



WILDERNESS PRODUCT

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### NEWSFLASH

- With the higher water levels, boating is now available at Abu, Seba, Tubu Tree and Little Tubu. See the [Botswana Regional Update](#) on pg. 3 for specifics.
- We have introduced a fantastic in-tent spa treatment value-add at Wilderness Shumba and Busanga Bush Camp:
  - Valid for a minimum four-night stay between the two camps OR a four-night stay at either of the camps.
  - A complimentary 60-minute Moringa Radiance facial is offered for women.
  - A complimentary 60-minute Ulendo hand and foot massage is offered for men.
  - There is an additional charge for teens aged 12 to 16 years (minimum age is 12).
  - Valid for existing and new bookings.

Speak to your Travel Designer for more information.

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### FEATURED PRODUCTS

*Elevate your guests' photographic experiences*

#### **Wilderness Touring Zambezi – Chobe Day Trip from Livingstone**

An ideal tour for avid photographers, providing numerous opportunities for spectacular captures of the prolific wildlife in Chobe National Park.

- Transfer in a 4x4 game-drive vehicle from Livingstone and cross the Zambezi to Botswana.
- Experience the magic of Chobe's famously enormous herds of elephants and buffalos.
- Enjoy lunch at a local lodge on the iconic Chobe River.
- Experience the wilderness in two unforgettable ways, on a game drive in the park and a boat cruise on the river.

Speak to your Travel Designer for more information or view the Tour [here](#).

#### **Photographic vehicles at Wilderness Mombo**

All vehicles at Wilderness Mombo and Little Mombo have been modified to enhance the game drive experience, increase comfort, and boost photographic opportunities. We have created extraordinary vehicles that particularly benefit guests' photography in a number of ways.

Speak to your Travel Designer for more information.

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## GENERAL REMINDERS

### CAMPS WITH PRIVATE VEHICLES

- **Botswana**  
Abu Camp • Seba • Chitabe and Chitabe Lediba • Jao • Kwetsani • Tubu Tree • Little Tubu • Vumbura Plains and Little Vumbura • Mombo and Little Mombo • Qorokwe • Mokete • DumaTau and Little DumaTau • King's Pool • Savuti
- **Namibia**  
Damaraland • Desert Rhino Camp • Little Kulala • Hoanib Skeleton Coast Camp • Serra Cafema
- **Tanzania**  
Usawa Serengeti
- **Zambia**  
One private vehicle shared between Shumba and Busanga Bush Camp

Private activities at Wilderness Toka Leya operate slightly differently to those at our other camps and are, therefore, at a reduced rate. These include game drive/s and river cruise/s, vehicle transfers from/to the activities\* only.

\* Guided tour of the Zambian side of the Victoria Falls, a guided visit to a local village, boating – water levels permitting – and a guided tour of Livingstone town and Livingstone Museum are on a shared basis with the general public.

- **Zimbabwe**  
Chikwenya • Linkwasha • Little Makalolo • Little Ruckomechi and Ruckomechi

## NAMIBIA

### Kulala and Little Kulala

- The Kulala Wilderness Reserve's 27,000 hectares of pristine private land bordering Sossusvlei provide endlessly photogenic desert magnificence – from fairy circles to breath-taking views from a hot air balloon flight, to the area's extraordinary geological phenomena, and much more.
- Wilderness has the advantage of exclusive early access into Namib-Naukluft National Park for excursions to Sossusvlei and Sesriem Canyon.

Additional costs apply to booking private vehicles. Speak to your Travel Designer for more information.

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## REGIONAL UPDATES

### BOTSWANA

- **Boating and mokoro activities currently available**  
Vumbura Plains and Little Vumbura • Abu Camp and Seba • Kwetsani, Jao, Tubu, Little Tubu, Jacana and Pelo
- **Mokoro only**  
Qorokwe
- **Boating only**  
Savuti  
DumaTau and Little DumaTau (all year round)



## ZIMBABWE

On Friday 09 June 2023, Zimbabwe dropped its COVID-19-related entry health regulations with immediate effect. The Minister of Health issued an order that returning residents and visitors to Zimbabwe no longer need to produce a negative PCR COVID test, or a vaccination certificate at the port of entry.

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## WILDERNESS TOURING ZAMBEZI

**Ma Robert Zambezi** dinner cruise boat name change.

- The Ma Robert has had a full refurbishment into its new incarnation – the **Zambezi Breeze**.
  - Changes include extending the top deck for better views.
  - New staircase and access to the new deck.
  - Improved kitchen facilities and toilets.
  - Updated furniture – all made with natural materials – and solar panels installed.

Speak to your Travel Designer for more information.

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## DESTINATION MANAGEMENT COMPANY (DMC) – GENERAL NEWS

### Airlines

**Air France** has launched a new route to Dar es Salaam.

- The Dar es Salaam flight, which will be an extension of the Zanzibar service, will operate three times a week.
- Flight AF876 departs from Paris-Charles de Gaulle at 10h20 on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays, arriving in Zanzibar at 20h15.
- The flight departs Zanzibar at 22h45 and arrives in Dar es Salaam at 22h20.
- The return flight departs Dar es Salaam at 23h50 on the same days, and arrives at Paris-Charles de Gaulle at 07h55 the following day.
  
- *Additional services*
- Air France has also increased its flights to Nairobi, which will now be served daily with direct flights in both directions. There are currently six flights per week.
- The airline has also increased flight frequencies to Antananarivo, Madagascar, offering five non-stop weekly flights, instead of the current four.

**Airlink** will increase its return flights between Johannesburg and Vilanculos, Mozambique to 11 a week from 08 January 2024.

- The airline currently operates a daily service on the route. The decision to add another flight every Monday, Wednesday, Friday, and Sunday is in response to increased demand.
  - The schedule change will, however, see the cancellation of direct flights between Mbombela (formerly Nelspruit) and Vilanculos after 05 January 2024.
  - Guests who would have travelled directly from Mbombela to Vilanculos will still be able to combine their bush safaris and exotic beach experiences using Airlink connections through Johannesburg-OR Tambo International.
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