

BOTSWANA MOBILE SAFARI PACKAGE

Chobe, Savuti, Moremi/Okavango

10nights/11days

First 2 days reserved for touring Victoria Falls

The trip begins in Kasane /Savuti/Moremi/Okavango

DAY1

The **CHOBE NATIONAL PARK**, which is the second largest National Park in Botswana, and covers 10,566 square kilometres has one of the greatest concentration of Game found on the African continent. Its uniqueness in the abundance of Wildlife and the true African nature of the region, offers a safari experience of a lifetime.

The **CHOBE NATIONAL PARK** is divided into four distinctly different eco systems: Serondela with its lush plains and dense forests in the Chobe River area in the extreme north - east : Savuti Marsh in the west about fifty kilometers north of mababe Gate: The Linyanti swamps in the North-west and the hot dry hinterland in between.

In 1931 the idea of creating a national park in the area was first mooted, in order to protect the wildlife from extinction and to attract visitors. In 1932, an area of some 24,000 square kilometers in the Chobe District was declared a non hunting area, and the following year, the protected year was increased to 31,600 kilometers. However heavy Tsetse fly infestations resulted in the whole idea lapsing in 1943. In 1957, the idea of a national park was raised again, when an area of about 21,000 square kilometers was proposed as a game reserve and eventually a reduced area was gazetted in 1960 as Chobe Game Reserve. Later , in 1967 the reserve was declared a National Park – the first national park in Botswana.

A major feature of Chobe Nation Park is its elephant population. First of all, the Chobe elephant comprise what is probably the largest surviving continuous elephant population. This population covers most of Botswana and part of northwestern Zimbabwe. The Botswana's elephant population is currently estimated at around 120,000. This elephant population has built up steadily from a few thousand since the early 1900s and has escaped the massive illegal offtake that has decimated other populations in the 1970s and 1980s. The Chobe elephants are migratory, making seasonal movements of up to 200 kilometers from the Chobe and Linyanti rivers where they concentrate in the dry season, to the pans in the southeast of the park, to which they disperse in the rains. The elephants in this area have the distinction of being the largest in body size of all living elephants.



Our camp will be at Ihaha inside the Chobe National Park

Upon arrival in Kasane we will board a motorboat , game viewing our way into the Chobe National Park, world renowned for its huge herds of elephants and buffalo. Enjoy the sightings on offer while en route to a pickup point where we will be met by our guide and Game drive vehicle and transferred to our campsite within the National park.

DAY2

The second day will be spent game driving inside the Chobe National Park.

DAY3 Savuti

Rise to an early breakfast and break camp to head for Savuti, an area well known for its prolific predators including lion and leopard. There is also opportunity to view cheetah and wild dog, two of Africa's endangered species. We game drive our way from the riverfront through the Chobe Enclave to re- enter the park at Goha hills after doing battle with the notorious sand ridge and arriving at midday in time to set camp and have lunch under the large camel thorn acacias. After setting camp we explore the area including the Bushman paintings and the Savuti Marsh – there are three artificial waterholes in the area attracting large amounts of game. Return to camp for Dinner under the stars and listen to the sounds of the African night, including owls, jackal, hyena and often lion nearby.

DAY4 Savuti

Early departures are key to trying to find the culprits that were roaring or calling at the first signs of dawn, so after a quick coffee and snack we head off for a morning drive . Savuti is an area of vast contrasts – there are several rocky outcrops where klipspringer and leopard are common and vast open grassland where cheetah can be seen. The river bed is lined with large trees and also worth checking for giant eagle owls and leopard alike, depending on the sights, we can continue with sights till lunch.

After lunch we can either have a siesta or depart for further explores of the vast area.

We will return to camp for dinner around the fire as we talk about the events of the day.

MOREMI/OKAVANGO

Botswana's Okavango Delta has to be Africa's most incredible Wildlife and Wilderness sanctuary. What makes the Okavango remarkable is that it is a wetland paradise located within the arid Kalahari Desert. The Okavango lies between shallows fault lines at the end of The Great African Rift Valley. Deserts are low on annual rainfall and the Okavango Delta is no exception. However, each year flood water flows from its source in the moist Angolan Highlands over 1000 kilometers away. These floodwaters flow from their catchments southwards and onto the Kalahari Desert to create a unique wetland that supports and sustains a huge diversity of wildlife. Apart from the beauty of the wetland habitat, game viewing is excellent right the year through.

The heart of the Okavango is the Moremi Game Reserve. All major habitats and acetones of the Okavango are preserved here. Around the Moremi Game Reserve are large private

reserves(Locally known as concessions) that are leased out to Safari companies under strict guidelines and carrying capacities. These private reserves offer the very best safari experiences with massive tracts of pristine parkland and privacy encountered in very few places in Africa these days. One can go out all day in some areas and not see another soul, besides the animals on the savannah.

DAY5/6 Moremi / Khwai

Our camp will be at Khwai for two nights which is in the Northern end of the Moremi Game Reserve. While camping here we will take our early morning game drives and afternoon game drives. Game can be viewed in the veld from the camp. We will also be able to interact with the local Basarwa/San who live nearby and see how they live.

DAY 7 /8 South Gate

This morning after breakfast we leave these wonderful people, breaking up camp and heading for south gate in the southern part of Moremi where it meets the Okavango Delta.

DAY 9/10 Maun

The wonderful thing about Maun is its spirit, there is a sense of fun and excitement in the air. The whole town revolves around tourism. Your first day in Maun you will be taken out for mokoro ride (dug-out canoe).2nd day its worth taking a helicopter or game flight over the Okavango. There is usually lots of game to see and give you a good idea of the immensity of the delta.

DAY 11

There are daily scheduled flights from Maun to Johannesburg.

RATE:

USD 2640 pp

INCLUSIVE OF:

- Camping accommodation and equipment
- Meals
- Local drinks
- Camping fees
- Entrance fee and guiding fees
- Game drives and boat activities
- VAT

EXCLUDED:

- Premium brands
- Emergency evacuation insurance
- Any incidentals not mentioned above

NB: THE TRIP CAN BE SHORTENED OR PROLONGED AS PER REQUEST AT BOOKING

We are willing to arrange for your flight booking from Johannesburg to Victoria falls and accommodation on request, also we can arrange your flight from Maun to Johannesburg.

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