



## WILDERNESS BOTSWANA PROFESSIONAL GUIDE DOCTOR MALINGA MONNAATSIE

Doctor Malinga Monnaatsie has been guiding with Wilderness since 2002. His deeprooted connection to Botswana's wildlife, fostered by his farming upbringing, led him to become a highly respected guide. Doctor's journey has taken him from Little Vumbura to the flagship Mombo, where he continues to share his passion for the Delta with guests.

Doctor Malinga Monnaatsie was born in the small village of Gweta, on the edge of Botswana's Makgadikgadi salt pans. Growing up in a farming family, he spent much of his childhood around wildlife, watching his parents track animals to protect their crops. This early experience sparked a deep interest in nature and set him on the path to becoming a guide.

Doctor completed his primary and secondary schooling in Gweta before progressing to Letlhakane Senior. Determined to pursue his dream, he moved to Kasane in Chobe, where he began his guiding career. His first opportunity came with Linyanti Exploration, which at the time operated camps in the Selinda Reserve. After completing his training and obtaining his guide's license, he spent a year at Selinda Camp, but his ambition was always to work in the Okavango Delta.

In 2002, Doctor joined Okavango Wilderness, starting at Little Vumbura before moving to Duba Plains. In 2004, his dedication and skill earned him a transfer to Mombo, Wilderness' flagship camp, which has been his home ever since. Over the years, his journey with Wilderness has been one of growth and connection—not only with the wild landscapes he guides guests through but also with the guests themselves. Some have even become lifelong friends, welcoming him into their homes in the United Kingdom.

Reflecting on his time with Wilderness, Doctor is grateful for the opportunities and experiences he has gained. "It has been a wonderful road with Wilderness and the guests altogether," he shares. His passion remains strong—to bring more guests to Botswana and share the beauty of his country, especially through Wilderness.





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## WILDERNESS BOTSWANA PROFFESIONAL GUIDE MMOKI 'MOCKS' BOATAMETSE

Mmoki Mocks Boatametse has been guiding with Wilderness since 2007. After studying at the Botswana Wildlife Training Institute, he began his journey at DumaTau, later guiding at Vumbura South, Vumbura North, and now Mombo. Mocks' storytelling, expertise, and certifications, including First Aid Level 2 and walking guide, ensure guests have an unforgettable experience.

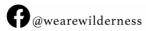
Mmoki Mocks Boatametse, known as Mocks by his guests, born and raised in the village of Mmatshumo in central Botswana, has been with Wilderness since 2007. After completing his primary education at Mmatshumo Primary School and senior education at Letlhakane Senior Secondary, Mocks pursued his passion for wildlife by studying at the Botswana Wildlife Training Institute, where he earned his professional guiding certificate.

His journey with Wilderness began at DumaTau in the Linyanti, followed by roles in the Okavango Delta at Vumbura South, Vumbura North, and now Mombo. Wherever Mocks goes, guests are charmed by his storytelling and fascinated by his knowledge.

Throughout his career, Mocks has earned several certifications, including First Aid Level 2, a qualification as a walking guide, and completion of a photographic course. His dedication and love for guiding continue to shine as he shares the beauty of Botswana's wilderness with guests.

## **About Wilderness:**

Founded over 40 years ago, Wilderness is a world-leading conservation and hospitality company, offering immersive journeys to a range of environments in Botswana, Kenya, Namibia, Rwanda, South Africa, Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe. Wilderness is part of a global collective working to conserve the world's iconic unfenced, untamed and unpredictable wilderness areas. With more than 60 exceptional camps and lodges, Wilderness helps protect some 2.3 million hectares (6 million acres) of land across its eight African destinations. Its goal – to double that by 2030. Four decades on, the company's purpose is stronger than ever: To increase the world's wilderness, together.



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