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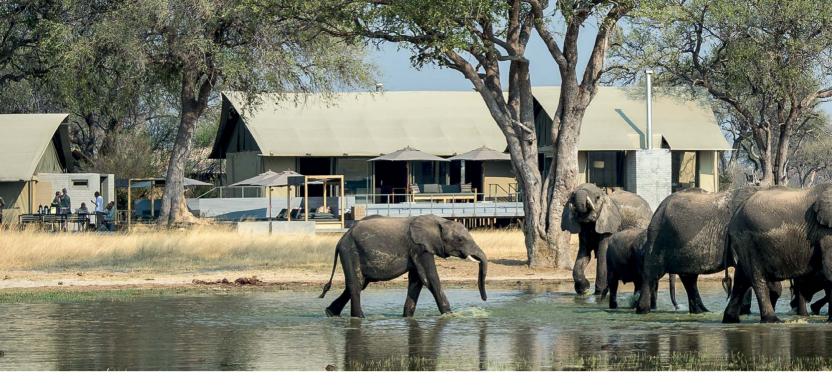


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ABOUT WILDERNESS SAFARIS

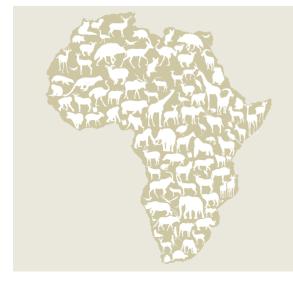
Wilderness Safaris is an ecotourism company that specialises in creating memorable journeys in some of the most remote and pristine areas in Africa, while at the same time helping to ensure the future protection of Africa's spectacular wildlife heritage and sharing the benefits of tourism with local communities.

We operate camps and safaris in some of Africa's most impressive and untouched wildlife areas in seven different countries: Botswana, Kenya, Namibia, Rwanda, Seychelles, Zambia and Zimbabwe.

Recognising that conservation is as much about people as about the environment, our operations and work ethics are guided by our 4Cs – Commerce, Conservation, Community and Culture – as set out in our sustainability framework. Supported by Wilderness, our all-important Children in the Wilderness programme, as well as our Wilderness Wildlife Trust, helps drive this strategy.

Wilderness Safaris is part of the Wilderness Group, a group of responsible ecotourism companies and conservation and community development vehicles that together endeavour to build sustainable conservation economies in Africa.

At Wilderness Safaris, we believe in creating journeys, not holidays. A journey is an immersive experience, one that changes how you view the world in general and the wild places of Africa in particular.



Our Vision

To conserve and restore Africa's wilderness and wildlife by creating life-changing journeys and inspiring positive action.

Our Strategy

Commerce

• Continue to build sustainable conservation economies.

Conservation

- Grow into new African countries and work with governments and other stakeholders to entrench the true value of sustainable authentic ecotourism.
- Share best practice with the safari industry.



🔥 Culture



WHY TRAVEL WITH WILDERNESS SAFARIS?

Today we have so much choice when it comes to travelling, it's often difficult to make a decision on the country in which to travel, let alone deciding whom to travel with. Wilderness Safaris makes the choice easy. Not only do we have camps and lodges in many of Africa's most renowned and remote wild areas, but we are a long-running and industry-leading company with more than 30 years of experience.

- Wilderness Safaris offers our guests exclusive access to just under 2.5 million hectares (over 6 million acres) of Africa's best wildlife areas. This equates to 3 000 hectares (8 000 acres) of private land per guest, creating a unique sense of seclusion, comfort, privacy and space.
- Our areas cover many habitats, encompassing parts of six of Africa's eleven biomes, thus allowing for incredibly diverse and all-round experiences, whether in the savannah, the mountains, the desert or the ocean.
- To satisfy individual needs and personalities, our properties range from high-end luxury to more affordable options.
- We work hand in hand with our agents to design a journey that suits their guests' budget and bucket list.
- We have our own bush charter company Wilderness Air creating a seamless journey that allows our guests to move from one place to the next on their itinerary without hassles.
- As a tour operator, we offer complete, tailor-made services throughout southern Africa, thus assisting guests with their full itinerary.
- Our mobile safaris, or Explorations, offer experience based, privately guided journeys.
- We have offices in most countries that we operate in, through which our Journey Specialists coordinate travel arrangements for our overseas travel agents and tour operators. This full-service travel operation handles accommodation requests for individuals, groups and incentives, including air tickets, air charters, transfers and touring, allowing us to be independent and book any itinerary to suit the taste and budget of all our guests.
- We operate a touring and transfers business Wilderness Safaris Touring in the tourism hubs of Cape Town (South Africa), Victoria Falls (Zimbabwe) and Livingstone (Zambia).
- Our Associated Product team provides an extensive portfolio of preferred third party products, meticulously selected and featuring exceptionally competitive pricing.











BECAUSE IT'S MORE THAN JUST A SAFARI...

As well as being a leading provider of wildlife, marine and cultural safaris, our ethos lies in protecting the pristine wilderness areas of Africa and including the local communities in this process. To achieve this effectively, our sustainability strategy, encapsulated by the 4Cs of Commerce, Community, Culture and Conservation was developed.

The principles of each C are explored briefly below.

COMMERCE

This is perhaps the most critical element of our sustainability model; we can only make a difference to Africa if we are running a profitable organisation, based on sound business principles and on good, solid morals and ethics. Our business thus runs on a vertically-integrated model with brands like Wilderness Safaris, Wilderness Air and Wilderness Safaris Touring giving our partners and our guests a fantastic all round experience in Africa.

COMMUNITY

Our community includes our committed staff, our partners in the travel industry, our guests, and the communities in, or adjacent to, the areas where we operate. We believe in honest, mutually beneficial and dignified relationships with our community partners in ways that deliver a meaningful and life-changing share of the proceeds of responsible ecotourism to all stakeholders. Our mechanisms include community-centric employment, joint ventures (equity, revenue share, traversing fees), education (children's camps, bursaries) and training, social and health benefits, capacity building and infrastructure development (schools, crèches, clinics, etc.). In this way we hope to ensure sustainability beyond the lifespan and reach of our organisation.

CULTURE

Culture is a multifaceted element that governs respect for the culture of all employees as well as remote rural communities surrounding the conservation areas. This is reflected in: a healthy social environment in camp; area-appropriate camp design, décor, entertainment and meals; respect for traditional rights within and surrounding the conservation area; guest visits to traditional villages and homesteads; and communication of the area's traditional culture to guests and staff.

CONSERVATION

There are two elements in Conservation:

Environmental Management Systems deal with how we build and manage our camps in the most eco-friendly way possible. For this we use minimum standards, renewable energy technologies and education of staff and guests.

Biodiversity Conservation covers the understanding, management and protection of the wildlife and ecosystems with which we are involved. Where relevant, we help to protect these, promote the reintroduction of indigenous species, and rehabilitate natural environments through vegetation management. In short, we attempt to fulfil our obligations as custodians of some of Africa's precious wild places.



MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Aside from our primary aim of sharing Africa's wonderful places with our guests, our ultimate goal is to help make a difference to Africa, its people and its wildlife. Your guests are helping us to do so: At least 5% of Wilderness Safaris' gross profit (before taxation and depreciation) is spent on conservation efforts.

There is much more that needs to be done, however, which is why, some 20 years ago, we created the **Wilderness Wildlife Trust**, an independent entity that supports a wide variety of wildlife management, research and education projects throughout Africa. These projects address the needs of our wildlife, seek solutions to save threatened species and provide education and training for local communities. This has made our journey more meaningful and we've reached more people and places than before.

Conservation of animals and plants is only as strong as the people who live in their vicinity. If they're not interested, protection is likely to exist only on paper. That's why Africa's future lies in her children, and why our pride and joy is our **Children in the Wilderness** programme, which aims to educate the youth of Africa, inspiring and helping them to appreciate and thus protect their magnificent natural heritage.

Every year, we close some of our camps for a week at a time and groups of 16 to 25 children between the ages of 10 and 14 are hosted here, given the opportunity to experience these wilderness areas and their wildlife. During camp, the curriculum covers environmental education, HIV/ AIDS and nutrition and life skills, and the importance of conservation. No less importantly, throughout the year, Eco-Clubs are held at the local schools (i.e., schools situated near wilderness areas), where we can visit the children in their own environment, providing opportunities for all learners who are interested in the environment to meet, learn, discuss and expand their knowledge of their natural heritage.

Our guests can be proud to be part of this life-changing journey.



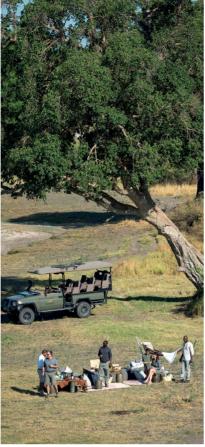






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A FEW OF OUR AWARDS

We love what we do and are proud of our achievements, but it is good to be acknowledged by others. Below are a few of the awards we have received either for outstanding tourism services or for our contribution to conservation or community in Africa.



November 2016: Wilderness Safaris Namibia wins Gold HAN (Hospitality Association of Namibia) Tourism Award







November 2016: Wilderness Holdings' Integrated Report wins Best CSI Programme Award at PricewaterhouseCoopers' Best Published Corporate Report Awards



November 2016: Wilderness Safaris wins National Geographic Traveller's Green Initiative Reader Award for its Rhino Conservation Programme











September 2016: Mombo, Little Mombo, Abu, Kings Pool, Little Kulala and Damaraland Camp – Listed in **Andrew** Harper's Readers' Choice Awards



August 2016: North Island – Receives Condé Nast Traveller Readers' Choice Award



August 2016: Wilderness Safaris – Shortlisted in the Family Traveller Awards' Best Eco/Sustainable Holiday for Families category







July 2016: Mombo and Little Mombo Camps – Listed in the **Travel + Leisure** World's Best Awards





June 2016: Linkwasha Camp – Named one of the world's best new hotels in the Condé Nast Traveller Hot List

Traveler



May 2016: Wilderness Safaris Solar Conversion Programme – Wins the **Energy Globe Award** for Namibia

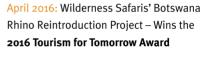




April 2016: Wilderness Safaris, Chitabe Camp and Segera Retreat – Win **African Responsible Tourism Awards**











March 2016: Children in the Wilderness







March 2016: North Island – Named the world's best hotel in the **Traveller's World** Awards 'Top 100'



February 2016: Linkwasha Camp – Listed as one of the best new hotels on the planet in **Travel + Leisure's It List**





CHOOSING YOUR CAMPS

In order to host our guests, and therefore ensure the sustainable protection of the wilderness areas in which we operate, we have built a selection of small intimate safari camps across Africa. Of paramount importance to us is that our camps cause as little impact on the environment as possible. This is relevant not only during the building process, but also during day-to-day operating and takes into account all elements of environmental impact, from the visual and aural implications, to effects on soil, the water table, vegetation, game movement, and so on. It is also vital that, should we dismantle a camp, we leave no trace of our presence on the landscape.









PREMIER CAMPS

A portfolio of elegant camps located in the best possible areas on the African continent and characterised by unashamed (but appropriate and sustainable) luxury. These camps also have an explicit purpose or 'reason for being,' which is incorporated into the guest experience. Combining superbly designed architecture with the warm comforts of home and personal service, each has its own individual style and identity carefully crafted to be relevant to and in harmony with its location. The camps range in size from 3 to 11 rooms.

CLASSIC CAMPS

These camps are designed in traditional safari style and are mostly stylish canvas constructions, often raised off the ground on wooden decks. Located in exceptional wildlife and wilderness areas, all offer superb facilities and accommodation, the bedrooms being slightly smaller than those of our Premier camps. The camps range in size from 3 to 12 tents.

ADVENTURES CAMPS

Adventures camps are comprised mainly of thatch and canvas, with generally smaller, more rustic rooms than those of the Premier or Classic camps. Accommodation is extremely comfortable nonetheless, with the larger camps lending themselves to a convivial atmosphere. Camps range in size from 4 to 23 rooms. Note: activities at these camps may be at extra cost.



ACTIVITIES AND FACILITIES ON SAFARI & IN CAMP

A variety of activities can be enjoyed on safari. For each of the safaris or camps described in this brochure, the symbols for the predominant activities are shown on their respective pages. Listed below are the activity and facility symbols.



Number of Guest

Rooms





Family

Massage

Treatments











Private Plunge Pool at Each Room



(Camp-specific conditions apply)



Hides

Guided Walks

(Seasonal)

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Tented Camp

SPA Spa Treatments



Game Drive (Day)





Waterhole

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Guided Walks





Boating (Seasonal)



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Cultural

Experiences



Catch-and-Release Fishing





Mekoro



Mekoro

(Seasonal)

Gorilla Tracking on Foot



Turtle Activities

Boating







Seal Colony

Elephant Interaction

Quad Biking



Scuba Diving/ Snorkelling





Bike Rides

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Canoeing / Kayaking (Seasonal)



Barge (Seasonal)

Rhino Tracking on Foot









Birding













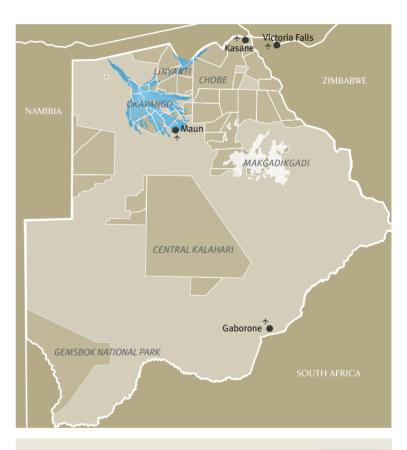






Situated in the centre of southern Africa, landlocked Botswana has Namibia, South Africa, Zambia and Zimbabwe as its neighbours. With the exception of the eastern part where the summer rainfall is slightly higher, the Kalahari Desert forms the majority of Botswana. This predominance of arid land makes for a remarkable phenomenon: The Okavango Delta is a wondrous wetland within a desert, receiving its waters from rain falling over a thousand kilometres away, and sustaining a huge diversity of fauna and flora. In the north-east of the country, the Chobe and Linyanti reserves are renowned for their predators and large concentrations of game.

Historically Botswana is one of Africa's outstanding success stories. Prior to independence in 1966, it was one of the world's poorest countries, an unexplored land only visited by hardy adventurers. Botswana embarked on innovative and proactive ways to deal with tourism, the second largest export sector after diamonds. The country's leaders took the view that high quality, low volume tourism was the best way to create a sustainable industry that would employ a large percentage of its people while still preserving the environment.



ABOUT BOTSWANA

COUNTRY SIZE: 581 730 sq. km / 224,610 sq. mi (almost the size of Texas; slightly larger than France) POPULATION: 2.1 MILLION (2015) CURRENCY: Pula (BWP) OFFICIAL LANGUAGE/S: English, with Setswana being the most widely spoken African language ETHNIC GROUPS: baSarwa (San), baTswana, baKgalagadi, haMbukushu, baYei, Bugakwe, Herero CAPITAL: Gaborone

THE OKAVANGO DELTA

The Okavango Delta, a World Heritage Site, is rightly considered one of the most incredible wilderness sanctuaries in Africa. It is one of the largest inland delta systems in the world, an area of 16 000 sq. km (6 000 sq. miles) filled with water channels, lagoons and islands. What makes this area truly remarkable is that it is a wetland paradise located deep within the arid Kalahari Desert. Each year, floodwaters flow from their catchment areas in the moist central African highlands over 1 000 km (620 miles) away into the Delta to create the miracle that is the Okavango. This unique area sustains a huge diversity of fauna and flora, so that game viewing is excellent right through the year.



THE LINYANTI

To the north-east of the Okavango Delta, along the Linyanti Fault line, lie the Chobe and Linyanti areas. The varied woodland habitats and ancient floodplains make adding any of the camps found here to a Botswana itinerary a good choice for a balanced experience of the country. In many ways the Linyanti is an essential complement to an Okavango visit. The area is home to several unique features: the Savute Channel, an ancient and sporadic water-course attracting abundant wildlife; and the productive Linyanti River frontage. Seasonal zebra and elephant migrations add further drama and the Linyanti expanse is the favoured hunting ground for healthy numbers of predators.



THE CENTRAL KALAHARI

South of the Okavango Delta and dominating central Botswana, the five million-hectare (12 million-acre) Central Kalahari Game Reserve is one of the biggest protected areas in Africa, its diverse wildlife and wonderful scenery offering an amazing contrast to the rest of the country. The Kalahari Desert is the largest unbroken stretch of sand in the world and at its core is the Central Kalahari Game Reserve, a vast flat expanse of scrub-covered fossil dunes interspersed with ancient river valleys. This area is home to a fascinating spectrum of very different plants and animals that have successfully adapted to living in such a harsh environment.



BOTSWANA SEASONS

NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MA
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GREEN SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Excellent game concentrations in Central Kalahari
- Time of abundance... births, babies and breeding (+ predators)
- Summer bird migrants present in breeding plumage
- Excellent photographic opportunities... great light, colour and subject matter
- AR APR MAY
- TRANSITION SEASON HIGHLIGHTS
- Moderate climate with a mix of the green and dry seasons including the dynamics of a change in season

JUN JUL AUG SEP

DRY SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Diminished water availability results in high game concentrations and density
- Peak inundation in the Okavango perfect time for mokoro and boating activities
- Great visibility in leafless woodland
- Cooler and drier time of the year with day time temperatures rising towards October

OCT



JAO CONCESSION

60 ooo hectares (148 ooo acres); largest expanse of dry land during the annual inundation. Vegetation varies from floodplains with lush palm islands and riparian forest in the east to acacia and mopane woodland of Hunda Island in the west. Key mammal species: giraffe, elephant, hippo, sitatunga, spottednecked otter, leopard, lion. Key bird species: wattled crane, slaty egret, Pel's fishing-owl, lesser jacana, Dickinson's kestrel.

VUMBURA CONCESSION

60 000 hectares (148 000 acres); an incredibly varied mix of mopane, acacia woodland, floodplains and permanent swamp – known for its scenic beauty and diverse wildlife. Key mammal species: seasonal herds of elephant and buffalo, sable antelope, zebra, wildebeest, tsessebe, lechwe, giraffe, lion, leopard, wild dog, spotted hyaena, occasional cheetah. Key bird species: rosy-throated longclaw, black coucal, long-toed lapwing.

Vumbura Plains

Little Vumbura 🥚



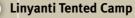
ABU CONCESSION

180 ooo hectares (450 ooo acres); varies from seasonal floodplains, channels and palm islands in the north-east to the drier Kalahari 'sand tongue' in the west. Kalahari appleleaf and silver terminalia dominate. Key mammal species: plains zebra, giraffe, impala, blue wildebeest, tsessebe, leopard, spotted hyaena. Key bird species: wattled crane, Meyer's parrot, ostrich.

XIGERA CONCESSION

6 ooo hectares (14 ooo acres); a wetland paradise within Moremi Game Reserve in the heart of the Delta. Situated on one of the Okavango's key waterways, it is surrounded by picturesque papyrus swamps and wooded islands. Key mammal species: sitatunga, red lechwe, spotted-necked otter, elephant, tsessebe, leopard. Key bird species: Pel's fishing-owl, African skimmer, lesser jacana.

Wilderness Safaris – Premier Camp
 Wilderness Safaris – Classic Camp
 Wilderness Safaris – Adventures Camp
 Town / City





Savuti

DumaTau 🔴

LINYANTI

LINYANTI CONCESSION

121 000 hectares (299 000 acres); comprises mopane woodland, a strip of riverine forest and floodplain along the Linyanti River, bisected by an ancient watercourse: the Savute Channel. Key mammal species: large herds of elephant, sable and roan in winter, zebra, wildebeest, giraffe, lechwe, reedbuck, kudu, lion, spotted hyaena, leopard, cheetah, wild dog. Key bird species: Bradfield's hornbill, Arnot's chat, red-necked falcon, coqui francolin, southern carmine bee-eater.

CHOBE

MOMBO CONCESSION

45 ooo hectares (111 ooo acres); on the northern tip of Chief's Island, Moremi Game Reserve. Habitats vary from productive grassy floodplains, acacia woodland and forested islands of riverine vegetation to permanent swamp edges and dry grasslands where vegetation and wildlife flourish. Key mammal species: giraffe, zebra, red lechwe, elephant, buffalo, tsessebe, kudu, lion, spotted hyaena, leopard. Home to the only white and black rhino found in the Okavango Delta. Key bird species: African pygmygoose, crimson-breasted shrike, African golden oriole, Hartlaub's babbler.

OKAVANGO DELTA

Chitabe & Chitabe Lediba

CHITABE CONCESSION

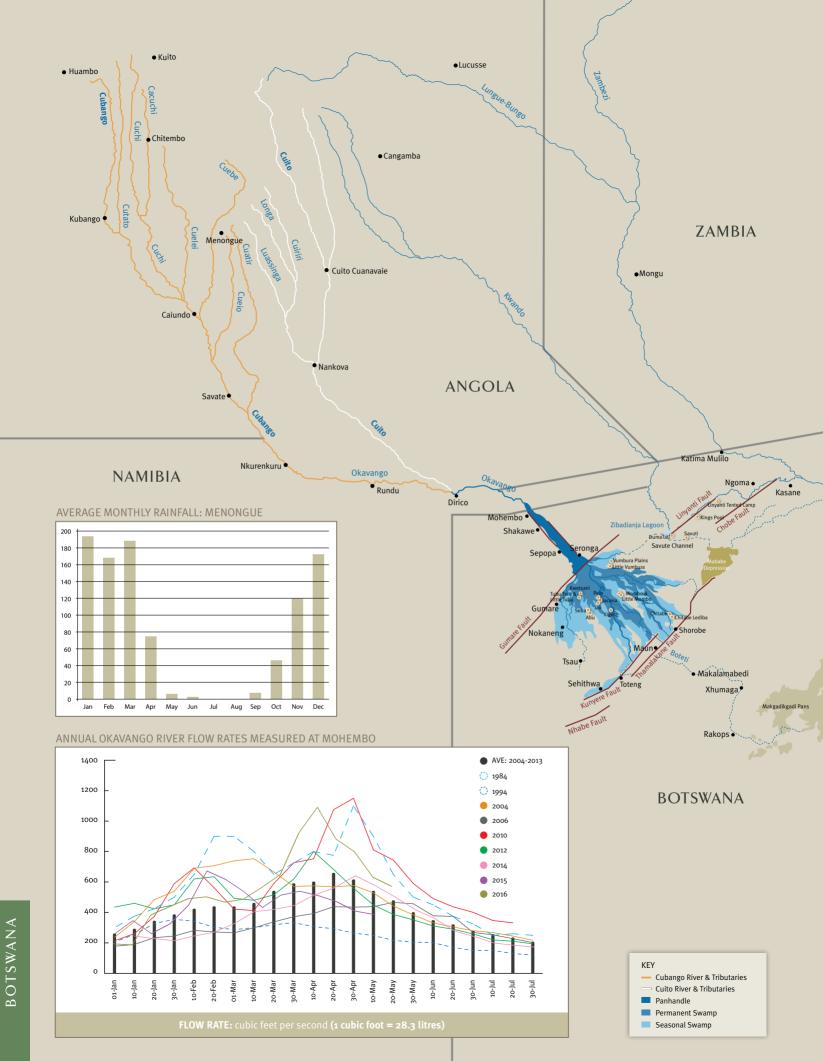
22 ooo hectares (54 ooo acres); diverse habitat characterised by acacia and mopane woodland in the east, and typical Okavango habitats in the west: palm-dotted floodplains, wooded islands, tranquil waterways and dry woodland. Key mammal species: giraffe, buffalo, lechwe, tsessebe, elephant, lion, leopard, spotted hyaena, cheetah, wild dog. Key bird species: black coucal, African barred owlet, Bennet's woodpecker, southern ground hornbill, pink-backed pelican.

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CENTRAL KALAHARI GAME RESERVE

Five million hectares (12 million acres); one of the largest protected areas in Africa. A vast flat expanse of scrub-covered fossil dunes interspersed with ancient river valleys and acacia savannah areas. Key mammal species: significant populations of lion, cheetah, brown hyaena; impressive herds of springbok, gemsbok, wildebeest, bat-eared fox, meerkats, ground squirrels. Key bird species: crimson-breasted shrike, violet-eared waxbill, southern pied babbler.





THE ANOMALY OF A DESERT DELTA - HOW DOES IT WORK?

THE SOURCE

The waters of the Okavango Delta originate some 1 600 km upstream in the Angolan highlands in the centre of that country. Here myriad streams and smaller rivers in the catchment of the Okavango's two major tributaries – the Cubango and Cuito – are fed by summer rains falling between October and April, peaking between December and March when no less than 700 mm of rain typically saturates the ground and swells the rivers.

THE JOURNEY

Due to their different gradients, soil profiles and courses, the waters of the Cubango and Cuito catchments inundate and progress towards the Okavango Delta at different rates, thus leading to what is sometimes known as first and second spikes in inundation.

The Cubango itself morphs in name into the 'Kavango' as it enters Namibia, and then the 'Okavango' once it reaches Botswana. This journey descends in altitude from around 1 500 metres above sea level at its source to about 950 metres above sea level at Maun, the southern extent of the Delta, with the waters annually inundating the alluvial fan between the Gumare and Kunyere / Thamalakane Faults.

THE ROLE OF THE FAULT LINES

The Delta owes its creation to a set of fault lines that defined its location and form. These faults are weaknesses in the Earth's crust, formed by tectonic movement (which is still ongoing today) along an extension of the East African Rift Valley. A series of further perpendicular faults (Gumare, Kunyere and Thamalakane) created the shape of the Okavango alluvial fan and Panhandle as we know it today. The effect of these fault lines on the flow of rivers like the Okavango, Kwando and Chobe, and equally on the shape and extent of the Delta, can be seen clearly on the map at left.

BOTSWANA: APPROXIMATE SEASONALITY OF WATER/LAND ACTIVITIES (SHOWN AS PERCENTAGES)

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
ABU CONCESSION	Water/Land											
Abu Camp	0/100	0/100	0/100	50/50	60/40	60/40	60/40	50/50	50/50	40/60	0/100	0/100
Seba Camp	0/100	0/100	0/100	50/50	60/40	60/40	60/40	50/50	50/50	40/60	0/100	0/100
CHITABE CONCESSION												
Chitabe Camp	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100
Chitabe Lediba	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100
CENTRAL KALAHARI												
Kalahari Plains	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100
JAO CONCESSION												
Jao Camp	10/90	10/90	10/90	30/70	60/40	60/40	60/40	50/50	40/60	20/80	20/80	15/85
Jacana Camp	20/80	20/80	20/80	40/60	100/0	100/0	100/0	100/0	90/10	80/20	60/40	40/60
Kwetsani Camp	10/90	10/90	10/90	30/70	60/40	60/40	60/40	50/50	40/60	20/80	15/85	10/90
Little Tubu	0/100	0/100	0/100	20/80	40/60	50/50	50/50	40/60	20/80	20/80	10/90	0/100
Tubu Tree	0/100	0/100	0/100	20/80	40/60	50/50	50/50	40/60	20/80	20/80	10/90	0/100
Pelo Camp	20/80	20/80	20/80	40/60	100/0	100/0	100/0	100/0	90/10	80/20	60/40	40/60
KWEDI CONCESSION												
Little Vumbura	30/70	30/70	30/70	40/60	50/50	50/50	60/40	60/40	50/50	30/70	30/70	30/70
Vumbura Plains	10/90	10/90	10/90	20/80	30/70	30/70	30/70	30/70	20/80	10/90	10/90	10/90
LINYANTI CONCESSION												
DumaTau	10/90	10/90	10/90	10/90	10/90	10/90	10/90	10/90	10/90	10/90	10/90	10/90
Kings Pool	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100
Linyanti Tented Camp	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100
Savuti Camp	10/90	10/90	10/90	10/90	10/90	10/90	10/90	10/90	10/90	10/90	10/90	10/90
MOMBO CONCESSION												
Little Mombo	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100
Mombo Camp	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100	0/100
XIGERA CONCESSION												
Xigera Camp	30/70	30/70	30/70	70/30	80/20	80/20	80/20	80/20	80/20	60/40	40/60	30/70

OKAVANGO DELTA CAMPS | EXPERIENCE

WATER CAMPS

"True Okavango," lagoons, reedbeds, channels, papyrus swamps, spectacular birding and specialised creatures like sitatunga, reed frogs and pygmy-geese CAMPS: Jacana Camp; Pelo Camp; Xigera Camp

LAND CAMPS

Scenic floodplains and islands, high predator densities and good antelope diversity CAMPS: Chitabe Camp; Chitabe Lediba; Little Mombo; Mombo Camp

COMBINATION CAMPS

Lush landscapes of wetland and dryland, wide variety of large mammals, stunning scenic vistas CAMPS: Abu Camp; Jao Camp; Kwetsani Camp; Little Tubu; Little Vumbura;

Seba Camp; Tubu Tree; Vumbura Plains





OKAVANGO | LAND CAMP MOMBO CONCESSION

WILDERNESS SAFARIS PREMIER CAMP

FACILITIES & ACTIVITIES



UNIQUE SELLING POINTS

- Arguably the best big game viewing in all of Africa
- Bountiful hunting ground for large prides of lion and star-struck leopard
- A sumptuous and luxurious camp in the midst of the Delta

MOMBO CAMP

Mombo Camp, on Mombo Island just off the northern tip of Chief's Island, is built under large shady trees and overlooks a wonderful floodplain teeming with wildlife. Accommodation comprises nine spacious tents raised off the ground, all built to maximise the vistas over the plains. The tent interiors are elegantly furnished with polished parquet floors, complete with an outdoor thatched sala – an ideal vantage from which to watch passing game. Bathrooms are en-suite, with indoor and outdoor showers.

The main living and dining area is under thatch and there is a boma for traditional dinners, small library and a plunge pool to relax in the heat of the day. Large concentrations of plains game often occur in front of camp and guests may view a variety of animals without even leaving the veranda. Informative game drives explore the savannah and floodplain mosaics of Chief's Island with prolific wildlife-viewing opportunities.





LITTLE MOMBO

Little Mombo is an extension of and shares the same island as the larger Mombo Camp, matching its high standards. It offers the same abundant big game viewing – some of the best in Botswana – and overlooks a floodplain that is a beautiful setting for a variety of wildlife. The camp, built under a shady canopy, has luxurious and spacious guest rooms under canvas, each with en-suite facilities, outdoor shower and individual sala.

Little Mombo has only three rooms, as well as its own dining room, kitchen, lounge and plunge pool, making it ideal for small groups. Activities include morning and afternoon game drives in open 4x4 vehicles to view the high concentrations of plains game and their predators, which include all the big cats.



OKAVANGO I LAND CAMP MOMBO CONCESSION

WILDERNESS SAFARIS PREMIER CAMP





UNIQUE SELLING POINTS

- An intimate, private camp perfect for small groups
- Found in the Okavango's premier wildlife viewing area
- Prolific concentrations of general game and predators

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OKAVANGO I LAND CAMP CHITABE CONCESSION

WILDERNESS SAFARIS CLASSIC CAMP

FACILITIES & ACTIVITIES



CHITABE CAMP

Chitabe is situated on a beautiful old tree-island in a prime location in the south-east of the Okavango Delta. Eight spacious en-suite Meru-style tented rooms are built on elevated wooden decks, each tastefully styled with unique décor. The spacious en-suite bathrooms include double vanity basins together with an indoor as well as outdoor shower. Elevated walkways connect the rooms to the main area.

The central part of camp is made up of a thatched dining area and lounge leading onto open decking, all built on raised decks to provide superb views across a floodplain. There is a pool that provides cool sanctuary in the heat of the day.

Activities include day and night game drives in open 4x4 vehicles, nature walks (depending on qualified guide availability) and spectacular birding through a diverse array of habitats. Owing to its location on the periphery of the Delta, Chitabe offers exciting year-round game viewing.



UNIQUE SELLING POINTS

- Individually-styled tented rooms portray a personalised touch
- Plethora of plains game, to be seen during day and night drives as well as walks
- Good numbers of lion, hyaena, leopard, cheetah and wild dog



CHITABE LEDIBA

Chitabe Lediba is located on the other side of the same island as its sister, Chitabe Camp. A smaller camp, accommodation consists of five canvas tented-style rooms, built on raised decks with luxurious interiors and in tasteful style, complete with en-suite bathrooms, including double vanity basins, indoor and outdoor shower with spectacular views. There are two family rooms, one (for older children) with an adjoining front deck and the other (for youngsters) with an adjoining corridor; each room however has its own en-suite facilities.

A dining area, lounge and pool have glorious views over the surrounding floodplains and the small lediba (remnant lagoon waterhole), where a variety of game comes to drink during the day.

Wildlife viewing is the major activity at this camp, whether on walks (depending on qualified guide availability), or day and night game drives in open 4x4 Land Rovers accompanied by an experienced guide.



OKAVANGO I LAND CAMP CHITABE CONCESSION

WILDERNESS SAFARIS CLASSIC CAMP





BOTSWANA

UNIQUE SELLING POINTS

- A mix of Okavango and Kalahari habitats results in excellent diversity of predator and prey
- Classic safari experience with yearround variety of game and bird viewing
- A quiet, smaller camp perfect for groups and families











OKAVANGO I WATER CAMP JAO CONCESSION

WILDERNESS SAFARIS CLASSIC CAMP

FACILITIES & ACTIVITIES



UNIQUE SELLING POINTS

- True Okavango camp with visual, tangible exposure to the seasonal inundation
- Plenty of Okavango "specials," such as Pel's fishing-owl, sitatunga, red lechwe
- Water activities possible all year round

JACANA CAMP

Situated on a small island in the beautiful Jao Flats area of the concession, Jacana offers remote seclusion. Accommodation is in five spacious en-suite tents – each with an outdoor shower – built on raised wooden decks, all with stunning views over the water.

The main dining area is on an elevated wooden deck between two enormous sycamore trees, and surrounded by dense wild date palms. Downstairs, there is a cosy lounge with large viewing deck, and open area to sit around the fire. Behind this is another thatched relaxation area with hammocks. Meals are sometimes enjoyed outdoors in a traditional African boma.

Jacana Camp is a true water camp, where boating and mokoro excursions take advantage of the quiet channels and inundated floodplains and some of the fascinating creatures of the Delta – maybe even hippo and crocodile – as well as the wealth of waterbirds can be seen. Day game drives take place all year round.





XIGERA CAMP

Xigera Camp is situated deep within the Delta surrounded by water and lush vegetation. Nestled in riverine forest on the aptly-named Paradise Island, Xigera has nine luxuriously furnished tents (including a family room), a clever mix of wood and canvas, each with en-suite facilities and an outdoor shower. All are built on wooden decks, offering views of a seasonal floodplain and small lagoon. Meals and evening drinks are enjoyed in the lounge and dining area overlooking the permanently flowing channel or under the stars in a traditional African boma. The camp is rounded off with a plunge pool and the camp "newspaper" (a sand pit built into the bridge to capture paw prints) which is "read" each morning, revealing last night's unseen visitors.

The concession's semi-permanent water allows for the Delta's most sublime experiences – poling on a mokoro and motorboat outings. This is complemented by game drives in the area depending on water levels. Xigera also offers some of the best birding opportunities in the Delta, with incredible "specials" often seen, such as Pel's fishing-owl. It is renowned for the highest density of the elusive sitatunga antelope in the Delta.



OKAVANGO I WATER CAMP XIGERA CONCESSION

WILDERNESS SAFARIS CLASSIC CAMP

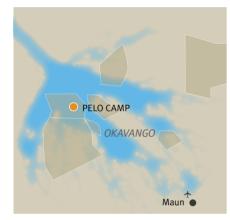




UNIQUE SELLING POINTS

- The best true Delta experience in a remote water wonderland
- Classic Okavango diversity with specials: spotted-necked otter, Pel's fishing-owl, wattled crane, sitatunga
- Xigera Lagoon is where you can get your feet wet or enjoy a swim in the Delta





OKAVANGO | WATER CAMP JAO CONCESSION

WILDERNESS SAFARIS ADVENTURES CAMP

FACILITIES & ACTIVITIES





UNIQUE SELLING POINTS

- Intimate, unpretentious camp of just five tents
- Pure water experience primarily floating through the Okavango channels on mokoro
- Located deep in the core of the Delta

PELO CAMP

The word pelo means 'heart' - a fitting name as, from the air, the island on which Pelo Camp is situated is heart-shaped. It is also found pretty much as deep into the heart of the Okavango Delta as it is possible to be.

This intimate camp has five spacious, en-suite tents with both indoor and outdoor showers and a covered front veranda from which to look out over the water. The main area comprises a tented dining area and lounge situated under impressive wild date palms, jackalberry and Natal mahogany trees. There is also an outdoor boma area, a swimming pool and a raised platform built onto an old anthill.

Given the camp's situation on an exquisite, small island surrounded by permanent water, activities focus on mokoro (traditional dug-out canoe) excursions in the open, shallow floodplains as well as boating and walking.

Note: Pelo is open 1 April to 30 November.





ABU CAMP

Abu Camp provides guests with the extraordinary privilege of interacting with African elephants, of being part of an elephant herd, meeting each individual and beginning to understand what makes the largest land mammal tick. This is possibly the ultimate elephant educational safari.

Set in age-old riverine forest, Abu Camp consists of six en-suite tents designed in a unique style: wide, airy and blending in well with the natural surroundings. Each tent has its own tree-shaded deck with a private plunge-pool overlooking the lagoon, which thrives with bird and animal life. The lounge and dining tent has a breathtaking view over the lagoon and features a well-stocked library and a study. There is also a gym for those feeling energetic. Sundowners around a traditional campfire are followed by five-star meals complemented by award-winning wines. End your evening curling up above the elephants in a one-of-a-kind Star Bed whilst listening to the herd's low snores below.

The elephant encounters include interacting and walking with the herd through the bush, complemented by game drives, night drives, walks (on request) and mokoro trips to view the diversity of game in the area.











OKAVANGO I COMBINATION CAMP ABU CONCESSION

WILDERNESS SAFARIS PREMIER CAMP

FACILITIES & ACTIVITIES



UNIQUE SELLING POINTS

- Ethical, intimate, authentic encounters with a habituated elephant herd
- Arguably the most luxurious camp in the Delta, from accommodation to service
- Unique activities include movie nights under the stars and sleep-outs in the star bed above the elephant boma

BOTSWANA





OKAVANGO I COMBINATION CAMP JAO CONCESSION

WILDERNESS SAFARIS PREMIER CAMP

FACILITIES & ACTIVITIES



UNIQUE SELLING POINTS

- Luxurious, sophisticated camp with individually-designed tents
- In the midst of archetypal Okavango floodplains yet access to Hunda Island in dry season
- The best spa experience in the Delta

JAO CAMP

Jao Camp is located on a remote island in the heart of the Okavango Delta. The camp has nine luxurious tents, each individually handcrafted. The open-plan design of each includes a lounge, dressing area and main bedroom, en-suite facilities with old-style fittings and an outdoor shower. A private sala for afternoon siestas has magnificent views of the nearby channel. The main area is an elaborate two-storey building with lounge and dining area, two plunge pools, a small library, curio shop and a boma for dining under the stars, complemented by an excellent wine cellar. Jao's spa offers a wide range of massage therapies, and a gym.

With habitats that vary from waterways and lagoons to dry Kalahari grasslands, Jao offers both land and water experiences, depending on annual inundation levels. Mokoro, boating and fishing take place seasonally, with day and night game drives usually on offer all year round in one of the most picturesque concessions in the Delta. A romantic Star Bed is a fabulous seasonal option when the water levels are not high.





VUMBURA PLAINS

Vumbura Plains is a luxury camp situated in the northern Okavango Delta, comprising two separate satellite camps, each with its own raised dining, lounge and bar area with a vista across the floodplains. The main area emphasises relaxation, furnished as it is with soft sofas and idiosyncratic objets d'art.

The 14 rooms, raised off the ground, are unique in contemporary design; the dimensions are square, with extensive use of light, wood and space. Each suite has a large, comfortable bedroom, sunken lounge with cushions, sala, en-suite facilities, an outdoor shower, private deck and plunge pool. Two family suites are also on offer with private decks linking the two separate rooms. Vumbura Plains offers both land and water activities, principally game viewing in varied habitats on open vehicles, mekoro and boats, providing an excellent all-round experience. The concession is leased from five villages through the Okavango Community Trust in a partnership that ensures that the benefits of ecotourism are shared with rural stakeholders.







OKAVANGO I COMBINATION CAMP VUMBURA CONCESSION

WILDERNESS SAFARIS PREMIER CAMP

FACILITIES & ACTIVITIES



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UNIQUE SELLING POINTS

- Beautiful, diverse area with a range of herbivore and predator species
- Best antelope diversity in the Delta, particularly sable
- Large, sumptuous camp with contemporary, modern design





OKAVANGO I COMBINATION CAMP JAO CONCESSION

WILDERNESS SAFARIS CLASSIC CAMP

FACILITIES & ACTIVITIES



UNIQUE SELLING POINTS

- Distinctive tree-houses overlooking classic Okavango floodplain
- Access to Hunda Island and floodplains provides a mix of water and land activities
- Prime location for floodplain "specials" like Endangered wattled crane

KWETSANI CAMP

Kwetsani, one of the most remote camps in the Okavango, is situated on an elongated island covered with palm, mangosteen and fig trees. Five beautifully furnished "tree-house" tents, each with en-suite bathroom and outdoor shower, are elevated so as to take in the view.

The main area includes a dining room and lounge area situated under a cool thatched roof, and leads onto an expansive wooden deck that looks out over an enormous floodplain often dotted with plains game. A walkway leads to a plunge pool with loungers – a perfect spot to relax at midday. Guests can watch the animals from the comfort of the pool or the privacy of their rooms.

Kwetsani offers excellent land and water activities dependent on annual inundation levels. Guests can view wildlife by mokoro or experience outstanding game drives. During times of high water levels, Kwetsani boats to Hunda Island for game drives.



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LITTLE VUMBURA

Little Vumbura is situated on a wooded island in the same region as its sister camp, Vumbura Plains. Designed to blend in with its surroundings, Little Vumbura is a beautiful six-roomed tented camp shaded by the canopy of an ancient Okavango forest. Each tent is en-suite, with views of the waving grasses of the floodplain. A plunge pool and reading area overlook the floodplains and a star deck leads off the dining area.

Surrounded as it is by water and lying close to large rivers, water-based activities are a focus with mekoro traversing the floodplains under the guidance of experienced polers, and motor boats the permanent channels. Wildlife viewing and birding is consistently good all year round. Game drives in open Land Rovers explore the savannah areas. Walks (depending on qualified guide availability) around the islands are an opportunity to enjoy Africa from a different perspective.

The Vumbura Concession is leased from five villages through the Okavango Community Trust in a partnership that ensures that the benefits of ecotourism are shared with rural stakeholders.

NOTE: Ballooning offered from mid-April to September.









OKAVANGO I COMBINATION CAMP KWEDI CONCESSION

WILDERNESS SAFARIS CLASSIC CAMP

FACILITIES & ACTIVITIES



UNIQUE SELLING POINTS

- Intimate, small Swiss Family Robinson-like traditional camp with style
- Diverse area with a range of activities to match
- Best place to see sable in the Delta as well as wild dog





OKAVANGO I COMBINATION CAMP ABU CONCESSION

WILDERNESS SAFARIS CLASSIC CAMP

FACILITIES & ACTIVITIES



UNIQUE SELLING POINTS

- The best camp for children in the Okavango Delta
- Diverse activities year round landbased in summer and water-based in winter
- Game viewing is excellent, including seasonal hyaena dens, leopard and chance to see roan

SEBA CAMP

Set in a riverine forest of majestic hardwood trees and overlooking a perennial lagoon with prolific birdlife and visiting pods of hippo, Seba Camp has eight raised, well-appointed and spacious tents, each with en-suite bathroom and private deck, and each celebrating a different tribe of Botswana through vibrant décor. The dining area, lounge-library and pool are all set on raised saligna decks with spectacular views.

Seba Camp is ideal for families, with two suites that can accommodate groups of varying sizes. One has a lounge on its upper deck, while the other has a loft room suitable for older children or adults; each has its own plunge pool. Finally, expert guides who specialise in children's activities means that whatever the age and personal tastes of the children, the kaleidoscopic spectrum of activities on offer is guaranteed to ensure the safari is enjoyed by all – kids and adults.

Activities include day and night game drives all year round, nature walks (depending on qualified guide availability), while during winter, mokoro rides, motorboat excursions and fishing are popular.



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TUBU TREE

Tubu Tree lies on the western side of the isolated Hunda Island. Elevated walkways through the canopy link the traditional style camp with eight secluded tents on raised platforms, taking in the marvellous scenery of the surrounding floodplain. Each tent has a private front deck, ensuite bathroom facilities and an outdoor shower. A family unit consisting of two adjoining tents with separate bathrooms and a shared lounge is available, while boardwalks connect the camp to its neighbour, Little Tubu.

The main dining and lounge areas are raised on platforms with an outdoor bar under the spreading boughs of a marula tree. The pool deck below affords uninterrupted views over the ever-changing plain.

Owing to its locale and easy access to diverse habitats, Tubu Tree ensures excellent game viewing. Activities include day and night game drives in open 4x4 vehicles with access to productive mopane and acacia woodlands. During the winter season (normally May to late September), boating, seasonal fishing and mokoro trips are also offered. A Star Bed located 20 minutes from camp is an ideal way to spend a night.











OKAVANGO I COMBINATION CAMP JAO CONCESSION

WILDERNESS SAFARIS CLASSIC CAMP

FACILITIES & ACTIVITIES





UNIQUE SELLING POINTS

- Classic, traditional Okavango safari camp with views from within the tree canopy
- The best-placed bar in the Delta!
- Excellent leopard densities and viewing

BOTSWANA





OKAVANGO I COMBINATION CAMP JAO CONCESSION

WILDERNESS SAFARIS CLASSIC CAMP

FACILITIES & ACTIVITIES



UNIQUE SELLING POINTS

- Intimate under-canvas camp just three tents
- Range of activities thanks to diverse habitats, from dry land to water
- Leopards are found in good numbers, and plains game concentrations are excellent in winter

LITTLE TUBU

Little Tubu is situated on Hunda Island, next to its sister camp, Tubu Tree and connected to it by boardwalks. Hunda Island, which is the largest dry land environment in this area, hosts a mix of diverse habitats, which ensures a varied and spectacular game viewing experience.

Little Tubu has three traditional-style tents, all with en-suite bathroom facilities, and private decks to maximise the view. The elevated dining, bar and pool decks are shaded by a riverine tree canopy and look out over a seasonal riverbed, which ebbs and flows with the passage of a variety of game.

Activities include day and night game drives in open 4x4 vehicles with access to productive mopane and acacia woodlands. During the winter season (normally May to late September), boating, seasonal fishing and mokoro trips are also offered. Completing your Little Tubu experience is a Star Bed option located 20 minutes from camp.



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KINGS POOL

Named for Scandinavian royalty, this luxurious and stylish camp overlooks the oxbow-shaped Kings Pool Lagoon and Linyanti River system.

Nine well-appointed rooms (including a family room) of canvas and thatch each have a large en-suite bedroom, outdoor shower and lounge. A veranda with private plunge pool and separate thatched sala soak up the views. The lounge and dining areas are set on expansive decks, and there is a pool and an open-air 'kgotla' (boma) for evening dining under the stars.

Activities include day and night game drives, walks (depending on qualified guide availability), and nearby hides, ideal for photographing birds and wildlife. In the dry season, guests can spend their siesta watching game come down to drink at the unique underground hide, where the water is at eye level. Seeing elephant feet and trunks almost within touching distance while safely inside is an experience that transcends that of an ordinary safari.



LINYANTI LINYANTI CONCESSION

WILDERNESS SAFARIS PREMIER CAMP





UNIQUE SELLING POINTS

- Premier, luxurious camp in enormous Linyanti region
- Excellent dry-season game viewing concentrations ... elephant herds, lion, giraffe, leopard and also wild dog
- Other experiences include watching game from the sunken hide









LINYANTI LINYANTI CONCESSION

WILDERNESS SAFARIS CLASSIC CAMP

FACILITIES & ACTIVITIES



UNIQUE SELLING POINTS

- Beautiful eco-friendly camp set in the best game viewing area of Linyanti
- Enormous concentrations of elephant in the dry season; good viewing of leopard and wild dog
- Easy access to Linyanti Swamps, Savute Channel and Linyanti woodlands

DUMATAU CAMP

DumaTau Camp lies on an exquisite site on the banks of the Linyanti River's Osprey Lagoon. It is located close to the source of the Savute Channel in the western part of the Linyanti, between two elephant corridors, thus offering an exclusive combination of land and river experience.

The ten en-suite tented units (eight twin and two family) are raised off the ground to overlook the Lagoon. The architecture and interiors evoke the age of the explorers, and the window-wide netting provides a sense of space with dramatic views of the river. The main areas include a floating fire deck, with expansive dining and lounge areas all sporting the same vista.

Activities allow guests to view game during day and night game drives, on short nature walks (depending on qualified guide availability), and while boating along the serene waters of the Linyanti River (levels permitting). A Star Bed offers an authentic way to take advantage of the crystal clear African skies surrounded by nature.

DumaTau Camp operates completely on solar energy, for hot water, lighting and other energy needs, and is built of FSC-standard timber.





SAVUTI CAMP

Savuti Camp is set deep in the wilderness on the productive Savute Channel – a refuge for a variety of wildlife. For many years the channel was dry, before the waters returned in 2008 and abundant game congregated around and adapted to their new surroundings. As part of a natural cycle, the channel is dry once more, resulting in a rich feeding ground and corridor between the surrounding mopane woodlands for both plains game and predators. Savuti is about 17 kilometres "downstream" from the Zibadianja Lagoon – the source of the Channel.

Accommodation comprises seven large en-suite canvas-and-thatch rooms (including a family unit) that are raised off the ground and face onto the Savute Channel. From the thatched dining area, a pool and large viewing area with fire deck extend outwards on raised wooden decks. Activities on offer are day and night game drives, nature walks with a guide (depending on qualified guide availability) and boating (water levels permitting). Two Star Beds – Southern Cross and Orion – approximately 20 minutes from camp, are a unique way to experience the African bush.



LINYANTI LINYANTI CONCESSION

FACILITIES & ACTIVITIES

WILDERNESS SAFARIS CLASSIC CAMP





- Exclusive access to the natural marvels of the Savute Channel Good game viewing including dry-season concentrations of herds and predators
- Diverse water- and land-based activities







LINYANTI LINYANTI CONCESSION

WILDERNESS SAFARIS ADVENTURES CAMP

FACILITIES & ACTIVITIES



LINYANTI TENTED CAMP

Linyanti Tented Camp is ideal for families and small groups looking to explore the wildlife-rich Linyanti Concession. Unrivalled in its remoteness and sense of space, the camp overlooks the iconic Linyanti Marsh and floodplain. Its four large, airy and en-suite tents are designed to recreate the accommodation style of the early explorers. Relaxation takes place in the main area of the camp, built on a slightly raised deck, the perfect place for a wholesome meal and a crackling fire after a great day's game viewing or just for watching the "traffic" of wildlife to and from the river. Dinner also takes place in the boma.

The Linyanti concession is a magnet for big game and birdlife due to the wide range of habitats, which includes the river, floodplains, open dry-land savannah and woodland. Activities include game drives and full-day excursions with lunch at a remote scenic setting in the private northern sector of the concession.

Note: Linyanti Tented Camp is open 1 May to 30 November annually. The camp can only be booked on a sole-use basis and for a minimum of two nights.



- A private experience for families and small groups
- A hugely diverse area that is an important elephant corridor
- Predators include lion, wild dog leopard and hyaena



KALAHARI PLAINS

Situated on an immense pan, Kalahari Plains Camp lies in a remote part of the Central Kalahari Game Reserve, a place famed for its outstanding wildlife with vast herds of antelope followed by abundant predators – including the legendary black-maned Kalahari lions and lively honey badgers. This region also offers some of the best summer wildlife viewing in Africa.

Kalahari Plains comprises eight en-suite canvas units (including one family unit) each with a sleep-out area from which to enjoy the night skies. The lounge and dining area has a separate swimming pool and deck. The camp is raised off the ground to catch the breeze and take in the sweeping, spacious views across the Kalahari. Solar power provides electricity and hot water, and the innovative insulated canvas walls and roof keep the temperatures inside comfortable.

Guided game drives unlock the wildlife treasures found here, and authentic San Bushman experiences provide insights into the unique culture of this people, their skills and way of life.



CENTRAL KALAHARI GAME RESERVE

WILDERNESS SAFARIS CLASSIC CAMP

FACILITIES & ACTIVITIES



- Good access to the vastness of the Central Kalahari
- Summer brings plains game concentrations, followed by predators – lion, brown hyaena and best cheetah viewing in Africa
- Experience traditional San Bushman culture in an authentic manner



KENYA

Kenya is acclaimed as one of Africa's premier safari destinations. Holding approximately 45 million people and over 40 tribes, Kenya spans the equator and is bordered by Tanzania, Uganda, Sudan, Ethiopia and Somalia. Its 550 km (341 mi) coastline to the east is lapped by the warm Indian Ocean, with its highest point being Mount Kenya (5 199 metres / 17 000 ft.).

One of Kenya's most spectacular geological features is the Great Rift Valley which passes through the country – an approximately 6 000 km (3 700 mi) fracture in the crust of the earth, running in a series of valleys from Syria to Mozambique.

Kenya's biodiversity is fascinating. Endless savannah plains and scorched deserts are interrupted by snow-capped mountains, cool highlands and equatorial forests. The scenic coastline possesses the atmosphere of a paradise island and is sprinkled with colourful coral reefs.

Annually, the country plays host to the remarkable phenomenon of the wildebeest migration, the largest single movement of herd animals on the planet. The open savannah grasslands also teem with plains game and roaming predators year round. These diverse habitats offer endless opportunities for adventures, new discoveries and relaxation.



ABOUT KENYA



COUNTRY SIZE: 586 600 sq. km / 224 445 sq. mi (almost the size of Texas; slightly larger than France) POPULATION: 45.9 million (2015) CURRENCY: Kenyan Shilling (KES) OFFICIAL LANGUAGE/S: English, Swahili ETHNIC GROUPS: Kikuyu, Luhya, Luo, Kalenjin, Kamba, Kisii, Meru CAPITAL: Nairobi

LAIKIPIA

Laikipia, located in the central highlands of Kenya, is considered the bountiful and fertile breadbasket of the Kenyan people. Four rivers, one of which is perennial, flow through the area making for an even more compelling habitat for animals and people alike. In these river valleys are to be found the sacred, preeminent fields of a nation still tied to agriculture, but which simultaneously strives to live in harmony with its wildlife.

The gateway to Kenya's northern frontier country, wild and scarcely populated, much of Laikipia is covered by large privately-owned ranches where the cattle share the land with free-ranging wildlife. In recent years this wildlife has become a valuable asset, with many ranches establishing guest lodges, resulting in a hugely positive impact on the land, its wildlife and conservation. Importantly, community ranches have also been formed. Conserving more than just wildlife, these ranches are also a way of life and have bolstered a sense of local identity and strengthened community ties.

SEGERA

Segera is a tangible example of successful multiple landuse efforts. With the support of the Zeitz Foundation, it is at the forefront of change in Kenya, with its vision to achieve a healthy, holistic balance of conservation, community, culture and commerce, leading to the creation of a sustainable Global Ecosphere Retreat that contributes to the vision of an ecosphere in the healthiest possible state.





KENYA SEASONS

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GREEN SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- The rains bring clear air, lush surrounds and great photographic opportunities
- Views of Mount Kenya are good with less haze than the dry season
- Herds of grazers like plains zebra, gazelles and their predators move onto Segera's lush plains

DRY SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Game concentrates around the remaining water sources including the Ewaso Nyiro River and Segera's various waterholes
- Good sightings of predators and other wildlife



LAIKIPIA PLATEAU

The Laikipia Plateau falls over the central part of the Laikipia District and lies below the Aberdare and Mount Kenya National Parks at the headwaters of the Ewaso Nyiro Ecosystem. The diversity of altitudes, habitats and rainfall means that this is one of the prime game viewing areas of Kenya with a very diverse assemblage of large mammals, one of the few populations in the country that is actually increasing.

It is comprised primarily of privately-owned ranches, many of which have been devoted to wildlife, or at the very least are wildlife-friendly, combining large-scale cattle ranching with free-roaming wildlife. Some of these conservancies have been fenced to allow for the creation of rhino sanctuaries, while others are unfenced and allow free movement of species like elephant and zebra across the entire ecosystem in migratory movements. The privately-owned nature of the ranches and conservancies on the Plateau means that the lodges of the area can offer private and exclusive traversing, night drives and a diverse array of activities.

OL PEJETA

Ewaso

Segera Retreat

RIFT VALLEY WALL

NAKURU

LAKE NAKURU NATIONAL PARK

SEGERA

20 ooo hectares (49 ooo acres); occupies an absolutely prime location right in the centre of the Laikipia Plateau. Vegetation is dry savannah, comprising high-altitude acacia grassland and open woodland; yellow fever trees are found on riverbanks and in wetlands, with large fig trees in the rocky areas. Key mammal species: elephant, lion, leopard, wild dog, buffalo, eland, reticulated giraffe, Grevy's zebra, beisa oryx, Lelwel's hartebeest, defassa waterbuck. Key bird species: ostrich, martial eagle, yellow-necked spurfowl, scarlet-chested sunbird, rosy-patched bush-shrike.

LAIKIPIA PLATEAU

Segera is pivotal to the continued east-west migration of elephants across the Plateau and the free movement of plains zebra, wild dog and lion across appropriate home ranges. Its visionary commitment to conservation and communities means that east and west Laikipia are more cohesively connected. It is this catalytic role that the ranch seeks to play not just in wildlife conservation, but also in community engagement and unity.

> ABERDARES NATIONAL PARK

> > NYERI

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Ewaso Nyiro River

SAMBURU NATIONAL RESERVE SHABA NATIONAL RESERVE

NORTHERN PARKS

Located downstream from the Laikipia Plateau along the Ewaso Nyiro River, the northern arid reserves of Samburu, Buffalo Springs and Shaba are a natural complement to Laikipia and other areas of Kenya. Well known for specialised Somali-Maasai biome species like gerenuk, Grevy's zebra, beisa oryx, reticulated giraffe, and Somali ostrich.

OL JOGI

BORANA

NANYUKI

MOUNT KENYA NATIONAL PARK

MOUNT KENYA FOREST RESERVE

KEY Wilderness Safaris – Premier Camp Town/City





LAIKIPIA SEGERA RETREAT

WILDERNESS SAFARIS PREMIER CAMP

FACILITIES & ACTIVITIES



UNIQUE SELLING POINTS

- Unique camp: design, art, service, 4Cs activities menu
- A relaxing contrast to the migration experience, with a range of activities
- Conservation corridor between western and eastern Laikipia, enabling free movements by elephant, Grevy's zebra, wild dog

SEGERA RETREAT

On the Laikipia Plateau, far from the madding crowds, six large luxurious villas rise above a profusion of botanical life and from their raised wooden platforms gaze out onto the surrounding savannah, swingbeds below providing the perfect shaded midday relaxation. Each villa includes in its décor original, individually selected paintings and other art from amongst Africa's most inspiring artists. Finally, the sumptuous Segera House and perfectly-positioned Villa Segera boast similarly spectacular views and even greater privacy and luxury.

Overlooking snow-capped Mount Kenya, beautifully renovated stables form the core of the main area, filled with selected art of locally and internationally acclaimed African artists. Guests also have the rare opportunity to view the private collection of Segera's owner, including a number of striking sculptures that dot the botanical garden.

Activities, all facilitated through an Experience Host and Guide, are flexible and can be tailor-made to one's requirements and preferences. Guests are further spoilt for choice with a spa, gym and central pool. Meals and private dining are served al fresco or in the various reception rooms, the cuisine comprising Segera's own free-range beef and organic vegetables.







NAMIBIA

Namibia is a country of astonishing contrasts aptly named after the Namib – the oldest desert on the planet, and a sea of red sand along the Atlantic coastline. Namibia is celebrated for its vast open landscapes, infinite supply of blue skies, sun-drenched weather and star-filled nights. Over the years, there have been a number of cultural influences that have all added to the unique atmosphere of Namibia. At various times Germany, Great Britain and South Africa have all governed the territory, but it was with the eventual independence of Namibia in 1990 that the country was able to develop its multicultural character and reinvent itself. There is a distinctive Namibian character that freely blends African styles with European influences on architecture, food, customs and art.

All this is in interesting juxtaposition with the expansive landscapes that surround the cities. The many national parks and game reserves boast a huge variety of wildlife in a kaleidoscope of differing environments: the white saltpans of Etosha National Park; the red dunes at Sossusvlei; lonely beaches along the Skeleton Coast and the uninhabited wilderness of the Kunene Region. Astonishing contrasts are everywhere for the visitor to savour, enjoy and photograph.



ABOUT NAMIBIA



COUNTRY SIZE: 824 292 sq. km / 318 696 sq. mi (more than twice the size of California or Germany) POPULATION: 2.2 million (2015) CURRENCY: Namibian Dollar (NAD) OFFICIAL LANGUAGE/S: English. Recognised regional languages: Afrikaans (lingua franca), German, Rukwangali, Silozi, Setswana, Damara/Nama, Herero, Oshiwambo ETHNIC GROUPS: Nama, Damara, Himba, Owambo, Herero, Riemvasmaker, Kavango, San Bushman, Afrikaner, Hai/Om, Caprivian

CAPITAL: Windhoek

SOSSUSVLEI

Sossusvlei, located in the red dunes of the Namib Desert, is formed where the natural course of the ephemeral Tsauchab River is blocked by a mass of sand. This mass of sand stretches for 400 km south of Walvis Bay, sandwiched between the cold Benguela Current of the west coast and the escarpment that runs parallel more than 100 km inland. The path of the Tsauchab is flanked by some of the tallest sand dunes in the world and then ends in a series of pans or vleis that dot the end of this blind river. Sossusvlei is one such pan, Dead Vlei another.

DAMARALAND

Damaraland is characterised by flat-topped mountains, wind-sculpted sandstone cliffs, broad valleys and dry riverbeds that carve their way through deep gorges and ancient geological features indicating a wetter past. Today, the rivers – mainly the Huab, Ugab, Uniab and Koigab – flow only sporadically; their riverbeds are ribbon-like oases that push through the most desolate of terrains, the underground water and tree-lined courses allowing even large species like arid-adapted elephant and giraffe to roam the seemingly inhospitable desert and semi-desert. Away from the river lines are vast open plains that in good rainfall years are covered by annual grasses, attracting herds of specialist arid antelope such as gemsbok and springbok. The seemingly barren surrounds, the very low human population density, and the inspirational attitude of rural communities to 'their' wild animals make Damaraland a critically important area for Namibia's wildlife.

SKELETON COAST / KAOKOVELD

The Kaokoveld is one of the harshest environments on the planet, with endless vistas across stark plains, ancient valleys, rugged peaks, ending at the desolate shores of the Skeleton Coast. The ephemeral rivers that bisect the north-west form linear oases as they meander their way west towards the sea – the permanent Kunene being a remarkable exception. The vegetation that fringes their courses provides sustenance to a diverse array of superbly adapted desert wildlife like black rhino, elephant, springbok, gemsbok, giraffe and Hartmann's mountain zebra. The most reliable source of water here is the fog created when the icy Atlantic waters meet the warm air of the coast. Meanwhile, the bleak coast of the Atlantic Ocean, strewn with whalebones and the eroding remains of longago shipwrecks, ironically, is filled with life – huge numbers of Cape fur seals, seabirds and predators.







NAMIBIA SEASONS

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GREEN SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Summer allows the possibility of a "green desert" with a profusion of colour and life in the form of young antelope, grass and even flowers
- Excellent photographic opportunities... great light, colour and subject matter
- Summer bird migrants present in breeding plumage
- TRANSITION SEASON HIGHLIGHTS
- Moderate climate with a mix of the green and dry seasons including the dynamics of a change in season

DRY SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- In the north-west wildlife is concentrated in the ephemeral river valleys where the remaining vegetation is found
- Diminished water availability results in high game concentrations and density in the arid savannah areas
- Cooler and drier time of the year with daytime temperatures rising towards October

KHUMIB RIVER

SKELETON COAST NATIONAL PARK

MARIENFLUSS CONSERVANCY

303 400 hectares (999 000 acres); on the Kunene River at the northern reaches of the Hartmann's and Marienfluss valleys. One of the most remote areas in Namibia with dune fields, grassy valleys in good rainfall years and a narrow strip of riverine vegetation and palm trees along the river. Key animal species: gemsbok, springbok, brown hyaena, Cape fox, Nile crocodile, Namaqua chameleon. Key bird species: Burchell's courser, pririt batis, Benguela long-billed lark, goliath heron.

HOANIB CONCESSION

Located within the Palmwag Concession, but extending through the Skeleton Coast National Park to Möwe Bay. It is dominated by the ephemeral tree-lined Hoanib River which snakes westwards through rugged terrain in the east onto a broad floodplain that is halted in its journey to the sea by a large dune field. Subterranean water is forced to the surface in two places, forming true desert oases. Key mammal species: desert-adapted elephant, giraffe, gemsbok, springbok, lion, cheetah, brown hyaena, Cape fur seal. Key bird species: greater kestrel, Burchell's courser, Gray's lark.

ATLANTIC OCEAN

Möwe Bax seal colony

HOARUSEB RIVER

KAOKOVELD

OTJINJANGE RIVER

Hoanib Skeleton Coast

PALMWAG CONCESSION

450 000 hectares (1.2 million acres); rolling, rocky hills, flat-topped mountains with scattered euphorbia; stark plains with ancient welwitschia plants and flowing grasses in years of good rainfall; broad valleys centred on the Uniab River. Isolated springs along river lines are marked by clumps of vegetation. Key mammal species: desert-adapted black rhino, Hartmann's mountain zebra, giraffe, gemsbok, springbok, lion, cheetah, leopard, brown and spotted hyaena. Key bird species: bokmakierie, Benguela long-billed lark, Verreauxs' eagle, Rüppell's korhaan. DAMARALAND

Doro Nawas

Desért Rhino 🧲

Damaraland

NAMIBIA OUR CONCESSIONS (NORTH WEST)

COMMUNITY AND CONSERVATION EFFORTS

Community conservancies have been one of the most important initiatives in Namibian conservation, becoming synonymous with conservation and community empowerment in the country. Wilderness Safaris has partnered with such communities, all of which have seen substantial increases in game numbers and diversity, a result of a commercial value being given to wildlife such as elephant and even predators that otherwise are perceived as problem animals. This has paved the way for the opportunity of rural communities to benefit from the wildlife that roams their land in a sustainable way. Wilderness Safaris has encouraged and supported scientific surveys of community attitudes to animals such as elephant, lion and black rhino to evaluate the success of this process.

ETOSHA NATIONAL PARK

TORRA CONSERVANCY

352 200 hectares (879 400 acres); rugged landscape comprising remote, rocky valleys and flat hilltops; centred on the Huab and Koigab rivers and associated plains and springs; interesting flora include euphorbias, pachypodiums and shepherd's trees. Key mammal species: desert-adapted elephant, giraffe, gemsbok, springbok, cheetah, black rhino. Key bird species: Herero chat, white-tailed shrike, Benguela long-billed lark.

DORO !NAWAS CONSERVANCY

407 300 hectares (1 million acres); bounded in the south by the Ugab River and in the north by the Huab River; plains and outlandish rock formations envelop Twyfelfontein World Heritage Site and straddle the Aba-Huab River. Key mammal species: desert-adapted elephant, gemsbok, springbok, occasional black rhino, cheetah. Key bird species: Monteiro's hornbill and Rüpell's korhaan.

KEY

Wilderness Safaris – Classic Camp

Wilderness Safaris – Adventures Camp

Point of Interest

🚳 Rock Art

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NAMIBIA our concessions (sossusvlei)

SOSSUSVLEI

Sossusvlei itself is a large clay vlei (pan) situated towards the end of the course of the ephemeral Tsauchab River; however, the name has come to signify the entire area of vleis and their surrounding dunes, which in turn is part of the enormous sea of sand that stretches for 400 km south of Walvis Bay. Rainfall here measures only a paltry 50-100 mm annually. Despite the lack of vegetation and low rainfall, the Sand Sea is not without life and a surprisingly diverse array of insects, reptiles and rodents can be found – survival enabled by the detritus that collects in these depressions and by the coastal fog that blankets the area and penetrates far inland. Some of the world's tallest dunes are found here, their sheer scale and grandeur combining with the austere minimalist plant life. The average height of the dunes is around 220 metres (720 ft.), with a few reaching 300 metres (980 ft.) or more. Many have been named: Big Daddy is one of the tallest in the world at 380 metres (1 246 ft.); Dune 45 is one of the most popular, given its easy accessibility from the road.





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KEY

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	Ephemeral Rivers

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NAMIBIA

––– National Park Boundary

NAMIB-NAUKLUFT NATIONAL PARK

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4.9 million hectares (13.3 million acres); a vast area of pristine wilderness encompassing a large portion of the Namib Desert as well as the Naukluft Mountains. The most well-known area is Sossusvlei, an area characterised by its enormous sand dunes and moonlike dry pans and vleis.

Roads



KULALA WILDERNESS RESERVE

27 ooo hectares (67 ooo acres); a private reserve immediately adjacent to the towering dunes of Sossusvlei and bordering the Namib-Naukluft National Park. Habitats include the acacia-lined Tsauchab River, vast grassy plains and rugged mountains. Key mammal species: ostrich, springbok, gemsbok, bat-eared fox, Cape fox, brown hyaena, black-backed jackal. Key bird species: dune lark, Burchell's courser, Ludwig's bustard, Stark's lark.

Zebra Gorge 🖌

Sunset View

Zebra Plains

Rock Art 🙍



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Groot Vlak

🖌 🔵 Kulala Desert Lodge

Private Gate

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Road to Public Gate



Little Kulala

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Cheetah Corridor

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Balloon Safaris

KULALA WILDERNESS RESERVE

Springbokvlakte

Devil's Window 💏





SOSSUSVLEI KULALA WILDERNESS RESERVE

WILDERNESS SAFARIS CLASSIC CAMP

FACILITIES & ACTIVITIES



UNIQUE SELLING POINTS

- Closest luxury camp to the iconic Sossusvlei dunes and vleis
- Private and exclusive access to 27 000 hectares of wildlife and desert scenery
- Hot air ballooning over the vast Sand Sea

LITTLE KULALA

This desert retreat is situated on the dry Auab riverbed in the Kulala Wilderness Reserve. The 11 climate-controlled, thatched "kulalas" merge seamlessly into the timeless desert landscape, with exquisite fittings and fixtures, and each with a private plunge pool. The extensive use of neutral colours, gorgeous textures and natural light reproduce the soothing pastel tones of the desert. Each villa has a rooftop Star Bed for romantic star gazing, with both indoor and outdoor showers. An elegant entertainment area includes al fresco fine dining as a highlight.

Varied activities aim at acquainting guests with the splendour, solitude and stark beauty of the Namib Desert, with excursions to Sossusvlei (via our own private gate exclusive to Wilderness Safaris vehicles), and nature drives and walks providing awe-inspiring views of desert-adapted wildlife and plants. A balloon safari (at extra cost) offers a unique experience soaring silently above the desert, while eco-sensitive quad biking explores this beautiful area on the ground.

NOTE: Ballooning closed from mid-January to mid-February.





KULALA DESERT LODGE

Situated at the foot of the majestic Sossusvlei dunes, a private entrance (for Wilderness Safaris vehicles exclusively) to Namib Naukluft Park makes Kulala Desert Lodge the closest location to Sossusvlei, while magnificent views of its famous red dunes, mountainous scenery and vast open plains make it the most spectacular.

The camp comprises 23 thatched and canvas "kulalas" (including three family units) with ensuite bathrooms and verandas. Each unit is built on a wooden platform to catch the cooling breezes and a flat rooftop where bedrolls can be placed for guests to sleep under the stars. The main area, with northern African-inspired décor, has a lounge, dining area, pool, and wraparound veranda overlooking a waterhole.

Activities impress guests with the overwhelming magnitude, solitude and tranquillity of the desert and include private tours to Sossusvlei, scenic nature walks and drives to view the desert's fascinating flora and fauna. At extra cost, it is also possible to experience the area on a hot air balloon safari.

NOTE: Ballooning closed from mid-January to mid-February.











SOSSUSVLEI KULALA WILDERNESS RESERVE

WILDERNESS SAFARIS ADVENTURES CAMP

FACILITIES & ACTIVITIES



- Closest camp and private gate access to the national park and Sossusvlei dunes
- Suited to self-drives, families and larger groups
- Varied activities in Kulala Wilderness Reserve: hot air ballooning, scenic nature drives





DAMARALAND TORRA CONSERVANCY

WILDERNESS SAFARIS CLASSIC CAMP

FACILITIES & ACTIVITIES



UNIQUE SELLING POINTS

- Authentic and enriching community visits to meet members of the local village
- Superbly adapted wildlife in stunning surrounds: elephant and giraffe amongst fascinating geological formations
- First genuine, successful community joint venture in Namibia

DAMARALAND CAMP

Damaraland Camp is situated in the Huab River Valley in one of the best wilderness areas in Namibia, offering endless vistas across stark plains, ancient valleys and a stunning ochrepurple mountain backdrop. Ten large en-suite, adobe-style thatched units (including a family unit) are raised off the ground, each with a walk-in dressing area and a large deck on which to sit and contemplate the desert. The spacious living area comprises a dining area, and swimming pool. New technology combined with ancient knowledge has produced an eco-friendly yet highperformance design in this unique camp. An open campfire and outdoor boma are enjoyed during calm evenings and stargazing is superb, thanks to the crystal-clear night skies.

Activities include nature drives and walks during which guests can see species such as desertadapted elephant, gemsbok, kudu and springbok, as well as rare succulent plants. Further afield, ancient rock art and geological wonders dot the area.

Damaraland Camp is the result of an award-winning partnership between Wilderness Safaris and the Torra Conservancy; visits to the local farmstead allow guests to see this relationship in action.





DESERT RHINO

Desert Rhino Camp offers an original and exclusive wilderness experience and the possibility of seeing some of the largest free-ranging population of desert-adapted black rhino in Africa. The camp, set in a wide valley sometimes flush with grass, has eight comfortable Meru-style tents with en-suite bathrooms. A tented dining and living area and plunge pool offers uninterrupted views of the desert and mountains, while extraordinary welwitschia plants dot the plain in front of camp.

Activities include rhino tracking on foot and by vehicle with Save the Rhino Trust trackers (an NGO responsible for the conservation of the black rhino in the area), full-day outings with a picnic lunch, birding and nature drives. Other species seen in the area include Hartmann's mountain zebra, giraffe, elephant and lion. Desert Rhino Camp is run in conjunction with Save the Rhino Trust so in addition to gaining amazing insight into the ecology and conservation of this area, a portion of guest revenue goes to the Trust and its conservation operations.



SKELETON COAST / KAOKOVELD PALMWAG CONCESSION (SOUTH)

WILDERNESS SAFARIS CLASSIC CAMP





UNIQUE SELLING POINTS

- Best location for tracking and viewing unique desert-adapted black rhino
- Genuine conservation partnership with NGO, Save the Rhino Trust
- Stark, beautiful and remote, with high concentrations of desert-adapted wildlife and special plants like welwitschia



NAMIBIA





DAMARALAND DORO !NAWAS CONSERVANCY

WILDERNESS SAFARIS ADVENTURES CAMP

FACILITIES & ACTIVITIES



UNIQUE SELLING POINTS

- Wonderful 360-degree views over starkly scenic Damaraland
- Africa's largest collection of prehistoric rock art at Twyfelfontein, and other fascinating rock formations
- Desert-adapted elephant herds traverse the riverbed seasonally

DORO NAWAS

Doro Nawas rests on the slopes of a small hill on the edge of the dry Aba-Huab River overlooking ancient plains with glorious views of the rugged Damaraland area. Guests are housed in 16 natural walled units (including a family room), the design and décor blending in with the surrounding scenery. Each unit consists of a bedroom, en-suite bathroom, outdoor shower, and veranda for stargazing or sleep-outs under the skies. There are indoor and outdoor dining areas, a residential pool area and a small curio shop.

The camp provides an excellent base for exploring the local area in game drive vehicles and on foot, combining a luxury safari experience with economic empowerment for the local community. Guests can view petroglyphs – prehistoric rock engravings – and San rock art at Twyfelfontein, Namibia's first World Heritage Site. The combination of Africa's past and present makes Doro Nawas a fascinating visit.

Doro Nawas Camp is a joint venture between Wilderness, the Doro !Nawas community and a Namibian empowerment company.





HOANIB SKELETON COAST

In a remote area of the Kaokoveld, in a land of bare mountains, gravel-strewn plains and dry riverbeds that draw fascinating wildlife, lies Hoanib Skeleton Coast Camp. Both the eight large en-suite tents (including one family unit) with shaded outdoor lounges and the main area and swimming pool look out over rugged scenery: a wide valley that slopes down to the almost-always dry Hoanib River.

Explorations of this isolated yet diverse area take place via game drives along the riverbed's narrow ribbon of vegetation, where a surprising wealth of desert-adapted wildlife can be found: elephant, giraffe, gemsbok and springbok, with glimpses of lion and brown hyaena. The Skeleton Coast with its desolate rocky coastline, noisy colonies of Cape fur seals and remains of shipwrecks is accessed either by a fascinating drive or scenic flight, depending on the weather.

The camp is fully solar powered and a joint venture with the neighbouring Conservancies of Anabeb, Torra and Sesfontein.





SKELETON COAST / KAOKOVELD PALMWAG CONCESSION (NORTH)

WILDERNESS SAFARIS CLASSIC CAMP

FACILITIES & ACTIVITIES



- Dry riverbed yields good desertadapted game, from elephant to occasional lion and brown hyaena
- Access to Skeleton Coast with its huge Cape fur seal colony and shipwreck remains
- Guests can meet researchers when they are at the Research Centre





SKELETON COAST / KAOKOVELD MARIENFLUSS CONSERVANCY

WILDERNESS SAFARIS CLASSIC CAMP

FACILITIES & ACTIVITIES



UNIQUE SELLING POINTS

- A luxurious desert retreat that is also the most remote camp in Namibia
- Guests can interact with Himba as they go about their daily lives
- Vast Hartmann's Valley and spectacular geological formations contrast with riverine vegetation and enormous crocodiles of the Kunene River

SERRA CAFEMA

Set amongst shady trees on the banks of the Kunene River, Serra Cafema is one of the most remote camps in southern Africa, its Portuguese name originating from the mountains that dominate the northern skyline. Guests fall asleep to the sound of rushing water, while by day they explore one of the driest deserts in the world.

The camp's eight unique canvas and thatched chalets, each with its own en-suite bathroom, show great attention to detail; the elevated decks and simple structures of wood, canvas and thatch create a camp that is at one with its surroundings. The dining room and pool look out over the Kunene River.

Activities here are varied, including boating (water levels permitting), walking, viewing breathtaking landscapes, as well as carefully guided quad-bike excursions that tread lightly on the dunes. In this isolated region, the Himba people continue their nomadic, traditional way of life and when in the area, guests have the opportunity to meet them and learn about their lifestyle and traditions.





RWANDA

Rwanda, a tiny landlocked country in central Africa, is characterised by undulating hilly and mountainous terrain, with rainforest on the western heights and heavily cultivated fields in the valleys below. From the central parts, the land slopes away to the savannahs and marshes of the east. The legendary Virunga Mountains in the north-east are home to volcanoes, swathes of rainforest and half the world's total population of endangered mountain gorillas. Nearby lies Lake Kivu, one of the world's deepest lakes.

Lying in the centre of the Albertine Rift in the western section of Africa's Rift Valley means the country supports amazing diversity and endemism, from scenery and habitats to fauna and flora – conserved by several national parks – including Volcanoes National Park, Akagera National Park, and Nyungwe National Park. Aside from over a thousand plant species, 670 bird species and myriad reptiles and amphibians, Rwanda boasts some 151 mammal species, amongst which are 15 primates.

Considered the most densely populated country in Africa with a predominantly rural population, Rwanda is known for its traumatic history in the form of the 1994 genocide, as well as for its courageous recovery to become a stable, well-run and united country with a truly inspiring story.

The heavy population pressure on natural resources in this densely populated yet beautiful country means that ecotourism plays a critical role in the conservation of the remaining islands of central African rainforest biodiversity.



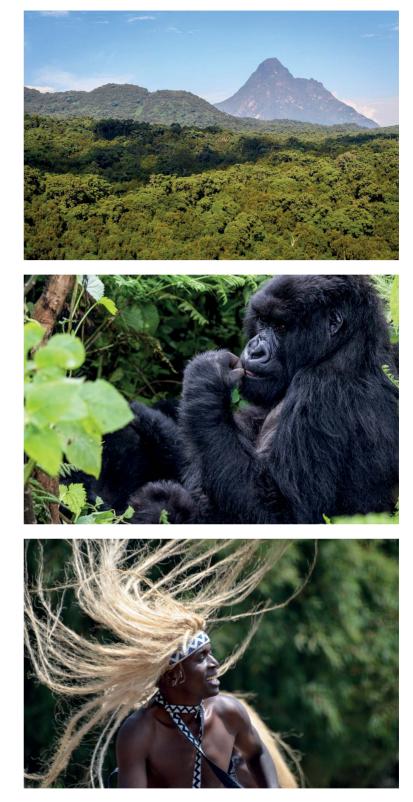
ABOUT RWANDA

COUNTRY SIZE: 26 338 sq. km / 10 169 sq. mi (slightly larger than Vermont; the size of Macedonia) POPULATION: 12.6 million (2015) CURRENCY: Rwandan Franc (RWF) OFFICIAL LANGUAGE/S: Kinyarwanda, English, French CAPITAL: Kigali

VOLCANOES NATIONAL PARK (PARC NATIONAL DES VOLCANS)

Volcanoes National Park is part of the Virunga Massif that straddles three countries - Rwanda, Democratic Republic of Congo and Uganda - and home to six towering, extinct volcanoes that penetrate the clouds (Karisimbi, Bisoke, Muhabura, Gahinga and Sabyinyo). Its lower slopes are covered in bamboo forest, with a rich, otherworldly woodland of hagenia and hypericum trees, festooned with lichens and old man's beard on the midslopes. Above this is the alpine zone with its bizarre lobelia and senecio plants and seasonal snow on the top of Mount Karisimbi. Together with Uganda's Mgahinga National Park (3 800 hectares / 9 390 acres), and the Democratic Republic of Congo's Virunga National Park (Mikeno Sector, 25 000 hectares / 61 000 acres), Volcanoes National Park (16 000 hectares / 40 000 acres) makes up a 44 800-hectare (110 000acre) conservation area that is a World Heritage Site and home to some 480 mountain gorillas.

The park was gazetted in 1925 in order to help protect these rare apes and is Africa's oldest national park. Dian Fossey made what was then known as the Parc National des Volcans her base in the 1970s and 1980s and her research changed the way this great ape species was viewed and protected. Volcanoes National Park is thus considered the best place in East Africa to track gorillas, thanks to its easy access to ten habituated gorilla groups. Aside from this great ape, other mammals that call the park home include golden monkey, black-fronted duiker, buffalo, elephant, tree hyrax and bushbuck. Some 178 bird species are found here too, including at least 13 endemic to the Virunga area such as the Rwenzori turaco, Rwenzori batis, Archer's robin-chat, redfaced woodland-warbler and Rwenzori apalis.



RWANDA SEASONS

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GREEN SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Two rainy seasons: March-May and October-November
- Regular rainfall leaves the air clear and thus provides better photographic opportunities
- Quieter time of year to travel and thus easier to obtain gorilla permits at short notice
- The entire country is lush and green

DRY SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Two dry seasons: June-September and December-February
- While some rain still falls, this is a drier time of year with less muddy and dense conditions in the forests
- Fruiting trees in Gishwati and Nyungwe can make for great primate viewing
- This is arguably the peak time to visit the savannahs of Akagera for game viewing

DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO



THE GORILLAS OF AFRICA

There are two species of gorilla found in Africa: the western gorilla Gorilla gorilla and the eastern gorilla Gorilla beringei. The eastern gorilla consists of two subspecies, the well-known mountain gorilla G. b. beringei of Uganda and Rwanda, and the eastern lowland gorilla G. b. graueri of the eastern parts of the Democratic Republic of Congo. Both of these subspecies are considered Endangered by the IUCN. The western gorilla also consists of two subspecies, the western lowland gorilla G. g. gorilla principally of Congo (Brazzaville) and Gabon, and the little known Cross River gorilla G. g. diehli of the border region between Cameroon and Nigeria. The mountain gorilla is the best known of all the subspecies as a result of the work of Dian Fossey and others, but just 880 animals remain, isolated in the remaining natural islands of the Virunga Massif and Uganda's Bwindi Forest. Here they exist in family groups overseen by massive silverbacks, roaming their home ranges in search of favoured vegetation.





GORILLA VIEWING PROTOCOL

Ten habituated groups can be tracked and observed in the Volcanoes National Park. While tracking expeditions do not necessarily cover enormous distances, they can range in length from 1-8 km (0.5-5 miles) over very steep country at high altitudes. The undergrowth can be thick, the ground beneath muddy, and, including the time spent with a gorilla group, excursions can last between 2 and 8 hours.

Gorilla viewing protocol is based on the guidelines issued by the IUCN for great ape viewing. Such protocols are designed specifically to limit stress and behavioural impact and also potential disease transmission from humans to gorillas. They are critical for gorilla conservation.

- Maximum viewing duration of any group is 1 hour per day.
- Maximum number of guests per gorilla tracking excursion is 8.
- No food or drinks can be consumed close to the gorillas.
- Smoking is not allowed.
- Do not litter.
- Spitting in the Park is strictly prohibited.
- While gorilla sightings and encounters are very reliable, viewing is dependent on variables such as weather and tracking conditions.
- When with the gorillas, please keep your voice low. Do not make rapid movements that may alarm them.
- Should you need to cough or sneeze, cover your mouth and turn away from the gorillas.
- If a gorilla should charge or vocalise at you, do not be alarmed, stand still, look away from the gorilla and follow your guide's instructions.
- Minimum age for gorilla viewing is 15 years this is for reasons of safety but also for possible disease transmission, with children under this age more prone to infection.
- Again, to minimise possible transmission of human diseases, visitors are asked to maintain a distance of 7 metres (about 22 feet) from the gorillas. Guests that display cold, flu or other respiratory tract symptoms will not be allowed to track gorillas.

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VOLCANOES NATIONAL PARK

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VOLCANOES NATIONAL PARK

WILDERNESS SAFARIS PREMIER CAMP

FACILITIES & ACTIVITIES



BISATE LODGE

Bisate Lodge (opening June 2017) is located in the natural amphitheatre of an eroded volcanic cone – the word *bisate* means 'pieces' in Kinyarwanda, describing how the cone was once whole but worn away by natural erosion. The area has dramatic views of the peaks of the volcanoes Bisoke and Karisimbi rearing up through the Afro-alpine forests of nearby Volcanoes National Park. Twelve guests will stay in sumptuous en-suite rooms that maximise comfort and views while retaining environmental principles and reflecting the culture of surrounding rural Rwanda.

Bisate is within easy driving distance of Park Headquarters, from where gorilla treks depart daily. Its vision of reforestation and rehabilitation mean that each guest will contribute to biodiversity conservation and local community engagement – making a far-reaching positive impact on an iconic endangered species: the mountain gorilla.

Aside from tracking one of the several habituated gorilla groups, activities can include visiting attractions such as Iby'wacu cultural village, the Twin Lakes of Buhondo and Burera, the lava tunnels of the Musanze Caves, Dian Fossey's grave, and even seeing the endemic golden monkey. Walks on the extensive property offer birding and participation in the reforestation programme.





- Best location for gorilla tracking in Rwanda
- The most innovative, responsible, visionary and luxurious lodge adjacent to Volcanoes National Park
- Luxurious accommodation and service combines with most exclusive and only genuinely nature-orientated lodge in the area



SEYCHELLES

The Republic of Seychelles is a cluster of 115 islands across 950 000 sq. km (366 000 sq. mi) of Indian Ocean off Africa's east coast. Lying just south of the equator and beyond the cyclone belt, surrounded by warm waters, Seychelles epitomises the expression "tropical island paradise."

Seychelles is divided into 43 Inner Islands - the only oceanic islands of granitic composition on Earth - and the Outer Islands - five groups of flat, low-lying coral atolls and reef islets. The most famous is Aldabra Atoll, the world's largest raised coral atoll and a World Heritage Site where over 150 000 giant tortoises live. The Seychellois themselves call their home "Forever Eden" and for good reason. Blessed with a high proportion of endemic species that occur nowhere else on Earth, more than 1 000 flowering plant species and over 220 bird species are recorded, and insects, amphibians and reptiles abound - amongst them the smallest frog and the largest land tortoise in the world. Mammals are less abundant as befits island ecosystems, with the most common being the famous flying fox, a large fruit bat. Tourism is the mainstay of the nation's economy, benefiting from policies that take into account both the conservation of natural and cultural resources as well as the carrying capacity of the islands.



ABOUT SEYCHELLES



COUNTRY SIZE: 455 sq. km / 177 sq. mi (land area; larger than the US Virgin Islands; about the size of Andorra) POPULATION: 92 430 (2015) CURRENCY: Seychellois Rupee OFFICIAL LANGUAGE/S: Seychellois Creole, English, French ETHNIC GROUPS: Seychellois – mixed French, African, Indian, Chinese, and Arab CAPITAL: Victoria

INNER ISLANDS

The 43 Inner Islands are situated around the main islands of Mahé, Praslin and La Digue, and are the only oceanic islands of granitic composition on the planet. They are characterised by grey boulders that jut abruptly from the ocean and rise to a relatively mountainous hinterland, all surrounded by a narrow coastal strip and powder-soft white sands. These islands and their beaches are often referred to as the most beautiful on Earth.

NORTH ISLAND

Some 30 km (18 miles) from the main island of Mahé, the 210-hectare (518-acre) Ile du Nord, or North Island, comprises three granite outcrops with a tropical interior of coconut palms and takamaka trees. Thanks to a comprehensive rehabilitation and conservation plan – the Noah's Ark Project – the island's natural abundance has been reclaimed.

More than 200 plant species in 16 different habitat zones and a number of endemic invertebrates and reptiles thrive. Seychelles blue pigeons and Seychelles sunbirds, rare or absent in 1997, are now relatively common and, together with the Seychelles kestrel, Seychelles swiftlet and introduced Seychelles whiteeye, comprise the five endemic bird species present. Emerging from the ocean to nest on North Island's beaches in growing numbers are Endangered green and hawksbill turtles. Endemic day geckos with fluorescent orange markings clamber over surfaces while Seychelles fruit bats, the so-called flying fox, are often seen.

The warm, clear waters surrounding the island are filled with an abundance of sea life. Hard and soft corals litter the ocean floor, nudibranchs are often seen and hugging the reefs is an endlessly colourful array of fish such as spotted eagle rays, parrotfish, round ribbontail rays and white-tip reef sharks. Many members of the kingfish family, giant barracuda, wahoo, and sailfish move through the depths. Whale sharks and giant sleepy sharks are seasonal, and awe-inspiring, visitors to the area.

Today, North Island and its ecotourism development are an example of the ecologically sensitive utilisation and rehabilitation of a precious natural treasure.

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SEYCHELLES SEASONS



GREEN SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Warmer (>30°C) and more chance of rain than the dry season
- Excellent underwater visibility of 15–40 metres
- Seawater temperatures of 27°- 29°C
- TRANSITION SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

MAY

JUN

JUL

APR

- Pleasant climate as this period is in between seasons
- Conditions include no wind, little rain, flat ocean and therefore outstanding visibility
- These conditions extend into March and May and into September

DRY SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

AUG

Sunniest time of year, with temperatures of 25°-30°C

SEP

- Seawater temperatures of 24° 25°C
- Underwater visibility of 5-15 metres
- Green turtles nest during the night between January and September, with hatchlings appearing March through to November
- Hawksbill turtles nest during the day between September and January, with hatchlings appearing November through to March

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SEYCHELLES NORTH ISLAND

WILDERNESS SAFARIS PREMIER CAMP

FACILITIES & ACTIVITIES



UNIQUE SELLING POINTS

- Combination of sheer luxury, exclusivity and natural beauty
- Generosity of the offering means that everything is included – instead of a bill, you receive a gift!
- A private island experience where guest identity is completely confidential

NORTH ISLAND

North Island is a place of barefoot luxury for those seeking an unspoilt, spectacular tropical retreat. There are only 11 individually handcrafted guest villas on the entire island, each constructed to create a sensorial experience in surroundings of understated elegance and providing a unique atmosphere and distinct flavour of the Seychelles. The Presidential Villas (villas 1 to 10) each have a study or second bedroom, forming the perfect space for children; Villa North Island (Villa 11) is an ideal getaway for a couple. All the villas are built directly on the eastern beach.

A lounge, dining room and library, scenically located health spa and gym, world-class dive centre, and a rim-flow swimming pool are all built into a granitic outcrop. A sunset bar and restaurant are tucked away on the western beach of the island. Activities include biking, gym, guided walks, snorkelling, fishing, boating, sea kayaking, and scuba diving. North Island has created a signature style that combines natural beauty with sheer luxury, a rare experience in harmony with the environment.





ZAMBIA



Zambia is a vast country, friendly and peaceful, that offers superb wildlife and cultural encounters. Landlocked in southcentral Africa, it is one of the region's least travelled and most rewarding wilderness destinations.

Situated mainly on a seemingly endless plateau about 1 200 metres (3 937 feet) above sea level, the country boasts the Zambezi, Kafue and Luangwa rivers as well as Victoria Falls, one of the largest waterfalls in the world, which it shares with neighbouring Zimbabwe. Most of the country enjoys a mild, pleasant climate with the river valleys hotter and more humid and the north, in the region of Lake Tanganyika (one of Zambia's ten large lakes), tropical. While Lusaka is the country's capital, Livingstone, just 10 km (six miles) from the Falls, is the well-known "adventure capital", offering adrenalin-packed activities on and around the Falls and the Zambezi River.

When it comes to wildlife, Zambia offers impressive diversity as well as large concentrations and numbers, and some of the wildest and most remote game areas on the continent. It was in Zambia that the concept of walking safaris originated as the best way of enjoying the rich flora and fauna of the country's 19 national parks. Birdlife is particularly prolific, attracting birders from all over the world.



ABOUT ZAMBIA



COUNTRY SIZE: 752 618 sq. km / 290 587 sq. mi (almost double the size of California; more than twice the size of Germany) POPULATION: 15 million (2015) CURRENCY: Zambian Kwacha (ZMK) OFFICIAL LANGUAGE/S: English (official), with about 70 languages, including: Bembe, Nyanja, Tonga, Chewa, Lozi, Nsenga, Tumbuka, Lunda (North Western), Kaonde, Lala

ETHNIC GROUPS: Bemba, Tonga, Chewa, Lozi, Nsenga, Tumbuka, Ngoni, Lala, Kaonde, Namwanga

CAPITAL: Lusaka

KAFUE NATIONAL PARK

At 2.25 million hectares (5.5 million acres), Kafue National Park is one of the largest in Africa and Zambia's oldest protected area. The million-hectare northern sector is the perfect location for our camps: remote, wild and diverse with vast tracts of pristine wilderness. The north-west is dominated by the Busanga Swamps, a papyrus-dominated wetland that gives way to the vast floodplain of the Busanga Plains, seasonally-inundated grassland dotted with isolated tree-islands. The Lunga, Lufupa and Kafue rivers – major water courses that feed and drain the Park – are lined with riverine forest and the landscape is further patterned with broad-leaved miombo woodland, open plains, floodplains and island thickets. Lake Itezhi-Tezhi in the south is another major feature of the Kafue.

VICTORIA FALLS (LIVINGSTONE)

One of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World, Victoria Falls is considered one of the largest waterfalls in the world, the flow rate of the cascading waters of the Zambezi River more than double that of Niagara Falls. This is an area of spectacular scenic beauty: from the Falls themselves to the broad, picturesque course of the Zambezi River upstream. Wildlife abounds in the area, particularly during the dry season, and can be viewed while boating on the river or on game drives in the Mosi-oa-Tunya National Park upstream of the Falls. The principal town on the Zambezi's Zambian bank is Livingstone, which boasts a wealth of adrenalin activities, leading to its sobriquet as the "adventure capital" of southern Africa. Vic Falls, as it is affectionately known, straddles the border between Zimbabwe and Zambia, and both countries share its World Heritage Site status.





ZAMBIA SEASONS

NOV DEC JAN FEB MAR APR MAY JUN JUL

GREEN SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Rising of Zambezi River water levels and thus increase in volume flowing over Victoria Falls
- Excellent photographic opportunities... great light, colour and subject matter
- Summer bird migrants present in breeding plumage

TRANSITION SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Moderate climate with a mix of the green and dry seasons including the dynamics of a change in season
- Victoria Falls quite magnificent during the period April to June, but very low in November revealing the extraordinary formation of the Falls' rocky face

DRY SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

AUG

• Diminished water availability results in game attracted to the Zambezi River

SEP

- Drying water sources means high game concentrations on the Busanga Plains particularly in the second half of this period
- Victoria Falls very full at the beginning of this period but dwindling towards the end
- Cooler and drier time of the year with day time temperatures rising towards October

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Shumba Camp

ZAMBIA KAFUE

KAFUE'S UNIQUE BUSANGA PLAINS

Unusual Antelope

Kafue is home to fantastic concentrations of common antelope species such as puku, lechwe and wildebeest, but also comparative rarities not easily seen in most other places in Africa: the stately roan, nimble oribi, secretive sitatunga and unusual Lichtenstein's hartebeest.

Unusual Lion

The lion is the dominant carnivore of the Busanga Plains, with a number of prides patrolling the area. In these very flat and open surroundings, the lions have taken to using raised points for the cooling breeze more than other populations, climbing both fig trees and the raised decks of the camps. This unusual behaviour occurs only in the hotter months of September and October.

The open terrain also means that lion hunts – unusually – can often be watched from start to finish as the pride chases and brings down either red lechwe or puku (their two most common prey species here). They are also known for their impressively stocky physiques, as well as for their ability to survive the inundated summer months on this floodplain.

ACTIVITIES ON THE BUSANGA PLAINS

Hot air balloon safari

Drifting silently aloft over the expansive plains as the sun rises is a spectacular experience, while the remoteness of the Busanga Concession makes it one of the most exclusive hot air ballooning destinations in Africa. A 360-degree vista of the surrounding plains that meet the enormous sky at the horizon also make it the most visually stunning. A bird's-eye view of wildlife can include thousands of red lechwe and puku, as well as regular sightings of hippo and buffalo. A delicious champagne breakfast follows, served in the Park's vast grasslands.

The hot air ballooning season runs from August until the end of October and guests spending three nights or more at either Shumba Camp or Busanga Bush Camp can enjoy a hot air balloon ride at no extra cost.

Boating

At the beginning of the season (from May through to June, and even into July), should summer rains have been heavy enough, it is possible to traverse parts of the Busanga Plains by boat. Specially-adapted motor boats can be used in very low water levels allowing excellent birding opportunities, as well as viewing of hippo, lechwe and puku.

Game Drives

The mainstay of our game-viewing activities, day and night game drives take place throughout the season and cover large areas of the plains and the tree-line edge in search of wildlife. The vast open landscape allows for excellent visibility and game viewing, whether of large predators or the herds of plains game that occupy specific niches in this environment.

Busanga Bush Camp

Lufupa River

Kafue River

KAFUE NATIONAL PARK

ZAMBEZI RIVER

Located in the south-west corner of Zambia, the Victoria Falls and the mighty Zambezi River have resulted in an area of spectacular scenic beauty: from the Falls themselves to the broad, picturesque course of the Zambezi River upstream, the rainforest atmosphere adjacent and the stark, jagged gorges downstream, the power and timelessness of Nature's forces are evident throughout. Wildlife also abounds in the area. Key mammal species: hippo, crocodile, elephant, warthog, baboon, bushbuck. Key bird species: African finfoot, half-collared kingfisher, African skimmer (seasonal), rock pratincole.

VICTORIA FALLS

BUSANGA PLAINS

28 ooo hectares (69 ooo acres); the expansive, grassy Busanga Plains are the jewel in Kafue's crown. Ringed by miombo woodland, the plains themselves are a mosaic of grassland, muddy channels and hippo pools, palm islands and fragmented papyrus swamp. This range of habitat provides fantastic concentrations of common species as well as comparative rarities. Key mammal species: puku, lechwe, buffalo, roan, oribi, sitatunga, Lichtenstein's hartebeest, lion, cheetah, wild dog. Key bird species: Ross's turaco, grey crowned crane, Fülleborn's longclaw, locust finch.





HISTORY OF THE FALLS

Carrying 500 million litres (132 million gallons) of water a minute in times of full flood, the Victoria Falls are said to be the greatest curtain of falling water in the world. Whether this epithet is true or not, such an extraordinary phenomenon is the result of water erosion. More than a hundred thousand years ago, the Zambezi River abruptly turned north, bringing the water flow at right angles to the major east-west fault lines of the land. On reaching one of these lines, soft sediments were washed away easily and a wide, steep gorge was formed - the first set of Falls. Gradually a weakness was found somewhere on the waterfall's edge, and more and more water fell through this steadily deepening channel, cutting back further until another east-west fault line was met, at which point another gorge was made - the second set of Falls. Below the current Victoria Falls, the gorges are cut in a zigzag fashion, and geologists believe that today's waterfall is the eighth in the series.

SEASONS AT VICTORIA FALLS

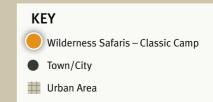
JANUARY FEBRUARY MARCH APRIL	Rainy season, usually hot between afternoon thunder showers. The water level of the Falls is high and very spectacular with a thick spray.
MAY	Great time of the year for the area. Days clear and warm with no rain. The water level of the Falls is at its highest and they are best viewed from the air. The Zambian side is a good option for seeing the Falls at this time of the year.
JUNE JULY AUGUST	Mid-winter days are still warm with cooler evenings. Days become a bit hazier with good sunsets. Good time of the year to see the Falls as the spray begins to lessen.
SEPTEMBER OCTOBER	Days become hot although still with cool evenings. Water level drops on the Zambezi so that the clear view of the rock face on the Zambian side contrasts well with the flow on the Zimbabwean side.
NOVEMBER	The days are very hot and the evenings are warm. The level of the Falls is low, best viewed from the Zimbabwean side.
DECEMBER	This time could be very hot and dry or cooler and wet depending on when the rains arrive. The level of the Falls may start to rise due to the rains.

MOSI-OA-TUNYA

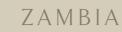
6 859 hectares (17 000 acres); a beautiful 20 km stretch of Zambezi River conserving Zambia's only white rhino population. A small, but very diverse reserve with a blend of mopane and broad-leafed woodland, river floodplain, riverine forest and braided river channel. Key mammal species: buffalo, elephant, hippo, giraffe, zebra, wildebeest, warthog, impala, kudu. Key bird species: African finfoot, Schalow's turaco, Pel's fishing-owl.

ZAMBEZI NATIONAL PARK

ZIMBABWE



ZAMBIA



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MOSI-OA-TUNYA NATIONAL PARK

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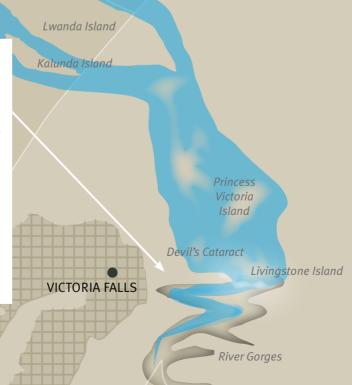
LIVINGSTONE

Livingstone town, named after David Livingstone, the first European to explore the area, lies close to the Falls and the border between Zambia and Zimbabwe. A well-known tourism centre, it exudes charm and a sense of history, a bustling town that lends itself to explorations on foot. From museums to arts and crafts, as well as a selection of exciting activities that range from mild to adrenalin-inducing – like abseiling, white-water rafting and canoeing – Livingstone lives up to its reputation as one of the premier "adventure capitals" of Africa. Wilderness Touring Zambezi provides touring infrastructure for all these activities.

LIVINGSTONE

VICTORIA FALLS

1 700 metres (5 600 feet) wide and 108 m (360 ft.) high; known locally as Mosi-oa-Tunya ("the smoke that thunders"), due to its towering plume of spray that is visible for some distance. Immediately before this impressive curtain of water, the Zambezi River widens to two kilometres, becoming noisy rapids around a number of small islands as it nears the rim of the Falls. The surrounding area, further away from the constant spray, comprises mopane and teak woodlands with luxuriant riverine forest along the banks of the Zambezi River. Over 80 fish species are found above the Falls as opposed to 39 below them. Key mammal species: Nile crocodile, hippo, elephant. Key bird species: trumpeter hornbill, white-fronted bee-eater, African darter, malachite kingfisher.







KAFUE NATIONAL PARK BUSANGA PLAINS

WILDERNESS SAFARIS CLASSIC CAMP

FACILITIES & ACTIVITIES



UNIQUE SELLING POINTS

- The most luxurious accommodation in Kafue, looking over open wildlife-rich plains
- Spectacular lion viewing including tree-climbing towards end of season
- This scenic, remote Busanga Plains ecosystem is seen best from a hot air balloon

SHUMBA CAMP

Shumba Camp is situated in the centre of the Busanga Plains close to permanent water and within easy access of the teeming floodplains. Shumba is named after a favourite species in the area: its large prides of lion that are often seen right next to camp – or even, unusually, in trees. Viewing of this and other species is possible from the comfort of the tent or main deck, while the camp's fig trees ensure both shade and constant bird activity.

Shumba Camp comprises six spacious luxury safari tents, all on raised platforms with spectacular views. The dining area is elevated so as to take in this vista and each morning's sunrise; dinner takes place either here or in the cosy boma where guests can also enjoy elements of local Zambian culture.

Guests have the option of game drives in and around the Plains and water-based activities when they are still inundated. Night drives provide the added excitement of the nocturnal wonders of the area, and floating in a hot air balloon (August – October) high over the Plains is an unforgettable experience.

NOTE: Shumba Camp is open seasonally between o1 June and 31 October each year.





BUSANGA BUSH CAMP

Busanga Bush Camp lies in the heart of the Busanga Plains, a vast mosaic of expansive, grassy seasonal floodplains that extends to the horizon. The camp, nestled in a vegetated island of fig trees, can accommodate eight guests in four well-appointed tents. The lounge area is under canvas looking out over the floodplain; breakfast is often served here to take in the view of herds of lechwe and puku. The dining area lies under the shady canopy of a majestic tree from which an unusual lantern chandelier hangs, romantically lighting up dinner.

Activities include game drives, walking safaris and night drives, led by qualified guides. Thanks to the rising mist off the floodplains as they dry up in winter, guests can experience incredible sunrises and sunsets, with the sun a spectacular pink colour, while the floodplains teem with wildlife and birds. A special experience is an exclusive hot air balloon ride (August – October), ending with champagne breakfast.

NOTE: Busanga Bush Camp is open seasonally between o1 June and 31 October each year.





KAFUE NATIONAL PARK BUSANGA PLAINS

WILDERNESS SAFARIS ADVENTURES CAMP

FACILITIES & ACTIVITIES



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UNIQUE SELLING POINTS

- An original and authentic traditional safari camp
- Plains game abundance and diversity: lechwe, puku, roan – and excellent lion
- The most exclusive wildlife hot air ballooning in Africa (complimentary for three-night stays)





VICTORIA FALLS MOSI-OA-TUNYA NATIONAL PARK

WILDERNESS SAFARIS CLASSIC CAMP

FACILITIES & ACTIVITIES



UNIQUE SELLING POINTS

- Perfect place to relax before or after a safari
- Best safari-style lodge in the area on the banks of the Zambezi
- Easy access to Victoria Falls, adrenalin adventures, village visits, water activities, tree planting

TOKA LEYA

Overlooking the Zambezi River and some of its islands is Toka Leya, comprising 12 raised, spacious en-suite safari-style tents. Tent interiors boast tasteful African décor, climate-control, an indulgent outdoor bath, and an expansive wooden deck from which to soak up the views.

The camp's dining and lounge areas offer ample space for relaxation. Meals are served on the sundeck, the pool deck and dining room all overlooking the Zambezi. There is a novel pizza oven and a curio shop. The spa rounds off the experience, making Toka Leya the ideal place for a leisurely couple of nights before or after a safari.

Activities include a tour of the Victoria Falls on the Zambian side, game drives within Mosi-oa-Tunya National Park, river cruises, back-of-house tours, fishing (additional nominal park fee applicable) and rhino tracking (subject to availability of a qualified walking guide and Zambia Wildlife Authority Scout; a nominal fee is charged). Tours of Livingstone town and museum and visits to Mkuni Market and a nearby village add cultural diversity. Other activities on offer in the area at additional charge include helicopter flights, canoeing, jet boating, and white water rafting.



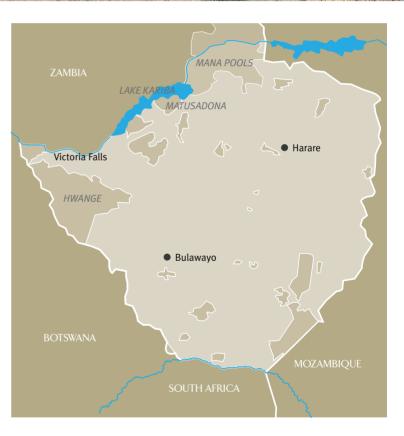


ZIMBABWE

Two major rivers form the northern and southern boundaries of Zimbabwe: the great Zambezi River cuts along its northern frontier, while the languid Limpopo forms the southern border with South Africa. In between, the country has a variety of habitats, from the granite hills of the Matopos to the majestic mountains, lush forests and beautiful rivers of the Eastern Highlands. As such, there is much to attract the traveller, from wildlife viewing and adrenalin adventures to encountering the history of the Zimbabwean people going back thousands of years.

It is in the unspoilt and peaceful northern parks that we concentrate our safari operations. The Zambezi has an exceptional variety of spectacular scenery as well as one of the world's natural wonders: the Victoria Falls. Downriver, our concession lies in Mana Pools National Park, located on the floodplains of Africa's Great Rift Valley and offering superb wildlife viewing.

Along the Botswana border, the easternmost tongues of the Kalahari sands creep into the country and mix with the teak forests of the interior, so that desert-adapted animals share the same habitat with woodland species. Hwange National Park is home to some of southern Africa's last great elephant, buffalo and sable herds. Wilderness' Makalolo and Linkwasha concessions within Hwange are truly wild areas which offer Zimbabwe's best summer game viewing.



ABOUT ZIMBABWE



COUNTRY SIZE: 390 757 sq. km / 150 871 sq. mi (about the size of California or Germany) POPULATION: 14.2 million (2015) CURRENCY: US Dollar OFFICIAL LANGUAGE/S: English (official), Shona, Sindebele ETHNIC GROUPS: Shona, Ndebele, Tonga, Zezuru, Kalanga, Lozi, Manyika, Venda CAPITAL: Harare

HWANGE NATIONAL PARK

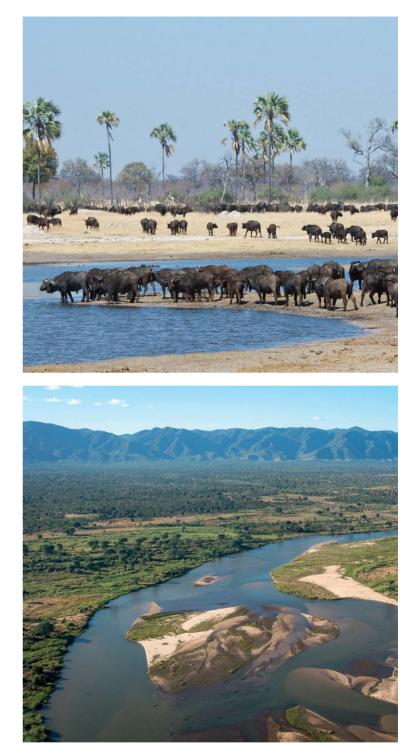
Hwange National Park is the largest game reserve in Zimbabwe. Situated on the border with Botswana, its 1.4 million hectares (3.4 million acres) of sandy soils support extensive stands of broad-leafed woodland that during the summer months, despite the low rainfall, are a profusion of green. Along with saltpans, acacia scrub and grasslands, the area can be termed a "savannah mosaic" and in fact its location in a convergence zone between the Kalahari to the west, the moist miombo woodlands to the east and a broad band of mopane that separates the two ensures that a captivating diversity of species is present. The Park has one of the densest concentrations of wildlife in Africa. in particular its herds of elephant and buffalo. The scarcity of water in Hwange means that, as spectacular and productive as the system is during the summer months, it is the concentration of game during the dry winter months for which the Park has become so renowned. Proclaimed over 70 years ago, the Park is a crucial component to southern African wildlife conservation; it is part of a massive patchwork of wildlife land that stretches over five countries, thus providing a core habitat and a refuge for many species.

MANA POOLS NATIONAL PARK

Mana Pools National Park, one of the most remote and beautiful areas in Zimbabwe, lies at the heart of the Zambezi Valley; from here the Zambezi River meanders for 300 km to the Mozambican border. The core of some 1.7 million hectares (4.2 million acres) of conservation estate, its views of the broad river, floodplains, riverine woodland and the mountains of the Rift Valley escarpment are spectacular. The river is wide and sandy, with islands and sandbanks protruding from its brown waters. On its banks, terraces rich in alluvial soils support a mixture of enormous riverine forest and floodplain grasslands, attracting rich and varied mammal life in considerable numbers. Its languid waters hold impressive concentrations of hippo and Nile crocodile and good populations of tigerfish and bream. This stretch of the Zambezi River is famous for its four main pools (after which the Park is named: mana means 'four' in Shona) - Main, Chine, Long and Chisambuk - which are remnants of channels of the river that stopped flowing years ago. These and the pools dotted inland hold water all year round, drawing all manner of wildlife and waterfowl during the dry season. The ana trees that characterise the floodplain shed their proteinrich pods during this time, providing vital sustenance for many species, particularly elephant.

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ZIMBABWE SEASONS

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GREEN SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Time of abundance ... births, babies and breeding (+ predators)
- Excellent game concentrations on Ngamo Plains in south-eastern Hwange
- Summer bird migrants present in breeding plumage
- Excellent photographic opportunities... great light, colour and subject matter

TRANSITION SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

• Moderate climate with a mix of the green and dry seasons including the dynamics of a change in season

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DRY SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Diminished water supply results in high game concentrations around Hwange waterholes
- Drying up of natural springs means high game concentrations along the Zambezi River at Mana Pools
- Great visibility in leafless woodland
- Cooler and drier time of the year with daytime temperatures rising towards October

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ZAMBIA

VICTORIA FALLS

1 700 metres (5 600 ft.) wide and 108 metres (360 ft.) at its deepest point – Rainbow Falls – with a plume of spray that can be seen 30 km away. This vapour adds moisture in the form of humidity to the air in the "splash zone," so that a unique, small rainforest ecosystem clings to the edge of the Falls, with some 70 shrub and 150 herbaceous species, as well as trees like pod and Natal mahogany, ebony, Cape and strangler fig and Transvaal red milkwood. The Victoria Falls National Park and the Zambezi National Park both extend outwards from the Falls. Key mammal species: bushbuck, banded mongoose, vervet monkey, baboon. Key bird species: trumpeter hornbill, Schalow's turaco, Taita falcon, Verreauxs' eagle, peregrine falcon, augur buzzard.

Victoria Falls



VICTORIA FALLS TOWN

Victoria Falls Town lies on the southern bank of the Zambezi River, with the eponymous Victoria Falls at the edge of the town. Aside from tours to the Falls, it is the base for a range of activities, including cruises on the Zambezi, African traditional dancing, elephant riding, "flight of angels," white water rafting, bungee jumping and canoeing. Wilderness Touring Zambezi provides the touring infrastructure for transfers and activities.



Little Makalolo

HWANGE NATIONAL PARK

Davison's Camp Linkwasha Camp

BOTSWANA



Ruckomechi Camp

MANA POOLS NATIONAL PARK

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RUCKOMECHI CONCESSION

3 930 hectares (9 700 acres); the only private-use concession within Mana Pools National Park. Exclusive access to a spectacular stretch of the Zambezi River, including productive floodplain, permanent inland pans, the Ruckomechi River, ana tree woodland, 'jesse' (diospyros thicket), gallery mopane forest, other habitats and excellent concentrations of wildlife make this an exceptional base for exploration of the unique Mana Pools National Park. Key mammal species: large herds of buffalo, elephant, kudu, zebra, waterbuck, hippo, lion, wild dog, leopard. Key bird species: black-throated wattleeye, red-necked falcon, eastern nicator.





MAKALOLO/LINKWASHA CONCESSIONS

52 300 hectares (130 000 acres); situated in the southeastern corner of Hwange National Park. As a result of the woodlands being interspersed with productive grassy plains, vleis and fossil river valleys, this area holds by far the highest densities of large mammals in Hwange. Shallow depressions hold rainwater into the dry season, attracting large concentrations of wildlife, while the summer rains transform the plains into one of southern Africa's most productive summer game viewing areas. Key mammal species: elephant, buffalo, sable, roan, giraffe, wildebeest, gemsbok, lion, leopard, wild dog, cheetah. Key bird species: Dickinson's kestrel, Bradfield's hornbill, Arnot's chat.

KEY

Wilderness Safaris – Classic Camp

Wilderness Safaris – Adventures Camp

Town / City





HWANGE NATIONAL PARK LINKWASHA CONCESSION

WILDERNESS SAFARIS CLASSIC CAMP

FACILITIES & ACTIVITIES



UNIQUE SELLING POINTS

- The most exclusive camp in Hwange
- The camp's location offers quick and easy access to the prime game viewing areas across incredibly productive private concessions
- Excellent green season game viewing on the Ngamo Plains

LINKWASHA CAMP

Linkwasha Camp is situated in a private concession in the best location in Hwange National Park. The camp is located near the famed Ngamo Plains, which offers fantastic game viewing year-round – to add to the already excellent viewing from the camp itself; Linkwasha overlooks a pan that is a magnet for game.

The fresh, open and airy design of the camp is complemented by an eclectic mix of contemporary interiors. The nine luxurious en-suite tents (eight twin and one family) all offer uninterrupted views of the scenic plain, while the main area includes various multi-level decks and a cosy winter lounge complete with fireplace and library. Shaded salas surround an inviting pool.

Activities include day and night game drives in open 4x4 vehicles and morning nature walks. A visit to the local village offers guests authentic insight into the lives of the people living on the edge of the Park. A sleep out in a romantic Star Bed overlooking a productive waterhole rounds off the experience.





LITTLE MAKALOLO

Little Makalolo lies in one of Hwange National Park's best wildlife viewing areas. It offers privacy for guests who enjoy small camps and a sense of remoteness. The area is ecologically diverse, ensuring great numbers of animals year-round.

The camp's six spacious en-suite tents (including a family room), with both indoor and outdoor showers, are nestled in the tree line. Teak walkways lead to the main area where a false mopane tree shades a separate dining and living area with views of the much-frequented waterhole. During siesta hours, guests can enjoy up-close and outstanding wildlife viewing at the log-pile hide that overlooks the waterhole in front of camp.

Activities centre on game drives in open 4x4 vehicles and guided morning walks. The area's large number of waterholes attracts game in both quantity and variety, especially in winter when water sources become scarce and Wilderness Safaris takes responsibility for pumping 22 of Hwange's boreholes in the Concession to sustain its wildlife. Guests are also able to visit the nearby village for authentic cultural interactions. A "pizza stop" and sleep-out option in the Star Bed at the wildlife-rich Madison Pan completes the experience.





HWANGE NATIONAL PARK MAKALOLO CONCESSION

WILDERNESS SAFARIS CLASSIC CAMP

FACILITIES & ACTIVITIES



UNIQUE SELLING POINTS

- Charming, intimate camp in one of Hwange's best wildlife areas
- A discreet log-pile hide looks out over a productive waterhole
- Huge dry-season concentrations of elephant and buffalo





HWANGE NATIONAL PARK LINKWASHA CONCESSION

WILDERNESS SAFARIS ADVENTURES CAMP

FACILITIES & ACTIVITIES



DAVISON'S CAMP

Nestled under a grove of ancient false mopane trees, Davison's Camp is situated in a remote, private corner of Hwange National Park. Named after the founder of Hwange National Park and its first warden, Ted Davison, the camp overlooks an extremely productive waterhole that attracts a variety of plains game and predators. Eight comfortable en-suite tents and one family unit, along with a viewing deck, lounge and dining area stretching out onto an open deck with a fire pit, together offer the quintessential Hwange experience.

Game activities include game drives in open 4x4 vehicles in the early mornings and evenings, while during the siesta hours, guests can view game from their tent verandas, as thirsty wildlife comes down to the waterhole to drink. Guests can also enjoy a guided morning walk and a visit to the local village which often includes a guided tour of the school, meeting the headman or participating in community projects.



- The most affordable option with a private concession experience
- Raised deck to view busy camp waterhole in comfort
- Visits to successful community projects at villages on outskirts of Hwange



RUCKOMECHI CAMP

Ruckomechi Camp, situated in a private concession with access to the western areas of Mana Pools National Park, accommodates guests in ten spacious en-suite tented units, including two family units, all of which overlook the wide Zambezi River. The camp is set amongst broadcanopied ana trees, much loved by the elephants for their rich nutritious seeds. A favourite amongst guests, the camp also boasts an outdoor "bath with a view" in a secluded, scenic spot.

The central dining, bar and lounge areas face the majestic, evocative escarpment across the river in Zambia. There is a separate area with a pool and sun loungers for swimming and sunbathing, and an inviting fire deck for convivial evenings under the starry skies. Wildlife viewing takes place in open 4x4 vehicles, on foot, on motorised pontoon boats or on canoes. A Star Bed situated nearby, overlooking a productive waterhole completes the Ruckomechi experience.

NOTE: Ruckomechi is open seasonally between April and mid/late November each year.





MANA POOLS NATIONAL PARK RUCKOMECHI CONCESSION

WILDERNESS SAFARIS CLASSIC CAMP

FACILITIES & ACTIVITIES



UNIQUE SELLING POINTS

- The only private concession in Mana Pools
- Well-situated camp scenically and wildlife-wise: an elephant herd and other game seen daily within the camp confines
- Outstanding dry-season wildlife concentrations





MANA POOLS NATIONAL PARK RUCKOMECHI CONCESSION

WILDERNESS SAFARIS CLASSIC CAMP

FACILITIES & ACTIVITIES



UNIQUE SELLING POINTS

- An intimate camp perfect for private bookings
- Authentic stylish bush camp with an intimate "home from home" feel
- Excellent wildlife viewing with hippo, elephant, buffalo and predators often sighted

LITTLE RUCKOMECHI

Little Ruckomechi celebrates one of the Zimbabwe's great wilderness areas. Set amongst the iconic albida trees that characterise the region, the camp is built on wooden decks offering three or four* airy and elegant en-suite tents conveying the romance of a bygone explorer era. The stylish living spaces, including a dining room and lounge as well as a plunge pool, all look out over the great Zambezi River and the Zambian foothills in the distance.

Little Ruckomechi's location within our private Ruckomechi Concession ensures an exclusive safari experience complete with a diverse range of activities – game drives, boating, canoeing and walks – through which to explore Mana Pools National Park in all its abundance.

NOTE:

Little Ruckomechi is open seasonally between June and mid/late November each year.

*Three tents are offered FIT and four are available for private bookings







Set out under the African sun to explore some of the continent's prime wilderness areas with our exclusive Explorations safaris. These spectacular guided journeys allow guests to discover remote and pristine areas in diverse private concessions while enjoying outstanding wildlife viewing. Our fully-serviced cross-country safaris cater for small groups (operating with a minimum of two and a maximum of seven guests) on a scheduled basis or tailor-made for private groups. Altogether, this creates the most authentic African experience today.

A private Explorations guide leads the safari from beginning to end. Our guides are passionate, experienced and highly trained local individuals who make the whole journey seamless and interpretive from start to finish. These guides are also available to lead private tailor-made safaris and specialist birding and photographic trips in any of our concessions and camps – some even offering multilingual experiences.

Accommodation on Explorations ranges from Wilderness Safaris permanent lodges to tented camps and even independent establishments in other fascinating areas that help complete the journey.





THE GREAT WILDERNESS JOURNEY

This Classic Camp and deluxe camping safari visits the world-famous Victoria Falls on the Zambian side of the Zambezi River, before exploring Botswana's scenic northern areas: from the lushly vegetated wetlands of the Okavango Delta to the game-rich floodplains of Linyanti and Chobe. Three-night stays in each area in Botswana are at camps located in private wilderness areas and ensure detailed insights into habitats and game movements in the area. A wide range of activities is offered including walks, day and night game drives, boat trips and mokoro excursions.

BRIEF ITINERARY:

Day 1: Guided tour of Victoria Falls; Toka Leya, Zambia
Days 2 – 4: Boat cruise, Chobe; Linyanti Tented Camp, Linyanti Concession
Days 5 – 7: Gomoti Tented Camp, south-eastern Okavango Delta
Days 8 – 10: Xigera Camp, Okavango Delta
Day 11: Fly to Maun

Please note: This Exploration runs between May and mid-November.



BOTSWANA TEN NIGHTS/ELEVEN DAYS

WILDERNESS EXPLORATIONS

FACILITIES & ACTIVITIES

Linyanti





Toka Leya Xigera







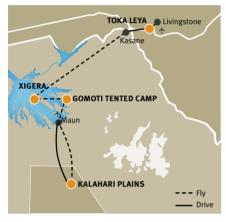
UNIQUE SELLING POINTS

- Exclusive access to the wilderness areas of the Okavango Delta, Linyanti and Victoria Falls
- Holistic guiding and detailed insights into habitats and wildlife in the area
- Exceptionally diverse range of activities









BOTSWANA TEN NIGHTS/ELEVEN DAYS

WILDERNESS EXPLORATIONS

FACILITIES & ACTIVITIES











UNIQUE SELLING POINTS

- Summer offers the opportunity to see young, predators and migrant birds
- Old-style serviced camping as well as luxury Classic camps
- Three distinct areas are explored Okavango Delta, Moremi and Kalahari – led by one professional guide throughout

BOTSWANA SUMMER ENCOUNTER

This Exploration reveals the life-filled summer season of Botswana, in prime areas where few people travel. The journey begins in the Kalahari Desert in its most abundant season when sporadic summer rains cause wildlife to migrate into the desert valleys in large numbers. The grasslands and floodplains of the Okavango are then explored in two very distinctive areas: a wealth of plains game and predators can be found in the dryer Gomoti region, while at Xigera the more typical floodplains and channels of the Okavango are revealed in all their glory. The journey ends with a cruise down the Chobe River with the world-famous Victoria Falls on the Zambian side of the Zambezi River your grand finale.

BRIEF ITINERARY:

Days 1 – 3: Kalahari Plains Camp, Central Kalahari Game Reserve
Days 4 – 6: Gomoti Tented Camp, south-eastern Okavango Delta
Days 7 – 9: Xigera Camp, Okavango Delta
Day 10: Chobe River boat cruise; Toka Leya, Zambia
Day 11: Guided tour of Victoria Falls; Exploration ends

Please note: This Exploration runs between December and April.





OKAVANGO CHANNELS AND PLAINS

Okavango Channels and Plains sets out to explore the wildlife-rich savannahs of the southeastern corner of the Okavango as well as the waterways of the Delta in the summer months. At this time of year many species give birth to their young, with predators taking full advantage of the abundance of inexperienced younger prey. Birding is also outstanding due to the presence of the summer migrants. The adventure starts by road, taking in a few of the local communities en route to Gomoti Tented Camp. Air transfers allow a bird's-eye view of the shimmering landscape. Activities include walks, and day and night wildlife viewing - on land and water.

BRIEF ITINERARY:

Days 1 – 3: Gomoti Tented Camp, south-east Okavango Delta Days 4 – 6: Xigera Camp, heart of the Okavango Delta Day 7: Air transfer to Maun

Please note: This Exploration runs between November and April.

Highly recommended: Visit Kalahari Plains, Linyanti Concession or Livingstone (additional cost).





BOTSWANA SIX NIGHTS/SEVEN DAYS

WILDERNESS EXPLORATIONS

FACILITIES & ACTIVITIES







UNIQUE SELLING POINTS

- The summer's vibrant floral displays and dramatic skylines are a stunning backdrop to thrilling wildlife interactions
- Old-style serviced camping as well as a luxury Classic camp
- Diverse range of activities and transfers between locations





BOTSWANA SIX NIGHTS/SEVEN DAYS

WILDERNESS EXPLORATIONS

FACILITIES & ACTIVITIES











- Authentic, fully-serviced, luxury tented camps provide an intimate 'close-to-nature' experience
- Combines two fascinating private wilderness areas, home to a variety of habitats and wildlife
- Diverse range of activities both waterand land-based

INTO THE WILDERNESS – BOTSWANA

Take a journey into two unique wilderness areas that have been shaped by the southernmost fault lines of Africa's iconic Great Rift Valley. This safari begins in the pristine Xigera Concession on a remote island deep in the Okavango Delta. Heading north to Linyanti Tented Camp, you will have the opportunity to explore the riverine woodlands of the Linyanti River – famed for the sharp change in its course due to the fault lines of the Great Rift. The river and associated floodplains are a hive of activity as large numbers of general game such as impala, zebra and kudu head to the life-giving water. The presence of these animals attracts the associated predators, in particular leopard and wild dog.

BRIEF ITINERARY

Days 1 – 3: Xigera Camp, heart of the Okavango Delta
Days 4 – 6: Linyanti Tented Camp, Linyanti Concession
Day 7: Fly to Maun

Please note: This Exploration runs between July and October 2017.

Highly recommended: Visit Kalahari Plains or Livingstone (additional cost).





THE TRANS-OKAVANGO

This unique and exclusive Exploration traverses the Okavango Delta from west to east, capturing its true essence, and the spirit of exploration on land, water and in the air. It visits the prime gameviewing areas of Hunda Island, Mombo and Chitabe, combined with the iconic water experiences offered at Pelo and Xigera. Significantly, guests have the rare and unique opportunity to walk, boat and fly from one camp to the other, as well as enjoy the thrill of taking in an aerial view of the Delta by helicopter.

Days 1 – 2: Tubu Tree Camp, Jao Concession Days 2 – 3: Pelo Camp, Jao Concession Day 5: Xigera Camp, Xigera Concession Days 6 – 7: Mombo Camp, Mombo Concession Days 8 – 9: Chitabe Camp, Chitabe Concession Day 10: Transfer to Maun for onward arrangements

Please note: This Explorations has one departure in 2017: 21 - 30 July.





BOTSWANA NINE NIGHTS/TEN DAYS

WILDERNESS EXPLORATIONS

FACILITIES & ACTIVITIES





Tubu Tree Chitabe Pelo, Tubu Tree

Xigera

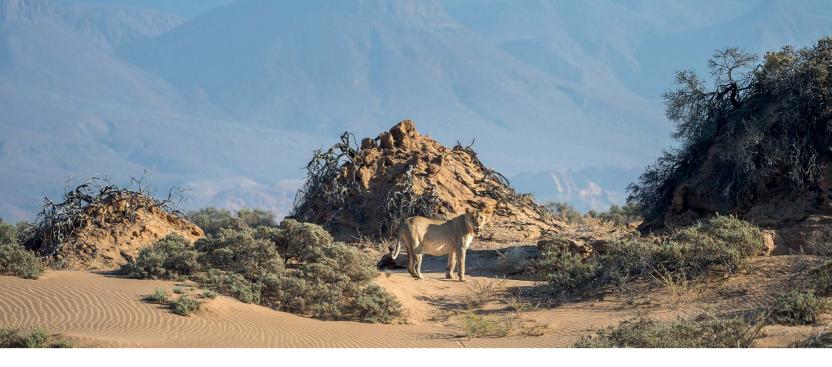


Pelo, Tubu Tree. Xiger



All Areas

- Exclusive activities and transfers present a unique opportunity to visit unchartered areas
- Wide range of accommodation types from authentic nights 'sleeping wild' in dome tents to unashamed luxury in Wilderness camps
- Two nights spent at ultimate wildlife destination Mombo Camp





NAMIBIA NINE NIGHTS/TEN DAYS

WILDERNESS EXPLORATIONS

FACILITIES & ACTIVITIES



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Swakopmund





UNIQUE SELLING POINTS

- Unique activities include climbing dunes, rhino tracking, Walvis Bay lagoon cruise
- Endless landscapes and places of interest seen along the way
- A scenic flight from Sossusvlei to Swakopmund (weather permitting) is a highlight

DESERT DUNE SAFARI

This journey of discovery travels through some of Namibia's most varied and remote desert areas, starting with the red dunes of Sossusvlei and ending with the rugged landscape of Damaraland. Along the way, take in the views of the dramatic Atlantic coastline of Swakopmund and the Skeleton Coast as well as the endless dune fields of the Namib. The contrasting landscapes allow for a diverse range of activities, including a dolphin cruise with a private beach lunch, exploring the great dunes and tracking desert-adapted black rhino on foot. Most of the journey is by road, with numerous stops at local highlights which provide opportunities to interact with some of the people who call the desert home.

BRIEF ITINERARY:

Days 1 – 2: Kulala Desert Lodge, Sossusvlei
Days 3 – 4: Hansa Hotel, Swakopmund
Day 5: Terrace Bay Lodge, Skeleton Coast National Park
Days 6 – 7: Hoanib Skeleton Coast Camp, Palmwag and Skeleton Coast
Days 8 – 9: Desert Rhino Camp, Palmwag Concession
Day 10: Return to Windhoek

Please note: This Exploration runs between May and mid-November. Highly recommended: Visit Serra Cafema or Etosha National Park (additional cost).











DIVERSE NAMIBIA

Diverse Namibia is an active, exciting adventure, exploring key areas of this vast country – its dunes, desert, plains and iconic wildlife – complete with exclusive accommodation in select reserves and concessions and private access to Sossusvlei. Diverse Namibia takes in the soaring red dunes of Sossusvlei, the life-filled blue Atlantic Ocean, the desert and denizens of Damaraland, and the plains game and predators of Etosha National Park. The Exploration is interspersed with activities such as scenic walks, visits to the spectacular, ancient rock engravings at Twyfelfontein, and game drives. These contrast beautifully with a "Dolphin and Seal" catamaran cruise from Walvis Bay – overall, a true Namibian adventure!

BRIEF ITINERARY:

Days 1 – 2: Kulala Adventurer Camp, Sossusvlei Days 3 – 4: Hansa Hotel, Swakopmund Days 5 – 7: Cape Cross seal colony; Damaraland Adventurer Camp, Kaokoveld Days 8 – 9: Andersson's Camp, Etosha National Park Day 10: Return to Windhoek

Highly recommended: Visit Botswana (additional cost).











NAMIBIA NINE NIGHTS/TEN DAYS

WILDERNESS EXPLORATIONS

Kulala

FACILITIES & ACTIVITIES





Walvis Ba

Walvis Bay



Twyfelfontei



Andersson

UNIQUE SELLING POINTS

- A diverse range of activities including climbing dunes, catamaran cruise and visiting ancient rock engravings at Twyfelfontein
- Track the rare desert-adapted elephant
- An active, exploratory adventure led by one guide throughout





ZIMBABWE FOUR NIGHTS/FIVE DAYS

WILDERNESS EXPLORATIONS

FACILITIES & ACTIVITIES

All Areas











This adventurous walking safari allows guests to get a real feel for Africa by getting their feet on the ground for a genuine trail experience. Set in one of the best areas for wildlife in Hwange, the Exploration offers a fabulous walking trail experience combined with roaming further afield by game vehicle. The private Linkwasha Concession, found in the south-eastern corner of Hwange, is one of the most abundant areas of the Park due to its wide range of habitats and thus equal diversity of wildlife that call it home.

BRIEF ITINERARY:

Day 1: Davison's Camp, Linkwasha Concession, Hwange Day 2: Scott's Pan, Linkwasha Concession Day 3: Ngamo Pan, Linkwasha Concession Day 4: Linkwasha Camp, Linkwasha Concession Day 5: Transfer to Linkwasha Airstrip for onward arrangements

Please note: This Exploration runs between July and September.

Highly recommended: Visit Ruckomechi Camp, Mana Pools National Park (additional cost).









- Walks create a sense of immersion into nature, while game drives offer the opportunity to explore further afield
- Nights are spent truly in the bush, sleeping out in dome tents
- Begin and end journey at luxury Wilderness Safaris camps



WILDERNESS



Wilderness Air aims to provide a safe, compliant, efficient and reliable service to passengers. We operate a varied fleet of light aircraft, chosen for their ability to access our remote wilderness destinations, landing on short, unpaved landing strips. All these aircraft types differ in their characteristics and are uniquely suited to different types of journey, varying group sizes, and clients with different personal needs. The majority of our fleet operates on a scheduled route basis; however we also offer sole-use flights for tailor-made journeys for our guests into and out of Wilderness Safaris camps. All sole-use requests are dependent on aircraft and crew availability.

Striving for a safe and compliant flying background, the company began operating in 1991 with one aircraft – based in Botswana it serviced two camps in the Delta. Today, Wilderness Air is also based in Namibia and Zimbabwe, and operates some 34 aircraft altogether.

Wilderness Air is privileged to fly into some of the most pristine wilderness destinations of the world. We believe flying is an integral part of a guest's safari experience and therefore our pilots need to have a fundamental enthusiasm for being in such areas.

With this notion, Wilderness Air is proud to be the air support of Wilderness Safaris, enabling exclusive access to some of southern Africa's finest wildlife areas.

Connecting You To The Wilderness

ABOUT WILDERNESS AIR

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WHERE WE OPERATE: Botswana, Namibia, Zambia, and Zimbabwe. OUR AIRCRAFT: Cessna 206, Cessna 210, Cessna Grand Caravan 208B, GA8 Airvan and Cessna F406 MAINTENANCE OPERATION: Northern Air Maintenance (NAM) WEBSITE: www.wilderness-air.com OPERATING SINCE: 1991



STANDARDS AND PRINCIPLES

The service offered by Wilderness Air is more than a simple connection. The aerial transfer between camps provides a totally different impression and appreciation of the country below. There are five critical objectives to which we subscribe.



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Over and above ad-hoc internal and external audits, each Wilderness Air operation and its Aircraft Maintenance Organisation (AMO) are audited annually by the regulatory authority in the relevant country of operation.

SAFETY MANAGEMENT

Safety is the number one priority for Wilderness Air. To that end we employ a highly experienced Group Safety Officer to oversee the safety management of our several aviation businesses. In aviation, safety management has some key guidelines, the heart of which is to ensure that a just culture prevails in our business and that our staff feel free to report on any safety-related issues or concerns, further enhancing the non-punitive and non-reprisal management style that forms part of the just culture. Our Group Safety Officer has vast aviation experience and has the stature to command the respect of our management at Wilderness, the Risk Committee section of our board, as well as our pilots on the front line, all with the sole purpose of keeping our business safe.

In each region, a trained, designated Safety Officer with the necessary safety qualifications (required by the relevant Civil Aviation Authorities) reports directly to the Accountable Manager to ensure effective corrective action. This safety monitoring is done in accordance with International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO) standards. The Safety Management System (SMS) we use is web based and ensures that all safety reports get from the front line of our business to our safety officers promptly. Using this information we are able to take prompt corrective action when necessary.

SINGLE ENGINE AIRCRAFT SAFETY

The aircraft in our fleet are specifically chosen for their suitability to the type of airstrips that are found in the remote locations in which we operate. The single engine piston engine of the Cessna 206/210 and GA8 aircraft are monitored in line with world best practice and exchanged with remanufactured engines at overhaul due date. The single turbine engine of the Cessna Grand Caravan C208B has been proven to have a sound safety record. The Caravan is powered by a Pratt and Whitney PT6A engine – which has a record as one of the most reliable aircraft engines ever built. We take our aircraft maintenance seriously and we only use factory-approved engine maintenance facilities.

AIRSTRIP INVESTMENT

Over the years, Wilderness Safaris has taken great pride in the upkeep of airstrips in an effort to keep them safe and adequate for our operations. Over and above annual airstrip assessments, weekly mini-inspections are carried out, and in addition, airstrips are checked daily prior to each take-off and landing.

ANIMALS ON OUR AIRSTRIPS

Guests visit the pristine locations in which we operate primarily to view wildlife. On occasion, animals venture onto our airstrips and as such every aircraft arrival and departure is closely monitored and an extensive protocol has been created, in an effort to ensure that such animal incursions are kept to an absolute minimum. Our guides and our pilots are specifically trained to follow processes so as to manage these risks as carefully as possible.

SATELLITE TRACKING SYSTEM

All of our aircraft are fitted with a real-time satellite tracking system. With this system, our operational bases receive constant updates of each aircraft's position, airspeed and altitude. Apart from the obvious safety benefit, our operations staff are able to keep camps accurately updated as to arrival and departure times.

ENGINE CONDITION TREND MONITORING SYSTEM

All of our Cessna Grand Caravan C208B aircraft are fitted with an engine trend monitoring system, which allows both the operator and the maintenance organisation to monitor engine performance of individual aircraft. This system can detect any abnormal shifts in engine performance, and provides diagnostic information to afford timeous attendance to engine maintenance issues before they become a concern.

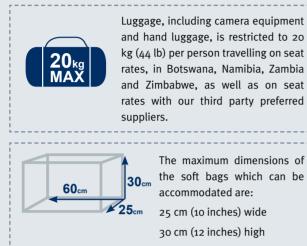




SAFETY MANAGEMENT

LUGGAGE, WEIGHT AND SAFETY

Our aircraft are not airliners – relatively speaking, they are small. This means that we have small baggage stowage bays and restrictive weight limitations, both for luggage and passengers. The Wilderness Air luggage specifications are as follows:



The maximum dimensions of the soft bags which can be 60 cm (24 inches) long



Only soft bags will be accepted - no frames or rigid structures can be transported as they physically cannot fit into the aircraft. Wheels on a bag are only permissible if they are not part of a solid frame or rigid structure. A collapsible wheeled luggage frame/trolley (separate to the bag) is allowed, as long as the basic dimensions are similar to that of the bag.

The respective weights of all passengers are required prior to travel to ensure that the correct pre-planning of schedules is within aviation regulations. Should passenger weights not be received prior to travel, passengers will be weighed prior to travelling at the discretion of Wilderness Air.



OUR AIRCRAFT

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The **Cessna 208B Caravan** was designed at the outset to be simple, rugged and reliable and thus, for Wilderness Air, it has proven to be the best passenger-carrying 'bush' aircraft in our fleet, for sectors from 20 to 300 km. Large wheels, a very efficient wing and a powerful engine enable the C208B to operate from almost all the bush airstrips we service, while the spacious air-conditioned cabin and unrestricted views make the Caravan popular with passengers. The full-length underslung cargo pod gives the Caravan a very generous luggage carrying capacity.

Wilderness Air operates the **C210** mainly in Namibia, where the longer sector distances necessitate a faster aircraft. Unlike the C206, the C210 does not have a cargo pod, but the unobstructed views offered by its high wing configuration more than make up for this, allowing all passengers the best possible views below. The C210 is a popular aircraft and is an economical means of transporting groups of one to four people.

Wilderness Air uses the **C206** mainly in Botswana's Okavango Delta. This rugged and reliable workhorse is well suited to the shorter hops typical in the Okavango. In addition to transferring guests, the C206 is also invaluable for delivering all important freight and fresh food supplies to remote, inaccessible camps.

The **Airvan** has found its natural home in the Okavango Delta, Botswana – exactly the type of operating environment for which it was designed. Its combination of easy cabin access, rapid loading and unloading and excellent crew and passenger visibility are perfect for a region with multiple dirt airstrips and compelling views.

The Reims **F406 Caravan II** is a twin turboprop engine utility aircraft designed as a twin version of the C208 Caravan I. It is known for its ability to handle the areas into which we operate. The F406 is ideal for both passenger and light cargo transport. Wilderness Air utilises the F406 in a 10-passenger configuration for space and comfort, with an optional under-fuselage cargo pod. The higher cruise speed of the F406 is a real bonus on the typically longer sectors flown in Namibia.

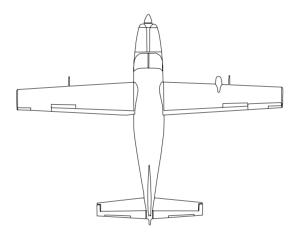
NOTE: The number of passengers carried on each leg of our circuit flights is dependent on aircraft used, time of year, metrological conditions, passenger and luggage weights, routing, fuel required, etc. and not on the maximum numbers mentioned in the Aircraft Specifications on the pages following.

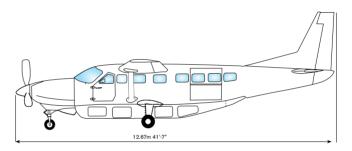


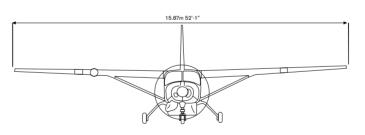




Cessna Grand Caravan 208B







MAXIMUM PASSENGERS 12

SPECIFICATIONS

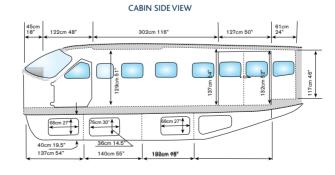
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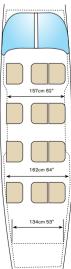
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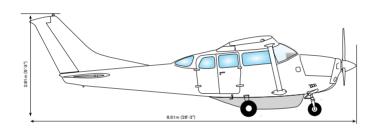


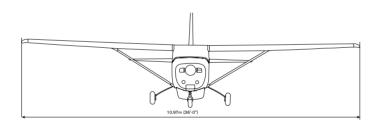


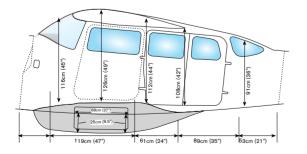


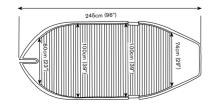


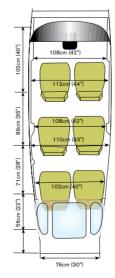
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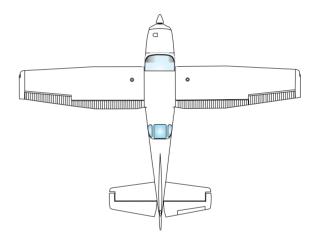












MAXIMUM PASSENGERS 5

SPECIFICATIONS

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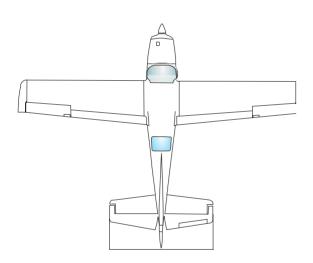
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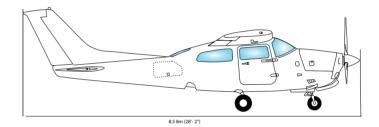
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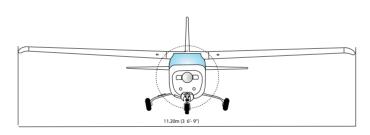
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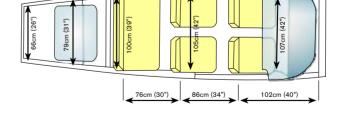
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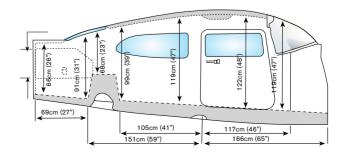












SPECIFICATIONS

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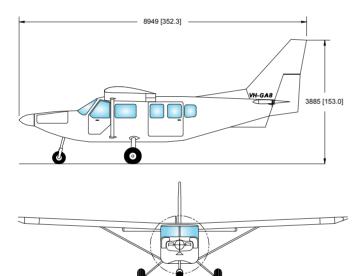
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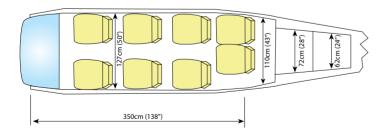
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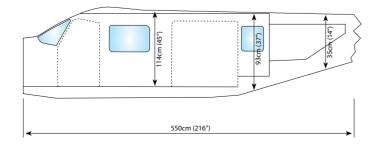
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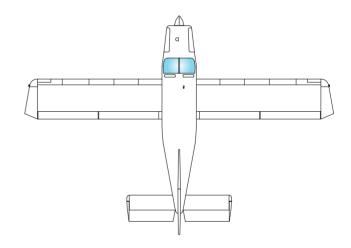


GA8 Airvan









MAXIMUM PASSENGERS 7

SPECIFICATIONS

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PRESSURISED CABIN: No

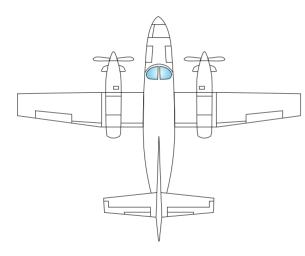
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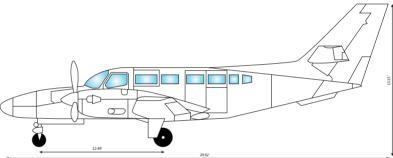
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CREW: 1



Reims-Cessna F406 Caravan II







MAXIMUM PASSENGERS 12

SPECIFICATIONS

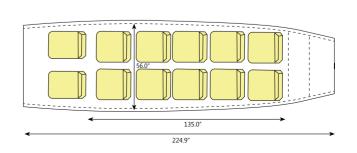
ENGINE TYPE: Turboprop twin engine

PRESSURISED CABIN: No

CRUISING ALTITUDE: Up to 12 000 ft.

SPEED: 370 km/h (199 Knots)

CREW: Maximum 2







WILDERNESS SAFARIS TOURING

For more than 15 years, Wilderness Safaris has operated specialist touring businesses in two central hubs perfect for safari combinations: Cape Town and Victoria Falls. From these key bases, Wilderness Safaris Touring offers a wide range of full- and half-day excursion options for guests, ranging from scheduled group tours to fully inclusive private touring.

At the heart of the Wilderness Safaris Touring business is its fleet of late-model, low-mileage vehicles, ranging from sedans to minivans and even coaches for larger groups. All vehicles have been carefully selected to ensure maximum comfort, as well as all-round visibility. Coupled with the vehicle fleet is a team of excellent guides and drivers enabling seamless meet and greet services, hotel and airport transfers, and tailor-made touring.

We aim to bring a unique aspect to even the most popular of activities in Cape Town as well as the Zambezi region. These range from cultural tours and museum visits to cruises, train trips and helicopter flips.

Our guides have all been chosen for their special knowledge, their personable dispositions and their ability to share their expertise in a way that will inspire interest. Their special fields cover a wide range of interests from Archaeology to Zoology and everything in between, whether this be Wine and History in the Cape or Geology and Culture in Victoria Falls.

Ultimately, we strive to be your destination hosts to ensure that you get the maximum enjoyment out of your visit.









OUR CAPE TOURS

Wilderness Safaris Touring Cape provides the means to discover the wonders and beauty of the Fair Cape at our guests' own pace, whilst following the ethos of sustainable tourism. Its home base, Cape Town, is consistently voted one of the world's top destinations, and offers visitors an ideal starting or end point to their African safari.

Wilderness Safaris Touring Cape also offers specialised family tours, catering for children of all ages. The strength of this boutique operation is that it provides highly personalised service while offering competitive rates, coupled with many years of travel expertise and most importantly, passion.

PENINSULA TOURS

This fabulous tour traverses the spectacular coastline of the southern tip of Africa, passing through desirable suburbs and charming villages. We navigate the curves of the breathtaking Chapman's Peak Drive, admire the diversity and beauty of the Cape Floral Kingdom, before enjoying the panoramic views at Cape Point. We lunch at a coastal restaurant, whilst gazing out to sea, before meeting the African penguins on Boulders Beach. You can enhance your journey by adding one of the following activities to your tour.

- Great White Shark Safari
- Whale Watching Boat Trip
- Surfing and Muizenberg Beach
- Kayaking to Penguin Colony
- Cycling in Cape Point National Park
- Peninsula by Helicopter
- Peninsula with The Flagship restaurant







WINELANDS TOURS

A visit to the Cape's famed Winelands region is certainly not reserved for wine enthusiasts only. Majestic mountain scenery, picturesque vineyards and historic Cape Dutch architecture combine to create some of the most attractive panoramas in the world. The historic Wine Route towns of Paarl, Stellenbosch and Franschhoek offer many diverse attractions in addition to beautiful views, quaint villages and gourmet delights.

We offer a number of Winelands excursions, ranging from a typical Winelands Safari designed with the average wine enthusiast in mind to the Connoisseur's Tour, suitable for the passionate and well-informed. Additional options include sampling other Cape delicacies, family-friendly winelands tours as well as leisurely cycling tours through the vineyards.

CITY AND CULTURAL TOURS

Cape Town's natural beauty, cosmopolitan flavour and rich cultural diversity offer guests a variety of ways to experience the oldest city in South Africa, affectionately known as "The Mother City." Its 350-year-old history provides a wealth of places to visit and cultural influences to enjoy. Popular amongst these are trips to Robben Island, hiking Table Mountain, sunset cruises and City Tours.

For those who really want to immerse themselves into the city life we offer tours like the Cape Malay Culture with Cooking Experience and Iliso Care Society. Community/Township tours present an excellent authentic opportunity to delve into South Africa's past and interact with her people.

OTHER CAPE EXPERIENCES AND SPECIALIST TOURS

One of the several advantages of being in Cape Town is the variety of completely different landscapes within a short travelling distance from the city. North of the city, the rugged West Coast with its plankton-rich cold sea current supports masses of marine life. Further north and inland lies the arid Cedarberg Mountain range with huge sandstone monoliths and San rock art. Travel eastwards from the city to the seaside town of Hermanus, known for the best land-based whale watching in the world. A few hours further along the coast is the spectacular Garden Route famed for its indigenous forests, many lagoons and sun-kissed beaches.

With all this as a canvas, a variety of specialised tours showcase this beautiful region.











OUR ZAMBEZI TOURS (ZIMBABWE, ZAMBIA AND BOTSWANA)

Wilderness Safaris Touring Zambezi offers a wide selection of activities, both exciting and relaxing, enabling guests to take in the best the region has to offer. From its convenient base in Victoria Falls, guests can explore both sides of the Zambezi River – Zimbabwe and Zambia – as well as further afield into Botswana. Our handpicked team of expert guides are at your disposal to provide a perfect, unique itinerary.

Wilderness Safaris Touring also offers a convenient transfer service, providing seamless travel between airports, hotels and various activities, with a fleet of modern and comfortable vehicles.

ADVENTURE ACTIVITIES

The Zambezi region is a playground for those who are adventurous at heart, with a wide selection of exciting options ranging from mild to adrenalin-inducing. Raging white water rapids, dramatic gorges and cascading Falls set the scene for a range of heart-racing, blood-thumping activities. Popular excursions include bungee jumping, gorge swinging and sliding off the iconic Victoria Falls Bridge, as well as quad biking and tiger fishing. The Zambezi is considered by many to be one of the best white water rafting destinations in the world, and with game parks on either side, participants may even catch a glimpse of wildlife such as elephant and hippo.

CULTURAL EXCURSIONS

From rural villages to charming towns, you can soak up the rich history and cultural diversity found in the area, while interacting with locals and learning about their culture and day-to-day life. Explore the historic towns of Victoria Falls and Livingstone, or the bustling city of Harare. Guests can also explore the area's fascinating museums, many of which feature impressive collections of artefacts and writings from some of the most well-known names in African exploration, as well as exhibitions of African art. For those who want to experience rural life first hand, join a local guide and tour a nearby village or township and learn more about how the local people live.

SCENIC TOURS

Victoria Falls is one of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World. To the locals, it is known as *Mosi-oa-Tunya* – "The Smoke that Thunders" – an accurate description of what happens when the waters of the Zambezi River plunge over the 1 700-metre-wide and 100-metre-deep chasm, creating a shower of spray and a deafening noise. We offer tours of the Falls from both the Zimbabwean and the Zambian sides, as well as picnics on Livingstone Island, which is stunningly located on the lip of the Falls. There are also a number of wildlife sanctuaries that can be explored, from renowned wildlife-rich reserves like Chobe and Hwange National Parks, to smaller game areas like Lake Chivero and Mosi-oa-Tunya National Parks. Finally, you can journey through the region in style, either by rail in restored locomotives, or cruise the waters of the Zambezi by boat.















WILDERNESS SAFARIS ASSOCIATED PRODUCT

Wilderness Safaris is not just an operator of luxury safari camps across Africa. We have found over the more than thirty years we have been in business that our travel trade partners have often relied on our expertise in suggesting the perfect combinations to our safaris, whether urban experiences or complementary safari camp locations, and in actually booking these products for them.

This gave rise to our Associated Product division, an extension of Wilderness Safaris where we have put together an extensive portfolio of third party products, meticulously selected and featuring exceptionally competitive pricing. More than simply making the booking of these products possible in as convenient and cost-effective way as possible for our partners, our staff are able to expertly advise on how best to combine these products with safaris in our own camps through all the African countries where we operate and even further afield.

Associated Product services include:

- Tailor-made and personally designed itineraries for FITs, families, honeymooners and even large groups
- Self-drive adventures
- Bespoke fly-in journeys
- Specialised groups and incentives
- Luxury rail experiences

PLACES AND AREAS WITHIN THE PORTFOLIO INCLUDE - BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO:

Victoria Falls: A roaring curtain of water and one of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World, Victoria Falls straddles the Zambezi River, the international border between Zimbabwe and Zambia.

Kruger National Park: At two — million hectares, South Africa's

largest conservation area also encompasses the luxurious private lodges and exceptional game viewing of the Sabi Sand Game Reserve.

Johannesburg: The most popular starting point for just about any southern African safari, this city offers intriguing insights into modern South African culture whether through the Apartheid Museum or fascinating tours to Soweto.

Cape Town: The south-western corner of Africa, the 'Mother City' is home to iconic Table Mountain, beautiful hotels, great restaurants, soft white beaches, the Winelands area, historical landmarks, and the staggeringly diverse Fynbos Floral Kingdom. Indian Ocean coast and islands: The warm waters and idyllic tropical beaches of the Indian Ocean include the Mozambique coastline and offshore islands, as well as destinations like Seychelles and Mauritius.

The Garden Route: South Africa's dramatically beautiful southern shoreline including beaches, golf courses and forests around George, Knysna and Plettenberg Bay.





MASAI MARA (KENYA) & VOLCANOES NATIONAL PARK (RWANDA)

Founded in 1972, Governors' Camp and the Grammaticas Family were pioneers of luxury safaris in East Africa. Now, more than 40 years later, the Governors Camp Collection has expanded from that original icon in the heart of Kenya's Masai Mara and comprises a unique portfolio of award-winning luxury safari camps and lodges. Located in the best wildlife viewing areas of Kenya and Rwanda and set in amongst some of East Africa's most spectacular scenery, the camps are renowned not only for their prime locations but also for their responsible approach to ecotourism, conservation and community engagement. Strong community bonds are a hallmark not only in the Masai Mara, but also adjacent to the Volcanoes National Park in Rwanda at the country's first community-owned lodge, a seminal and much-lauded partnership that continues to make a considerable difference to the lives of the community around the Park and to the conservation of the mountain gorilla.

GOVERNORS' CAMP - KENYA

Nestling in the riverine forest along the winding banks of the Mara River, Governors' Camp is in the heart of Kenya's Masai Mara National Reserve and boasts arguably the best camp location in this unique ecosystem. The setting of the camp is so spectacular that almost a century ago it was reserved, exclusively, for Kenya's colonial governors.

Established in 1972, the camp has 37 classic safari-style tents – some lining the riverbank, while others gaze out across the sweeping plains of the Masai Mara. The tents are big, bright and allow in lots of natural light. Each is en suite and has a private veranda.

Governors' Camp boasts a Silver Eco-Rating from Ecotourism Kenya.

In 2016, Wilderness Safaris formed a strategic partnership with the Governors' Camp Collection, where Governors' maintains its individual identity, brand, structure and independence, and is sold by Wilderness as its preferred partner in Kenya and Rwanda. Agents with an existing relationship with Governors' will continue to deal with Governors' directly.





LITTLE GOVERNORS' CAMP - KENYA

Little Governors' Camp is a luxury safari camp consisting of just 17 en-suite tents. The camp is approached by a boat ride across the Mara River, then an escorted walk through the riverine forest. Vehicles are left on the far river bank, and the camp is therefore quiet and undisturbed.

The guest tents are all tucked into the edge of the forest overlooking a natural waterhole and facing the Oloololo Escarpment. Perched on polished wooden decks, the large tent verandas enable views of wildlife around the waterhole.

Little Governors' Camp has been awarded a Silver Eco-Rating from Ecotourism Kenya.

IL MORAN CAMP - KENYA

The camp for those who want that extra bit of luxury, the 10-tent Il Moran Camp is small, intimate and hidden under ancient trees lining the winding banks of the Mara River.

Located in the absolute heart of the Masai Mara, the luxurious II Moran tents feature super 'king size' beds fashioned from ancient fallen olive trees, and Victorian-style baths. During the day, meals are served on the banks of the Mara River. Dinner is served by candlelight in the open dining tent or al fresco by the river. Il Moran is an ideal camp for honeymooners and couples.

Governors' Il Moran Camp has been recognised by Ecotourism Kenya with a Silver Eco-Rating.

GOVERNORS' PRIVATE CAMP - KENYA

The jewel in the Governors' Camp crown; for those who want an exclusive taste of the Governors' experience. The eight tents of Private Camp can either be booked by one group at a time (so it's yours to enjoy, as the name suggests, in private) or it can be booked on a tent-by-tent basis to share with others.

The large tents, positioned on wooden platforms with extended verandas, ensure peace, privacy and personal attention – the hallmark of a stay here. Your manager is also your host and you benefit from our very best guides and trackers, whose knowledge of the Reserve is unsurpassed. Meals are served on fine china and crystal and you can even tailor your own menus with our Executive Chef.

SABYINYO SILVERBACK LODGE - RWANDA

Sabyinyo Silverback Lodge enjoys a prime location on the slopes of the majestic dormant volcano of Sabyinyo – the epicentre of Rwanda's Volcanoes National Park. It is from their base here that guests are able to see the magnificent mountain gorilla – perhaps one of the most dramatic, thrilling and poignant wildlife experiences possible.

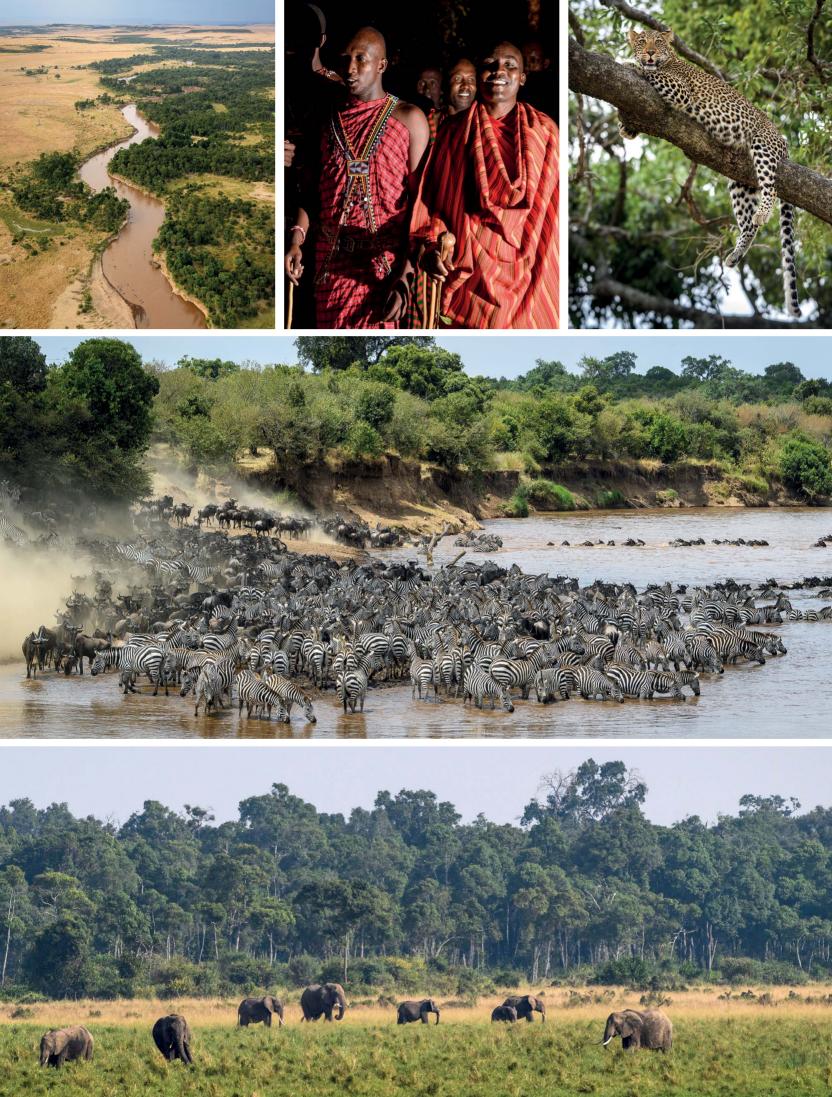
The lodge, and each of the nine mountain chalets (six cottages, two suites, one family cottage), commands spectacular views of the dramatic Virunga chain of volcanoes. Built and operated by Governors', Sabyinyo Silverback Lodge is actually owned by a Community Trust (SACOLA) which uses rentals and community fees from the lodge to drive local socio-economic and conservation initiatives. This seminal partnership – enabled by the African Wildlife Foundation – has transformed the approach to ecotourism and conservation in Rwanda.















HEALTH, SAFETY AND INSURANCE

WILDERNESS24 - OUR SAFETY MANAGEMENT INITIATIVE

Wilderness24 is Wilderness' own risk mitigation and incident management initiative. This is a holistic approach to overall operational safety. We have taken a proactive approach by building skilled internal capacity, tied to a 24/7/365 specialised incident management team. When incidents occur, we are able to give our guests the highest possible level of care and support. We want our guests to not only have the best wilderness experience whilst with us, but have the peace of mind that they can enjoy these experiences safely.

This service extends to all Wilderness products and services:





A key part of sustainability is appropriate risk and response measures to ensure that, as a tour and camp operator, we are doing everything we possibly can to ensure a safer environment for our travellers and staff alike.

The Wilderness24 team comprises of professional incident managers and doctors who are available to our guests 24/7/365. With over a decade of working within the African continent's key hospitality and tourism community, they understand the resource-poor environment and logistical challenges better than anyone. Access to this service is a free service to all our guests and we see this as an integral value-add to ensure the utmost safety and support for all our travellers.

Our incident management team has adapted and applied the American FEMA (Federal Emergency Response Agency) principles to our unique African context. Our doctors are the leading telemedical consultants in Africa and our incident management team hold relationships with all major private medical and disaster service providers.

Wilderness Safaris has developed a comprehensive emergency response plan which is adapted to each specific camp context. The Emergency Response Plan (ERP) covers all emergency based scenarios which may affect our guests and staff. This development is in line with best practice to ensure the safety of our guests and staff. Both on-line and physical training sessions on the ERP and in regards to incident response are held with camp staff throughout the year.





WHAT OUR GUESTS GET FROM WILDERNESS24:

- 24/7 access to incident managers who manage incidents from start to finish and keep all relevant parties abreast of developments.
- 24/7 access to consult telephonically or by Skype with a medical doctor. For any medical risk or concern query our doctors will provide the most appropriate medical management plan or referral as needed.
- Access to a registered trauma counsellor.
- Access to interpreters (Spanish, Portuguese, German, French, Dutch, Italian).
 Ensuring appropriate information, logistic realities and local medical providers' details are communicated to the travel insurer in a timely manner.
- Facilitate in acquiring medication (lost or stolen); arranging specialist medical consults on prior request etc.

PLEASE NOTE that Wilderness24 is not a travel insurance product nor does it replace your travel insurer's emergency protocols. All guests are required to ensure they have adequate coverage prior to travelling to our camps. Should you not be sure of the extent of coverage required, feel free to contact Wilderness24 at wilderness24@incidents.im.



BASIC SCENARIO OF HOW AN INCIDENT IS MANAGED	
1	Jane Guest slips and falls on the walkway to her room and lands on an outstretched arm.
2	A staff member finds Jane and radios the camp's incident coordinator (IC).
3	The IC despatches first aider and equipment to the scene.
4	Whilst the responder on scene looks after Jane, the IC phones the Wilderness24 Incident Management Centre (WS24) with relevant information.
5	WS24 conference-calls the doctor and the first aider on site. The doctor provides appropriate medical instructions to the first aider to stabilise the patient.
6	From the information received, the doctor indicates that there may be a potential fracture of her wrist and she would require an x-ray examination.
7	The doctor and IM Team then create the best possible Incident Action Plan and the patient provides consent. The plan is discussed with the Regional IC to coordinate logistics regarding Jane's movements to obtain treatment.
8	WS24 communicates the plan to all parties.
9	The WS24 doctor provides a Fitness to Fly certificate to Wilderness Air, which schedules a flight to camp and then to the nearest airport. Wilderness Air provides an estimated time of arrival (ETA) to the camp.
10	WS24 contacts the patient's travel insurance company to obtain a guarantee of payment to cover Jane's medical costs.
11	WS24 contacts the receiving hospital/clinic with the patient's details. The WS24 doctor briefs the hospital's receiving doctor.
12	Jane arrives at hospital. An x-ray examination reveals a hairline wrist fracture.
13	Her wrist is splinted and her arm placed in a sling. She is prescribed appropriate pain medication and discharged by the doctor that same afternoon.
14	Jane returns to the camp and continues her holiday.
15	WS24 follows up over the course of the next few days to make sure Jane's recovery is coming along as expected.



HIGH-RISK TRAVELLERS & PRE-TRAVEL PLANNING

In order to meet and exceed your guests' expectations during their safari, we would like their holiday to unfold in an environment in which they feel safe, comfortable and well cared for. To do this we need to learn more about any possible health or medical issues which your guests may have that could lead to a problem whilst they are travelling. This is in reference to any pre-existing medical conditions, allergies, mobility restrictions, recent operations or illnesses.

This vital information will prepare our operational team on the ground ensuring they are able to take part in the variety of activities available, thus making their safari enjoyable and filled with memorable experiences. By providing us with key information, prior to travel, including guests ages, we will be better informed and able to make suggestions as to what guests should do/acquire prior to travel. Please provide us with information should your guests fit in the category of high risk traveller.

High Risk Travellers, Conditions and Items

- People
- Elderly Mobility Difficulties
- Pregnant women
- Babies
- Hearing Impaired
- Visually Impaired

Medical Conditions

• Allergies and intolerances

Items

Equipment

Medication

- Breathing Difficulties
- Alzheimer's, Dementia
- Diabetes
- Epilepsy
- Chronic Conditions

CONFIDENTIALITY OF GUESTS' PERSONAL INFORMATION

Any personal information that a guest shares with Wilderness Safaris is kept confidential. Wilderness Safaris will only share these details with the relevant Operations Teams in the regions the guests are visiting so that they may be better equipped to host the guests appropriately or so that we may provide the necessary recommendations to ensure that a trip runs as smoothly as possible.

Should an Associated Product property be included in the guests' itinerary, the guest details will only be shared with those service providers that are relevant to the itinerary to enhance the service and provide the guest with an enjoyable trip.

MEDICAL CLEARANCE TO FLY

Both Wilderness Air and third party charter companies may decline to fly guests that suffer from a medical condition that may be exacerbated by travelling in an unpressurised aircraft especially in an instance where a guest may cause a risk to the pilot and passengers on the plane. It would certainly be in the best interest of the guest to travel with a certificate or doctor's letter stating that they are fit to fly and participate in a journey booked through Wilderness Safaris.

MEDICAL CLEARANCE TO TRAVEL

A medical clearance or fitness to travel letter is required especially if the guest needs special care/attention or uses any medical equipment. If the guest has a complicated chronic medical condition, has had a recent illness, injury, surgery or hospitalisation then a letter stating that a guest is well enough to travel, should be provided. If there is any change in the condition or well-being of the guest before travelling then Wilderness Safaris needs to be notified.



CONDITIONS THAT REQUIRE MEDICAL CLEARANCE:

- Travellers who may be affected by reduced atmospheric pressure (cabin air pressure changes greatly every 15-30minutes after take-off and before landing.
- Travellers who may be affected by reduction in oxygen tensions (cabin pressure is equivalent to an altitude or 6000-8000 feet and oxygen partial pressure is approximately 20% less than on the ground.
- Wilderness Air fly unpressurised aircraft Caravan 208 will have airflow during flight but a Cessna 206 will not have great ventilation at all.
- Travellers who require any medical equipment or who travel with any medical equipment, e.g. wheelchair, walker.
- Travellers who have been operated on or admitted to hospital within the four weeks prior to travel. The guests' doctor must clarify whether the condition has sufficiently stabilised for the guest to be able to travel internationally/ regionally/locally.
- Travellers with a mental condition which renders them unstable or ill.

For a full list of high risk traveller criteria, email Customer Care: customercare@wilderness.co.za.

Please channel any query you receive of this nature, including any out-of-theordinary request which may not be clearly defined in this document, through to your dedicated journey specialist or reservations team, at the initial stage of the booking, via the normal lines of communication. You are also most welcome to contact the Customer Care Team directly: customercare@wilderness.co.za.

INSURANCE & LIABILITY COVER

To back up our incident response initiative, Wilderness Safaris makes use of Safari & Tourism Insurance Brokers (SATIB), underwritten by Lloyd's of London.

SATIB specialises in providing insurance products and services directly to the African tourism industry. They have been providing their specialist service to the industry for the past 24 years and we can confidently state that the company is the most experienced specialist inbound tourism insurance broker in Southern & East Africa.

Website: www.satib.co.za





For more information, please see the SATIB Insurance Document on Wilderness Window's Information Centre, under the Product Information tab.

For further information or assistance on any of the above, please contact Customer Care (CustomerCare@wilderness.co.za) during office hours, or WSafterhours@wilderness.co.za at any other time.



DESIGNING YOUR SAFARI

Designing a safari is an important part of the African journey. Given the diversity and immense topography of the continent, it is impossible to see everything in one trip or even a lifetime of return visits.

Combining destinations is the best way to discover the diverse wildlife species that thrive in different habitats. Our camps and concessions offer a multiplicity of species, scenery and activities and are thus easily combined to create the perfect itinerary.

In Botswana, for example, it is worth combining the drier areas of the Kalahari, the permanent swamps and waterways of the Okavango Delta and the mixed plains and woodlands of the Linyanti. In other areas, such as Namibia or South Africa, the diversity of landscapes and ecosystems is even more significant and it is definitely worth visiting more than one or two camps.

The different regions in which we operate not only showcase the variety of wildlife within distinctive landscapes, but explore the cultural diversity of each region. To broaden this outlook further, guests may even consider choosing to visit a number of countries.

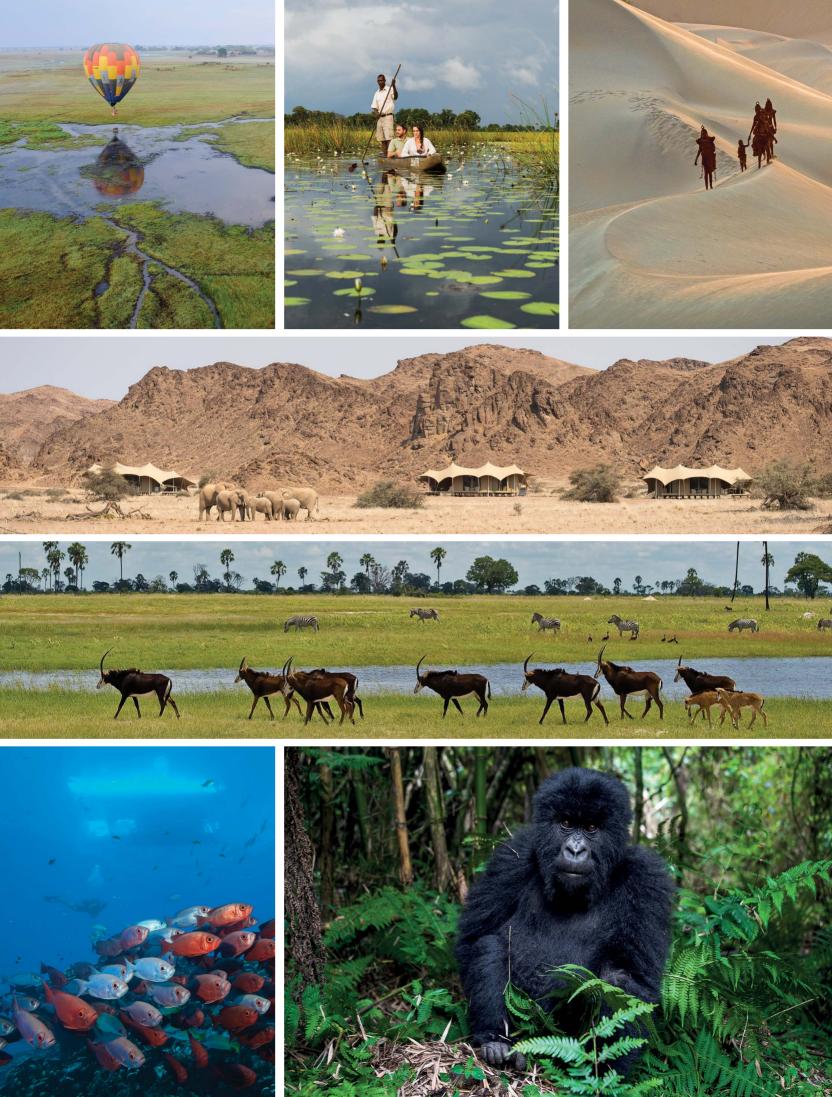
Lastly, but equally as important, is deciding what time of year to travel. Seasons vary between destinations, however for those seeking to view the birthing season of many animals within an abundant setting, or for birding enthusiasts, summer is generally the best time to travel. For those seeking drier landscapes and teeming herds around limited water resources, winter is the season.

When planning an itinerary within a country – or more than one – start by considering the areas and time of year first, and the camps second. In this way you'll ensure a diverse experience that allows your guests to absorb all the variety that Africa has to offer.











TOOLS OF THE TRADE

As we work and grow with our travel partners all over the world, we are constantly working on new ways of presenting our wide range of camps and safaris as well as the diversity of wildlife that we help to conserve. Since we do not sell direct and protect the relationship between our partners and their clients, we aim to create tools that our partners can use, helping them bring more guests to Africa.

Our tools are divided into print and digital, and all fulfil different roles depending on audience and context.

DIGITAL COLLATERAL



WHERE CAN I GET A QUOTATION, BOOK A RESERVATION, OR COST PRODUCT?

WILDERNESS WINDOW

Wilderness Window – a significant advance in delivering a seamless and accurate service to our agents, a robust and secure online environment in which we house all our rates and product information, as well as an online quoting and booking system. www.wilderness-window.com

*From the quoting and booking system perspective, portal user access is set to view availability only. Should you wish to make further use of this tool, please contact your Sales or Reservations Manager.



WETU

A system that creates tools such as Digital Catalogues, a virtual itinerary that includes the ability to re- or co-brand with your details. The Wilderness Catalogue can be accessed via the Information Centre on the Wilderness Window under "E-Brochures."



WILDERNESS MOMENTS

Our online image library has over 2 000 photos at any given time, from camp shots to wildlife to activities and conservation. www.wilderness-moments.com

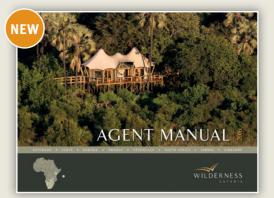
DIGITAL COLLATERAL

WHERE DO I FIND OUT ABOUT ALL THINGS WILDERNESS ONLINE?



WILDERNESS SAFARIS

Our primary consumer site with information about our countries, camps and wildlife, news, blog, maps etc. www.wilderness-safaris.com



WILDERNESS SAFARIS MANUAL APP

CHILDREN IN THE WILDERNESS

The online version of this printed manual can be downloaded from the Apple Store or Google Play by searching for "Wilderness Safaris Manual"

WHERE CAN I LEARN MORE ABOUT SOME OF THE GOOD STUFF THAT WILDERNESS SUPPORTS?



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Children in the Wilderness www.childreninthewilderness.com

HOW ABOUT SOCIAL MEDIA?



ASSOCIATES



Governor's Camp Collection www.governorscamp.com



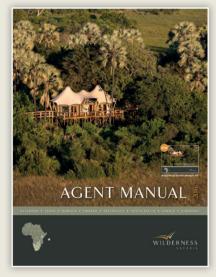
Thousand Hills Africa www.thousandhillsafrica.com

PRINTED COLLATERAL

Wilderness Safaris prints a variety of collateral for use by agents as well as for perusal in our camps by guests. The idea behind much of our material is not just to showcase our areas but to provide as much information as possible so that itineraries can be built to be focused and accurate, with the guest's needs answered to the fullest.

This includes a full brochure suite as well as maps, flyers and newsletters.

WHAT BROCHURES ARE AVAILABLE?



Agents Manual This is your 'Wilderness bible', created specifically for our travel partners.

INSPIRATIONAL READING



Wilderness – Sustainability Review



Wilderness Wildlife Trust and Children in the Wilderness Annual Report

Wilderness Safaris Country Brochures

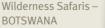
These are aimed specifically at the consumer going into more detail on the wide range of camps, safaris and all-round life-changing experiences that we offer in each country.

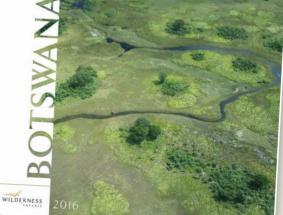
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