



# A Light Camp *Footprint*

Get to the heart of our conservation mission to harness solar power and harvest rainwater



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A Life-Changing *Journey...*

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# Travel with Purpose



## Celebrate 35 years of travelling with purpose

For the last 35 years – even when we started out in 1983 with just one old Land Rover – there has always been one overriding purpose to our ecotourism activities: to conserve and restore Africa’s wilderness and wildlife.

This is something enshrined in our internal charter and vision statement and which undoubtedly beats in the heart of every single Wilderness Safaris employee.

So ... what better way to celebrate our 35th birthday than to indulge in 12 months of adventurous and impactful journeys to exciting destinations, accompanied by local experts and with unique, privileged behind-the-scenes access to conservation and community processes of Wilderness Safaris and our partners.

We considered the places we’d choose to be, when we’d choose to be there and with whom we would travel and came up with 12 itineraries with limited guest capacity that take in some truly spectacular destinations. The trips are fun, enlightening expeditions to interesting places that make a real difference to those same interesting places. All proceeds will of course be channelled back to the conservation and community projects that we’ll be exposed to.

**On this journey, we invite you to join us in Botswana’s Central Kalahari Game Reserve and on our private Linyanti Concession to observe and participate in the award-winning conservation initiatives that we undertake here. All funds raised from this itinerary go directly to Children in the Wilderness for water harvesting and solar equipment for the Gudigwa community.**

A man in traditional attire, including a feathered headdress and a loincloth, stands in a dark landscape at night. He is holding a bow and arrow, looking upwards. The background is a vast, starry night sky with the Milky Way galaxy visible. The scene is illuminated by a warm, low light source, possibly a campfire, which casts a glow on the man and the foreground vegetation.

10 – 14 Feb 2019

**BOTSWANA**

**Central Kalahari Game  
Reserve and Linyanti  
Concession**

Trip guaranteed to travel  
with minimum 4 guests

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## February 2019 – Botswana’s Central Kalahari Game Reserve and Linyanti Concession

- See first-hand the lengths we go to in keeping as light a footprint as possible in our camps, from design to technological innovations.
- Delve behind the scenes on a back-of-house tour to view Kalahari Plains’ solar installations, water harvesting and waste water treatments.
- Discover how our camps keep our remote areas pristine, through responsible waste elimination, water purification and recycling, while providing exceptional experiences for our guests.
- Learn about rainwater collection and other resource conservation methods in the desert.



### About the Purpose

We have pioneered environmentally-sensitive camp architecture and infrastructure to achieve our goal of “purposeful luxury.” Our ideal result is a camp that blends into the natural features of the site and becomes more so as time goes on. Our goal is that if at some stage we have to move the camp, we can restore the site to its original natural state, leaving no sign of our presence. The unspoilt wilderness in which we operate is fragile – so our footprint has to be light and gentle, whether in the desert environment of the Kalahari or the woodlands of the Linyanti.



# Itinerary



**10 Feb 2019:** Fly into Kalahari Plains, game drive en route to camp. Afternoon walk with the Bushman family. Overnight Kalahari Plains.

**11 Feb 2019:** Morning behind-the-scenes and back-of-house tour to learn more about the camp's solar installations, waste water treatment plant etc. Afternoon game drive. Overnight Kalahari Plains.

**12 Feb 2019:** Early morning game drive. Afternoon presentation on rainwater collection and other water harvesting methods in the desert. Late afternoon Bushman walk and sundowners at the camp waterhole. Overnight Kalahari Plains.

**13 Feb 2019:** Fly to DumaTau in our private Linyanti Concession. Field inspection of solar farm; behind-the-scenes presentation on DumaTau's design – learn more about our 'light camp footprint' in situ. Overnight DumaTau.

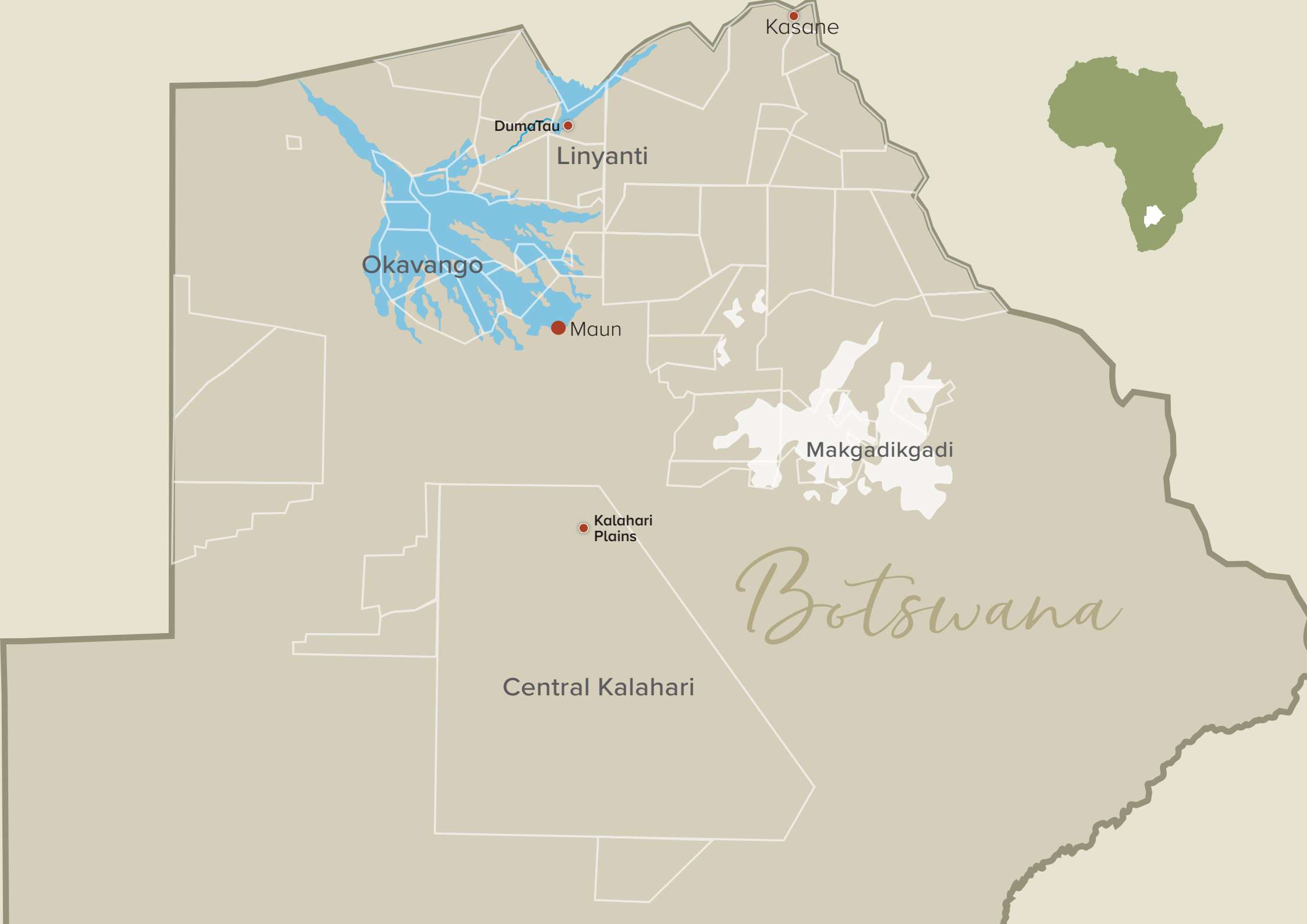
**14 Feb 2019:** Early morning game drive on the Linyanti Concession. Afternoon presentation learning more about how our camps eliminate waste, purify water and recycle. Overnight DumaTau.

**15 Feb 2019:** Fly from DumaTau to Maun or Kasane for onward travel arrangements.

Ts & Cs apply







Kasane

Duma Tau

Linyanti

Okavango

Maun

Makgadikgadi

Kalahari  
Plains

Central Kalahari

*Botswana*







# Meet your Host

## Derek de la Harpe – Wilderness Safaris Chief Sustainability Officer

Derek de la Harpe has more than 35 years' experience working in southern and East Africa, with brief work stints in south-east Asia and Central America, during most of which he has been focused on wildlife and environmental conservation and ecotourism. He is a Chartered Accountant (Zimbabwe) with 38 years' experience; he spent 18 years with the then-Price Waterhouse, the last eight as the partner in charge of the firm's practice specialising in tourism and environmental consulting. For eight years he was the CEO of The Malilangwe Trust, a Zimbabwean NGO working in wildlife conservation and rural development, and with a high-profile tourism operation. He spent four years working as a management consultant specialising in the interface between tourism development and wildlife and environmental conservation. He joined Wilderness as Chief Financial Officer early in 2010 and was appointed to his current role in 2014 – as Wilderness' Chief Sustainability Officer and its Commercial Director, overseeing sustainability, risk management, legal affairs and the Group's aviation businesses.



# Meet your Experts

## Segametsi Monnamorwa – Wilderness Safaris Environmental Department Manager

With a BA in Environmental Science, as well as a Postgraduate Diploma in Education from the University of Botswana, Segametsi has always had an interest in working for an environmentally-driven organisation. Through her introduction to Wilderness Safaris' non-profit partner, Children in the Wilderness (CITW), on an adventure trip to Maun she finally found the ideal organisation to work for. Segametsi joined Wilderness Safaris in 2008 and hasn't looked back. Her role involves ensuring that all Botswana's operations comply with the Environmental Minimum Standards of Wilderness Safaris as well as the Government of Botswana. In addition, she plays a key role in the collation and monitoring of long-term ecological data from the camps, as well as monitoring energy-use reduction campaigns and providing daily support to the Botswana Rhino Reintroduction Project.



*“I want to continue using my role to raise the awareness banner of sustainability as an important element of the business, ensuring that environmental conservation priorities are realised through a collective effort.”*

## Warren Ozorio – Wilderness Safaris Group Environmental Coordinator

Having studied for his Diploma in Conservation and Ecology, Warren's working life started by leading overland safaris through South Africa's Kruger National Park and surrounds. A guiding stint at Pafuri, a former Wilderness Safaris camp in the far north of the Kruger, included a particular focus on developing the walking trails in the area. After spending two years here, Warren moved to southern Botswana where he operated mountain bike safaris in this wilderness area. Leaving the bush to move back to the city Warren brought his expertise to Wilderness' Marketing and Product Training departments, from where he moved to his current position in the Sustainability Department, delighted to be more involved with the conservation aspect of the business, and to be working with a top environmental team.



# Meet your guide

## Alex Mazunga

Alex grew up in the Linyanti area of Botswana where he developed a deep passion for the bush. Over the last two decades he has been involved in the tourism industry, starting out as a tracker before moving on to become a professional guide. During this time, he became an enthusiastic photographer, taking every opportunity that comes his way to explore Botswana's most remote and beautiful areas in search of the perfect shot.





# Beneficiary

## Children in the Wilderness

The overall goal of Children in the Wilderness (CITW) is to facilitate sustainable conservation through leadership development of rural children in Africa. This is achieved in a variety of ways, from running three- to five-day camps at Wilderness Safaris camps, to running Eco-Clubs and Follow-up Programmes at schools, within the rural communities that live on the edges of the wild areas of Africa.

On this journey, the Gudigwa community with whom CITW works in Botswana, will be the beneficiaries of water harvesting and solar equipment for their village.

<https://www.childreninthewilderness.com/>





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