



Botswana Wilderness & Walking Safari

Min 2 passengers / Max 6 passengers | 6 nights' luxury camping



Day 1 Flight to Botswana

Begin your safari with a scheduled overnight flight between the UK and Botswana, via Johannesburg.

Days 2 - 4 Khwai

On arrival at Maun Airport you are met and transferred onto a light aircraft for a 40-minute flight over the Okavango Delta. You will be met at the airstrip by your guide and vehicle, and taken on a game drive to the semi-permanent mobile camp set on a private site in the Khwai community area. This community-run private reserve forms the eastern border of the Moremi Game Reserve, divided only by the Khwai River. The river is the sole source of water for miles around and consequently attracts high concentrations of wildlife from far afield. The surrounding vegetation is made up of great stands of leadwood and mopane woodland which line the wide floodplain and the banks of the river. Khwai and northern Moremi are home to a high density and diversity of predator and prey species. Lion are relatively common here whilst leopard love the thick riverine woodland habitat and are often spotted on a night drive. You will spend three nights at the Khwai Tented Camp on the banks of this life-supporting river. A small mobile camp, it has only four luxury tents, each with an

en-suite bathroom complete with toilet and bucket shower. Your focus here is searching out wildlife, big and small, with your guide in open 4WD vehicles. There are no fences between the Khwai community area and Moremi Game Reserve so the wildlife wanders freely between the reserves. However, being outside Moremi allows you the opportunity to enjoy a guided walk or a spotlit night drive in addition to the usual game drives.

Days 5 - 7 Linyanti Walking

Take a light aircraft for a 50-minute flight to the Chobe Enclave, a private reserve that borders the western boundary of Chobe National Park. Chobe Enclave stands on the edge of the Linyanti marshes which have been largely dry for many years. In 2008 heavy summer rains in the catchments of the Kwando and Linyanti rivers, combined with shifting fault lines, caused the Linyanti River to flow into the marshes, and it looks like the water is there to stay for a while. The open marshland attracts herds of elephant and buffalo at certain times of the year whilst countless bird species are always present. Along the marsh edge is a stretch of riverine woodland and areas of tall cathedral mopane trees which offer cover for the shy animals, including leopard and roan antelope.

Further back from the marshland, thicker mopane woodland and open clearings are the perfect habitats for many other animal species including wild dog and lion.

You spend three nights here on the only true mobile walking safari available in Botswana. Accommodation is in spacious en-suite tents with comfortable beds. Distances walked each day will vary depending on your interests and what you find – there's always plenty to see, so expect an energetic walk, but not a route march! The camp is likely to move at least once during your stay depending on where the wildlife action is. This is a fantastic way for adventurous safari goers to explore a wild and remote wilderness area on foot, with an experienced and knowledgeable guide who will interpret and bring to life every aspect of the bush.

Day 8 Flight to London

There is usually time for a morning activity before driving to the airstrip and boarding a light aircraft back to Maun, arriving in time to catch your scheduled international flight to the UK.

Day 9 Arrive in London

Spend days exploring the wildlife-rich Khwai area on the eastern border of Moremi Game Reserve before enjoying the only true mobile walking experience available in Botswana. After seeing animals from a vehicle, walking amongst them is an amazing experience; it's exhilarating to the point of addiction! An excellent guide will educate, enlighten and often entertain you with tales of the bush as s/he points out signs of wildlife, big and small, and explains ecosystems to you. Whilst on safari you'll stay in small intimate camps, accommodated in smart, spacious tents with an open-air, en-suite bathroom complete with flush toilet and bucket shower.



Price guide 2010

Prices

Monthly departures from April to October
Prices are per person, departing and returning UK and start from
£3,191 in April
£3,269 in September
£790 single traveller supplement

Includes

Scheduled overnight flights; air taxes; transfers; accommodation in smart tented camps; reserve fees; most drinks and meals; transport in a safari vehicle or light aircraft; and services of a guide and camp staff.