



# SAFARI SPECIALISTS



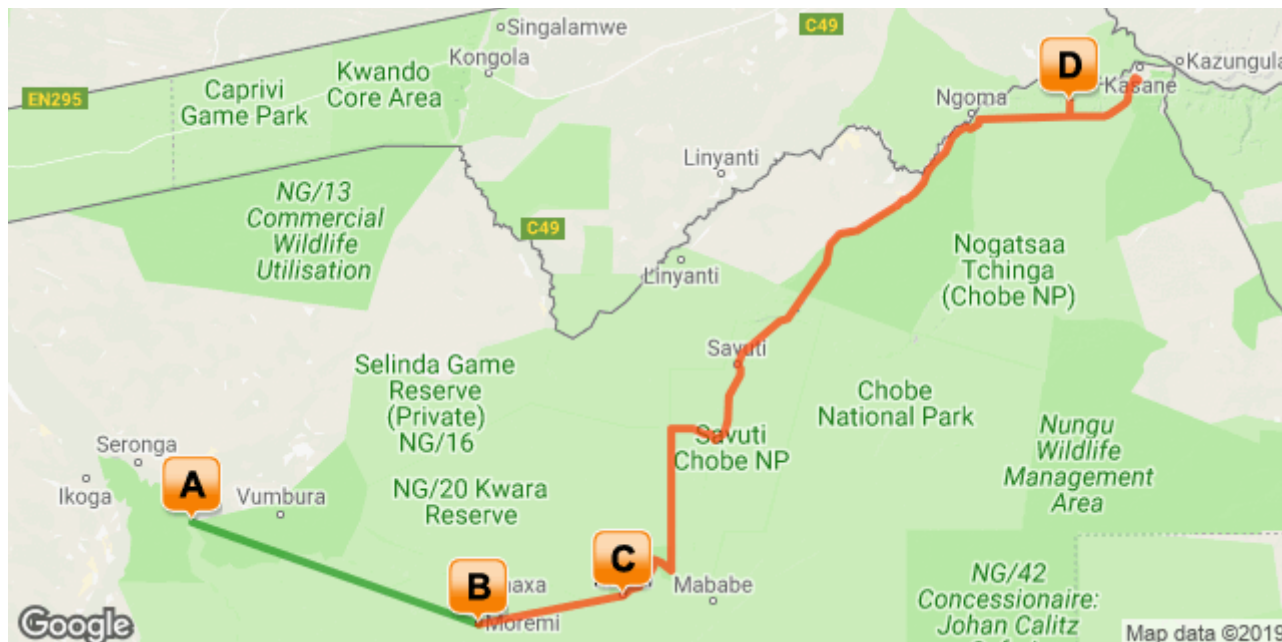
**BOTSWANA IS OUR HOME SAFARIS ARE OUR PASSION**

## 11nts Northern Exploration\_Mid-Range\_Northbound\_2020

Okavango Delta - Moremi Game Reserve - Khwai Community Area - Chobe National Park

12 Days / 11 Nights

Starts Maun / Ends Kasane



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### Introduction

Start	Accommodation	Destination	Basis	Duration
Day 1	<a href="#">Setari Camp</a>	Okavango Delta	FI	<b>2 Nights</b>
Day 3	Letaka Safaris Northern Highlights Mobile Safari	Moremi Game Reserve	FI	<b>3 Nights</b>
Day 6	Letaka Safaris Northern Highlights Mobile Safari	Khwai Community Area	FI	<b>3 Nights</b>
Day 9	Letaka Safaris Northern Highlights Mobile Safari	Chobe National Park	FI	<b>3 Nights</b>

**Key** FI: Fully Inclusive

### Transport

#### Flight Information

Date	Flight	Details
Day 1	Mack Air	Maun Airport [MUB] - Jedibe Airstrip
Day 3	Mack Air	Jedibe Airstrip - Xakanaxa Airstrip

## Cost of the safari and dates 2020

Starts Maun/Ends Kasane 1530 \* NORTHBOUND \* post night in Kasane or Victoria Falls required

Season (start date)	Cost per person sharing	Single Supplement **	Dates
Jan - March 20	US \$ 4280	US \$ 0	10 -21 January; 17 – 28 January; 24 January – 04 February; 07 – 18 February; 14 – 25 February; 28 February – 10 March; 13 – 24 March
27 Mar – 07 April 20	US \$ 5650	US \$ 760	<b>Split season departure</b> 27 March – 07 April
April - June 20	US \$ 5890	US \$ 1140	03 – 14 April, 10 – 21 April; <b>17-28 April (G)</b> ; 01 – 12 May; 08 – 19 May; 15 – 26 May; <b>22 May – 02 June (G)</b> ; 29 May – 09 June; 05 – 16 June; 12 – 23 June; 19 – 30 June; 26 June – 07 July
29 June – 10 July 20	US \$ 6560	US \$ 1290	<b>Split season departure</b> 29 June – 10 July
July – Sept 20	US \$ 6900	US \$ 1700	10 – 21 July; 17 – 28 July; <b>24 July – 04 August (G)</b> ; 27 July – 07 August; 31 July – 11 August; 05 – 16 August; 14 – 25 August; 21 August – 01 September; 24 August – 04 September; 28 August – 08 September; 04 – 15 September; 11 – 22 September; 18 – 29 September; 21 September – 02 October; 25 September – 06 October
October 20	US \$ 6560	US \$ 1290	02 – 13 October; 09 – 20 October; 19 – 30 October; 23 October – 03 November
November 20	US \$ 5890	US \$ 1140	30 October – 10 November; 06 – 17 November; 13 – 24 November; 16 – 27 November; 20 November – 01 December; 27 November – 08 December
December 20	US \$ 4520	US \$ 0	04 – 15 December; 07 – 18 December; 12 – 23 December

## Cost of the safari and dates 2020

Starts 0845 in Kasane/Ends Maun \* SOUTHBOUND \* Pre-night in Kasane or Victoria Falls required

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## Special notes

- Minimum age of 12 years to participate in this safari

- Please note that the camping section runs with a minimum of 2 /maximum 7 persons
- The safari is built around the mobile sector departure date which are fixed, they run in two directions – Northbound starting in Maun/ending in Kasane and Southbound starting in Kasane/Ending in Maun
- Please note that any changes to the order may affect pricing if it crosses a season
- Pre and post safari arrangements can be made in Kasane/Chobe and Victoria Falls – please discuss with your consultant what is required \*\* a pre-night is required on Southbound departures \*\*
- The single surcharge may be waived for selected departures on the mobile camping safari, resulting in a much lower single surcharge, please discuss with your consultant
- Please note that additional surcharges on transfers may apply for single travellers, the single supplement covers accommodation only, solo travellers please apply for a personal quote
- The above rate is subject to change due to major currency fluctuations, fuel surcharges and increases in National park fees
- Subject to availability at time of booking

### 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](http://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](http://www.okavangorescue.com)

## Day 1-3: Setari Camp, Okavango Delta

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On arrival at Maun Airport you will be met by a Safari Specialists and Mack Air representative who will assist with check in for your light aircraft transfer to Jedibe Airstrip. Your guide will meet you on arrival to assist with your road (or boat) transfer to Setari Camp. Here, you will stay for two nights on a fully inclusive basis.



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: Setari Camp** [View iBrochure](#)

**Includes:** meals, local drinks, activities & laundry

**Excludes:** premium drinks

**Activities:** boat safaris, mokoro excursions, walking safaris on neighbouring islands and a cultural visit to the Jao Island Village. Scenic helicopter trips may be arranged at an additional cost.

Setari Camp enjoys an idyllic island setting on a 50,000 hectare private concession in the Okavango Delta's Panhandle region. The island is dotted with palm trees and offers an exclusive, water based safari experience. Activities are available all year. The camp sits atop wooden walkways and platforms to maximise views of the surrounding waterways.

All of Setari Camp's nine large tented rooms, one being a family unit, feature en suite bathrooms with separate loo, outdoor shower and bathtub.

The central camp facilities under thatch include the dining area and a comfy indoor lounge. Outdoors, Setari Camp has a well shaded relaxation area and swimming pool. Electricity supply is available with certain limitations.

The permanent waters of the Okavango Delta's region are renowned for their exceptional birding, and aquatic wildlife is plentiful. Larger water dependent animals such as hippo and crocodile are frequently seen.



## Day 3-6: Letaka Safaris Northern Highlights Mobile Safari Northbound, Moremi Game Reserve

Following breakfast and a morning activity (flight time permitting) you will be transferred to the airstrip in time for your light aircraft transfer to Xakanaxa Airstrip. Your guide and group will meet you on arrival for the 9 night mobile safari ahead.

### 9 Nights Northern Highlights Safari

#### Includes:

Services of a professional guide, safari chef and camp assistants, complete with a supply vehicle. Game drives and local transfers in customised safari vehicles. Exclusive camping in private campsites within the national parks and reserves. All entrance and camping fees within the national parks and reserves. All meals and drinks (mineral water, soft drinks, beer, wine and G&T) whilst in Letaka Tented Camps. All activities as specified in the itinerary.

#### Excludes:

Travel Insurance, All flights unless otherwise indicated, Items of personal nature, staff gratuities, any drinks at lodges or accommodation other than Letaka Tented Camps.

#### Participation:

The Fully Serviced Safari is a nonparticipation safari, where the Letaka Safaris team will carry out all the necessary camp chores to keep the safari running smoothly. There is one guide with the guests at all times and a backup team (chef + camp assistants) in a backup vehicle setting up and breaking camps, cooking meals, etc.

#### Accommodation:

Accommodation is in spacious walk in safari tents with large mesh windows, a private bathroom en-suite and a shaded veranda. The tents are furnished with two single beds, complete with comfortable mattresses, duvets and pillows (bed and bath linen are provided), a bedside table, a small carpet and a battery powered lamp. Guest tents are serviced daily. Each tent has a lamp on the veranda and in the bathroom. Although each tent has lighting and there are lamps strategically around the camp for navigation, an essential tool for your safari is a headlamp which lets you read a book at night in your tent or catch up with your safari journal as you listen to the sounds of the wild outside.

The central guest area is set out in the open wilderness, taking full advantage of the natural surroundings, and is furnished with a dining table and directors chairs. There is a dining tent where meals are served but due to the excellent weather and skies often dinner will be served beneath the stars. All meals are prepared by the camp chef and dinner is 3-course.

#### Ablutions:

Ablutions are en-suite. There is an attached shower and toilet cubicle with bush toilet (long drop\*). Both are enclosed by canvas for privacy and protection from wildlife.

**Transportation:**

Transport is in a custom made 4x4 safari vehicle. While the vehicle can take nine guests, our groups are limited to a maximum of 7 passengers thus ensuring all have comfortable seating and a window seat. The vehicles are fitted with inverters and strip plugs allowing guests to charge batteries whilst on safari with us using the ac charger that came with your appliance. Please note that mobile safaris that have road transfers between camps - the vehicle is open with some transfers taking 4-6 hours depending on the routing.

**Group Size:**

Maximum 7

**What to expect on Safari**

A full day in camp usually starts at sunrise around the campfire for that first 'essential' cup of tea or coffee and a light breakfast of cereal, toast, fruit and rusks. You then head out as early as is permitted to be the first on the roads to track fresh spoor left from the animal's overnight activities – you may spot fresh lion tracks walking straight past the camp or evidence of a passing herd of buffalo not far away.

Generally on the morning game drive you stop for tea and head back to camp by late morning. In camp you may enjoy a lunch or brunch, depending on the time, and then there is plenty of time for showers and that great safari tradition 'siesta time'. You meet together for afternoon tea and then head out on the afternoon activity, perhaps seeking a new area or returning to a great morning sighting.

Moving days follow a different pattern. Your guide combines his knowledge of the wildlife, safety and road and weather conditions when planning transfers. Departure times are always communicated in advance.

NOTE: Although Letaka Safaris make every effort to adhere to schedules and itineraries, these are subject to change subject to weather, roads, and animal movements and availability. You will be notified of any changes.



The Moremi Game Reserve is all about searching for big game; where the habitats are as diverse as the wildlife itself. Water-adapted antelopes and wary-eyed buffaloes spill out into floodplains, behind towering woodlands where leopards hide on the high branches. Dead trees cast silhouettes over elephant-filled savannas a stone's throw from papyrus-fringed channels stretching out to the delta beyond.

When you arrive in the Moremi Game Reserve, it's anyone's guess what you'll find lurking in the long grass. From wild dogs stalking waterbucks to long sunsets by a hippo-filled lagoon, the scenes will live on in memory long after the journey home.

Kick up sharp smelling clouds of dust on a morning drive, disturbing pockets of warm air in the reeds as you splash through water crossings in pursuit of a distant lion's call. Pause by the edge of large lagoons, squinting to catch mischief making hyenas as they emerge from the trees to drink.

When you get sick of game drives, discover the channels by boat while Squacco herons fly alongside you into the wind. Watch a lazy sunset with the blue-cheeked bee eaters before returning to dry land for more hard-core bush exploration.

As Moremi Game Reserve is bound by national park rules, activities here are limited to game drives during hours of daylight with no off-roading, and boat cruises on the permanent channels.

While most of the reserve is open to the public, two private lodges sit in the Mombo Concession to the north of Chief's Island, surrounded by the waters of the Okavango Delta. Boating isn't possible here, instead the area offers the ultimate in dry-land game viewing. Hailed as Botswana's predator capital, this exclusive corner is closed to outsiders and home to the big five, where the invitee list fills up years in advance.

## **Overnight: Letaka Safaris Northern Highlights Mobile Safari Northbound**

### **Day 3: Setari to Xakanaxa / Travel Day / 25 minute charter flight**

Our first three nights are spent in the Xakanaxa region where we explore the surrounding wilderness on morning and afternoon game drive excursions. Wildlife: From the air only the larger animals are easily seen. These include large breeding herds of African elephant that live in the mopane scrub. On the open plains large herds of buffalo and lechwe can be seen and in the waterways, pods of hippopotamus are a common sight. Once you land in Xakanaxa and board your land cruiser, the smaller game animals can be found.

### **Days 4 & 5: Xakanaxa Exploration Days - Moremi Game Reserve**

Moremi lies on the eastern extremity of the Okavango Delta. Habitats here range from wide-open floodplains, marshes, lagoons, papyrus fringed channels, vast stands of *Miscanthus* and *Phragmites*, woodland and savannah. As a result of the extremely variable habitat the diversity of both wildlife and birdlife is excellent. Moremi is amongst the best game reserves in Africa for viewing the endangered African wild dog.

Xakanaxa is home to a resident herd of several hundred buffalo whose range covers the territories of at least 4 prides of lion which may often be seen flanking the ever moving herd. Breeding herds of elephant move between their browsing areas in the mopane forests and the fresh water of the Okavango. Red lechwe are one of the more unusual antelope species and commonly found here.



## **Day 6-9: Letaka Safaris Northern Highlights Mobile Safari Northbound, Khwai Community Area**





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: Letaka Safaris Northern Highlights Mobile Safari Northbound Khwai**

### **Day 6: Xakanaxa to Khwai / Travel Day / 60km (full day of extended game drive and journey time with picnic lunch between camps)**

Following an early morning breakfast you take a slow drive through Moremi Game Reserve north-east towards the Khwai Community Area. The Manuchira Channel is known as the Khwai River at its eastern most extremity. The day's journey follows this water course, with the track weaving from the riverside and floodplains into the mopane veld and the woodlands that make Khwai one of the most scenic areas of the Okavango. We pass the magnificent Dombo Hippo Pools in the morning stopping to enjoy the scenery and the antics of the resident hippo.

### **Days 7 & 8: Khwai Exploration Days**

The Khwai River forms a boundary between the reserve and the community area. We spend the following two nights camping at an exclusive campsite in the community area, exploring the Khwai floodplains on game drives both during the day and at night. Exploring after dark with spotlights offers you an opportunity to experience some of the nocturnal animals that are rarely encountered during the day. We will also have the opportunity to explore the surrounding wilderness on foot (please note that this activity is seasonal based on rains and grass height, your guide will determine the safety of walking in Khwai) and mokoro and enjoy an up close and personal encounter with Botswana's flora and fauna.

It is important to note that night drives and guided walks are not permitted within the national parks and reserves. These activities are conducted outside the boundaries of the Moremi Game Reserve in the Khwai community area.

## **Day 9-12: Letaka Safaris Northern Highlights Mobile Safari Northbound, Chobe National Park**



The Chobe River Front is a remarkable wildlife area due to the permanent water source of the Chobe River. However its accessibility from Kasane and neighbouring towns of Victoria Falls and Livingstone has created quite a busy tourist area with larger hotels and lodges than you find in the more remote Okavango Delta. The spectacle of all the animals coming to drink and frolic at the water's edge is one to behold, particularly in the dry season (May - Oct) where water is scarce away from the river. It is an area famous for its abundance of elephants, a variety of predators and, in addition, you are likely to see herds of buffalo and possibly even roan and sable antelope. In the rainy season (Nov - Apr) the game is much less concentrated at the river as the wildlife spread throughout the greater area of Chobe National Park due to availability of surface water from nearby pans. This assists the vegetation on the river banks in recovering from the massive herds that are attracted to the area in the dry months. The summer rains bring beautiful wild flowers, exquisite scenery, impressive bird life and an abundance of young animals usually born around November/December. The spectacular Chobe sunsets alone are worth a visit to the area. Please note that activities are restricted within the national park in accordance with government rules and regulations: these include no driving off-road, no walking and no driving after dark.

Chobe Game Lodge is the only lodge situated within the National Park. The remainder of the lodges, hotels and guesthouses in the Chobe area are located along the river in the town of Kasane, adjacent to the park. In addition there are some lodges situated further out of Kasane and in the Chobe Forestry Reserve, namely Muchenje Safari Lodge and Elephant Valley Lodge for those looking for something in more of a bush setting.

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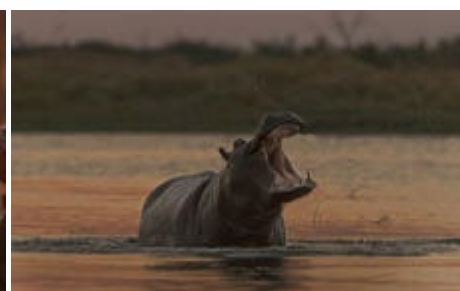
## **Overnight: Letaka Safaris Northern Highlights Mobile Safari Northbound Chobe**

### **Day 9 & 10: Central Chobe Exploration Days**

Following breakfast you will be transferred to Central Chobe, Savuti. Unlike the vast majority of the country, Central Chobe is not a totally flat landscape. The wide open country, good ungulate populations and particularly strong prides of lion and hyena clans make for dramatic wildlife interaction and excellent viewing opportunities. It is the interaction between lion and elephant that is the most interesting aspect of Savuti. The now dry Savuti Channel runs through this landscape linking the dry sand-veld, the waterholes, the hills and the grassland that was the Savuti Marsh.

### **Day 11: Central Chobe to Chobe River /170km (5 hrs)**

On our final day on safari we will leave Central Chobe early to travel along the Chobe River arriving in Kasane where we will stop for a picnic lunch before taking an afternoon boat cruise to end the safari.



## Day 12 End of Itinerary

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Following breakfast, you drive up to the Chobe River area and enjoy a midday Chobe River cruise. The safari ends at 1430 at Kalahari Tours in Kasane – please discuss your options with your consultant for a post safari extension in Chobe or Victoria Falls.

### 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.



### **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.

#### **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**

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