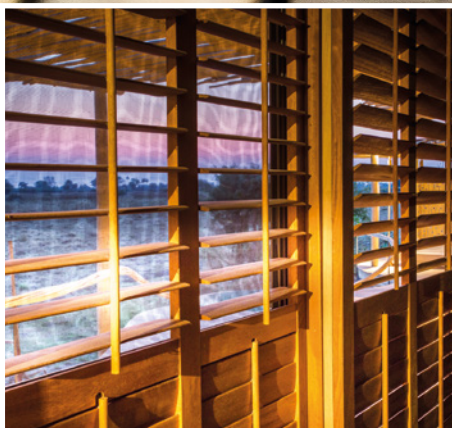


## The *Mombo* Build – an exercise in authentic, responsible luxury

When it comes to rebuilding Mombo and Little Mombo, our overall emphasis is on upholding the Mombo traditions and history, yet rebuilding to the highest and most innovative standards. This means capturing the essence, spirit and feeling of the place so that the structures seem to have grown almost organically from the environment.

We're maintaining the integrity and essence of the environment through the use of tents, boardwalks, and structures made from natural materials that minimise the human footprint.



### Connecting with Nature

We decided not to use glass for the front of the tents, but rather use wood sliding louvre shutters (these can be open or shut completely as the guest would like) along with a sliding gauze layer. In this way, there is that uninterrupted view of the floodplain, in keeping with Mombo traditions, as well as opportunity for maximum air flow.



### A place of *Authenticity*



The iconic front doors of Mombo are being kept and reinstalled in each tent as the front door of the entrance area. “An original Mombo door” – a touch point and definitely a feature for Mombo stalwarts.



*We are taking the lessons we've learnt over the years of building camps with as light a footprint as possible in wild remote places.*

## A place of *History*...



Whether this is your first visit or your twentieth, you'll meet (or read about) some of the people whose vision and commitment have helped to conserve one of the greatest wildlife spectacles on earth.

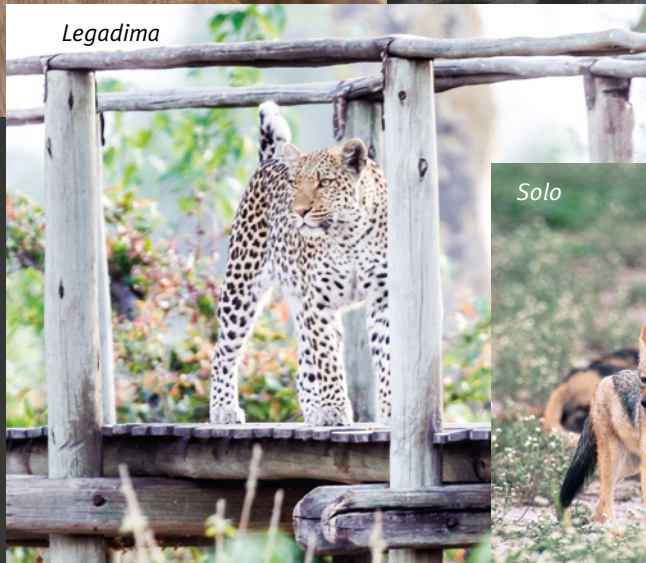
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### Legendary Leopards, Lions... and People

At the new camp, we'll be celebrating some of the Mombo greats, whether human or otherwise.

Photos of Legadima and her family, as well as the thrilling stories of the changing fortunes of the great lion prides will draw everyone into the legends of this place of plenty.

*Legadima*



*Solo*



## A place of *Purpose*

At Mombo, you'll also get to know – or relive – some of the great moments in the history of this area and Wilderness Safaris' involvement in it – and indeed a great moment for the country of Botswana as a whole. It is here, some sixteen years ago, in this special place, that we (along with our partners) initiated one of our greatest achievements – the return of black and white rhino to the wilds of Botswana.



### 2001

It was an emotional moment as Botswana's Vice-President, Lieutenant-General Ian Khama, opened the boma gates, allowing two female white rhinoceroses to take their first tentative steps onto the floodplains of Mombo in the Moremi Game Reserve. The following morning, Lieutenant-General Khama opened the remaining gates to release two males. For the first time in nearly fifteen years there were white rhino roaming freely in the Okavango Delta.



### 2015

In 2015, Wilderness Safaris, in partnership with the Botswana, South African and Zimbabwean Governments, successfully completed the largest ever cross-border translocation of Critically-Endangered black rhino – the latest phase in a collaborative project that spans over 16 years. Over 12 months, the partnership moved no less than 1% of the total global population of this highly threatened species into a safe haven in Botswana's Okavango Delta – one of the most important rhino translocations ever undertaken in the history of conservation.