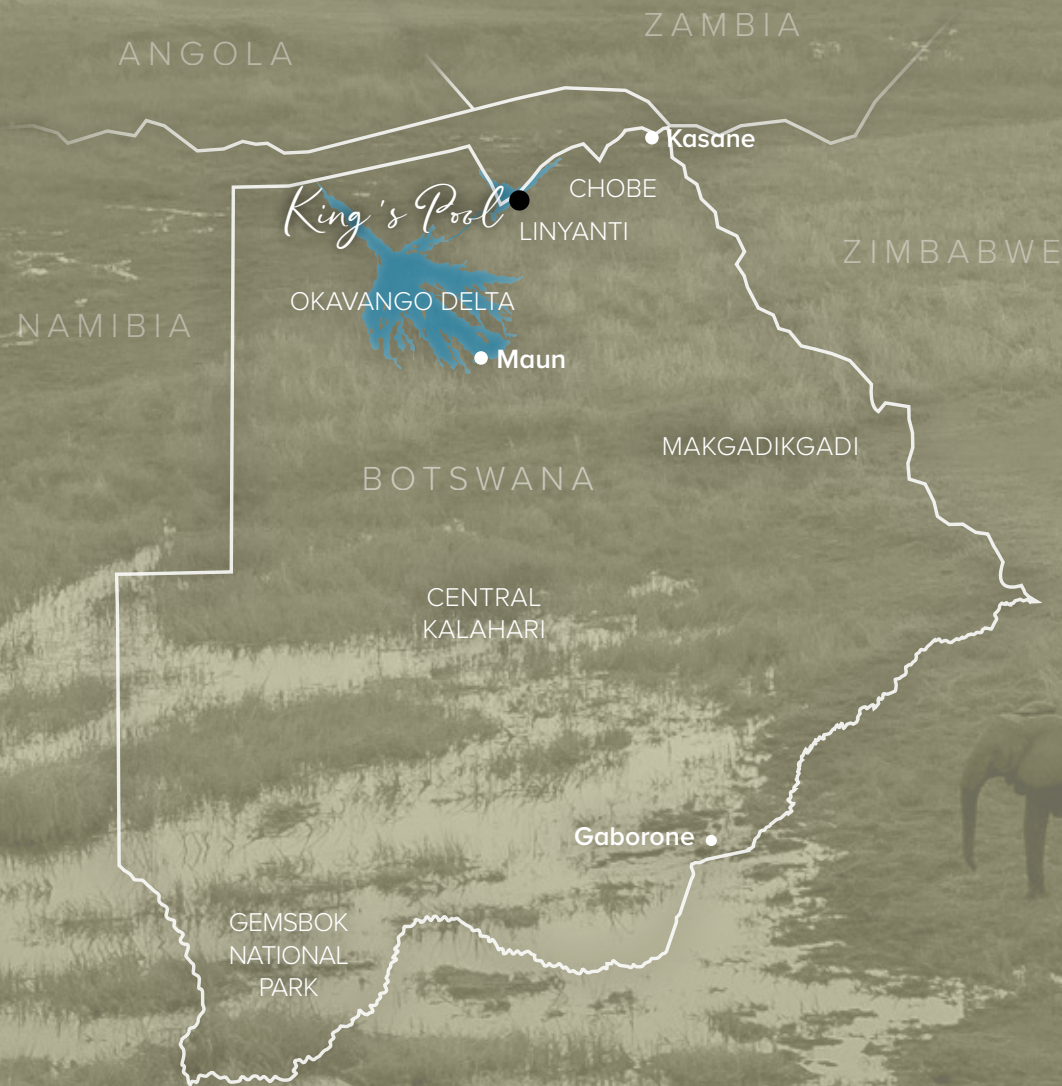


  
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*A Linyanti Odyssey*



## THE JOURNEY *Is The Destination*

Flying above the Linyanti offers a perspective that is difficult to grasp in any other way. The wild spaces, in the shape of woodlands, floodplains, rivers and waving grasses – dotted with meandering elephants and massive buffalo herds – sprawl below from horizon to horizon.

Maun or Kasane airports are the first ports of call from outside Botswana. From either of these points, access to the Linyanti is via a Wilderness Air flight to the Linyanti.

## A PURPOSEFUL *Rebuild*

In the heart of the Linyanti, at a place where paths coalesce and intersect, is an area so vital and so critical to wildlife, it transcends borders and fences. It is thus the crux of the transfrontier area that straddles Angola, Namibia, Zambia and Botswana – known as the Kavango Zambezi Transfrontier Conservation Area (KAZA TFCA) – and in turn is punctuated by the historic King's Pool Camp.

By rebuilding King's Pool, we are reaffirming our Purpose: driving sustainable ecotourism in the Linyanti and protecting its vital wildlife corridors.



*A Majestic*  
CAMP

*A Linyanti Odyssey*

KING'S POOL



# King's Pool

Steeped in nostalgia and named for Scandinavian royalty, King's Pool looks out over a sparkling oxbow-shaped lagoon framed with reeds. Here, much like the royal explorers who first visited this place, you are on the cusp of a Linyanti Odyssey.

Nine luxurious thatched rooms, one of which is a suite, recreate the sense of timelessness and blend in with the natural surrounds. Wrap-around screens provide a wide-angle view, allowing for an immersive experience with nature.

## FACILITIES



8 TWINS; 1 SUITE



100% SOLAR



POOL



MASSAGE TREATMENTS



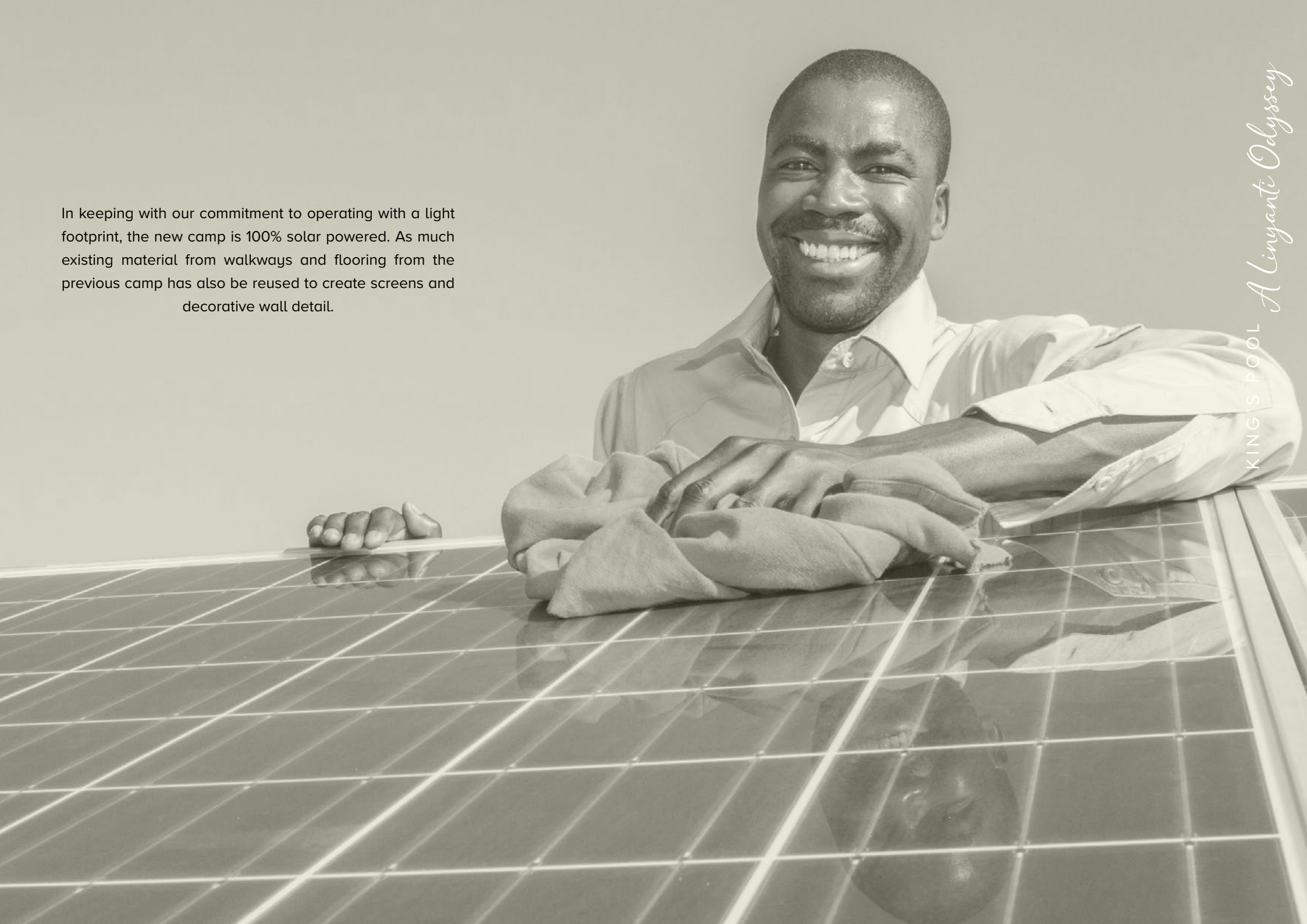
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The expansive main area, now in closer proximity to the water, offers many beautiful spaces and uninterrupted views of the oxbow lake for quiet contemplation or convivial conversation. Meandering from here is a path that takes you to an open-air *kgotla* (boma); the perfect setting for fine dining under the stars.

Throughout camp, the ancient Batswana craft of weaving is expressed in a number of architectural details – the imprint design applied to the camp’s screen walls, woven rope detail on vertical supports, as well as on the balustrades.

In keeping with our commitment to operating with a light footprint, the new camp is 100% solar powered. As much existing material from walkways and flooring from the previous camp has also be reused to create screens and decorative wall detail.



A wide-angle, high-angle photograph of a river winding through a savanna landscape. The water is a deep blue, reflecting the sky and the surrounding greenery. In the middle ground, a two-story wooden boat with a railing is on the river, carrying several people. The banks are covered in lush green grass and small bushes. The overall scene is peaceful and scenic.

ADVENTURES WITH A  
*Difference*

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# *An Odyssey* FROM ABOVE

It is from the air that one can truly appreciate the wonders of the Linyanti. We're thrilled to launch our new helicopter scenic flight on the day that King's Pool opens.

The flight soars along the line of the Rift and out over the Linyanti wetlands to the river, where massive pods of hippo and huge crocodiles splash and roll. Sitatunga look up from the reeds and elephant in their hundreds are grey spots amongst the green and beige.

Then we follow the snaking curves of the Savute Channel from its source, landing at the headwaters to celebrate the huge densities of game seen from the air with a glass of champagne before returning to camp.

But, as always, there is a purpose behind this breathtaking adventure. Our guests can be part of our monitoring of the Linyanti's biodiversity from the air, thus ensuring the pathways and corridors are safe and open for the continued movement of wildlife.

After all, at Wilderness, every guest is a conservationist.



Activities at King's Pool include day and night game drives, walks and cruising – like royalty – on the *Queen Sylvia* barge. Two hides – one with the water (and wildlife) literally at eye level – are perfect places to spend your siesta – elephant feet and trunks almost within touching distance.

#### ACTIVITIES



HIDE



GAME  
DRIVE



NIGHT  
DRIVE



WALKING



BARGE



FISHING



HELICOPTER  
FLIPS





## *An Ancient Land*

Nowhere is a sense of movement more keenly felt than in this nexus of the Linyanti – from the shifts of the Earth's plates to create a visible line at the end of the African-Syrian Rift, to the journeys of the world's largest elephant meta-herd along the wildlife corridors that crisscross the KAZA Transfrontier area.

The last vestiges of the Rift end here with the Linyanti Fault, and can be seen clearly both from the air and on the ground. The land stands some two metres higher than the floodplains, offering vistas that stretch endlessly, while the contrast between the wetlands of the Linyanti and the dry mopane woodland of the south is very apparent.



NAMIBIA

BOTSWANA

## LINYANTI'S *Life-giving Waters*

The Linyanti Fault also changes the flow of the very direction of the river system that runs between Namibia and Botswana: the Kwando River turns east at an angle of almost 90 degrees to become the Linyanti River.

The movements of the Earth's plates create a phenomenon that is utterly unique: the Savute Channel appears and disappears seemingly randomly. At present, it flows strongly, providing much-needed water for wildlife during these dry times – and exclusive viewing of exciting riverside dramas for our guests.

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## *A Movement* OF WILDLIFE

In nature, there is ceaseless movement, in the search for water and food, from one season to the next. Nowhere is this more obvious than in the journeys of elephant, along ancient migratory paths for thousands of kilometres, from the arid interior to the Linyanti, to slake their thirst and find forage.

In times of less rain, the Linyanti (along with Chobe) has the highest density of elephant on the planet. One of the greatest shows on Earth can be experienced from the air, on the ground and on the water.

Smaller in size but no less exciting are the migrations of zebra in their striped numbers, and the plodding of the dark buffalo herds, while rarer roan and sable also emerge from the woodlands. A busy flock of southern carmine bee-eaters is a spectacle of bright colours swooping and looping in the grasslands. The healthy number of predators – lion, leopard, cheetah, wild dog and spotted hyaena – adds drama to the scene.

Internationally recognised as an IBA (Important Bird Area), birding is outstanding here, particularly during the summer season when the migrant species have returned and breeding plumage is on show.





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