

## ACTIVITIES

Muchenje prides itself on the variety and quality of the Safari experiences, and interactions that it offers. Chobe is famous for its large herds of elephant and buffalo, along with numerous predators - including lions, leopards and wild dogs. There is a great diversity of plains game and an astonishing array of bird species. All activities are included within your stay at Muchenje.



**Game Drives** in our open and comfortable 4x4 safari vehicles. Enjoy game drives with our knowledgeable and friendly professionally qualified guides – either early morning, afternoon or even the full day. Maximum 6 guests per vehicle. Private vehicles are possible at an extra cost for avid birders or photographers



**River Safari** – a wonderful chance to see huge herds of elephants, as well as many other mammals and birds attracted to the water's edge. The boat trip is part of a full day excursion and explores the river during the middle of the day when guests can enjoy a peaceful lunch whilst enjoying all that comes to the river to drink.



**Guided Bush Walks** allow you to learn about the intricacies of a safari, the small things such as tracks, trees and insects. Walks are available All Year Round and are best in the early morning to avoid the heat of the day.



**Night Drives** are enjoyed after dinner within the Chobe Forest Reserve. It usually is only an hour or so. The guide uses a spotlight to spot the local 'night life', which can range from the small mammals, to buffalo and elephant.



**Mokoro Trips** during the flood season (April – December) when the water levels permit it, are enjoyed in the channels and pools of water which fill the flood plains below Muchenje. Relaxing and exploring the water lilies is a well-known Botswana Experience.



**Cultural Experience** - Visit our local village to meet the people that make Botswana the delightful country that it is. This includes meeting a local family in their homestead and being introduced to traditional skills and customs. Visiting Mabele Primary School at breaktime is often a highlight.

Below is our activity calendar that aims to assist with illustrating which activities occur within which season. The activities are dependent on seasonal fluctuations and the calendar below is an indication. Please contact our office for updates to the weather expectations.

Summer Green Season			Cooler Mid-Season			Winter Peak Season				Mid	Green Season
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
31°C	30°C	31°C	30°C	28°C	25°C	26°C	29°C	33°C	35°C	33°C	31°C
131mm	115mm	69mm	19mm						25mm	48mm	110mm
Summer Rains established with occasional afternoon thunderstorms. Great photographic light		Rains lessen and summer temperatures cool. River levels rise. Flood should arrive end March.		Cool nights and dry winter months. Flood waters peak and subside as other water sources dry out. Large herds of animals congregate along the river and tension mounts as pressure along the river increases.				Very hot and dry months – day temperatures rise and the summer rains are expected. Great game viewing due to vegetation sparsity and animals congregating at water sources			First of the Summer Rains- new-born antelope and migrant birds. Dramatic skies
GD	GD	GD	GD	GD	GD	GD	GD	GD	GD	GD	GD
BSE	BSE	BSE	BSE	BSE	BSE	BSE	BSE	BSE	BSE	BSE	BSE
		BSI	BSI	BSI	BSI	BSI	BSI	BSI	BSI		
W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W
				M	M	M	M	M	M	M	M
ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
CV	CV	CV	CV	CV	CV	CV	CV	CV	CV	CV	CV

GD – Game drives into the Chobe National Park

BSE – Boat Safari East on the deep permanent channels in the Chobe

BSI – Boat Safari Ihaha on the west – depends on arrival and receding of flood waters

W – Walks within the Chobe Enclave – in front of the lodge – weather permitting

M – Mokoro trips on the western flood waters

ND – Night drives after dinner in the Chobe Forest Reserve

CV – Community visits to the Muchenje community