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Adventure*



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A Set Departure Safari

Embark on an African adventure, exploring a handpicked selection of Africa's most famous natural spectacles.

Trek across the Botswana visiting the wildlife-rich Okavango Delta, Khwai, Savuti and Chobe. Cross into Zimbabwe to witness the famous Victoria Falls, a true spectacle and one of the world's seven natural wonders.

A mobile safari is the ultimate way to experience the natural grandeur of Botswana. On your journey you'll encounter true nature as well as the authenticity and rich diversity Botswana has to offer. Witnessing stunning landscapes and wildlife spectacles that will remain with you forever.

A Heritage Blue Ribbon Safari is a fully serviced mobile safari. All you need to do is sit back in comfort and enjoy your safari experience. With only twelve places available (six per vehicle), a Heritage Blue Ribbon Safari is for those looking for a truly exclusive safari experience.

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Day 1: Island Safari Lodge, Maun

On your arrival you will be met by your guide or one of our representatives to welcome you to our beautiful Botswana. Our team will be ready to assist you in anything that you may need assistance with. After a quick welcome we will then transfer you to Island Safari Lodge.

Located on the banks of the Thamalakane River, Island Safari Lodge is a cool and welcoming oasis in the heart of Maun. Shaded under a huge canopy of large trees, the lodge overlooks the river and floodplain beyond.

Island Safari Lodge is set on a 300 acre private island reserve, just 10 km from Maun Airport. The protected reserve has several walking trails running through the bush, perfect for a nature walk.

Relax by one of the two swimming pools or head to the restaurant and bar for the river view.

Meals: Bed and breakfast.

Day 2: Okavango Delta - Moruta Mokoro Excursion

For the start of your journey in the wilds of Botswana, you'll depart from Island Safari Lodge by 7:00am.

You'll head north towards Moremi Game Reserve. The area that you will be exploring is adjacent to Moremi, although a part of the greater area of this exciting wildlife-rich area. Here you will enjoy the rich and diverse fauna and flora this aquatic area is known for.

Once you have arrived at the mokoro station and meet your polers, you'll set off and spend the day exploring the channels by mokoro, a traditional canoe. As you cruise the waterways you'll experience photographic opportunities of a lifetime. Stopping at a suitable and scenic area, you'll enjoy a light and wholesome lunch.

After arriving in camp, and enjoying an afternoon high tea, you'll set off again to enjoy the Okavango Delta by canoe. Game viewing from the water offers a unique perspective of the area and wildlife.

You'll continue to explore the area for the rest of the day, arriving in your campsite in

time for the evening, enjoying the campfire, star gazing and the sounds of the African night.

Meals: Full board. Drinks (local brands) included.

Day 3: Okavango Delta - Moruta Mokoro Excursion

Waking up early and, after enjoying a wholesome breakfast, you'll set off to explore the delta, in search of the many wildlife species and birds that roam on the islands and enjoy the life giving waters of the Okavango.

You'll also enjoy a walking safari on the islands, exploring and experiencing nature on foot.

This vast inland river is known for its sprawling grasslands and plains that flood seasonally becoming a lush animal habitat. Mokoros are used to navigate past hippos, elephant and crocodiles. The islands and dry land surrounding the water is abundant with many different plains species, lion and leopard.

Mid-day you return to camp for a delicious lunch and some time at leisure. This is then

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followed by high tea before you embark on the afternoon exploration. Returning to camp for sunset drinks, you can enjoy the sunsets that Africa is so famous for.

Dinner is served after pre-dinner drinks and snacks.

Meals: Full board. Drinks (local brands) included.

Day 4: Khwai

After enjoying a light continental breakfast you'll move on to your next destination, Khwai.

Khwai is a village on the north bank of the Khwai River in the North-West District of Botswana. The river is the northern boundary of the Moremi Game Reserve, and the village is just outside the north gate of the reserve, which is on the eastern side of the Okavango Delta. Khwai boasts all that the Moremi does, after all it is in the greater part of the reserve, and there are no fences that prohibit wildlife from moving across.

You'll arrive at the campsite in time to enjoy a wholesome lunch. After a siesta you'll embark on an afternoon game drive and enjoy what this remarkable area has to offer.

In the evening return to camp, enjoy the campfire and pre-dinner drinks exchanging tales of the day's adventures. Afterwards enjoy a delicious dinner prepared by our camp chef.

Meals: Full board. Drinks (local brands) included.

Day 5: Khwai - Savuti

After enjoying a light continental breakfast you'll move on to your next destination, Savuti.

The Savuti area borders the Okavango Delta to the west and Chobe National Park to the east and is one of Africa's best known big game areas. Savuti is a place of enchantment, of beauty, and boasts one of the greatest concentrations of animals in Southern Africa.

Savuti is famous for its mysterious and fascinating channel. It runs a distance of 100 kilometers from the Chobe River, through a gap in the sand ridge, to the Mababe Depression.

You'll arrive at the campsite in the late afternoon. After setting up camp we embark on your late afternoon game drive and enjoy what this remarkable area has to offer.

In the evening we return to camp, enjoy the campfire and pre-dinner drinks exchanging stories of the day. Afterwards enjoy a delicious dinner prepared by our camp chef.

Meals: Full board. Drinks (local brands) included.

Day 5 & 6: Savuti

After enjoying a light continental breakfast we depart to explore the area by open game viewer on a morning game drive.

Savuti is famous for its predators, especially its resident lion and spotted hyena populations. Large secretary birds and Kori bustards can be sighted strutting around the Savuti marsh.

You'll return to camp midday for lunch and afternoon siesta. In the afternoon head out again on another game drive to explore this unique and enchanting area.

Savuti's almost desert-like landscape, loose, hot sand, and elephants lining up to get to the water supply, offer a wildlife experience you won't easily forget.

In the evening return to camp, enjoy the campfire and pre-dinner drinks exchanging stories of the day.

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Meals: Full board. Drinks (local brands) included.

Day 7: Chobe

After enjoying a light continental breakfast we pack up camp as you'll be moving to Chobe.

Chobe National Park is Botswana's first national park, and also the most biologically diverse. Located in the north of the country, it is Botswana's third largest park, and has one of the greatest concentrations of game in all of Africa.

The Serondela area (or Chobe riverfront), situated in the extreme north-east of the park, has as its main geographical features lush floodplains and dense woodland of mahogany, teak and other hardwoods now largely reduced by heavy elephant pressure.

Arrive at Kasane in the late afternoon and settle into your lodge accommodation. A sundowner boat cruise on the Chobe River can be arranged in the late afternoon.

Meals: Full board. Drinks (local brands) included.

Day 8: Victoria Falls Day Trip

An amazing adventure that will take you to one of the world's seven natural wonders will take place on this day.

Victoria Falls, or also known as Mosi oa Tunya, "the Smoke that Thunders", is an awe inspiring experience. While it is neither the highest nor the widest waterfall in the world, Victoria Falls is classified as the largest, based on its combined width of 1,708 metres (5,604 ft) and height of 108 metres (354 ft), resulting in the world's largest sheet of falling water.

You will transferred to Zimbabwe after breakfast, a journey that, depending on the cross border legalities will take about 1 – 1:30 hours to reach the town of Victoria Falls.

The morning will be spent walking the length of the falls, witnessing the world's largest waterfall. As you walkthrough the rainforest you may encounter an abundance of birdlife and small animals such as bushbuck.

There is also an extensive curio market that can be visited, should you wish to purchase some small souvenirs.

There are other interesting landmarks that

can be visted whilst in Victoria Falls that will include the famous Victoria Falls Bridge, and the Victoria Falls Hotel. The afternoon, after lunch your guide will keep you informed of the local culture, amazing geological information and history of the Victoria Falls before your return journey to Kasane.

Meals: Bed and breakfast.

Day 9: End of Itinerary

On your day of departure, you will have the choice to have a bit of a late lie-in, or just spend the morning at leisure. Check out is normally between 10 and 11 am. Your pre-arranged transfer will be ready to take you to Kasane airport for your onward travel.

Set Departure Schedule

05 Aug - 12 Au 2020

\$3,480

Safari Information

Included With Your Safari

- Spacious tents (3m x 3m) with stretchers and bedrolls included and en suite private bush ablutions.
- Open dining room tents for a natural outdoor feeling, whilst still protecting you from the elements.
- Open sided 4x4 safari vehicle. Professional guide and camp assistants.
- National park and camping fees.
- The safaris are on a dinner, bed & breakfast and lunch basis to suite the duration of the safari. Should you be accommodated at Island Safari Lodge for a pre-night, breakfast will be included.
- All drinks included (soft, local alcoholic drinks, still water).

What to Bring

Luggage

- A soft bag or rucksack as they are easier to pack.
- One item of hand luggage (e.g. a small backpack) which can be kept at your feet

for easy access during activities.

Please do not exceed 20 kg of luggage.

Clothing & Equipment

- Flashlight with spare batteries and bulbs. A head torch is a good idea as it keeps your hands free.
- Hat or cap. A wide-brimmed hat is best to shade your face and neck.
- Scarf and gloves during winter as we can experience very low temperatures.
- Warm fleece and windbreaker jacket. Windproof during the winter months (May - Sept), waterproof during the summer months (Nov - Mar).
- Swimming costume. You may like a swim when visiting a lodge or either pre or post safari.
- Natural colour clothing (i.e. no white or bright colour clothing). Bring T-shirts, shorts, a pair of lightweight long trousers and a lightweight long sleeve shirt (long sleeves are extremely useful for sun protection during the day and mosquito protection during the evening).
- Comfortable walking shoes and sandals.
- Camera equipment, binoculars and batteries. Bring spare memory cards for

digital cameras as the opportunity to download photos is limited.

- Adaptors for cables, chargers, USB, etc. Please label them so as to avoid confusion on safari.
- Small, spare power bank so you can recharge your camera batteries.
- Water bottle.

Personal Toiletry items & Medication

- Personal toiletries and medication in a small bag.
- Sunscreen.
- Malaria prophylactics. Please consult your doctor before your safari.
- Mosquito repellent.
- Water proof/zip lock bags for storing personal items to keep dry and dust free.
- Personal first aid kit.

A first aid kit will be present throughout the safari but personal medicine must be brought for the duration of the safari.