

Wildlife viewing at our Botswana camps is good all year round, but each season has its own nuance and special charm – there simply is not one ‘perfect time’ to visit.

It is important to remember that while game viewing can never be guaranteed, there are some trends that can be seen when we combine our knowledge of seasons, habitats and water availability with animal distribution, their numbers, and thus where they can be found. The table below gives some insight into these trends.

## JANUARY & FEBRUARY

- A time of abundance ... young animals starting to find their feet and growing stronger.
- Extra coverage from long grass and leafed woodlands provide ample opportunities and coverage for predators to hunt.
- Summer bird migrants present in breeding plumage
- Excellent photographic opportunities ... great light, colour and subject matter.

## APRIL & MAY

- Summer temperatures slowly start to drop with less rain.
- Vegetation starts to dry out and trees start to drop their leaves.

## JUNE TO AUGUST

- Peak inundation in the Okavango - perfect time for mokoro and boating activities. Increase in water birdlife.
- Diminished water availability results in high game concentrations and density around the remain water supply outside of the Okavango Delta.
- Great visibility in leafless woodland.
- Cooler and drier time of the year during the day with cool early mornings and evenings.

## SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER

- Temperatures start to increase with a peak in October.
- The drier conditions from August can extend till much later with water availability decreasing further with excellent wildlife experiences continuing.
- The odd rainstorm will start to replenish the water supply.
- Vegetation will start turning green and become lusher.

## NOVEMBER & DECEMBER

- A time of abundance ... with the first rains comes the birthing season and lots of baby animals.
- Predators will find hunting more easily with the abundance of wildlife and extra cover from the vegetation.
- Excellent photographic opportunities ... great light, colour and subject matter.



# BOTSWANA WHEN TO TRAVEL

## TEMPERATURES

Jan	Jul
Feb	Aug
Mar	Sep
Apr	Nov
May	Dec
Jun	Jan

## RAINFALL

Jan	Jul
Feb	Aug
Mar	Sep
Apr	Nov
May	Dec
Jun	Jan

