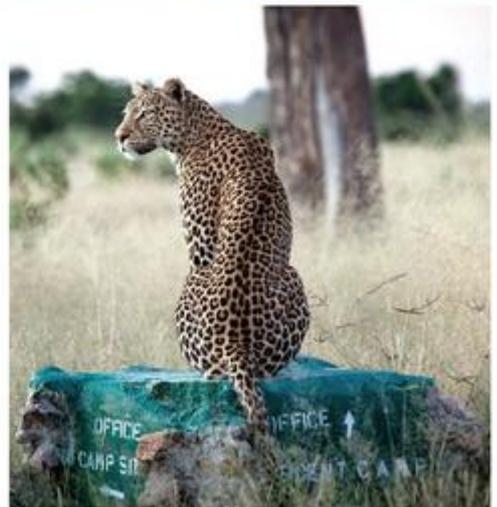




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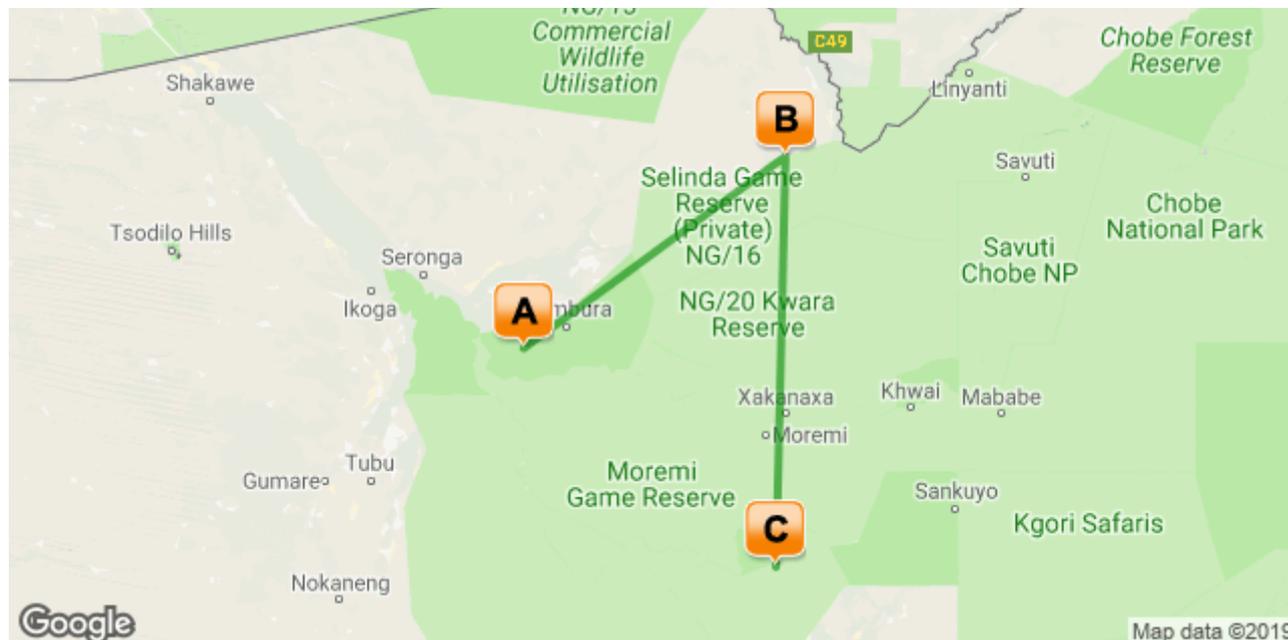
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Okavango Delta - Selinda Reserve

9 Days / 8 Nights

Start Maun / Ends Maun



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Introduction

Start	Accommodation	Destination	Basis	Duration
Day 1	Duba Explorers Camp	Okavango Delta	FI	3 Nights
Day 4	Selinda Explorers Camp	Selinda Reserve	FI	3 Nights
Day 7	Qorokwe Camp	Okavango Delta	FI	2 Nights

Key

FI: Fully Inclusive

Transport

Flight Information

Date	Flight	Details
Day 1	Mack Air	Maun Airport [MUB] - Vumbura Airstrip
Day 4	Mack Air	Vumbura Airstrip - Selinda Airstrip
Day 7	Wilderness Air	Selinda Airstrip - Qorokwe Airstrip
Day 9	Wilderness Air	Qorokwe Airstrip - Maun Airport [MUB]

Cost of the safari 2020

Season	Cost per person sharing	Single Supplement	Average nightly rate per person
11 January - 31 March 2020	US \$ 7290	US \$ 630	US \$ 910 per person per night sharing
01 April - 30 April 2020	US \$ 8560	US \$ 750	US \$ 1070 per person per night sharing
01 May - 31 May 2020	US \$ 9070	US \$ 900	US \$ 1130 per person per night sharing
01 June - 14 June 2020	US \$ 10900	US \$ 1250	US \$ 1360 per person per night sharing
15 June - 31 October 2020	US \$ 14250	US \$ 5710	US \$ 1780 per person per night sharing
01 November - 19 December 2020	US \$ 8660	US \$ 770	US \$ 1080 per person per night sharing
20 December - 31 December 2020	US \$ 13310	US \$ 5420	US \$ 1660 per person per night sharing

Special notes

- Great Plains offer a Pay 6/ Stay 8 special at Selinda Explorers and Duba Explorers from 01 Nov 2019 – 31 May 2020 and 01 Nov 2020 - 31 May 2021 (excluding the festive season 20 Dec – 10 January both years). If you have the time, contact us to work out how to qualify for 2 bonus free nights (cannot be combined with Stay 6/ Fly Free offer already used in calculating the package rate).
- We have included a free flight between Duba Explorers and Selinda Explorers on the Stay 6/ Fly Free offer from 1 Nov 2019 – 31 May 2020 and 1 Nov 2020 - 31 May 2021 (excluding the festive season 20 Dec – 10 January both years) which cannot be combined with another special.
- Please note the Heli the Thrillway offer does not apply to the Explorers camps.
- Please note that where a booking crosses over 2 different rate periods e.g. Oct & Nov, neither rate is applicable – please request a special quote
- The above rate is subject to change due to major currency fluctuations, fuel surcharges and increases in national park fees (see below)
- Single supplement is for accommodation only, applicable when travelling with more than 2 guests and excludes a flying surcharge for guests travelling solo – rate available on request
- Subject to availability at the time of booking

Family Friendly

The minimum age for this safari is 8 years old - pricing on application - however please note that there may be limitations on activities. Selinda Explorers and Qorokwe have a family tent/room (subject to availability) and all camps offer a discount for children of selected ages when sharing with parents, rates vary with number and age of children.

Individual lodge policies: Duba Explorers Camp minimum age is 8 years old. Selinda Explorers Camp minimum age is 6 years old. Please note that some of the activities at these camps are restricted – the minimum age for walking and canoeing activities (water level dependent) is 12 years old and activities will cater to each family's ability.

Qorokwe's minimum age is 6 years old and a private vehicle is required (at an additional cost) for families with children under the age of 13. Please note that some of the activities at this camp are restricted and the

minimum age for walking is 13 and would be subject season and availability of a qualified walking guide. The minimum age for mekoro and boating activities is 13 and these activities are water level dependent.

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: Duba Explorers Camp, Okavango Delta

On arrival at Maun Airport you will be met by a Safari Specialists representative who will assist with the check-in for your light aircraft transfer to Vumbura Airstrip. Your guide will meet you on arrival to assist with your road transfer to Duba Explorers Camp. Here, you spend three 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: Duba Explorers Camp [View iBrochure](#)

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

Excludes: premium drinks

Activities: day and night game drives, game walks and mokoro/canoe

Duba Explorers Camp is a romantic under canvas style camp, capturing the feel of an authentic 1920's high-end expedition safari.

Duba Explorers Camp features six expedition-style tents under light cotton canvas on slightly raised decks. Each tent has a private veranda, small desk and en-suite facilities consisting of a flush loo, double basins and indoor shower. Fans and careful open-air design maintain a comfortable climate for rest and relaxation. The camp is set on the banks of a river, looking out across a floodplain with easy access to water-based activities and the main island for game drives.

The main area is set under sweeping marquis canvas, on raised decking and consists of an open-concept dining and lounge area that opens to the outdoors on all sides. In the evenings, the fire pit is always a popular spot to recount the day's events.

Duba Explorers Camp is a combination activity based camp, allowing guests to explore the Okavango Delta's channels by mokoro or canoe when water levels allow, as well as open game drive vehicle safaris. Day and night game drives are conducted in specially modified vehicles, complete with fold-down screens, raised roofs, photographic bars and multi-plug invertors. With just four to six guests each, the Cruisers are fully stocked with drinks and snacks. Guided game walks with licensed, armed guides are available.

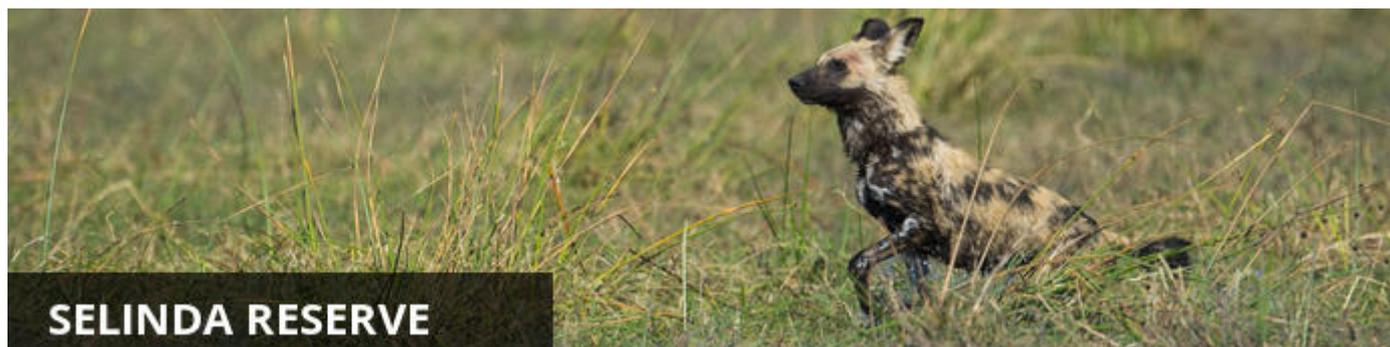
Airstrip Transfer Time: 5 minutes



Day 4 - 7: Selinda Explorers Camp, Selinda 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 Selinda Airstrip. Your guide will meet you on arrival to assist with your road transfer to Selinda Explorers Camp. Here, you spend three nights on a fully inclusive basis.

Please note that the flight is booked on a 'seat rate' basis and therefore flight times are not scheduled until the day prior to flying, lodge managers will arrange your activities and transfers accordingly. Please note that there is a strict luggage restriction on all light aircraft flights of 15kg per person in soft bags, plus 5kg hand luggage and there may be up to 3 stops en-route.



The Linyanti is a safari addict's bush nirvana. One of the most remote and exclusive pockets of Botswana, this pristine wilderness is what great game viewing and wildlife documentaries are made of.

Only private concessions are on offer here, where the rules are flexible and the crowds can't go. The Linyanti is not just for ticking off the big game; it also has a knack for delivering lesser-spotted bucket list items, whether it's a rare bush pig or that long-searched-for wild dog.

Very few camps operate in the Linyanti. Each offers different habitats and landscapes with one common theme: a strong track record for game viewing during Botswana's drier winter months. Together with the Chobe Riverfront, the Linyanti homes the highest density of African elephants in the world. Many camps also offer seasonally dependent water-based experiences, be it on a spillway, river, lagoon or channel to break up the game drive routine.

Just one of the Linyanti's concessions alone is twenty times the size of Manhattan, yet only forty people can stay during any night of the year. If Botswana puts a heavy emphasis on preserving the wild and taking only a handful of people into the bush, then the Linyanti is where this concept is taken to the extreme.

Here, you can follow the big game off-road, whether in a white-knuckled pursuit of a lioness chasing buffaloes, or during a quiet crawl off-track to see wild dog puppies emerging from their den for the first time.

Possibilities exist for exploring the bush on foot for adrenaline-pumping game approaches, and many camps offer game viewing hides for a more relaxed approach to wildlife sightings, or even overnight sleep outs.

Overnight: Selinda Explorers Camp [View iBrochure](#)

Includes: meals, local drinks, activities and park fees

Excludes: premium drinks

Activities: day & night game drives and walking

Selinda Explorers Camp is poised in a remote, treasured location on the famous Selinda Spillway, under canopies of jackelberry and mangosteen trees. As the lifeline of the Selinda Reserve, the Selinda Spillway is a crucial gathering point for the wildlife of this pristine 320,000-acre Reserve.

This classic camp, consisting of three custom-designed tents and one two-bedroom family tent, transports guests back to authentic safaris, but with a modern twist and hospitality. Each of the four walk-in tents is expansive; however, in keeping with a bit of traditional safari, the en-suite flush loo and shower are attached and enclosed, but under the stars. Hot/cold water is provided by jug on demand. The double-vanity copper vanities and dressing make for spacious accommodation. Stylishly decorated with campaign-style furniture, decanters of cognac, Persian rugs brass hipbaths and persona hammocks adorn each varandah, the décor pays homage to the roots of safari.

The Selinda Reserve is centred on the seasonal Selinda Spillway, which flows through the concession from east to west linking the far reaches of the Okavango Delta in the south with the Linyanti systems in the east. It flows into the Zibadianja lagoon, then through the Savute channel and eventually ends at the Savute marsh.

Activities concentrate on getting back to nature with the emphasis on guided walking and there may be the option of canoeing when water levels permit (currently July – September, subject to change). In addition day and night game drives are available exploring the Selinda Reserve. It is wildlife hot spot, with huge herds of elephants and buffalo, lion, wild dog, sable and roan antelope all frequently spotted. On safari it is possible to see a tremendous diversity of species, with particular emphasis on the smaller things only seen outside of a vehicle.

Please note that the camp has 2 vehicles taking up to 4 guests in each which guarantees a window seat for all (unless a private group would like 6 in a vehicle), activities are planned together with your guide and all guests in camp, no private vehicle is available.

It is closed December to February and access via light aircraft to Selinda airstrip.

Airstrip Transfer Time: 45 minutes



Day 7 - 9: Qorokwe Camp, Okavango Delta

Following breakfast and a morning activity (flight time permitting), you will be transferred to the airstrip in time for your light aircraft transfer to Qorokwe Airstrip. Your guide will meet you on arrival to assist with your road transfer to Qorokwe Camp. Here, you spend two nights on a fully inclusive basis.

Overnight: Qorokwe Camp [View iBrochure](#)

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

Excludes: premium drinks

Activities: day/night game drives, short nature walks & mokoro excursions (seasonal and water level dependent)

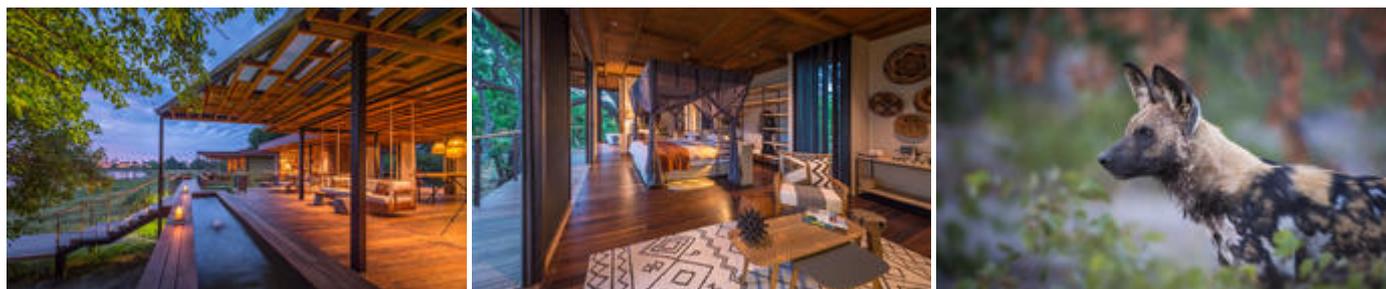
The name Qorokwe means "the place where the buffalo broke through the bush into the water" and is evocative of the high-density game area situated in the south-eastern Okavango Delta.

Qorokwe Camp has eight tented suites as well as one spacious family tented suite with its own splash pool. En-suite facilities feature an indoor and outdoor shower.

The magnificent main area overlooks a lagoon and the infinity pool is a focal point for the expansive views. The dining area, lounge, library and bar are built on raised wooden platforms, all connected by walkways. Highlights of Qorokwe's dining experiences include festive boma evenings.

Qorokwe Camp is 100% solar powered thus keeping a light eco-footprint.

Activities offered include day and night game drives and mokoro trips (if water levels permit) as well as nature walks and birdwatching.



Day 9: End of Itinerary

Following breakfast and a morning activity (flight time permitting), you will be transferred to the airstrip in time for your light aircraft transfer to Maun Airport. A Safari Specialists representative will meet you on arrival at the airport to assist with your onwards travel arrangements.

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

See Booking Information
