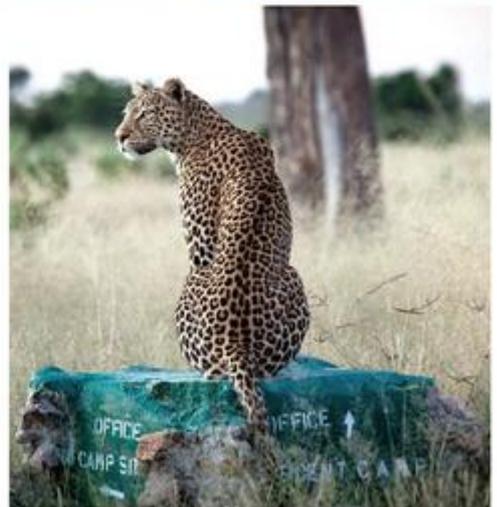




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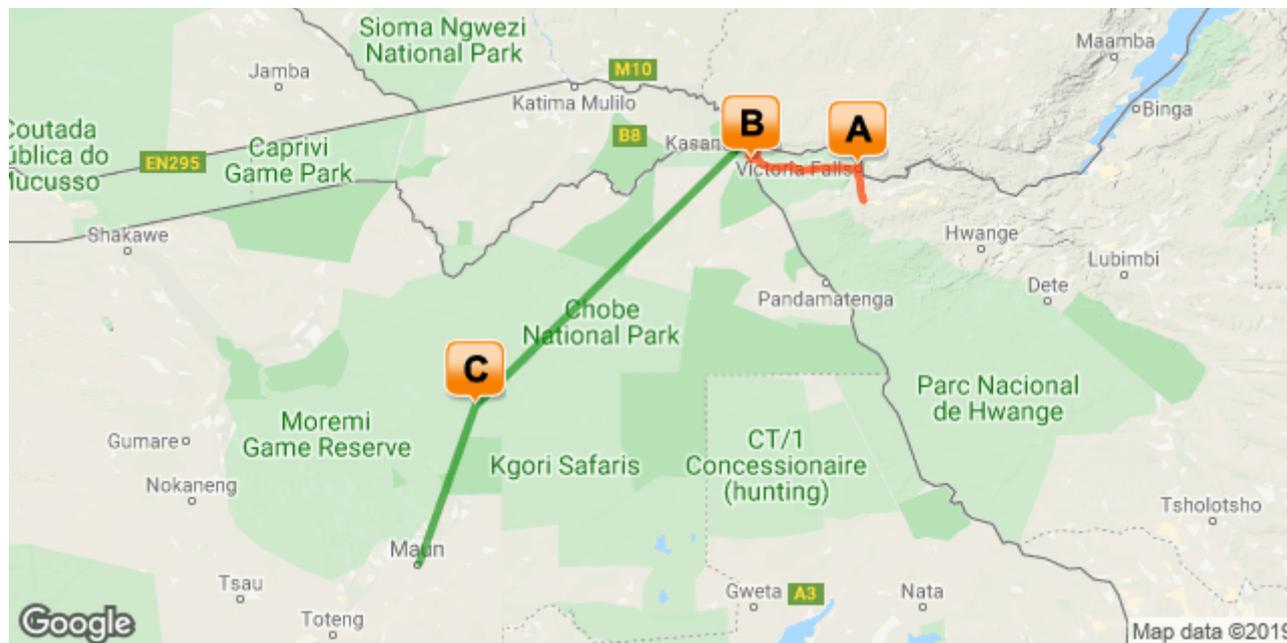
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Family Focus Mid Range 2020 Itinerary

Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe - Kasane Forest Reserve - Khwai Community Area

9 Days / 8 Nights

Starts Victoria Falls/Ends Maun



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Introduction

Start	Accommodation	Destination	Basis	Duration
Day 1	Victoria Falls Safari Suites	Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe	B&B	3 Nights
Day 4	Tlouwana Camp	Kasane Forest Reserve	FI	2 Nights
Day 6	African Bush Camps Khwai Bush Camp	Khwai Community Area	FI	3 Nights

Key

B&B: Bed and Breakfast. FI: Fully Inclusive - Bed, All Meals, Fees and Activities

Transport

Flight Information

Date	Flight	Departure Airport	Arrival Airport
Day 06	Charter Flight	Kasane Airport [BBK]	Khwai Airstrip
Day 09	Charter Flight	Khwai Airstrip	Maun Airport [MUB]

Transfers

Date	Pick Up	Drop Off	Vehicle
Day 01	Victoria Falls International Airport [VFA]	Victoria Falls Safari Suites	Transfer
Day 04	Victoria Falls Safari Suites	Tlouwana Camp	Transfer
Day 06	Tlouwana Camp	Kasane Airport [BBK]	Transfer

Cost of the safari 2020 – on application

Child Policy

- The minimum age recommended on this safari is 2 years old, all children are at the responsibility of the parents at all times. Younger children may be accepted – on application. This is one of the limited range of safaris that will allow such young children.
- 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.
 - Victoria Falls Safari Suites - pricing is based on a sole use booking of the unit (2 or 3 bedroom). Children of all ages are accepted.
 - Tlouwana – is priced on a per person basis and children 0-4 years are FOC, 5-17 yrs pay 50% of the adult price. Children under 5 require private activities and it is recommended for families to consider private activities. There is 1 Family Unit allowing 2 adults/2 children to share, unless otherwise arranged.
 - Khwai Bush Camp – is priced on a per person basis and children 0-6 years are FOC except conservation levy, 7-15 yrs pay 50% of the adult price. For younger children there are special kid's activities, please note that certain activities like walking safaris and mokoros have age restrictions at the discretion of the guide. There are 2 Family Units allowing 2 adults/2 children to share, unless otherwise arranged.

Additional Notes:

- Activities can be added in Victoria Falls on request (recommended in peak season)
- Private activities are not compulsory except with very young children on this safari, however they are still recommended should you enjoy going at your own pace
- 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
- The above rate is subject to change due 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 1-4: Victoria Falls Safari Suites, Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe

Upon arrival at Victoria Falls Airport you are met by Wild Horizons and transferred to the Victoria Falls Safari Suites, in the grounds of Victoria Falls Safari Lodge. Here you stay for 3 nights on a bed and breakfast basis.

We have not included activities, as we prefer to tailor those to individual families taking into account the age of the children and time of year you are visiting. Some ideas to discuss with your consultant are:

- The Canopy Tour – a series of zip lines and climbing across the Batonka Gorge
- Zambezi Nature Sanctuary and Crocodile Farm visit
- Village Tour – which may include a 'Pay it Forward' community contribution or lunch
- Tour of the Falls – guided or explore on your own
- For older children, the sky is the limit with adventure activities, contact us for more ideas!



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 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: Victoria Falls Safari Suites [View iBrochure](#)

Includes: Bed & Breakfast, please discuss activity options with your consultant

Victoria Falls Safari Suites are set high on a plateau which forms a natural boundary to the unfenced Zambezi National Park, four kilometres from the majestic Victoria Falls. The luxury Victoria Falls Safari Suites are situated within the grounds of the Victoria Falls Safari Lodge resort, overlooking a waterhole.

Consisting of 2 x 3 bedroom and 4 x 2 bedroom options, Victoria Falls Safari Suites boast inspirational split-level design and superbly finished interiors. Ideal for families, small groups and couples who require extra space and seclusion, each Safari Suite features a large lounge with floor to ceiling sliding doors opening onto a furnished patio. Bedrooms are all ensuite and air-conditioned.

Facilities onsite include a Health & Beauty Spa, 24-hour room service, library and award winning Boma Restaurant. Guests also have access to all existing services and facilities on the resort and a shuttle service to the Victoria Falls and town, but no other resort residents have access to the Safari Suites wing, ensuring total privacy.

Airport Transfer Time: 25 minutes



Day 4-6: Tlouwana Camp, Kasane Forest Reserve

After breakfast and morning at leisure you are taken to the Botswana border and assisted with border formalities. You then continue the transfer through to Tlouwana Camp where you spend 2 nights on a fully inclusive basis.



Kasane Forest Reserve is situated on the edge of Kasane and bordering Zimbabwe as well as the Nogatsaa area of Chobe. The Lesoma Valley lies within the Kasane Forest, which is characterized by dense trees as well as open grasslands. Wildlife frequents the area, in particular elephants, buffaloes, and giraffes, and sightings at lodge waterholes in the valley can be quite good. For a full game drive experience along the Chobe Riverfront, the valley is a forty-minute drive through the forest reserve to access Chobe National Park via Sedudu gate. Boat cruises for lodges in Lesoma Valley depart from Kasane town.

Overnight: Tlouwana Camp [View iBrochure](#)

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

Excludes: premium drinks, additional activities

Activities: morning boat cruise and/ or afternoon game drives into the Chobe National Park OR a 1x guided day trip to Victoria Falls

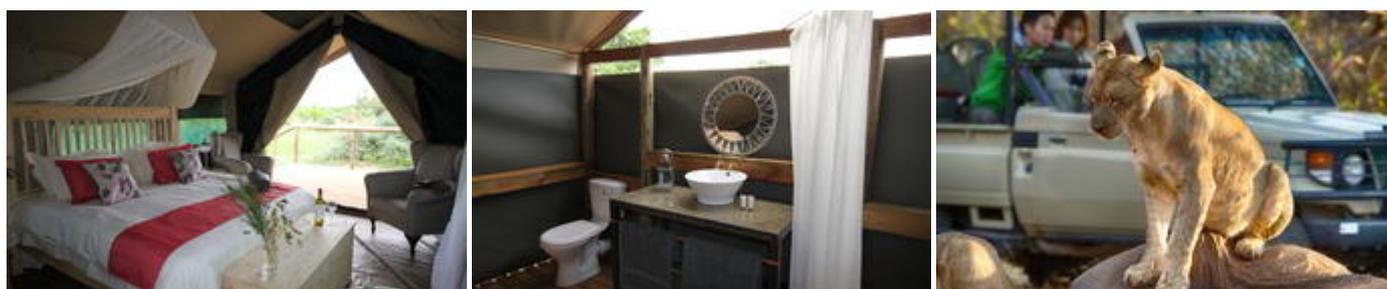
Within easy access of the Chobe National Park, Tlouwana Camp is surrounded by impressive Acacia and Jackalberry trees, with all tents built on wooden decking. The Chobe boasts copious wildlife, most notably the richest concentration of elephants in Africa for which the region is famed.

Seven classically styled tents have fresh interiors with en-suite bathrooms as well as outdoor showers. Each tent's living area and outdoor deck provide ample relaxation spaces. The main camp area consists of the lounge, bar and dining facilities as well as a library, curio shop and an appealing swimming pool.

With the assortment of terrain and changing vegetation types, both morning boat cruises on the Chobe River and afternoon game drives into the Chobe National Park are bound to enthrall guests with the volume of wildlife in these differing habitats. Additional activities which may be arranged at additional cost include guided bush walks (seasonal and guide dependent), a Victoria Falls day trip and visit to the local community village.

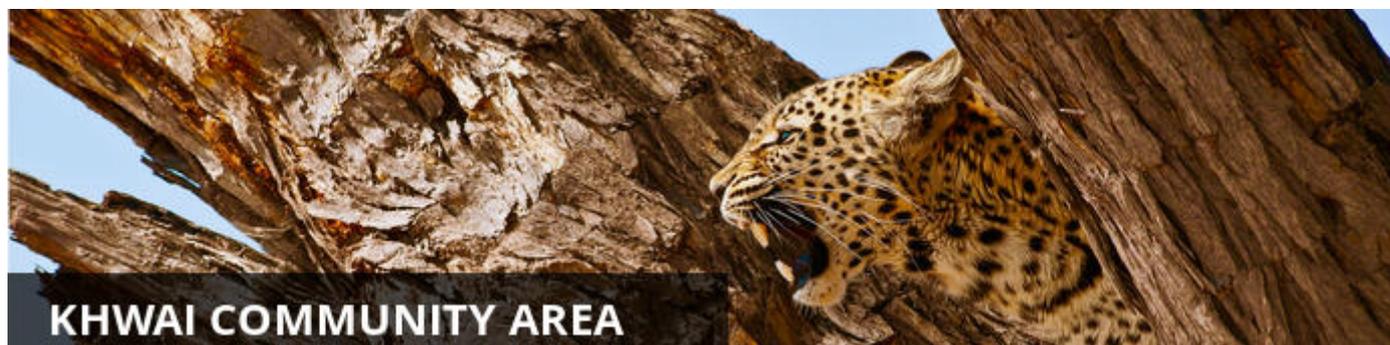
This property is located in Lesoma Valley, which sits on the border with Zimbabwe and forms part of the Kasane Forest Reserve. Wildlife frequents the area, in particular elephants, buffaloes, and giraffes, and sightings at lodge waterholes in the valley can be quite good. For a full game drive experience along the Chobe Riverfront, the valley is a forty minute drive through the forest reserve to access Chobe National Park via Sedudu gate. Boat cruises for lodges in Lesoma Valley depart from Kasane town.

Airport Transfer Time: 25 minutes from Kasane Airport



Day 6-9: Khwai Bush Camp, Khwai Community Area

After breakfast and morning activity (flight time permitting) you are transferred to Kasane Airport and fly via light aircraft to Khwai Airstrip where a representative from Khwai Bush Camp will pick you up and transfer you to the camp for a 3 night stay on a fully inclusive basis.



Looking at a map of Botswana, you'd miss Khwai completely if you didn't know it was there. Wedged between the big-ticket attractions of Chobe National Park to the east and Moremi Game Reserve to the south, Khwai exists as a significant big game destination of its own.

Lying on the eastern fringes of the Okavango Delta with a rich wildlife population and no borders drawn around it on the map, Khwai is often overlooked in favour of its more famous neighbours, though in the winter months it can hold its own for the quality of big game viewing.

During your time here, you'll spend most days exploring the narrow Khwai River, which forms the natural boundary to the Moremi Game Reserve on the south. The Khwai River is a beacon for wildlife and plays host to leopards stalking lechwe in the long grass, lions swimming from the banks to save their cubs' during territorial disputes and crocodiles competing with wild dogs for a midday meal of impala.

As Khwai lies outside the parks, it offers the freedom and flexibility normally only possible with the heavier price tag of a private concession. Go off-road for a closer look at sightings, night drive in search of nocturnal species, and, with a little advance planning, head out on game walks to track wildlife on foot.

Khwai is also home to a village community where people live side by side with the resident wildlife. Some camps will offer village visits for a dose of cultural insight to go with your safari. For those not visiting the water camps of the delta, many camps in Khwai offer the chance to get out on a mokoro (traditional canoe), although excursions are less traditional in nature, skirting the riverbanks, rather than open delta floodplains.

Overnight: African Bush Camps Khwai Bush Camp

[View iBrochure](#)

Includes: meals, local drinks, activities & limited laundry

Excludes: premium drinks

Activities: day & night game drives in the concession area, bird watching, walking safaris, seasonal mokoro trips (water level dependent) and a cultural tour of Khwai Village.

Khwai Bush Camp is situated in the Tsaro Concession, within the greater Khwai Community Area on the banks of the Khwai River. Tucked away under a canopy of sycamore and leadwood trees, the camp overlooks the river and adjacent Moremi Game Reserve.

Khwai Bush Camp is comprised of four standard chalets and two family chalets, all with en-suite bathrooms, complete with indoor showers and flush toilets. All rooms enjoy views of the surrounding wilderness and permanent waterways.

The intimate main camp area boasts a romantic feel of times past and features a dining area, bar and lounge, with a verandah offering scenic vistas over the Moremi Game Reserve.

The Khwai region is made up of varied ecosystems, ranging from forests and grasslands through to floodplains and lagoons. The Khwai River and its surrounds are famed for some of the most outstanding wildlife viewing in the region. Activities on offer are geared to make the most of your stay in this prime location, with a focus on game drives and walking safaris, seasonal mokoro trips as well as a cultural visit to Khwai Village.

Airstrip Transfer Time: 30 minutes from Khwai Airstrip



Day 9: End of Itinerary

After breakfast and morning activity you are transferred to Maun Airport where you are met by a Safari Specialist representative who will 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

From June 2019 the Zimbabwean Dollar (Z\$) was reinstated as the official currency of Zimbabwe. However, for tourism purposes, cash in US Dollars is generally the accepted currency. US\$ Dollar notes (2007 Series onwards), and Visa and MasterCard are accepted. Always have enough US\$ cash available in smaller denominations in the event where ATM's and Credit Card facilities are not operational.

Visa

Fees for Visitors to Zimbabwe who are eligible to receive their visa on entry

Europe and USA: US\$ 30.00 for single entry/ US\$ 45.00 for double entry.

UK & Ireland: US\$ 55.00 for single entry/ US\$ 70.00 for double entry.

Canada: US\$ 75.00 for single entry/ double entry to be obtained from local embassy prior to travel

Some visitors need to apply for visas before arrival - please check with your Embassy, Zimbabwe Government Visa Requirements. ALWAYS have cash available in the correct US\$ amount at ALL ports of entry.

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

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

Road transfers to and from Hwange Safari Lodge/ Hwange Main Camp have scheduled departure times, any transfer outside these times will attract a surcharge.

Departure Taxes

International departure taxes are included in the scheduled flight rates. However light aircraft transfers from Victoria Falls Airport to Livingstone or Kasane require an International Departure tax of US\$35 per person & AIDF Levy of US\$15 = US\$50 per person to be paid in cash.

Domestic departure taxes are payable in cash at the airport, for any flights departing internally from any registered, manned airport. These include Harare, Bulawayo, Kariba, Hwange and Victoria Falls Airport. The amount is US\$10 departure tax + US\$5 AIDF Levy = US\$15 per person. We recommend small denominations for easier and quicker transactions as change is not always available. Traveller's cheques and credit cards are NOT accepted.

Weight & Luggage Restrictions

See Booking Information



Visa

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.

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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
