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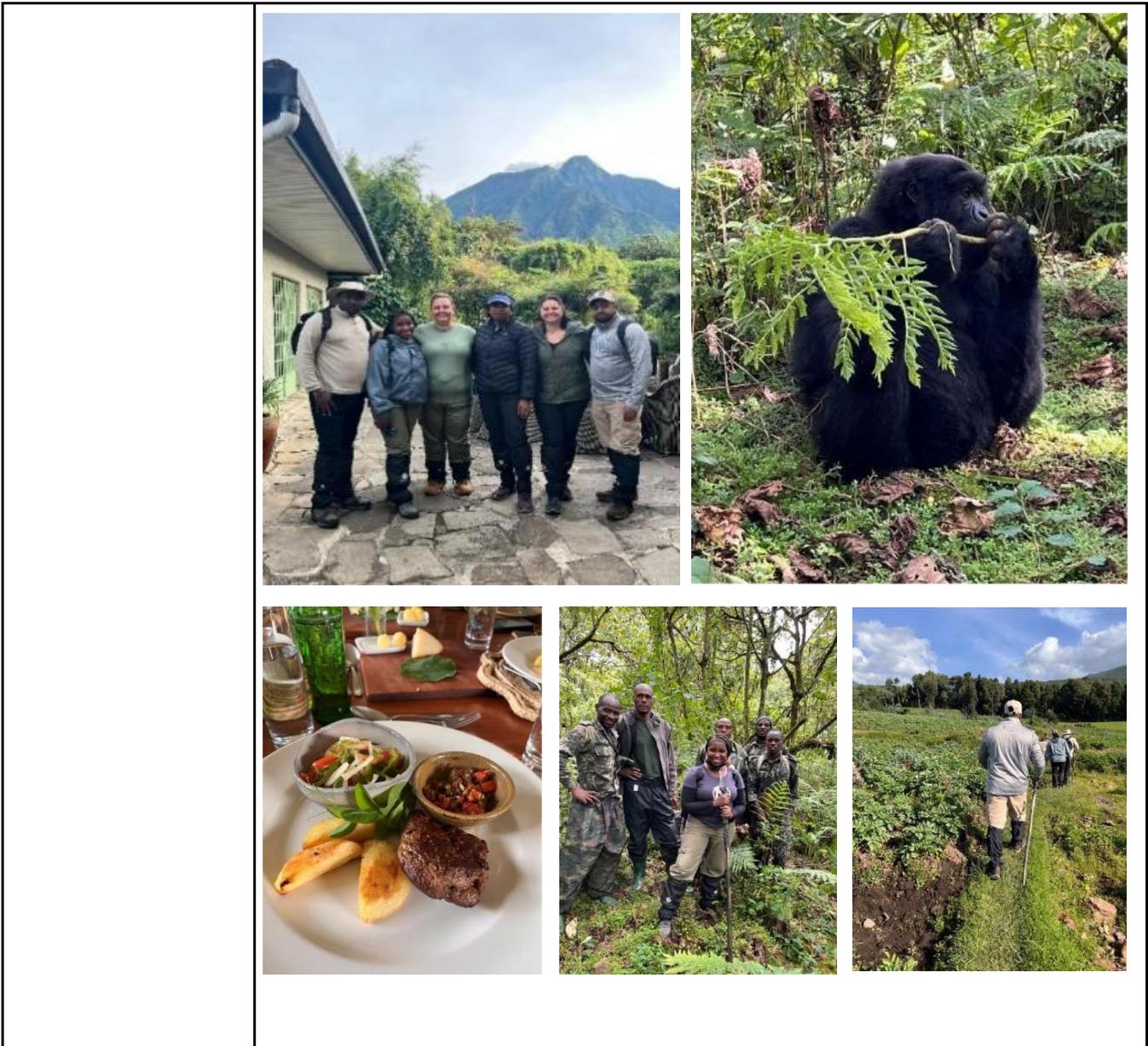
# FIRST-HAND FEEDBACK

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### RWANDA

Destination:	<b>Wilderness Magashi</b>
Suits which type of traveller:	Families, Groups, FIT
Recommended activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Game drives, including night drives</li> <li>• Birding</li> <li>• Boat safari</li> <li>• Fishing</li> <li>• Cultural tour</li> </ul>
Cuisine:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lunch: 3-course à la carte menu – flexible options</li> <li>• Dinner: 3-course à la carte menu – flexible options</li> <li>• Breakfast: Fresh continental options, with hot dishes available from the à la carte menu</li> </ul> <p>Wholesome, flavourful food in well-sized portions. We appreciated how well our dietary requirements were catered for, including delicious vegetarian options.</p>
Highlights during visit/stay:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The scenery</li> <li>• Wildlife experience</li> <li>• Fishing</li> <li>• Seeing the large population of rhino and knowing that Wilderness helped contribute towards this</li> </ul>
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Destination:	<b>Wilderness Sabyinyo</b>
Suits which type of traveller:	Families, Groups, FIT
Recommended activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gorilla trekking</li> <li>• Golden monkey trekking</li> <li>• Birding / nature walks</li> <li>• Community involvement and SACOLA presentation (Sabyinyo Community Livelihood Association)</li> <li>• Visit to the garden and on-site farm (which has chickens and sheep)</li> </ul>



Cuisine:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lunch: 3-course à la carte menu – flexible options</li> <li>• Dinner: 3-course à la carte menu – flexible options</li> <li>• Breakfast: Fresh continental options, with hot dishes available from the à la carte menu</li> </ul> <p>Food is full of flavour, with a variety of choices and well-sized portions. Long tables can be arranged for groups, as well as intimate dining for couples. All dietary requirements are catered for, with excellent vegetarian alternatives.</p>
Highlights during visit/stay:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We loved the rooms – different in style from other Wilderness camps, with a homely country farmhouse feel. Bathrooms are very spacious. It was cold when we arrived, and staff prepared the fireplace in our rooms.</li> </ul> <p>Top highlights:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gorilla trekking – porters are very helpful and well trained, assisting with bags and supporting guests during the hike</li> <li>• Banana fries with sweet chilli sauce</li> <li>• Beautiful views</li> <li>• Cocktails – in our experience, this camp leads in cocktail quality in Rwanda</li> <li>• Singing and dancing</li> </ul>

Destination:	<b>Wilderness Bisate Lodge</b>
Suits which type of traveller:	Families, Groups, FIT
Recommended activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gorilla trekking</li> <li>• Golden monkey trekking</li> <li>• Nature walk/hike at Bisate</li> <li>• Visit to the Ellen DeGeneres Campus of the Dian Fossey Gorilla Fund</li> <li>• Tree planting</li> </ul>
Cuisine:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We enjoyed wholesome meals, which were a blend of Rwanda and contemporary cuisine.</li> <li>• All our dietary requirements were also catered for, with excellent vegetarian alternatives (the lodge has its own organic veggie garden).</li> </ul>
Highlights during visit/stay:	<p>Top highlights:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Warm welcome with singing and smiles from staff and camp manager</li> <li>• Visiting the nursery and selecting a tree to plant</li> <li>• Hike to the crater with 360-degree mountain views</li> <li>• Neck and shoulder massage by the fireplace in the room</li> <li>• Tasty, wholesome food</li> <li>• Friendly and attentive staff, always willing to go the extra mile</li> <li>• Insightful information shared by camp managers and the conservation team</li> </ul>



Destination:	<b>Wilderness Bisate Reserve</b> (Site inspection)
Suits which type of traveller:	Families, FIT
Recommended activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gorilla trekking</li> <li>• Golden monkey trekking</li> <li>• Nature walk/hike at Bisate</li> <li>• Visit to the Ellen DeGeneres Campus of the Dian Fossey Gorilla Fund</li> <li>• Tree planting</li> </ul>
Highlights during visit/stay:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We toured the Bisate Reserve lodge rooms and public areas and saw progress on The Sanctuary build. It already looks impressive, and we are excited to see the final result.</li> <li>• The rooms are exceptional, designed for full-day enjoyment. Views over the surrounding farmlands are beautiful. The outdoor hot tub is perfect for relaxing with a drink while enjoying the scenery.</li> <li>• The passage linking Rooms 1 and 2 is very discreet and will work well for families.</li> <li>• The Kwanda Day Lounge is a peaceful space to relax, freshen up after tracking on departure day, enjoy a meal, and walk through the herb gardens.</li> <li>• The view from the Bisate Reserve rooftop into the crater is breathtaking.</li> </ul>

**BOTSWANA**

Destination:	<b>Wilderness Qorokwe</b>
Suits which type of traveller:	Families, Solo travellers, Couples, Honeymooners, Small MICE groups
Recommended activities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Game drives</li> <li>• Boating (seasonal and water-level dependent)</li> <li>• Bush walks</li> <li>• Helicopter flights (outsourced supplier)</li> <li>• Mokoro (seasonal and water-level dependent)</li> <li>• Night drives.</li> </ul>
Cuisine:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Breakfast includes fresh fruit, pastries and made-to-order eggs, or breakfast packs for early game drives.</li> <li>• Lunches are home-style, with à la carte dishes and shared salads. Evenings at the boma feature a buffet of local favourites such as pulled beef, oxtail, pap and chakalaka, followed by soups and desserts. Freshly baked bread adds to the warm, inviting atmosphere.</li> </ul>
Highlights during visit/stay:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Game viewing was outstanding – multiple leopards, aardwolf, cheetah, lions, elephants, bat-eared fox and abundant birdlife.</li> <li>• Boating offered a different perspective, rich in birdlife. Mokoro experiences were water-level dependent but equally memorable.</li> <li>• A surprise sundowner setup was a highlight, and evenings at the boma, with local singing and dancing, were unforgettable.</li> </ul>
Images:	<p>On board our first Wilderness Air flight from Maun.</p> 

	<p>Our wonderful guide, Tshabo at Wilderness Qorokwe and sundowners</p>  
	<p>One of the many leopards and a rare sighting of an aardwolf.</p>  

Destination:	<b>Wilderness Vumbura Plains</b>
Suits which type of traveller:	Families, Solo travellers, Couples, Honeymooners, Small MICE groups, privately guided groups, anniversaries
Recommended activities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mokoro – outstanding experience</li> <li>• Boating – excellent when water levels allow</li> <li>• Helicopter scenic flights</li> <li>• Village and cultural visits</li> <li>• Game drives – morning, afternoon and night</li> <li>• Guided walks</li> </ul>
Cuisine:	<p>The food was absolutely amazing, with a fantastic variety. High tea setups were charming and delightful, making for a special midday treat.</p> <p>Lunches and dinners offered a mix of buffet and à la carte options, with a menu that felt both trendy and gastronomical. Every dish we tried was incredibly tasty, leaving us eager for the next meal.</p>

<p>Highlights during visit/stay:</p>	<p>Our mokoro and poler experiences were absolutely amazing, offering an incredible way to explore the Delta. Our guide, Chris, was outstanding —passionate and knowledgeable. We learned so much about the Delta, from buffalo fences to the mighty baobab tree, and his storytelling made every moment fascinating.</p> <p>All the staff, along with Charity’s team, set a remarkably high standard, making us feel welcomed and cared for throughout our stay.</p> <p>The rooms are spectacular, with open-plan layouts, sunken lounges, and 180-degree views. Animals often came close to the camp and even our rooms — elephants walked right up to where we were staying, creating truly unforgettable moments.</p>
<p>Images:</p>	<p>Vumbura Plains South Camp Manager, Charity. Everyone loved her!</p> 
	<p>Our guide Chris and the Mokoro polers</p> 

Destination:	<b>Wilderness DumaTau</b>
Suits which type of traveller:	Families with older children, Solo travellers, Couples, Honeymooners, Small MICE groups
Recommended activities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Barge experience – a standout highlight</li> <li>• Game drives – day and night</li> <li>• Spa and wellness</li> <li>• Fishing</li> <li>• Helicopter scenic flight</li> </ul>
Cuisine:	The food was consistently tasty, with a wider selection of meals available on the à la carte menu. We were impressed by the extensive wine list and enjoyed exploring the impressive cocktail menu.
Highlights during visit/stay:	<p>The bar is eye-catching, and arriving back from an evening game drive to the floating fire pit on the edge of the water, with lanterns softly glowing, was truly a sight to behold. The main area is beautifully furnished, creating a welcoming and stylish atmosphere.</p> <p>The Osprey Retreat spa and pool area offer stunning views. Our rooms were spacious, tastefully furnished, and offered both indoor and outdoor spaces. The family room bath is a standout feature, and all the rooms provide spectacular views of the surrounding wildlife and landscape.</p>
Images:	<p>Lion sighting in the Linyanti.</p> 

The floating deck at DumaTau and wonderful guide MP.

