



Woral's Travel Tours and Safari

DESERT & DELTA EXPLORER—6 DAYS

6 Days / 5 nights

This safari introduces you to the contrasting and beautiful landscapes of Botswana. You will experience very unique and diverse habitats; first as you travel through the arid and truly untouched wilderness of seemingly unending dimensions in the Central Kalahari Game Reserve and finally as you venture into the Okavango Delta—the realm of the lion, the elephant, the hippo, the rare sitatunga and colourful birds.

US\$1800 PER PERSON SHARING

HIGHLIGHTS

- **Optional** scenic flight over the Delta.
- **2 nights** Central Kalahari Game Reserve, game drives
- **1 night** Maun (Comfortable lodge/hotel)
- Mokoro excursion
- **2 nights** Moremi Game Reserve/Khwai Concession, game

drives **Proposed Itinerary**

Every effort is made to adhere to the routes described herein. However, note that a certain amount of flexibility is built into our safaris and hence, on occasion it may be necessary to make changes (subject to roads & weather conditions as well as camp availability) to the itinerary that has been proposed for you. This itinerary should therefore be treated as a guide only.



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INCLUDED

- Accommodation as stated in the itinerary.
- Meals and drinks as indicated in the itinerary.
- Chef
- The services of a professional guide.
- Game drive vehicle and fuel.
- Two Game drives per day.
- Extra activities as indicated in the itinerary.
- All transfers as stated in the itinerary.
- Camping equipment and associated fees
- Park entrance fees.
- Vehicle park entrance fees.
- Tourism bed levy.

EXCLUDED

- Visas.
- Passport and visa fees where relevant.
- Activities not mentioned and included as part of the itinerary.
- Flights (both international, inter-Africa and local flights).
- Travel insurance.
- Additional activities in Botswana
- Items of personal nature including, but not limited to, hotel extras, laundry, phone calls and meals not mentioned in the itinerary.
- Staff Gratuities.
- Medical insurance.



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ARRIVAL—MAUN

This safari officially starts in Maun and is intended to depart early in the morning on the day of departure. It is therefore important that you plan to arrive in Maun the day before the safari starts. A professional guide and/or a representative of Moonstroll Vantage Expeditions will meet you upon your arrival at Maun Airport.

You will then be transferred to your place of lodging where you will spend your pre-safari night. **Pre-safari accommodation** can be arranged for you at an extra cost.

You will also be collected from your hotel/lodge on the day the safari departs.

Note: The afternoon of the day of arrival is left for you to spend at leisure, to go shopping for curios and also to have the option of taking a scenic flight over the Delta (at an extra cost). This activity offers an aerial view of the Okavango Delta, giving you the opportunity to see the Delta's unique water system from a different perspective. It is even possible to spot large game animals such as elephants, hippos, etc from high above during the flight.

DAY 1: TO THE CENTRAL KALAHARI GAME RESERVE (CKGR)

You will be picked up from your place of accommodation after an early morning breakfast. Starting from Maun your safari begins around 0800hrs and you head southwards to the Central Kalahari Game Reserve for a two (2) nights stay.

Distance covered: approx. 200 km to Matswiri Gate (thereafter, depends on campsite location)

Driving time: approx. 3.5–4.5 hours (thereafter, depends on campsite location)

The Central Kalahari Game Reserve with its wild, mysterious beauty is an immense and most remotely situated reserve in Southern Africa. With a land area of 52 800 square kilometers, it is bigger than Switzerland or Denmark. It holds vast open plains, scrub bush, salt pans, ancient riverbeds, and sand dunes.

Arriving at your campsite in the afternoon, there should be just enough time to take a siesta. As soon as the heat of the day relents you leave for your first safari drive in the CKGR to soak up the sounds and beauty of nature. Return to camp just after sunset to have a shower and thereafter enjoy a campfire cooked dinner. Look out for the stars for, at night, they utterly dominate the land and their brilliance and immediacy are totally arresting.



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DAY 2: EXPLORING THE CENTRAL KALAHARI GAME RESERVE

Throughout your stay each day will follow a similar pattern. You rise just before daybreak for a light breakfast and set off at dawn to discover what promise the Kalahari holds for the new day.

Meerkats, ground squirrels, goshawks, Black backed jackals, herds of springbok and the magical Gemsbok will greet you on your way.

Also the plains and pans of the CKGR completely transform and fill with succulent grasses immediately after the summer rains. These plains and pans therefore teem with wildlife. These include large herds of springbok and gemsbok, as well as wildebeest, hartebeest, eland and giraffe. Hence, predators such as the famous Kalahari black-mane lion, cheetah, leopard and jackals are normally around.

As the air cools down you leave again on another safari drive. Come back to a campfire under the river of stars and a delicious campfire cooked dinner. Go to bed listening to the song of barking geckos and, in the distance, the roar of the lion reverberating across the night.

Days: 1-2 Accommodation:

Camping

Campsite: *Wilderness Campsite*

Meals: *Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner*



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DAY 3: BACK TO MAUN

Wake up early morning for a light breakfast and thereafter, set off with your guide for a 2 hours morning game drive. Return to camp around 0830hrs for a fully cooked brunch.

Shortly after brunch, take a slow game drive through the Central Kalahari Game Reserve and head towards Maun for a one (1) night stay at a comfortable lodge.

You will arrive around noon in Maun. The rest of the day will be spent at leisure or you can do a bit of shopping in town if you wish. Also you can embark on an optional scenic flight over the Okavango Delta if you haven't already done so. This will provide another perspective of the Okavango Delta's unique water system.

Day 3

Accommodation: Guesthouse/Lodge

Meals & drinks: Lunch & Dinner



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DAY 4: TO THE OKAVANGO DELTA (MOKORO)

You will depart Maun around 0645hrs as your adventure takes you first to the southern tip of the Okavango Delta—a landscape that is unique and an ever-changing web of crystal clear waterways.

Distance covered: approx. 35 Km **Driving**
time: approx. 1.0 hours

The Okavango Delta, Africa's last great unspoiled wilderness, is situated in the northern reaches of Botswana. It is an unexpected oasis, a glittering expanse of crystal-clear waterways, lush green papyrus and fertile floodplains.

Shortly before your mokoro ride, enjoy an early morning breakfast of coffee/tea, juice, cereals, rusks, fruits, etc. Thereafter, board your mokoro and spend the next few hours watching a variety of aquatic bird life as you are silently poled along the waterways of the Okavango Delta to one of the islands selected by your poler.

From this island you will set off on foot and go for a 1.0–1.5 hours guided safari walk. It is possible to spot game such as elephants, hippos, zebras, etc., during these safari walks. Mekoro excursions also present you with unique photographic opportunities.

Having immersed yourself within the spirit of African adventure, your mokoro excursion wraps up and you will silently be poled along the quiet waterways back to the mokoro station.

You will be picked up at the mokoro station by your safari guide. You will then board your safari vehicle and make the journey northwards to Moremi Game Reserve/khwai Concession for a two (2) nights stay.



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TO MOREMI GAME RESERVE

Distance covered: approx. 100 Km to reach Moremi South Gate (thereafter depends on camp location)

Driving time: approx. 2.0–2.5 hours (thereafter depends on camp location)

Contained within an area of approximately 3900 square kilometers, Moremi boasts of diverse ecosystems ranging from floodplains, waterways, lagoons, pools, pans, grasslands and riparian forests, riverine to mopane woodland. This diversity makes Moremi one of the prime game viewing and bird watching areas of the world.

With the ever abundant water of the Okavango Delta, Moremi provides you with a wealth of photographic subjects, dramatic landscapes, and herds of plain's game and spectacular birdlife.

Your days will be spent searching for the wide variety of wildlife and birds that this area is famous for. At the same time you will be absorbing the sounds and beauty of the African wilderness.

Morning game drives as the sun rises and late afternoon game drives as the sun sets will be the order of the day.

DAY 5: EXPLORING MOREMI GAME RESERVE

You will wake up this morning to a very early breakfast before heading into Moremi for your morning game drive.

In the mopane scrub, look out for large herds of African elephants while in the waterways you should look out for pods of hippopotami. On the open plains you should also keep an eye on for large herds of the Cape buffalo.

You will also be looking out for the elusive African wild dogs, lions and the elusive leopard as well as the raptors such as the mighty Martial Eagle, Tawny Eagle, the majestic African Fish Eagle and that incredible aviator—the Bateleur and many others.

In the afternoon you will set off once again in your safari vehicle for more birding and game viewing. Return to camp just after sunset to have a shower and thereafter enjoy a campfire cooked dinner.

You have 2 nights at a wilderness campsite to marvel at this exceedingly diverse reserve that offers an untouched wildlife experience.



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DAYS 4 – 5

Accommodation: *Camping*

Campsite: *Wilderness campsite. Meals:*
(Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

DAY 6: DEPARTURE

This morning you wake up very early; enjoy a cooked breakfast prepared by your chef, before heading out of the Moremi Game Reserve in the form of a game drive. Our safari ends around mid-morning in Maun where you will be dropped off at your hotel or Maun Airport for your onward travel.

Day 6 Accommodation:

None

Meals & drinks: *Breakfast*

SAFARI ENDS



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• PRE-SAFARI

ACCOMMODATION

This safari is intended to depart Maun in the morning (around 0800 hrs) on day 1. We strongly recommend therefore that you plan to arrive in Maun the day before the safari starts so that you have time to relax, do some shopping and if you wish, to embark on an optional scenic flight over the Okavango Delta. Woral's Travel Tours & Safari cannot be held responsible for the late arrival of flights, adverse weather conditions or any delays beyond its control.

Note: We can handle **pre-** and **post-safari accommodation** arrangements on your behalf. However please **make accommodation arrangements** well in advance of your trip to avoid disappointment and the risk of having to find more expensive lodgings.

PAYMENT TERMS

- A booking will only be confirmed upon the receipt of a 35% non-refundable deposit (unless otherwise agreed by both parties in writing).
- Once a booking has been confirmed by Woral's Travel Tours & Safari or its agent, in writing or by e-mail, all terms and conditions apply and our cancellation policies will be in immediate effect.
- An invoice issued by Woral's Travel Tours & Safari serves as full confirmation of the booking.
- The full amount of the safari is payable not less than 42 days prior to the date when the safari commences.
- A booking made within 42 days of the commencement of the safari is payable in full on confirmation of the booking.



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CANCELLATIONS

Note: If you wish to cancel your booking, you must inform Woral's Travel Tours & Safari in writing. Cancellation will only be deemed effective on the day it is received by Woral's Travel Tours & Safari.

The following charges will be payable by you depending on the number of days prior to the safari's departure date when Woral's Travel Tours & Safari receives the cancellation notice.

- A cancellation fee of 35% of the total cost of the safari if cancelled 42 or more days prior to the safari's departure date.
- A cancellation fee of 50% of the total cost of the safari if cancelled 28–41 days prior to the safari's departure date.
- A cancellation fee of 75% of the total cost of the safari if cancelled 14–27 days prior to the safari's departure date.
- A cancellation fee of 100% of the total cost of the safari if cancelled less than 14 days prior to the safari's departure date.

OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES

Note: All activities **marked optional** can be arranged for you at an **extra cost**.

- We therefore strongly recommend that clients request additional optional activities at the time they request a quotation or make a booking to ensure the availability of such activities.



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LUGGAGE

It is highly recommended that clients keep their luggage to a minimum. It is very important to note this when travelling on a safari because of space constraints. On charter aircrafts used to transfer clients to and from safari camps, luggage is restricted to 20 kg per person and this includes all hand luggage and camera equipment.

- We therefore strongly recommend that you travel with 'soft duffel' or 'backpack' style bags. Please **do not** bring **hard-body or wheeled suitcases** as they will not fit properly in the vehicle/trailer, and also will not fit on the luggage compartments of the light aircrafts normally used.
- Lightweight clothing of neutral colours that blend with the African bush and forest are preferable during summer.
- Warm wear such as jackets and jerseys, again of neutral colours, should be brought along during the winter months as it can be very chilly on the early morning and late evenings. In some parts of the country temperatures can even fall below zero degrees Celsius.
- Trousers, long-sleeved shirts and blouses are also necessary as they minimize the chances of getting bitten by mosquito.
- Closed, comfortable walking shoes or gym shoes are a must in all seasons.
- Bring along a sun hat, preferably wide brimmed, as opposed to a baseball cap.
- Also pack a good quality sunscreen, polarized sunglasses and a mosquito repellent to use at dawn and dusk.

A small day pack can also become handy for your prescription medicine, lip balm, moisturizer, binoculars, camera, camera batteries, sunscreen lotions, insect repellants and other small items