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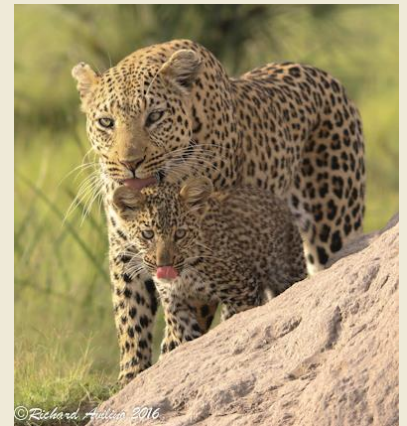
Greetings from Africa!

Summer season is such a beautiful time to be in Africa and this is highlighted in the recent Explorations that travelled through **Botswana**. There's an upsurge of new life and predator sightings are frequent as they take full advantage of the abundance of inexperienced younger prey. This is a great time for birding too.

The first [Okavango Channels and Plains](#) has come and gone but not without some wonderful feedback. Guide [Richard Avilino](#) and one of his guests attest to this.

Richard's feedback: "Guests arrived in Maun and we immediately embarked on our drive to Gomoti Tented Camp. This was an amazing trip as we had some incredible sightings. Our first morning game drive we saw a pride of five lion about 2km away from the camp. The pride was made up of three sub-adult females and two females. We came across the pride as they were walking along the road. A lone bull giraffe was also around the area where the lions were walking through, but they were not in a hunting mood. We spent some time with the lions before we continued to explore this area. Along the way saw many birds and general game. A pack of wild dogs came through the camp but we did not see them as they passed through the area early in the morning. The following day we came across two other male lions walking along the road, we followed them until they met up with the rest of the pride. On our last game drive we came across a young male leopard and mating lions. General game was fantastic at Gomoti Tented Camp. We had a nice sundowner set up at one of the waterholes when we heard lions calling whilst guests were enjoying their drinks. At Xigera Camp we saw a female leopard that had killed an impala on our first afternoon game drive, the following day we saw her with a cub. Guests also enjoyed mekoro rides at this camp. On our last morning drive we saw another female leopard walking along the road before she jumped onto a tree to rest."

Guest feedback: "In my more than 20 years of game viewing I have never met a guide like Richard, he is a gem! The four different leopard sightings on this trip were amazing. Lion and other sightings were exceptional too. I must say, you put the bar extremely high for any future safaris. It was one of the best experiences of our lives."



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