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10-daagse Botswana hoogtepunten selfdrive



MAUN



KHWAI COMMUNITY AREA



GWETA



CHOBE RIVER FRONT

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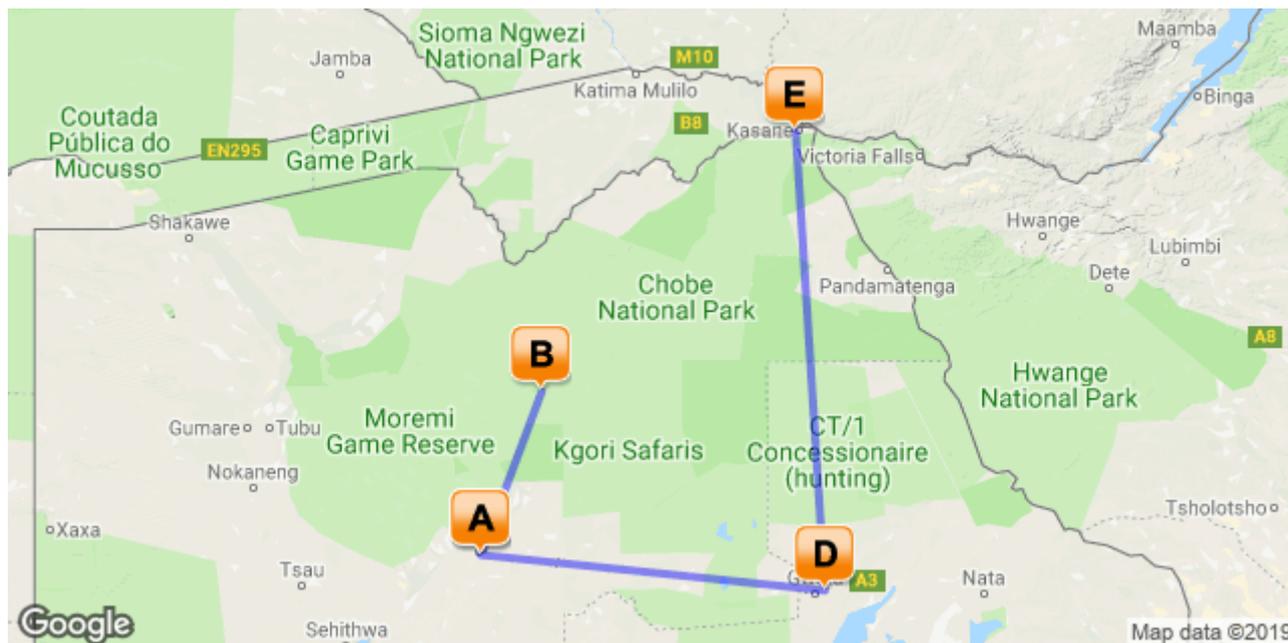
Maun - Khwai Community Area - Gweta - Chobe River Front

10 Days / 9 Nights

0 Persons

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Introduction

Bedankt voor uw belangstelling voor een safari naar Botswana. Een goede keuze en een prachtige safaribestemming. Fijn dat u Going Africa Safaris gevonden heeft als aanbieder van dit fantastische safariland.

Waarom in het Engels?

We gaan er bij Going Africa Safaris vanuit dat bijna iedereen die een safari naar Afrika boekt in enige mate Engels kan lezen, spreken of begrijpen.

Op basis van deze online routebeschrijving worden vouchers en een definitief reisschema gemaakt. Deze ontvangt u bij uw reisbescheiden. De vouchers, etc... zijn ook in het Engels. Hierdoor is het eenvoudiger om ter plekke overleg te hebben met de lokale accommodatie, gids of organisatie mocht u vragen hebben over de inhoud van het reisschema. U kunt dan het reisschema voorleggen in een taal die ze ook kunnen lezen.

Eventueel deze safari aanpassen?

Natuurlijk is het mogelijk om afhankelijk van het budget van de genoemde accommodaties af te wijken. In de regel begroten we deze voorbeeld safari omdat we voor het betreffende jaar in uw voordeel betere combinatie prijzen krijgen of vinden dat betreffende accommodaties een juiste of betere prijs/kwaliteit verhouding hebben. Maar bijna elke route is aan te passen aan uw wensen en uw budget. Er zijn erg veel mogelijkheden en de accommodaties die we op de website aangegeven. Staat een bepaalde accommodatie er (nog) niet bij, dan houdt dat niet in dat we deze accommodatie niet aan kunnen bieden. Vraag ons dus te allen tijde naar de mogelijkheid om uw wens in te vullen. Het moet wel heel erg gek zijn wanneer we uw wens niet in kunnen vullen. Daarbij willen we wel aan bepaalde kwaliteitseisen blijven voldoen.

De prijs

De prijsindicatie voor deze safari staat op de website. Sturen we u dit online reisschema toe als maatwerkvoorstel, dan ontvangt u de prijs in de begeleidende email.

Documenten

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Voorstel printen

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We wensen u veel plezier bij het doornemen van alle informatie als onderdeel van de voorpret.

Vriendelijke groeten

Paul Janssen
Going Africa Safaris

Accommodation	Destination	Start	End	Basis	Room Type	Duration
Maun Lodge	Maun	15 Jun	16 Jun	B&B	1x Standard Room (Twin)	1 Night
Khwai Guest House	Khwai Community Area	16 Jun	18 Jun	FB+	1x Standard Bungalow	2 Nights
Maun Lodge	Maun	18 Jun	19 Jun	B&B	1x Standard Room (Twin)	1 Night
Planet Baobab - 2N Dry Season Package	Gweta	19 Jun	21 Jun		1x Standard Room: High and Peak Season (Twin)	2 Nights
Chobe Safari Lodge - 3 Night Special	Chobe River Front	21 Jun	24 Jun	HB	1x Luxury Room (Twin)	3 Nights

Key

HB: Half Board - Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

B&B: Bed and Breakfast

FB+: Full Board Plus - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast, Lunch and Activities

Day 1: Maun Lodge, Maun (Sat, 15 June)

Maun

Set on the banks of the beautiful Thamalakane River in northern Botswana, Maun is the third largest town in this spectacularly scenic southern African country. Maun is the starting point for most expeditions into the Okavango Delta and as a result, has developed into a bustling metropolis that is considered Botswana's tourism capital. Area attractions include a renowned riverboat that offers cruises up and down the Thamalakane River; the forest groves of the Maun Game Reserve; and Moremi Game Reserve, home to hippos, lions and rhinos. Maun also serves as the jumping off point for many safaris and air charters as well as offers 4x4 rentals. Don't miss the Nhabe Museum exhibiting the local history, art and culture of the Ngamiland region.

Overnight: Maun Lodge [View iBrochure](#)

Maun Lodge is situated on the banks of the Thamalakane River and on the doorstep to the famous Okavango Delta. Located only 4 km from Maun International Airport and 2.5 km from the village center and is ideally positioned for both business and holiday visitors.

Accommodation consists of 30 double rooms, 2 of which are suitable for the physically challenged, 20 twin and 4 family rooms, all air conditioned with en-suite bathrooms, extensive bouquet of satellite television, tea and coffee facilities, room and laundry services. There's also 10 deluxe riverfront rooms and 2 Presidential suites, all with private verandas, en-suite and fully air- conditioned. For those on a limited budget, there's 12 thatched chalets that are excellent value for money, the chalets are en-suite, fully air conditioned, have tea & coffee facilities and 16 DSTV channels. Eight of the chalets cater for families with three beds. The remaining four have two beds each.



Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 2-3: Khwai Guest House, Khwai Community Area (Sun, 16 June to Mon, 17 June)

Khwai Community Area

The Khwai area of the Okavango lies along the northern boundary of the Moremi Game Reserve. This is an unfenced boundary allowing wildlife to move freely between the woodlands in the wet season when water is plentiful and back to permanent rivers and lagoons in the dry season. The Khwai area offers the same wildlife experience as the reserve with the added advantage of being a private concession which means the ability to do walking safaris and night drives.

Overnight: Khwai Guest House

Tucked in the heart of the friendly rural village of Khwai, at the doorstep of the Moremi Game Reserve, Khwai Guest House opens the door to a true African experience, offering a pristine immersion into Botswana's unique nature and culture.

Welcoming guests in 6 en-suite bungalows, Khwai Guest House offers a cozy nest from which to experience the traditional lifestyle of this small community set among one of the most spectacular wilderness locations of Botswana.

Guests have the choice between being completely independent, making use of the communal cooking area and exploring this stunning destination on their own, or enjoying the homely restaurant and joining some of the many activities on offer: game drives for half a day or a full day in Moremi Game Reserve or in the Khwai concession, traditional dugout canoe (Mokoro) excursions on a channel bordering the game reserve, night drives, cultural tour and encounter of the Khwai community.



Standard Bungalow

Khwai Guest House encompasses 6 newly refurbished thatched bungalows inspired by traditional housing prevalent in Botswana rural communities.

The rooms provide a warm and modern appeal, comfy beds, rustic wooden features and a charming original deco. They all feature attached bathrooms with open-air showers.

Each bungalow includes:

- ∞ Twin / double bedroom accommodating for 2 guests (on request: extra bedroll for a child)
- ∞ Desk & seat

- ∞ Shelves
 - ∞ Wooden chests
 - ∞ Fan
 - ∞ Safe
 - ∞ Ensuite bathroom, open-air showers, toiletry and bath linen
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Basis

Full Board Plus - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast, Lunch and Activities

Day 4: Maun Lodge, Maun (Tue, 18 June)

Maun

As previously described

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Bed and Breakfast

Day 5-6: Planet Baobab - 2N Dry Season Package, Gweta (Wed, 19 June to Thu, 20 June)

Gweta

Known as the gateway to the Makgadikgadi Pans, the tiny old Botswanan village of Gweta is a pleasant place to stay while exploring the vast salt pans. Take a guided walk or quad bike ride through Gweta's surrounds and discover flint-head spears and other artefacts abandoned by the area's early Stone Age inhabitants. Experience a barbeque under the star-studded African sky while sipping on traditional, organic sorghum beer or a creamy baobab milkshake. During the rainy season, the Gweta area teems with zebra and wildebeest and these, in turn, attract hungry predators such as lion and cheetah. If a unique and interesting getaway is what you are after, Gweta won't fail to impress.

Overnight: Planet Baobab - 2N Dry Season Package

Includes: dinner, bed & breakfast, 1xlunch, specified activities

Excludes: drinks, laundry and additional activities

Activities: quad bike and Ntwetwe pan overnight, habitual meerkat visit (all activities are dependent on weather conditions and access to Pans)

Quad bike trips – TWO guests per quad bike only. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

Situated close to the village of Gweta, (also charmingly known as "The Place of the Bullfrogs"), on the Francistown-Maun road and sheltered by a grove of gigantic baobabs, Planet Baobab offers a welcoming base from which to explore the Makgadikgadi Pans system.

Planet Baobab combines style with comfort whilst remaining true to its traditional African inspiration.

Accommodation styles vary, with Bushman grass huts, palatial Kalanga mud huts (with en-suite bathrooms) traditionally painted with amazing designs and a shady campsite where you can pitch your own tents. Except for the family room, all the huts have two single beds on opposite ends of the room.

Activities include an overnight trip to Ntwetwe Pan with knowledgeable guides. When the pans are dry and weather permits, guests' quadbike to the pans. Here you can discover the geological origins of what was once the world's largest ever super lake and you can follow the Palm Trail created by elephant droppings as these ancient creatures trekked across the arid waste when the super lake dried up.

In addition, you may book optional activities such as a cattle post visit with lunch, baobab bush walks, migration mission day trip. (optional and at an additional cost)

Ntwetwe Pan and Sua Pan, together with numerous smaller pans, form the Makgadikgadi Pans system. The pans are the remnants of the once great Lake Makgadikgadi: 80,000 square kilometres in extent, and up to 30 metres deep, this was the largest inland sea in Africa. The pans form a spectacular lunar landscape in the dry season and in the wet season, this vast area of salt pans interspersed with low-lying grass islands is the destination of herds of migrating zebra. It has an un-spoilt beauty unlike any other part of Africa.

Please note: All activities are subject to seasonal availability and weather conditions during the month of travel. Pans sleep outs and quad bike activities do not operate in the wet season and may also be halted after unexpected rains, when wet conditions prevent access to the pans. In the case where guests cannot do the sleep out activity, back up lodge accommodation in dome tents are available at the lodge. Some activities will need to be pre-booked before travel. Quad bike trips run with TWO guests per quad bike. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.



Day 7-9: Chobe Safari Lodge - 3 Night Special, Chobe River Front (Fri, 21 June to Sun, 23 June)

Chobe River Front

The Chobe River forms the northern boundary of the Chobe National Park, renowned for its diverse and abundant game viewing opportunities. This section of the park is best known for its dense concentration of wildlife including elephant and hippo populations, but the waters attract all manner of game including large herds of buffalo and the lions that prey on them. A visit to this area guarantees close encounters with an array of African wildlife. Visitors can look forward to some exciting activities such as: driving along the game-dotted river banks in a 4WD; cruising along the river in a motorboat, spotting rare birdlife and for a unique, luxury safari experience, hire a houseboat.

Overnight: Chobe Safari Lodge - 3 Night Special

Includes: 3x breakfasts, 3x dinners, 2 day's park fees and 1x boat cruise, 1x private boat cruise, 1x game drive, bed levy and 1 Unguided day trip to Victoria Falls, which can be substituted for other Chobe activities (including park fees) such as a boat cruise, a game drive, a Namibian village walk or 2 hours of fishing (seasonal).

Excludes: All drinks, lunch, additional activities, laundry & transfers.

Chobe Safari Lodge is situated on the border of Chobe National Park close to the small town of Kasane, which lies at the northern apex of Botswana, Zimbabwe, Zambia and Caprivi.

Chobe Safari Lodge offers accommodation to suit all requirements with eighty rooms including luxury safari and river rooms, simple chalets as well as a fully serviced campsite - all with access to the main lodge area. The luxury rooms have views across the Chobe River and are spacious and stylishly decorated with air-conditioning, en-suite bath and shower facilities, as well as satellite TV and phone. The chalets offer a more affordable and simple style of accommodation and the campsite is well shaded and situated at the far end of the lodge. The central area overlooks the river and features a large family friendly swimming pool, buffet restaurant, bar, curio shop, conference room, internet café, squash, and beauty spa.

The three night Safari Special Half Board package, includes one game drive in the Chobe National Park, one boat cruise as well as one private boat cruise on the Chobe River and one Unguided day trip to Victoria Falls (which can be exchanged for the alternative activities as shown above under Includes).

Kasane

This property is located in the small but thriving town of Kasane, where many bigger hotels are located along the Chobe River banks. Entry to Chobe National Park for game drives is via Sedudu Gate ten to fifteen minutes drive from town. For Chobe River cruises, boats depart directly from town. Although wildlife often passes through Kasane (most usually warthogs and the odd elephant) a typical bush experience is not on offer here. Instead you'll get all the comforts of civilization with easy access to the bush.

Airport Transfer Time: 15 minutes

GPS Coordinates:

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Activities

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Basis

Half Board - Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

Day 10: End of Itinerary (Mon, 24 June)

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Travel Information



Situated in the southern reaches of Africa, Botswana is renowned for its pristine wilderness areas characterised by deep lagoons, wetlands, lush palms, rugged hills and desert plains scattered with scrubland. The country's primary tourist drawcard is undoubtedly the vast red expanse of the Kalahari Desert and its remarkably beautiful Okavango Delta, the largest inland delta in the world. These natural wonders provide a tranquil haven for an abundance of African wildlife to thrive. Other highlights include the impressive Makgadikgadi Salt Pans, where visitors are privy to massive zebra migrations during the flood season; the Savuti plains, which host large prides of lions; and the Tsodilo Hills, where 4500 rock paintings form a unique record of human settlement over many millennia.

Banking and Currency

Currency

Botswana's currency is Pula (which means 'rain' in Setswana). It is divided into 100 thebe (which means 'shield' in Setswana). Travellers' cheques and foreign currency may be changed at banks, bureaux de change and authorised hotels.

The US dollar, Euros, British Pound and the South African Rand are the most easily convertible currencies (and accepted by some establishments - but, generally, then an inflated rate of exchange will be applied).

Banking

Seven main commercial banks, as well as a number of foreign exchange bureaux, operate in Botswana. Operating hours are Monday to Friday 08h30 to 15h30 and Saturday 08h30 to 10h45.

Full banking services are available in major towns, although ATMs are sprouting up all over the country. Most credit cards are accepted at hotels and restaurants. Cultural sites and community art and craft outlets usually only accept cash.

Travel, Transport and Getting Around

Public transport in Botswana is geared towards the needs of the local populace and is confined to main roads between major population centres. Although cheap and reliable, it is of little use to the traveller as most of Botswana's tourist attractions lie off the beaten track.

Driving off the main roads in Botswana is only recommended to experts in 4x4 vehicles, that are equipped correctly. Most lodges offer transfers or they can be arranged. If, however, you will be driving in Botswana: your home driving licence will be accepted (with an official English translation if necessary; driving is on the left side of the road; and the national speed limit is on tarred roads is 120km/h and 60km/h in towns and villages.

Be sure to watch out for wild animals on the roads!

There are major airports in Maun, Kasane and Gaborone, while smaller charter flights are used to get to the other top attractions and camps.

Food, Drink and Cuisine Advice

Tap water is considered safe to drink, although outside main cities and towns, visitors are advised to check first and sterilise water if in any doubt. Bottled water is available in most tourist centres. Filtered water is available at most camps and shops offer bottled water - it is advised to be well stocked of bottled water if you are travelling off the beaten track. Milk is pasteurised, and dairy products, local meat, poultry, seafood, fruit and vegetables are generally safe.

Safari lodges and camps serve international-style cuisine, generally of an extremely high standard, along with local beer and imported wine and spirits. Good restaurants and bars can be found in main towns, often within hotels. Beef and goat are very popular meats. Elsewhere, food is more basic: millet and sorghum porridge are the local staples.

A discretionary 5 to 10% tip is typical for restaurant bills. In many places, a service charge is automatically added. It is customary to tip the game guide and lodge staff while on safari.

Climate and Weather

Botswana's climatic pattern is typical of southern Africa, although its rainfall is less than countries further east. The rains in Botswana come mostly between December and March, when average minimum temperatures are in the low 20°s. Some days will be bright and sunny, some will have afternoon thunderstorms, and some will just be grey.

As with Namibia, April and May in Botswana are generally lovely, with the sky clear and the landscape green. Night temperatures start to drop during these months, especially in the Kalahari. Note that places in and around the Okavango tend to have less extreme, more moderate temperatures than the drier areas of the Kalahari.

From June to August the night-time temperatures in drier areas can be close to freezing, but it warms up rapidly during the day, when the sky is usually clear and blue. It's now very much 'peak season' for most safari areas: the land is dry in most areas so the animals congregate around the few available water sources.

This continues into September and October, when temperatures climb again, drying the landscapes and concentrating the game even more. This is the best time for big game safaris – although October can feel very hot, with maximum temperatures sometimes approaching 40°C.

November is difficult to predict, as it can sometimes be a continuation of October's heat, whilst sometimes it's cooled by the first rains; it's always an interesting month.

Clothing and Dress Recommendations

In summer, lightweight, lightcoloured cottons are preferable. Avoid synthetic materials and black clothing, as they increase perspiration and discomfort. In winter, wear trousers, longsleeved shirts / blouses and jerseys. From May – August, night temperatures can fall below zero degrees celsius, so warm jerseys and jackets are vital, especially on morning and evening game drives. Garments of neutral colours that blend with the bush and forest are advisable for safaris and game viewing. Bring a lightweight jacket and/or jersey for unexpected temperature changes or rain. Closed, comfortable walking shoes or gym shoes are a must in all seasons. Special attention should be given to protection from the sun. Bring a sunhat, good quality sunscreen, sun lotion and polarised sunglasses. Wide brimmed sun hats are essential.

Electricity and Plug Standards

Electrical sockets (outlets) in Botswana are the "Type M " South African SABS1661 ("Large" 15 amp BS-546) sockets. This is actually an old British standard. The "Type M " South African plug and socket is not to be confused with the "Type D " Indian plug and socket. In pictures, they look very similar, but the South African type is much larger than the Indian type, and they are physically incompatible. If your appliance's plug doesn't match the shape of these sockets, you will need a travel plug adapter in order to plug in. Travel plug adapters simply change the shape of your appliance's plug to match whatever type of socket you need to plug into.

Electrical sockets (outlets) in Botswana usually supply electricity at between 220 and 240 volts AC. If you're plugging in an appliance that was built for 220-240 volt electrical input, or an appliance that is compatible with multiple voltages, then an adapter is all you need.

But travel plug adapters *do not change the voltage*, so the electricity coming through the adapter will still be the same 220-240 volts the socket is supplying. If you need to use appliances that are not compatible with 220-240 volt electrical input, you will need a voltage converter.

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