



OKAVANGO DELTA

DELTA CAMP

An original Okavango experience



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An invitation to become part of the bush reimagined ...

The principle underpinning Delta Camp is that the Okavango was, in its prehistoric form, pristine, and that every intervention comes at a cost to that pristine natural and cultural environment. Delta Camp's vision strives to consider every action and to understand that each has a mitigating factor and a concomitant benefit. With each 'pro' weighed carefully against its 'con', they offer guests the highest standards of comfort consistent with the pure elegance of the environment itself.





Connection through unique design

Scattered in the forest of a large, beautiful and palm-studded island deep in the Okavango Delta, Delta Camp's chalets are designed and built to take advantage of the many indigenous, old-growth trees of the island forest.

The buildings cannot improve upon the natural landscape; they must therefore blend into it as unobtrusively as possible. This sometimes means that a tree grows through a roof or a floor, it always means that you will find no glass in the windows and it very often means that the building itself is elevated onto a deck.

Each spacious, elegant chalet is individually designed and decorated to fit discreetly into its setting and to take advantage of the spectacular views of the surrounding bush and flood-plains.



Traditional Walking Safari

Delta Camp offers privately guided walking safaris like nowhere else in the Okavango Delta. Using only genuine, hand-made dug-out canoes, guides will take guests deep into the Okavango, through the channels and floodplains to walk on the many islands in the area. The guide joins guests on arrival and remains exclusively with them for the duration of their stay.

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The Luxury of Being with Nature

All activities are conducted without assistance from motors, offering guests the opportunity to truly attune themselves with nature. In addition, the camp does not offer wifi or internet, which allows guests to be present with one another in a beautiful and intimate setting, something that has become increasingly rare in our hurried existence.



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Location

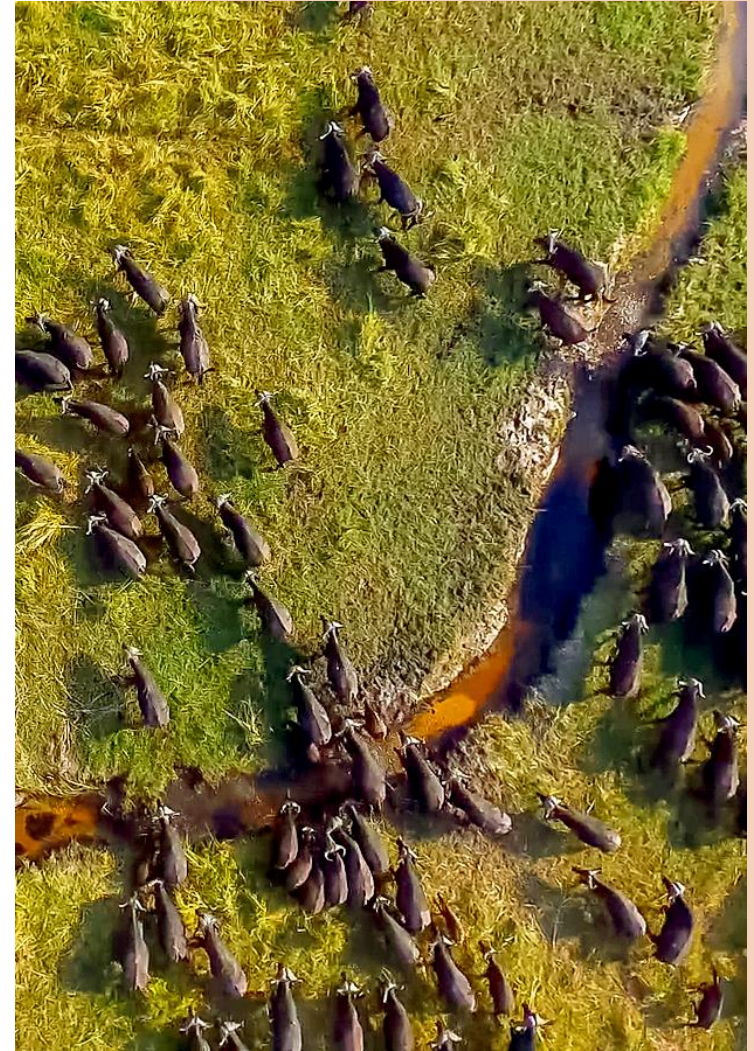
Situated on the south-western edge of Chief's Island in the heart of the Okavango Delta, on the western boundary of the Moremi Game Reserve.

GPS Co-Ordinates

19°31' 56.19" S and 23° 06' 19.48" E

Access

The camp is accessed by light aircraft only and is a 20 minute flight from Maun or a 50 minute flight from Kasane. It is 15-30 minutes from most other camps in the area. It is a 45 minute mokoro ride or 30 minute bush walk to the camp. Arrival into the camp depends upon water levels. Guests are met by their dedicated guide upon arrival at the Delta airstrip. Please advise guests that sunscreen, hat, binoculars and camera should be easily accessible upon arrival so that they may begin their adventure comfortably.



Accommodation

Accommodation is for a maximum of 18 guests in spacious chalets made of wood and lethaka (reed) with en-suite bathrooms. Built of natural materials and elevated off the forest floor, each chalet is luxurious and unique.

The Tree House boasts a spectacular sweep of the Okavango and is one of the most extraordinary rooms in the whole of the delta.

- 3 double rooms
- 3 triple rooms
- 2 family houses (maximum 4 guests)

(Please note that despite the flexibility of the units in terms of housing different types of parties, the camp only ever hosts a maximum of 18 people)



Children and Families

Children of all ages are welcome. There are two family rooms to accommodate families. Delta Camp has no age restrictions as believes that guests know their children and their capabilities, and as they will not be going on safari activities with other guests they have no one but themselves to consider. Dedicated child orientated guides walk with families to enrich the safari experience for all members. Delta Camp is happy to accommodate alternative family dining times and to prepare simple food for children. There are games in the sitting area and reference books that will help to entertain and illuminate the children's experience.



Facilities

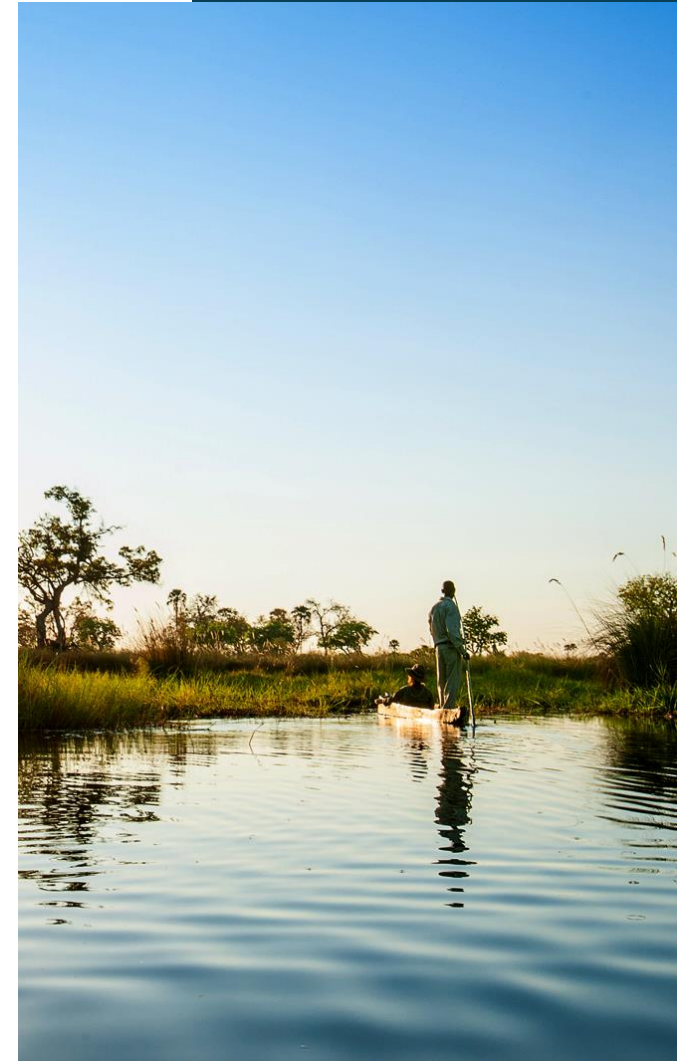
- Private, spacious luxury chalets
- Satellite viewing deck
- Tucked away sunset deck
- Raised deck facing the Boro River and Chief's Island
- In-house masseuse and dedicated chalet open to the symphony of the Okavango (high season only)
- Library
- Children's toys and family games

Activities

- Dedicated, private mokoro (traditional dug out canoe) (pl. mekoro) and walking guide throughout visit
- Private, personally tailored guided walks
- Cultural interaction at an authentic baYei village
- Excursions to the sunset deck in the evenings (entirely serviced or private depending on guest's wishes)
- Private dinner under the stars on the camp's satellite deck
- Full or half day walks with breakfast or lunch picnic
- The Chief's Island Mokoro Trail is a fully-serviced and privately guided wilderness camping expedition (seasonal)

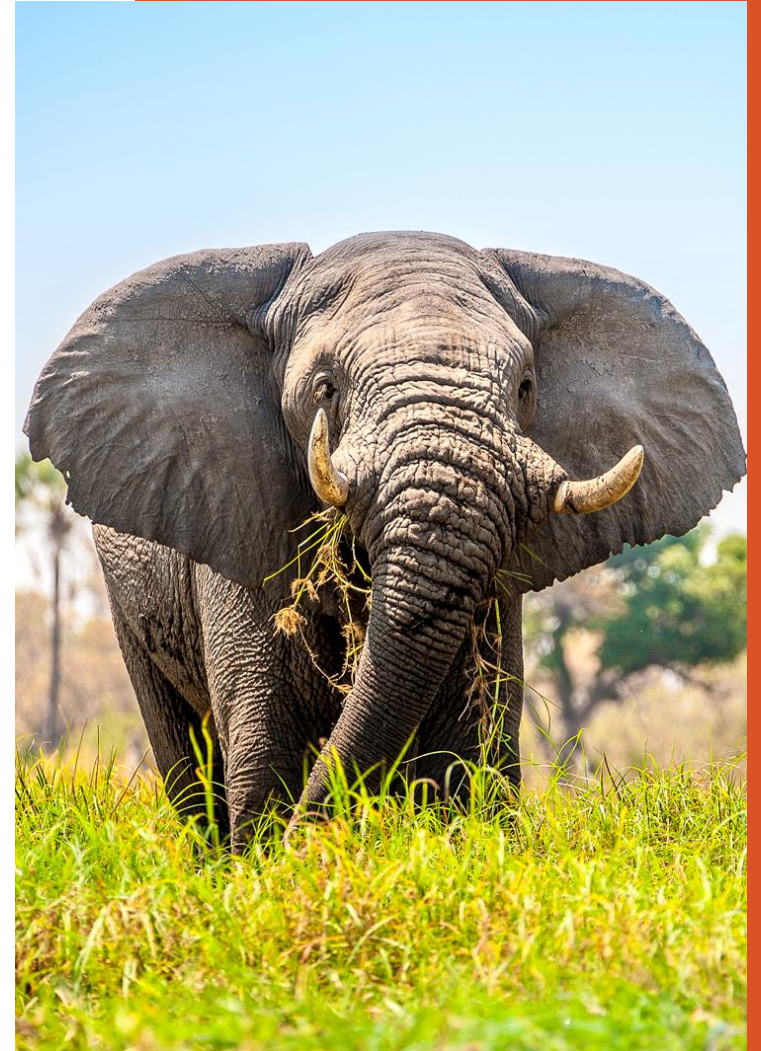
Please be advised that the use of mekoro depends on a number of factors beyond Delta Camp's control – water levels, vegetation growth, changes in the Okavango's channel-structure, and hippo activity, amongst others. These can and do change quickly and unpredictably.

Consequently Delta Camp may not be able to offer mokoro excursions due to practical constraints or safety considerations. If this is the case they recommend guests participate in other activities that are equally enriching and complete a full-bodied safari experience.



Wildlife

Game of all sorts are abundant: lion, leopard, buffalo, elephant, hippopotamus, crocodile, giraffe, antelope including the rare lechwe, tsessebe and sitatunga, otters, honey-badgers, the shy pangolin, the nearly extinct rhino and a variety of the smaller wild cats such as civets, servals and genets are amongst the many mammal species that visit the Delta. There are also reptiles – many species of snakes (most of them harmless), as well as several species of tortoise, terrapin, lizard, skinks, chameleon and gecko – not forgetting of course the Nile crocodile. Then of course there are the birds, well over 450 species, that bring the forests, rivers and flood-plains of the Okavango to life. Many rare and endangered species call the Okavango home, and birders come from all around the world in search of them.



The Owners

Delta Camp was one of the first photographic camps established in the Okavango Delta, and was purchased by Peter Sandenbergh in 1984.

Peter was a pioneer of the safari business in Botswana and brought a passion for wildness and a care for the land into everything that he did. A principled and focused conservationist, Peter created a unique and quirky camp with a family of staff members many of whom are with the camp to this day. Peter passed away in 2016 and the camp is now run by his wife and children who continue to focus on offering guests authentic experiences while minimising the impact of tourism on the fragile and dynamic ecosystem of the Okavango Delta.





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