hugely influence what you do in the bush each day, the animals you're most likely to see and finally, the safari experience you'll have.

The delta's watery heart is best discovered by mokoro through shallow channels and floodplains, as well as crossing the islands on foot. For less water and more of the big game, visit a camp on its drier edges (including Moremi Game Reserve and the Khwai Community Area), jump on a vehicle and seek out the animals hiding in the woodlands.

Overnight: Young Explorers [View iBrochure](#)

Includes: meals, local drinks, activities, park fees & laundry

Excludes: premium drinks and personal spending

Activities: walking, mokoro (seasonal and water level dependent) and game drives with specialist children's activities incorporated to suit.

The Ker & Downey Young Explorer's programmes are specially designed safaris offering families the opportunity to discover the wonders of the African wilderness together. One of the special attractions of the Young Explorer's safaris are their exclusivity as each family has the sole use of a private camp, allowing the daily schedule to be flexible and to be tailored around the ages and interests of all family members.

The Young Explorer's in the delta is based at Footsteps Camp, an intimate 6 bedded camp in the Shinde private concession. Each family books out exclusive use of the camp, thereby overriding the normal walking programme at Footsteps Camp and the normal minimum age requirement.

The key to running safaris with children is keeping them interested and stimulated, so the nature of activities has been modified to provide shorter activities with more diversity and interaction for the children. As the specialist guides of the Young Explorer's groups are highly experienced in working with children, the parents can relax and enjoy the wilderness, participating at their leisure.

Family minimum size is 3 and maximum is 6 and the minimum age is 7 years.

Airstrip Transfer Time: 1 hour



Day 9: End of Itinerary

After breakfast and morning activity (flight time permitting) you transfer back to Maun Airport. You are met by a Safari Specialists representative to assist you with your onward travel.

Travel Information

- Please take note of our Booking Terms & Conditions. It will be understood that these have been read and accepted by you on receipt of confirmation of the booking.
- For your safety and peace of mind, on confirmation of your booking, we strongly recommend that Travel

Insurance is arranged to cover cancellation, curtailment, emergency evacuation, medical and repatriation expenses, damage/theft/loss of personal luggage, money and goods.

- Road and air transfers and activities are quoted on a seat basis (shared) unless otherwise requested or specified. Passengers may have various stops en-route to a destination. The transfer or charter company reserves the right to specify departure and arrival times. Private charters can be requested at an additional cost.
- Passengers weighing over 100kg should please advise us at the time of booking, as we may need to cost in an additional seat on internal flights for your safety and comfort.
- The costs are subject to change at any time due to fluctuations in fuel costs, taxes, levies, government regulations, rate of exchange and factors that are imposed upon us by our suppliers that are beyond our control.
- Please advise us of the ages of children (under 18) travelling, together with their date of birth, at the time of booking as not all lodges accept children and there may be restrictions or conditions which can affect pricing.
- We recommend that optional activities be booked in advance at time of confirmation to guarantee availability e.g. Helicopter Flight of the Angels in Victoria Falls
- Please allow a minimum 2-3 hours connection time in Johannesburg for international flights. It is important that you check that your flight tickets have been issued in your full names as per your passport.
- We require full payment for international and domestic scheduled flights at the time of confirmation e.g. Air Botswana Johannesburg to Maun, Proflight Livingstone - Lusaka and so on. We are not able to guarantee any flights before receipt of payment as seats are often held for a limited period before ticketing is required so this is a time sensitive issue. Air tickets are considered non refundable unless otherwise specified. Please confirm the details with your consultant at the time of booking.

Passports, Visas and Travel Documentation

Your passport must have at least 6 months validity before the expiry date and 6 empty pages (not including the endorsement pages). The onus is upon guests to ensure that passports and visas are valid for the countries visited. Please note that certain visas can take up to 3 months to be processed so please consider this when booking.

If you are travelling with children through Southern Africa please be aware that you will be required to have certified copies of their unabridged birth certificates, and passports on hand. If you are not their legal parents, or if only one of you is travelling – you will need to have consent in the form of an affidavit giving you permission to travel with the child.

Inter-camp transfers

Due to the vast distances involved in travelling in the remote areas of Southern Africa - your itinerary may include road, boat and air transfers in small aircraft.

On shared air transfers, all the flight times between lodges are arranged a few days before the flights take place to avoid endless schedule changes. The lodge or camp where you are staying will be advised of your departure time the day before travel and will ensure that you are at the airstrip on time. Although every effort will be made to ensure that guests are transferred together in one vehicle / aircraft, this cannot be guaranteed, especially with larger groups. The aircraft used for inter-camp transfers vary in size from 3, 5, 7 and 12 seater aircraft. We recommend that guests susceptible to motion sickness take appropriate precautions due to flying conditions.

Weight & Luggage Restrictions

There are strict luggage restrictions in place on any itinerary, which includes light aircraft transfers for safety reasons. Luggage, including camera equipment and hand luggage, is restricted to 20 kg per person travelling on seat rates. Only soft bags will be accepted - no hard suitcases or bags with wheels can be transported, as they physically cannot fit into the aircraft.

The maximum dimensions of the soft bags that can be accommodated are as follows: 25cm/10 inches wide x 30cm/11 inches high and 62cm/24 inches long. Please keep in mind that the baggage compartments on

the light aircraft are only 25cm high, so the pilots must have the ability to manipulate the bag into the compartment. Note that laundry can be done on a daily basis at most camps and lodges.

Should you arrive with excess baggage without prior warning, your baggage could be delayed, as we may have to fly the baggage into camp at a later stage at considerable extra cost to you. However, should you notify us in advance that your baggage will exceed the limit; we may be able to assist you with alternative arrangements e.g. storage or purchase of additional luggage allowance.

For bookings including flights within Zambia & Mozambique, please note luggage weight exceptions under destination information.

Lost Luggage

Lost luggage on international flights is a common problem facing travellers today. We suggest that you pack a small bag with your essentials, including any life sustaining medication, which can be carried with you as hand luggage. If travelling as a couple or family we suggest that you split your clothing between bags so that if one bag gets lost, you will have basic items on hand to see you through the first couple of days while we try and recover your lost baggage.

Please note that whilst we try our utmost to locate and re-unite you with your bags, that there may be charges involved in getting your bags to remote areas, which would be for your cost. Please remember to report the lost luggage to the airline as soon as you make the discovery - the airline will issue you with a Baggage Claim Form, which you will need in order for us to trace the bag.

Health and Dietary

Please note that you are travelling to a Malaria-risk area. Please consult your doctor for medical advice prior to travel.

Although usually safe to drink, we do not recommend that you drink the tap water. Filtered water is available at the camps and lodges.

The camps are isolated and generally have limited power supply and access to supplies. Please notify us in advance of any special dietary requirements, medical conditions and medical equipment you may need with you. Please carry critical medication in your hand luggage.

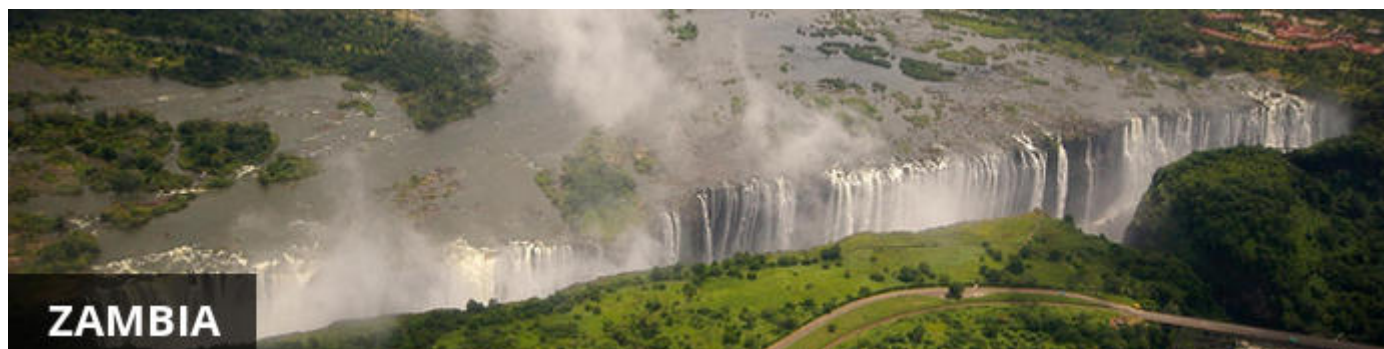
Yellow Fever Certificates - are only required if you have travelled to a Yellow Fever area as designated by the World Health Organisation. Please check with your Travel Clinic or doctor well in advance of your departure date.

General Travel Information

- There is no or limited electricity and cell phone coverage in the camps and lodges excluding major towns and cities. All camps do make provision for charging cameras and electronic devices.
- Please ensure that you do not pack any valuables, cameras, cash, laptops in your checked in luggage – these should be kept on your person at all times.
- Please notify us immediately of any changes to flight arrival and departure details as this affects onward transfer arrangements.
- Please note that most camps & lodges in Botswana do not have double beds. Twin beds are pushed together to make up a double room.
- Although every effort is made to adhere to schedules the company reserves the right and in fact is obliged to occasionally change routes and camps on safaris as dictated by changing conditions or unforeseen circumstances.
- By confirmation of the booking, you acknowledge that you have been made aware and accept that the tour carries inherent risks, and that you voluntarily assume all risks which are associated with the tour. You will be required to sign indemnities at the various camps, lodges and service providers, and abide by their operators code of conduct in order to ensure your safety.
- If you have any cause for complaint while travelling, you should immediately bring it to the attention of the camp manager and / or our Maun office that will attempt to resolve the situation immediately.

- Do not remove any animal artefacts, flora or fauna from any of the areas you visit, as there are strict international regulations on the export of such items.

Please refer to the **Safari Information** for further details on preparing for your safari.



Currency

The official currency in Zambia is the Zambian Kwacha. US\$ Dollar notes (2007 Series onwards), and Visa and MasterCard are accepted.

Visa

Fees for Visitors to Zambia who are eligible to receive their visa on entry US\$ 50.00 for single entry/ US\$ 80.00 for double entry.

Some visitors need to apply for visas before arrival - please check with your Embassy. For more information on visas please visit the following address: [Zambian Visa Requirements](#)

ALWAYS have cash available in the correct US\$ amount at all ports of entry - in the event where credit card facilities/ ATM's are not operational.

Kaza Univisa – Zimbabwe and Zambia

Travellers planning to visit both Zimbabwe and Zambia should apply for a UniVisa (also known as KAZA visa). The visa can be obtained in advance, as well as at ports of entry, but cannot be guaranteed.

The UniVisa allows travellers 30 days travel within both Zambia and Zimbabwe, and is also valid for daytrips to Botswana. Travellers must remain within Zambia & Zimbabwe for the visa to stay valid. Visiting Botswana as a daytrip will not affect the visa's validity, provided travellers return to Zambia or Zimbabwe the same day.

Internal Flights and Transfers

On fly-in safaris, movement between the game areas is done on a scheduled basis by Proflight Zambia unless otherwise specified. Proflight uses 12, 18 and 29 seater aircraft for their flights. Transfers between camps in the same game area may be done by light aircraft, but mostly by road/game drive transfer or by boat on a shared seat basis.

Flight times around Zambia | Approximate Proflight flying times

Livingstone to Lusaka 1 hour
 Lusaka to Royal or Jeki Airstrip for Lower Zambezi 35 min
 Lusaka to Mfuwe Airport for South Luangwa 1 hour 10 minutes
 Mfuwe Airport to Lilongwe Airport 1 hour

All flights Livingstone to Mfuwe/Lower Zambezi are all via Lusaka and vice versa

Departure Taxes

Departure taxes are included in ticket prices.

Weight & Luggage Restrictions

Luggage allowance on Proflight flights is restricted to 23 kg per person travelling on Y- class seats. For any other class or charter flight, the luggage allowance is 15kg per person. Excess baggage will be charged extra for. Any bag over 32kg will not be flown. Only one piece of hand luggage with a maximum weight of 5kg is allowed per person. Please note that a handbag is considered as a piece of hand luggage.



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Some visitors need to apply for visas before arrival please check with your Embassy.

For more information on visas please visit the following address:

Botswana Government - Visa Requirements

BORDER CROSSINGS

Currency

The currency of Botswana is the Pula (BWP). US\$ Dollar notes (2007 Series onwards), and Visa and MasterCard are accepted.

Internal Flights and Transfers

Due to the remote areas the camps and lodges are based in, transfers between camps may take place by boat, mekoro, game drive vehicle or light aircraft.

Flight times around Botswana | Approximate flying times

Flight duration times (as listed below), are to be used as an average guideline. They are based on actual flying time, and passengers may have various stops en-route to a destination affecting the total travel time. Your pilot will brief you of your flight route and duration during the safety briefing.

Maun - Delta: 15 to 30 minutes

Delta – Delta: 10 to 20 minutes

Delta - Linyanti: 30 to 40 minutes

Maun – Linyanti: 50 to 60 minutes

Linyanti - Kasane: 40 to 60 minutes

Maun/Delta - Kasane: 60 to 80 minutes

Maun - Makgadikgadi/Desert: 40 to 60 minutes

Departure Taxes

Departure taxes are included in ticket prices.

Weight & Luggage Restrictions

See Booking Information