



WILDERNESS
SAFARIS



AFRICA



The drama of safari: a giraffe cow attempts to defend her stillborn foal from a clan of spotted hyaena (Okavango Delta, Botswana)



SAFARI

It is true to say that once you've stepped onto African soil, it is hard to leave.

Africa invokes a sense of timelessness and discovery for the visitor and resident alike, lured by its natural wilderness and diverse wildlife, rich history, spectacular scenic wonders and evocative cultural heritage. Those that do leave yearn to return.

A journey to Africa would be incomplete without going on safari. Originating in Kenya, the Swahili word 'safari' means "long or adventurous expedition."

Although times have changed, safari is still about reaching and experiencing remote, untouched, wild destinations and discovering the incredible ecosystems and animal kingdoms

that they hold. It is also still about reconnecting with nature and oneself. Today, convenient fly-in access and modern comfort characterise safaris to most parts of Africa, canvas and thatch used more for their light environmental footprint rather than from necessity.

In fact, safari is perhaps the epitome of ecotourism. For the past 30 years, our photographic journeys to Africa's wild places have been instrumental in ensuring their protection and conservation, as well as the sharing of their benefits with local communities.

We invite you to join us in contributing to this uniquely African symbiosis.

*Ukuhamba ukubona
(To travel is to really see, experience and understand)*

Zulu proverb

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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 nine countries across Africa, but we are a long-running and industry leading company with 30 years of experience in the industry.

- Wilderness Safaris offers our guests exclusive access to more than 3 million hectares (8 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. Experiences in our private concessions far exceed those in public access national parks.
- Our areas cover many habitats, encompassing parts of nine of Africa's eleven biomes, thus allowing for incredibly diverse and all-round experiences, whether in the savannah, the rainforest, the desert or the ocean.
- Whether travelling as a couple, a family or on your own, and in order to satisfy individual needs and personalities, our properties range from high-end luxury to more affordable options.
- Our dedicated team with 30 years' experience of designing perfect safaris works hand in hand with your travel agent – an Africa specialist in their own right – to design a journey that suits your budget and bucket list.
- We have our own “bush airline” – Wilderness Air – creating a seamless journey that allows you to move from one place to the next on your itinerary without hassle.
- We offer complete, tailor-made services throughout southern Africa including logistics, sightseeing and accommodation in our camps as well as an extensive list of accommodation and of course our own set-departure guided journeys known as Explorations.
- We operate a touring and transfers business – Wilderness Touring – in the tourism hubs of Cape Town (South Africa), Victoria Falls (Zimbabwe) and Windhoek (Namibia).

At Wilderness Safaris, we create 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.



Why we do what we do

- The environment is at the heart of our beliefs and values. Our quest is to come to understand the wilderness better, to respect it, to care for it and to share it with our guests.
- We are serious about what we do and believe fully in our vision of contributing meaningfully to African conservation.
- Our vision is encapsulated by “the 4Cs,” a concept that suggests that our organisation aims to be truly sustainable by committing to the four dimensions of Commerce, Conservation, Community, and Culture:
 - **Commerce** deals with our ecotourism offerings and products and is perhaps the most critical element to sustainability in the modern world.
 - **Conservation** is divided into *Environmental Management Systems* i.e., building and managing our camps in the most eco-friendly way possible, and *Biodiversity Conservation* i.e., the understanding, management and protection of the wildlife and ecosystems with which we are involved.
 - **Community** is all about the people at the heart of our business: *Internal Community* – our staff across all our regions, and *External Community* – comprising the rural communities that either own the land on which we operate or live adjacent to these areas.
 - **Culture** is a multifaceted element that governs respect for the culture of all employees as well as the remote rural communities surrounding the conservation areas.
- Our non-profit trusts – the Wilderness Wildlife Trust and Children in the Wilderness – help us drive this vision. The **Wilderness Wildlife Trust** funds projects addressing the needs of existing wildlife populations, seeks solutions to save threatened species and provides education and training for local communities. **Children in the Wilderness** is an environmental and life skills educational programme that focuses on the next generation of rural decision makers – the children of Africa.

Awards

Condé Nast
Traveler TRAVEL+ LEISURE



2013

US Travel + Leisure 2013 World's Best Awards – Wilderness Safaris (5th Top Safari Operator)

Condé Nast Traveler World Savers Award – Wilderness Safaris

Chartered Secretaries of Southern Africa and JSE's 2013 Annual Report Awards – Wilderness Holdings Annual Integrated Report (1st for Regionally Listed Companies category)

PricewaterhouseCoopers Annual Report Awards – Wilderness Holdings (Best Corporate Report & Accounts in the Commerce and Industry Sector)

Corporate Register Reporting Awards (CRRA) – Wilderness Holdings Annual Integrated Report

2012

Travel + Leisure Global Vision Award (Leadership) – Wilderness Safaris

WTTC Tourism for Tomorrow Awards (Global Tourism Business) – Wilderness Safaris (Finalist)

Outside Magazine Active Travel Awards (Best Travel Company) – Wilderness Safaris (Runner up)

2011

Virtuoso Sustainable Tourism Leadership Award – Wilderness Safaris

GBHealth Business Action on Health Awards (Workplace Engagement & HIV) – Finalist
Travel + Leisure World's Best Awards (Best Tour Operator & Safari Outfitter) – Wilderness Safaris (4th)

Travel + Leisure World's Best Awards (Best Tour Operator & Safari Outfitter for Families) – Wilderness Safaris (3rd)

The vast landscapes and dramatic scenery of the Namib Desert (Namibia)



Lush tropical rainforest (Odzala, Congo)



Lion pride in savannah (Central Kalahari, Botswana)



Elephant herd moving through the floodplain (Okavango Delta, Botswana)

Designing your Safari

Designing your safari is an important part of your African journey. Given the immense diversity and topography of the continent, it is impossible to see everything in one trip or even a lifetime of return visits. Our in-house team and our specialist partners in the travel trade throughout the world are there to help you design your dream itinerary to maximise your experience.

What you should consider:

- **Who you travel with.** Are they in the best areas? Are they ethical and responsible? Are they a genuine ecotourism company that actively engages with conservation and community projects and attempts to lessen their own impact?
 - **Who you book with.** Are they Africa specialists? How long have they been in business? Have they travelled to the places they are recommending? Do they visit Africa frequently and do they recommend responsible travelling?
 - **What countries and regions you visit.** Africa is vast. And diverse. Prioritising what you see and do on your first visit is important, which is why time spent consulting your Africa specialist is so helpful; they are best positioned to explain the continent and focus your plans.
 - **How you combine those regions.** Combining areas and regions is the best way to discover the diverse wildlife species that thrive in different habitats. Our camps are intentionally located where they are to make combinations both easy and rewarding. In Botswana, for example, it is worth combining the dryer areas of the Kalahari, the permanent swamps and waterways of the Okavango Delta and the mixed plains and woodlands of the Linyanti.
- **When you should visit.** Seasonality is important in your consideration, as different parts of the continent, and even regions within those parts, are at their best at different times of the year. Your Africa specialist is best positioned to advise you on this. For example, if you'd like to experience Africa's season of birth and abundance, or you're a birder, then summer is generally best. For those seeking dryer landscapes and teeming herds around limited water resources, winter is the season for you.
 - **How long your visit should be.** Because of the vastness, the diversity, and the time that it can take to travel, it is important to allow enough time to comfortably cover all of the high points in your plans. It is a holiday after all and should be relaxing and adventurous in equal parts.
 - **What kind of accommodation you will stay in.** We believe canvas, timber and thatch are the most sustainable building materials and also offer the most intimate encounters with Africa. Tents are no longer just rustic accommodation, but can be sumptuous, luxurious rooms that offer every conceivable comfort. Choosing the level of luxury is an important element.

Our Camps and Explorations

Our camps are typically small, intimate safari bases in superb locations, ranging in size from just three units to 20. Here, we want our guests to be immersed in Africa: while lying in bed to hear the roar of the lion, the calling of the frogs, the sigh of the wind. In order to satisfy individual needs, we have several classes of accommodation as explained below.

Of paramount importance to us is that our camps have 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.



Premier Camps

Our Premier camps comprise our most elegant and stylised accommodation. These camps combine exclusive luxury and superbly designed architecture with the warm comforts of home and personal service.



Classic Camps

Our Classic camps are luxury tented camps, all offering stylish and spacious accommodation, with superb facilities. All bedrooms have en-suite bathrooms and decks overlooking the magnificent surroundings.



Adventures Camps

Larger and more convivial, our Adventure camps comprise units that are generally tented, extremely comfortable with en-suite bathrooms and all the amenities to make you feel at home. Note: activities at these camps may be at extra cost.

All of our camps undergo rigorous in-house and independent environmental impact assessments (EIAs) prior to construction. Wherever possible, renewable energy for our electricity and water heating requirements is provided through photovoltaic solar arrays. Waste water treatment, recycling and fuel storage, as well as our procurement, are also all carefully considered. Each camp undergoes comprehensive bi-annual audits, making them some of the most sustainable and responsible in Africa. We believe that – more than just comfort and life-changing experiences – our camps provide the luxury of space and a clean conscience.



Explorations

Our fully serviced guided journeys create a sense of exclusive camping in Africa. A variety of travel modes and activities explore mostly private concessions and wildlife areas exclusive to Wilderness Safaris guests. Accommodation ranges from tailor-made camp sites to luxurious Wilderness Safaris camps.

Wilderness Collection

The Wilderness Collection is a portfolio of progressive and innovative destinations in iconic areas of Africa and its islands. Not necessarily 'safari camps,' they share a commitment to global sustainability and use responsible tourism experiences to highlight the Earth's plight and how discerning travellers can make a difference. Refined and elegant, each location is dedicated to sustainable, luxury and exceptional guest experiences.





Sightseeing (Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe)

Between Camps

From the moment you arrive in Africa, to your departure and every point in between, Wilderness Safaris people are ready and waiting for you. Whether this is a “meet and greet” at the international airport of arrival – where a Wilderness Safaris representative takes you through to your next flight or transfer – or your arrival at a regional hub to connect with our own “bush airline,” this personalised service continues all the way through your journey.

Wilderness Air is a key element of this experience, flying you from camp to camp and guiding you through regional airports, while Wilderness Touring ensures your road transfers are both efficient and informative. Beyond this, Wilderness Touring offers guided visits to all manner of places of importance in exciting locations, whether Victoria Falls, Cape Town or Windhoek.



Rendezvous at the camp airstrip (Sossusvlei, Namibia)



Vehicle and guide fleet (Cape Town, South Africa)



Guided interpretive experiences (Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe)



Reconnect with the wilderness and nature



Cultural immersion

What will you do on Safari?

Due to the diverse areas in which Wilderness Safaris operates, the experiences offered vary enormously from camp to camp. A game drive in the Kalahari is very different to a drive through the Busanga Plains or across the Namib Desert. Wildlife can also be enjoyed on foot, by mokoro, by boat, by air or even from the comfort of camp.

Experiences don't just stop here as Wilderness Safaris introduces you to every aspect of Africa: from relaxing in camp and dining in the bush to observing nature unfold in the African wild or getting to know our staff, their heritage and culture.

The next few pages reveal the variety and diversity of experiences you as a guest can partake in – all combine to make your safari the journey of a lifetime.





Viewing elephants (Hwange, Zimbabwe)



Wildebeest on the plains (Okavango Delta, Botswana)

...On Game Drive

A game drive is the essential ingredient of any safari, being one of the best ways to view wildlife. Not only are you able to cover considerable distances and differing habitats of an area in a short space of time, but our 4x4 vehicles are a good vantage point from which to watch wildlife safely.

Game drives take place in the early morning seeing the bush spring to life as the day dawns, and in the afternoon and evening, where there is a chance of seeing nocturnal predators as they wake from their day's rest.

Since the majority of our camps are located on private concessions, our game drive vehicles seldom have to jostle for place at an exciting sighting.



Dune exploration (Sossusvlei, Namibia)



Enjoying sundowners in the desert (Damaraland, Namibia)



Male lion on the Busanga Plains (Kafue, Zambia)





Impala herd (Kruger, South Africa)



Lioness on the hunt (Mana Pools, Zimbabwe)



Drinking elephant herd along the Shire River (Liwonde, Malawi)



Sensitive dune traversing by quad-bike (Namib Desert, Namibia)



Indian Ocean pleasure craft (North Island, Seychelles)



Guided boat trip along the Zambezi River (Mana Pools, Zimbabwe)

... On the Water

One of the more romantic ways of enjoying the wilderness is on the water. It is the quintessential element of any trip to the Okavango where guests float silently along the blue channels of the Delta in traditional mekoro (dugout canoes). Motorboats are also used for transfers as well as for seasonal catch-and-release fishing.

Our camps in the Victoria Falls region – both in Zambia and Zimbabwe – are exciting launch pads for numerous and adventurous water excursions, while further down the mighty Zambezi, in northern Zimbabwe, viewing wildlife from the vantage point of a boat is a thrilling experience.

In Malawi, motor boating on the Shire River exposes rich shore- and freshwater-based life, while kayaking and other water sports add excitement to the splendour of the great Lake Malawi.



Game viewing by canoe (Mana Pools, Zimbabwe)



Tranquil mokoro poling (Okavango Delta, Botswana)



...In Camp

Our 'home away from home' camps are not only places where you will sleep, but are idyllic, well-appointed retreats where you can relax between activities; indeed, nursing a cup of coffee around the fire or sipping a gin and tonic while looking out over a quintessential African view is as much part of the experience as a game drive.

Each camp has its own individual style and is often designed using cultural elements of the area. A lounge and bar area and deck all look out onto a feature of interest or beauty. Most camps have swimming pools to float in in the midday sun and some even have star-beds, outdoor showers and massage treatments for your enjoyment.



Midday relaxation (Etosha, Namibia)



Friendly hospitality and learning (Kafue, Zambia)



In-camp spa treatment (Victoria Falls, Zambia)



Light airy rooms (Linyanti, Botswana)





Romantic outdoor bath (Okavango Delta, Botswana)



Rooftop star-bed (Central Kalahari, Botswana)



Tent interior (Okavango Delta, Botswana)

Elephant herd feeding in camp (Okavango Delta, Botswana)





Gorilla tracking (Odzala, Congo)



Inselberg desert view (Hartmann's Valley, Namibia)



Climbing some of the world's highest dunes (Sossusvlei, Namibia)



White rhino viewing (Etosha, Namibia)



Floodplain walk (Okavango Delta, Botswana)

...On Foot

Walking on safari has always been regarded as one of the finest ways to get to know the African wilderness. Aside from the excitement of viewing wildlife, walking through the untamed, remote bush allows you to get your feet on the ground and away from vehicles, to really feel, smell and touch Africa.

Walks range from a short morning or afternoon walk (guide- and season-dependent) to three-day walking trails, staying overnight in tented camps. Guest safety is of utmost importance and each walk or trail is led by highly skilled professional guides.



Game viewing from above (Kafue, Zambia)

...In the Air

Travelling by air is the best way of showcasing the scenic expanse and remoteness of the areas in which we operate. Transferring from camp to camp on Wilderness Air is a seamless way of ensuring a smooth journey as well as appreciating the magnificence and scale of the continent.

Another way of appreciating the magnificent landscapes is by helicopter. Some of our camps even offer hot air ballooning for a quieter and more peaceful perspective of the wilderness, often ending in a well-deserved champagne breakfast!



Game viewing by helicopter (Okavango Delta, Botswana)



Scenic flight over the endless Sand Sea (Sossusvlei, Namibia)



Qualified and experienced pilots



Discussion of the route and features (Namibia)

Brunch overlooking the floodplains (Okavango Delta, Botswana)



Traditional boma meal (Linyanti, Botswana)



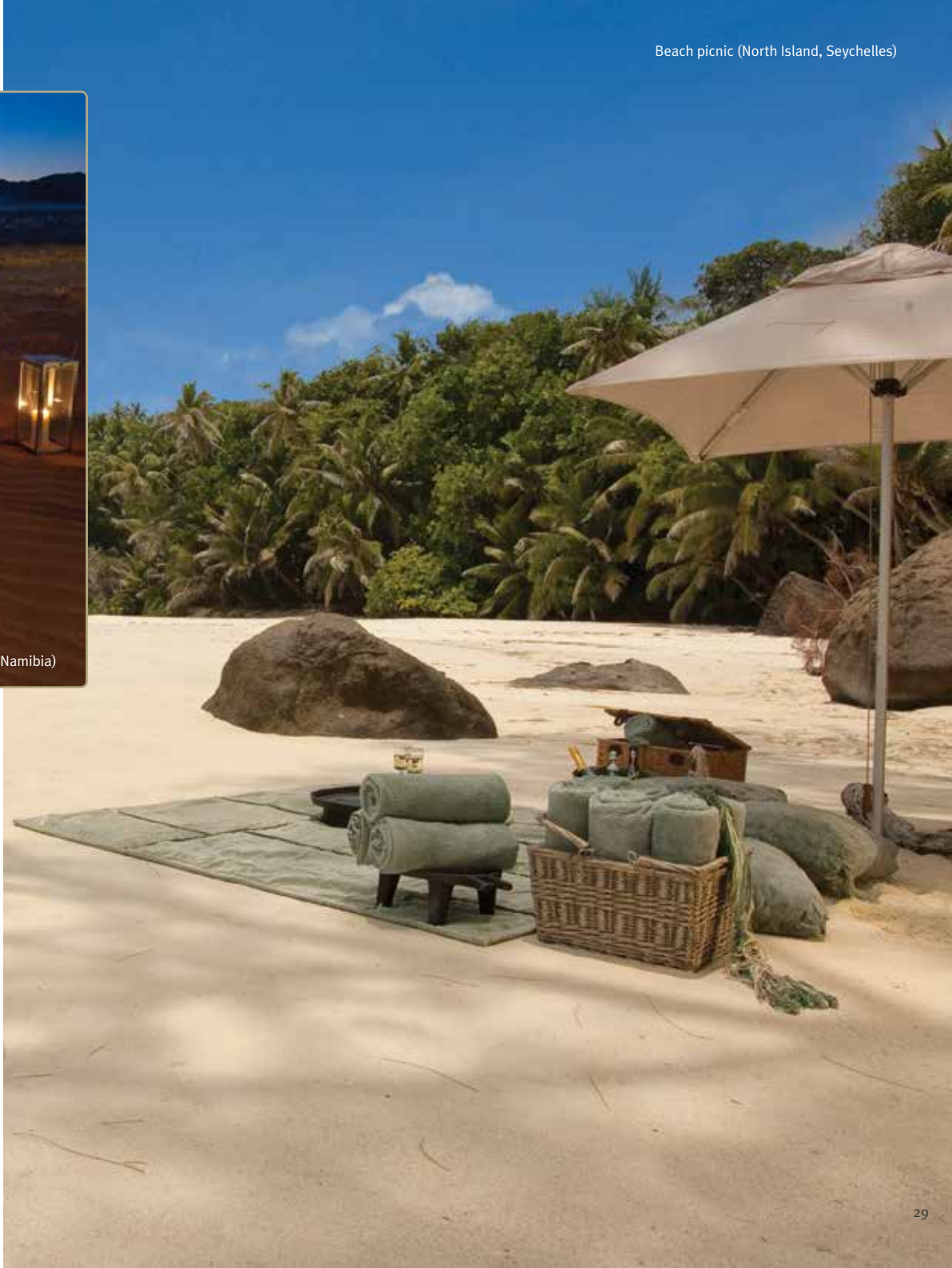
Surprise breakfast (Okavango Delta, Botswana)



Table for two (Sossusvlei, Namibia)

...At Meals

Dining is an essential part of your safari and therefore we make every effort to ensure a convivial atmosphere wherever we are. While good wholesome food is served, you can expect a cultural twist to your meals. Meals can take place in camp, in the bush, under the stars or in a traditional boma. For the romantic, in some camps, you can even request private dining.





Colourful coral reef abundance (Maputaland, South Africa)



Crystal-clear freshwater snorkelling (Lake Malawi, Malawi)

...Underwater

Not just “on” the water, but under it—our beach destinations, namely the warm waters of the Indian Ocean around North Island in the Seychelles, and Rocktail Beach Camp, South Africa, reveal the exciting world of underwater safaris. Both destinations are known for their abundance of aquatic life, from small colourful fish, rays and turtles to larger dolphins, whales and sharks. Snorkelling and diving in these regions is hugely rewarding.

Freshwater Lake Malawi National Park also offers magical experiences in its crystal-clear waters. With 2 000 species of mostly colourful fish called cichlids, it’s no wonder this region of the Lake is often considered to be the best freshwater diving and snorkelling location on the planet.



Tropical hard corals (North Island, Seychelles)



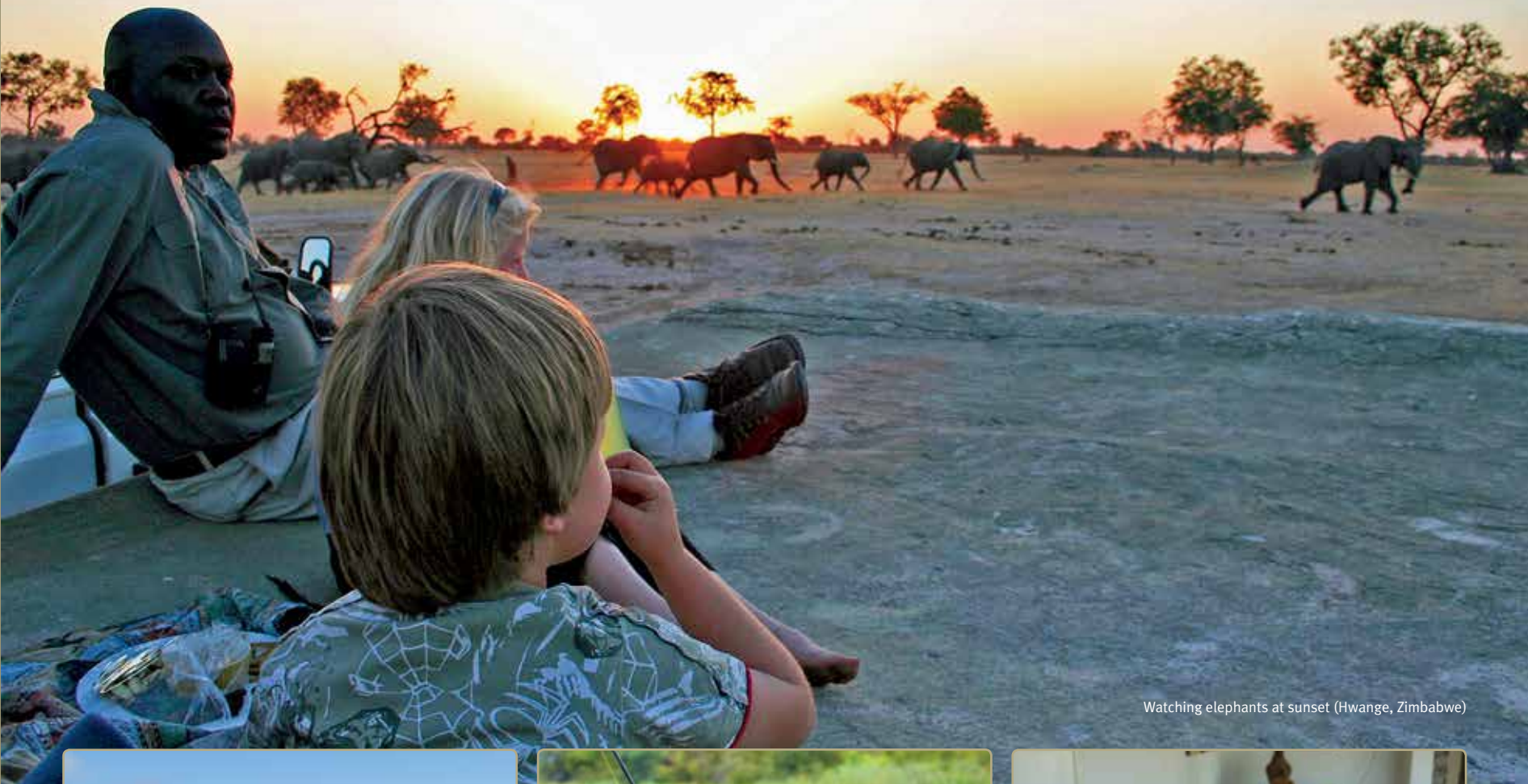
Symbiosis (Maputaland, South Africa)



Lionfish at an offshore reef (North Island, Seychelles)



Whale shark encounter (Maputaland, South Africa)



Watching elephants at sunset (Hwange, Zimbabwe)



Discovering intertidal sea life together (Maputaland, South Africa)



Learning the finer points of angling (Linyanti, Botswana)



Kitchen chaos (Etosha, Namibia)

...With your Family

A safari is a great opportunity to spend time with family. Many of our camps have family rooms, flexible activities and mealtimes to cater for younger children, meaning that a journey with us allows you to spend quality time with your family, as well as take in the beauty and wildlife around you and actually have a holiday.

Dedicated, friendly and enthusiastic staff and guides provide “edutainment,” so that children (and their parents) can learn about the natural environment, with each camp offering different activities based on its particular location. Arts and crafts are geared towards traditional skills, such as weaving or making traditional tools and implements, subtly allowing your children to learn about the local culture and customs while having fun.



Sand dune exuberance (Sossusvlei, Namibia)



Intrepid adventurer with ‘ngashi’ in hand (Okavango Delta, Botswana)



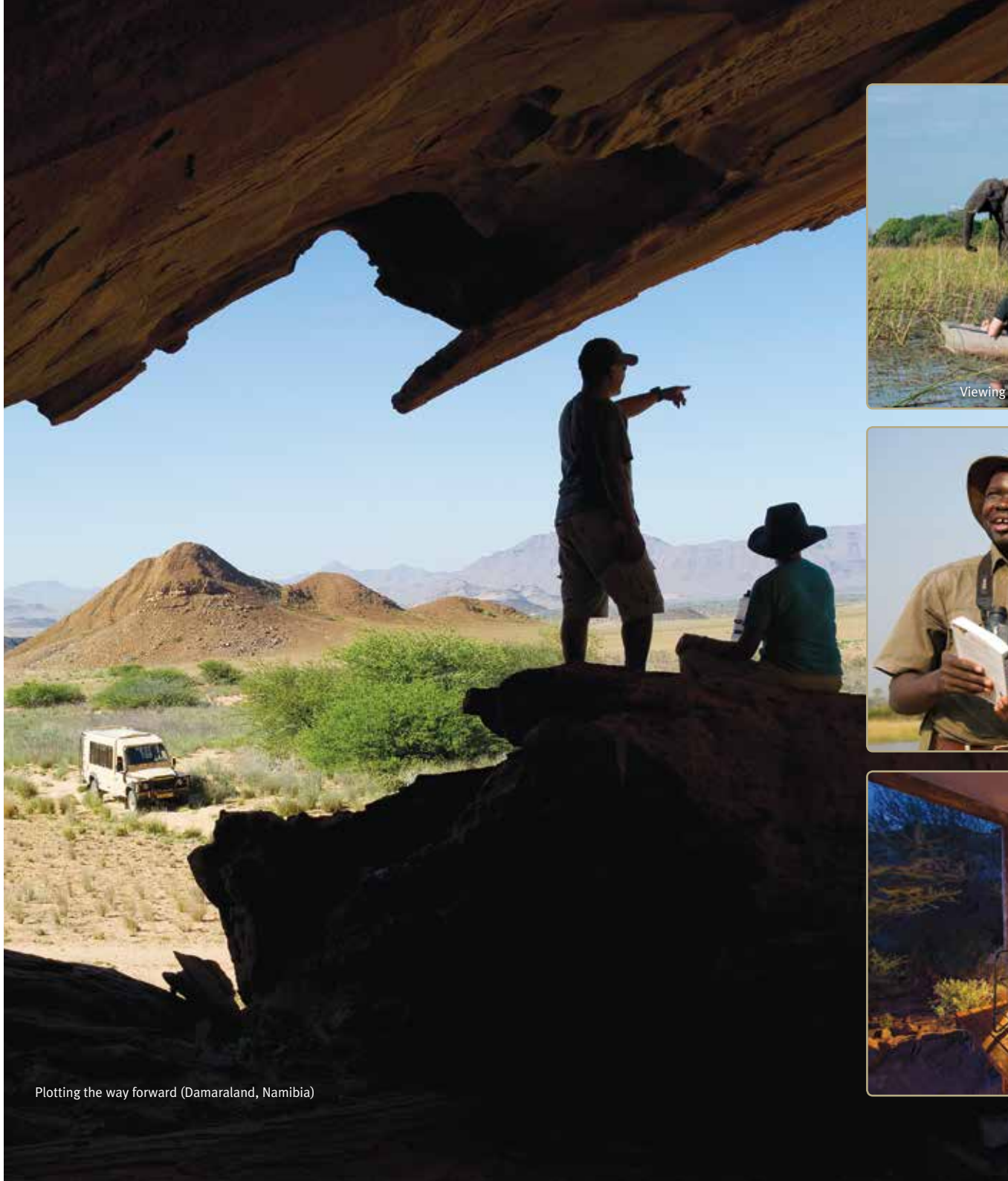
...On an Exploration

The idea of *safari*, a Swahili word meaning ‘a long journey or expedition,’ is expressed best in our Explorations, fully-serviced and fully-guided journeys that make their way across the wild and unspoilt areas of Africa. These game-viewing experiences make use of mostly private concessions and areas exclusive to Wilderness Safaris guests, through which a variety of travel modes, such as game drives, walks, mekoro, canoes, boats and air charters, maximise every opportunity to view the incredible range of flora and fauna.

The secret to a fantastic Exploration is your guide. Our guides are passionate, experienced and highly trained local individuals who make the whole journey seamless and interpretive from start to finish.



Fresh wholesome food cooked on the fire (Okavango Delta, Botswana)



Plotting the way forward (Damaraland, Namibia)



Viewing elephant from mokoro (Okavango Delta, Botswana)



Guided journey (Okavango Delta, Botswana)



Home for the night (Damaraland, Namibia)



Indian Ocean opulence (North Island, Seychelles)



Freshwater tropical island paradise (Lake Malawi, Malawi)



Family fun (Maputaland, South Africa)



Endless private beaches (Maputaland, South Africa)

...On the Beach

Many would not associate a beach vacation with safari, but in fact Wilderness Safaris beach destinations add precisely this element. While relaxation and typical seaside enjoyment are at the centre of the beach experience, our ocean and freshwater shores are set within outstanding wilderness areas, adding unique flora and fauna, from vegetated dunes to seabirds and crustaceans, to the mix. Our ocean beaches in particular exhibit sightings of rare turtles laying eggs – or the hatchlings scrambling through the sand to their watery home.

Our beach destinations include North Island in Seychelles, Rocktail Bay in South Africa and the freshwater shores of Lake Malawi.



Loggerhead turtle laying eggs (Maputaland, South Africa)



Turtle hatchlings (Maputaland, South Africa)



...With the People

People are at the heart of Wilderness Safaris; they keep our operations running successfully and are the vital link between our guests and our partners. We believe in honest, mutually beneficial and dignified relationships with our staff and rural community partners in ways that share the proceeds of responsible ecotourism with all stakeholders.

To that end, we respect each and every individual's cultural rights and celebrate local cultures where we can. They are reflected in our camp design, décor, dining, and entertainment. We also encourage you to learn about traditional cultures through our local staff and via fascinating visits to traditional villages and homesteads.



Traditional craft (North Island, Seychelles)

Village visit (Damaraland, Namibia)



Himba culture (Namib Desert, Namibia)



Basarwa dance (Central Kalahari, Botswana)

Explaining renewable solar energy (Okavango Delta, Botswana)



Tracking rhino (Liwonde, Malawi)



Bird research and monitoring (North Island, Seychelles)



Learning about rhino conservation (Okavango Delta, Botswana)

... For Conservation

Just by going on safari with Wilderness Safaris our guests contribute to conservation.

We strive to build and manage our camps in the most eco-friendly way possible. Where we can, we use renewable energy technologies and more importantly educate our staff and guests to ensure we have the lowest possible carbon footprint. A favourite with many guests is the fascinating back-of-house tour, where you'll learn what it takes to be committed to the environment around us, while providing an outstanding tourism experience.

When it comes to wildlife conservation, the presence of Wilderness Safaris in an area brings with it all the elements of improved understanding (through active research and monitoring), improved protection (through various conservation projects) and improved biodiversity (through reintroduction of formerly locally extinct species). Where possible, we encourage our guests to be exposed to and engage with these projects to broaden their experience of Africa.



Elephant collaring and measurement (Kruger, South Africa)



Leaving a legacy (Victoria Falls, Zambia)



Remote island camp (Okavango Delta, Botswana)



Where will you go on Safari?

Wilderness Safaris operates camps and guided journeys in the best wildlife and wilderness areas of the African continent.

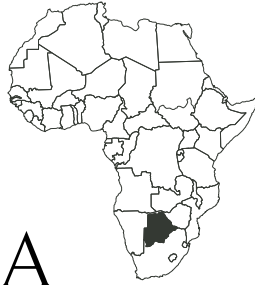
Our concessions and traversing areas cover more than three million hectares (eight million acres) across the most important wildlife habitats in nine countries: Botswana, Congo, Kenya, Malawi, Namibia, Seychelles, South Africa, Zambia and Zimbabwe.

More than thirty years ago we fell in love with these remote and wild places and realised that in order to help protect them we needed to share them with discerning, globally caring travellers who could help promote awareness for these areas around the world. Our goal therefore is to share these wild areas with guests from all over the planet in as sustainable way as possible, 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.

As a result our philosophy is to use our brand of responsible ecotourism to bring people to the key wildlife areas in each country in which we operate and as such, we have built luxurious, intimate and environmentally-appropriate retreats in each of these destinations. The pages that follow aim to introduce you to these myriad places and help you to choose which areas in Africa you visit.



BOTSWANA



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 celebrated **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.

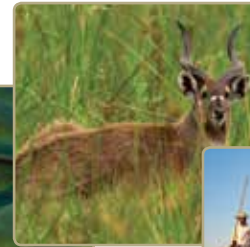
Prior to independence in 1966, Botswana was an unexplored land visited only by hardy adventurers. Then diamonds were discovered and Botswana embarked on an innovative tourism development plan, the second largest export sector after this sought-after mineral. The country's leaders took the view that high-quality 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. In this way over 40% of the country has been set aside for wildlife and as a result, Botswana has all the right ingredients to be a top safari destination for the responsible traveller.



Okavango Delta – Combination

Camps: Abu Camp; Jao Camp; Kwetsani Camp; Little Tubu; Little Vumbura; Seba Camp; Tubu Tree; Vumbura Plains

Lush, landscapes of wetland and dryland, wide variety of large mammals, stunning scenic vistas



Okavango Delta – Water

Camps: Jacana Camp; Pelo Camp; Xigera Camp

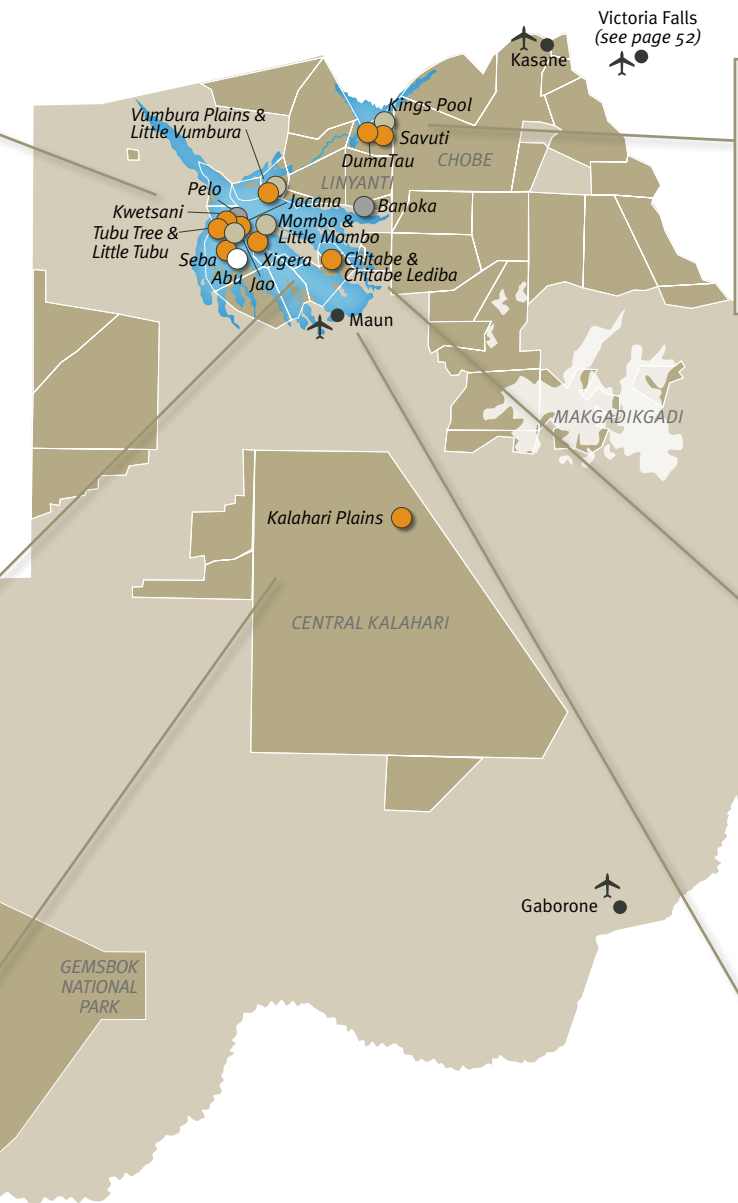
“True Okavango,” lagoons, reedbeds, channels, papyrus swamps, spectacular birding and specialised creatures like sitatunga, reed frogs and pygmy geese



Central Kalahari

Camps: Kalahari Plains Camp

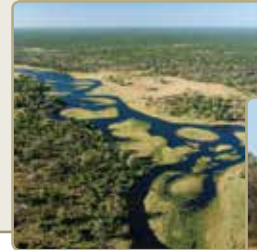
Deception Valley, the “green desert,” black-maned lion, cheetah and hundreds of springbok and oryx



Linyanti

Camps: DumaTau Camp; Kings Pool; Savuti Camp

Woodland, floodplain and the Savute Channel, huge elephant densities, abundant predators and prey



Okavango Delta - Land

Camps: Banoka Bush Camp; Chitabe Camp; Chitabe Lediba; Little Momo; Momo Camp

Scenic floodplains and islands, high predator densities and good antelope diversity



Maun

Main access point for northern Botswana, air-conditioned office and lounge, Wilderness Air



Camp Categories

○ Collection ● Premier ● Classic ● Adventures

BOTSWANA CAMPS

Okavango Delta – Land



CHITABE CAMP
Classic
8 Tents



CHITABE LEDIBA
Classic
4 Tents
Includes 2 Family Tents



LITTLE MOMBO
Premier
3 Tents



MOMBO CAMP
Premier
9 Tents



BANOKA BUSH CAMP
Adventures
10 Tents
Includes 2 Family Tents



Okavango Delta – Water



JACANA CAMP
Classic
5 Tents
Includes 1 Family Tent



PELO CAMP
Adventures
5 Tents



XIGERA CAMP
Classic
10 Tents
Includes 1 Family Tent



Okavango Delta – Combination



ABU CAMP
Collection
6 Tents



JAO CAMP
Premier
9 Tents
Includes 1 Family Tent



KWETSANI CAMP
Classic
5 Tents



SEBA CAMP
Classic
8 Tents
Includes 2 Family Tents



TUBU TREE CAMP
Classic
8 Tents
Includes 1 Family Tent



VUMBURA PLAINS
Premier
14 Units
Includes 2 Family Units



LITTLE VUMBURA
Classic
6 Tents
Includes 1 Family Tent



LITTLE TUBU
Classic
3 Tents

Central Kalahari



KALAHARI PLAINS
Classic
10 Tents
Includes 2 Family Tents



BOTSWANA CAMPS



KINGS POOL CAMP
Premier
9 Tents
Includes 1 Family Tent



DUMATAU CAMP
Classic
10 Tents
Includes 2 Family Tents



SAVUTI CAMP
Classic
7 Tents
Includes 1 Family Tent



BOTSWANA EXPLORATIONS



BOTSWANA SUMMER ENCOUNTER
9 Nights / 10 Days
Central Kalahari, Okavango, Linyanti, Chobe, Victoria Falls



GREAT WILDERNESS JOURNEY
10 Nights / 11 Days
Victoria Falls, Chobe, Okavango



MIGRATION ROUTES
9 nights / 10 Days
Victoria Falls, Chobe, Linyanti, Okavango



Cultural experience (Central Kalahari, Botswana)



Sunset barge trip (Linyanti, Botswana)



Picnic brunch (Okavango Delta, Botswana)

NAMIBIA



Aptly named after the Namib, the oldest desert on the planet, Namibia, on the south-west coast of Africa, is celebrated for its sea of red sand along the Atlantic coastline, 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 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 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 salt pans of **Etosha National Park**, the red dunes at **Sossusvlei**, lonely beaches along the **Skeleton Coast**, and the uninhabited wilderness of **Kunene**. Astonishing contrasts are everywhere for the visitor to savour, enjoy and photograph.



Skeleton Coast / Namib Desert

Camps: Hoanib Skeleton Coast; Serra Cafema

Remote, stark landscapes, Himba culture, desert-adapted wildlife, desert oases

Damaraland

Camps: Damaraland Camp, Desert Rhino Camp; Doro Nawas

Desert-adapted wildlife (black rhino, elephant and others), community conservancies, rock engravings

Camp Categories

● Premier

● Classic

● Adventures



Etosha – Ongava Game Reserve
 Camps: Andersson's Camp; Little Ongava;
 Ongava Lodge; Ongava Tented Camp
Etosha Pan, abundant predators and plains game including black and white rhino



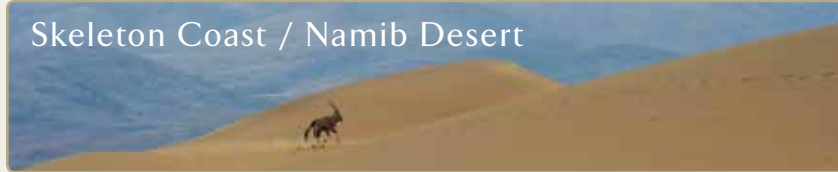
Windhoek
 Wilderness Touring
City tours and accommodation before and after safari; private airport lounge, Wilderness Air



Sossusvlei
 Camps: Kulala Desert Lodge; Little Kulala
Sossusvlei, enormous red sand dunes, vast open plains



NAMIBIA CAMPS



Skeleton Coast / Namib Desert



HOANIB SKELETON COAST

Classic
8 Tents
Includes 1 Family Tent



SERRA CAFEMA

Premier
8 Tents
Includes 1 Family Tent



Etosha - Ongava Game Reserve



ANDERSSON'S CAMP

Adventures
18 Tents
Includes 2 Family Tents



LITTLE ONGAVA

Premier
3 Villas



ONGAVA LODGE

Classic
14 Units
Includes 1 Family Unit



ONGAVA TENTED CAMP

Classic
8 Tents
Includes 1 Family Tent



Damaraland



DAMARALAND CAMP

Classic
10 Tents
Includes 1 Family Tent



DESERT RHINO CAMP

Classic
8 Tents



DORO NAWAS CAMP

Adventures
16 Tents
Includes 1 Family Tent



Sossusvlei



LITTLE KULALA

Premier
11 Kulalas
Includes 1 Family Kulala



KULALA DESERT LODGE

Adventures
23 Tents
Includes 3 Family Tents



Towering giraffe and dainty springbok (Etosha, Namibia)

NAMIBIA EXPLORATIONS



DIVERSE NAMIBIA

9 Nights / 10 Days

*Sossusvlei,
Swakopmund,
Daramaland, Etosha*



GREAT NAMIBIAN JOURNEY

12 Nights / 13 Days

*Sossusvlei, Swakopmund,
Daramaland, Palmwag,
Etosha*



Game viewing in camp (Etosha, Namibia)



Vast, stark, uninhabited vistas (Namib Desert, Namibia)

ZAMBIA

Zambia is one of the continent's least travelled and most rewarding wildlife and cultural destinations. Landlocked in south-central Africa, it consists of a vast plateau 3 000 m above sea level, the animal-rich plains of the **Kafue**, the river valleys of the Lower Zambezi, and the tropical north of Lake Tanganyika. Livingstone is the 'adventure capital', offering adrenalin-packed activities on and around **Victoria Falls** and the Zambezi River. It was in Zambia that the concept of walking safaris originated, still an excellent way of enjoying the rich flora and fauna of the country's 19 national parks. Birdlife is particularly prolific and unique species draw birders from all over the world. This is still Africa undiscovered with a timeless sense of wilderness.



ZIMBABWE

Zimbabwe is blessed with wonderful scenery, unspoilt wilderness areas and exciting wildlife. The great Zambezi River is its northern frontier, along which is **Victoria Falls**, one of the world's natural wonders, while the languid Limpopo forms the southern border with South Africa. In between is a variety of habitats, from the granite hills of the Matopos and the majestic mountains, lush forests and rivers of the Eastern Highlands, to the unspoilt, peaceful northern parks in which Wilderness is to be found. **Mana Pools National Park**, located on the Zambezi River, offers superb wildlife viewing and vistas. Along the Botswana border, **Hwange National Park** is home to some of southern Africa's last great elephant, buffalo and sable herds.



Victoria Falls

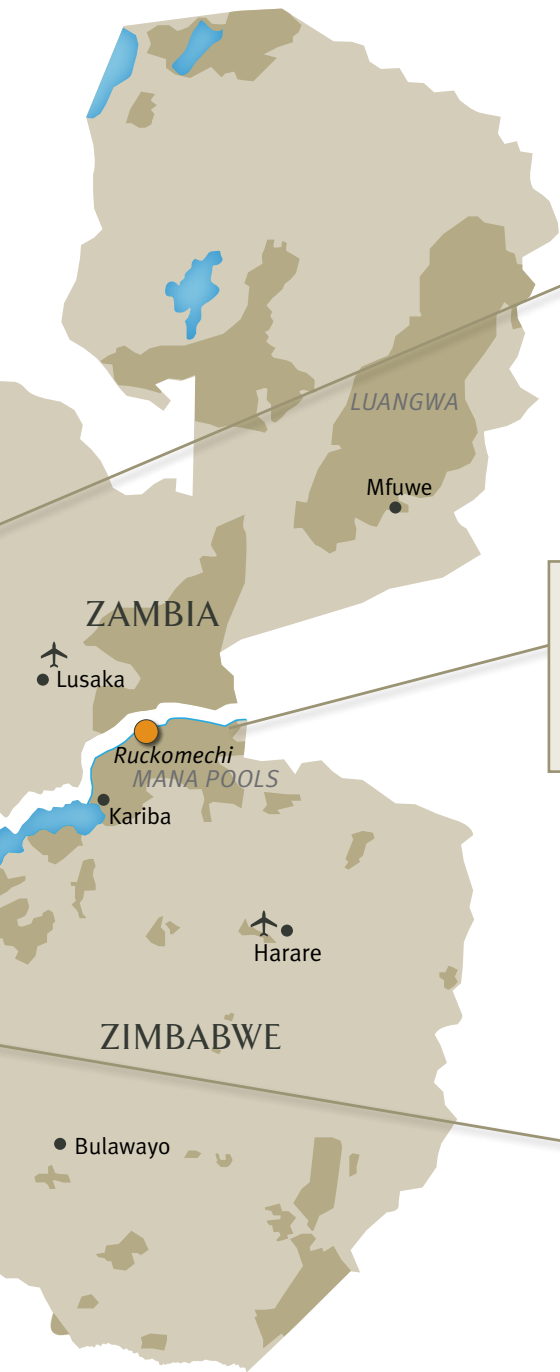
Camps: The River Club; Toka Leya

One of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World, wildlife along the Zambezi River, community projects, Wilderness Air

Camp Categories

● Premier ● Classic ● Adventures





Kafue

Camps: Busanga Bush Camp; Shumba Camp

Open grasslands and floodplains of the Busanga Plains, amazing antelope diversity, tree-climbing lions and other predators



Mana Pools

Camp: Ruckomechi Camp

Wild and remote Zambezi River and floodplain, dry season game concentrations, game viewing on foot



Hwange

Camps: Davison's Camp; Little Makalolo

Savannah mosaic of woodland and grassland, exceptional all year round, large herds of elephant, buffalo and plains game, large lion prides



ZAMBIA CAMPS

Kafue – Zambia



BUSANGA BUSH CAMP

*Classic
4 Tents*



SHUMBA CAMP

*Premier
6 Tents
Includes 1 Family Tent*

Victoria Falls – Zambia



THE RIVER CLUB

*Classic
11 Chalets
Includes 2 Family Chalets*



TOKA LEYA

*Classic
12 Tents
Includes 3 Family Tents*



Busanga Bush Camp (Kafue, Zambia)



Hot air ballooning (Kafue, Zambia)

ZIMBABWE CAMPS



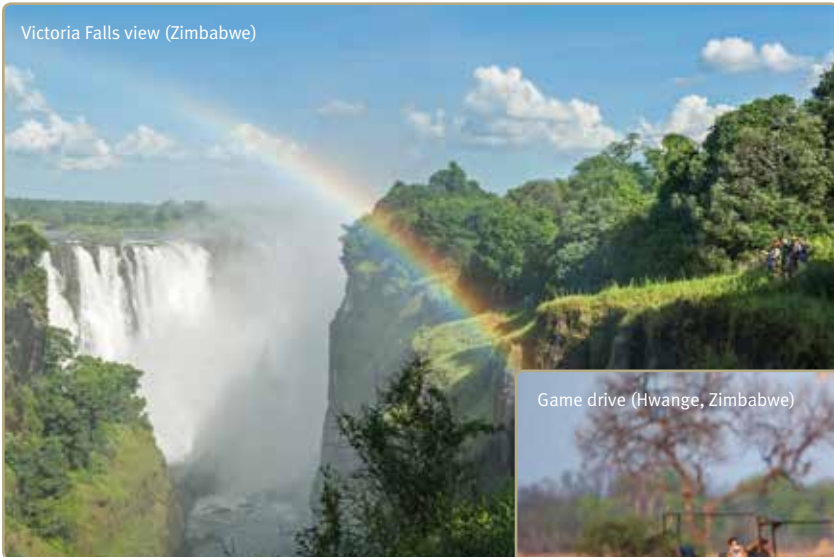
DAVISON'S CAMP
Adventures
9 Tents
Includes 1 Family Tent



LITTLE MAKALOLO CAMP
Classic
6 Tents
Includes 1 Family Tent



RUCKOMECHI CAMP
Classic
10 Tents
Includes 1 Family Tent



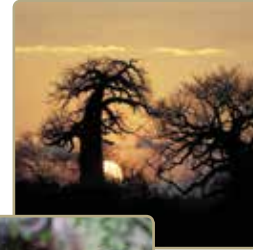
SOUTH AFRICA



Situated at the southern edge of the African continent, South Africa is bounded by oceans on three sides with an interior of assorted habitats, from lush tropical forests to arid deserts, mountains to open bushveld savannah. Since the first democratic elections in 1994, South Africa has become one of the world's top travel destinations, blending elements of both 'Africa of old' with modernity: wilderness areas contrasting with modern cities such as **Cape Town**.

Kruger National Park is famous as a premier wildlife and bird viewing destination, while the coastline offers superb vistas, sandy beaches and sheer, forest-covered cliffs. Amazing marine encounters, from southern right whales to pristine coral reefs, can be encountered along its great coastline especially in the **Rocktail Bay** region in northern KwaZulu-Natal.

This habitat diversity is echoed in the country's peoples and history. The first human inhabitants – the San or Bushman people – and the powerful civilisations of Mapungubwe and Thulamela who traded with Chinese and Arab traders a thousand years ago have given way to a 21st-century country filled with a colourful mixture of people and cultures, a heady history and a natural heritage that has South Africans proudly describing their land as “a world in one country.”



Kruger

Camp: Pafuri Camp

World-renowned Kruger Park, big game and amazing birds, plants and other diversity

Cape Town

Wilderness Touring

The majestic Table Mountain, Victoria & Alfred Waterfront, historic Robben Island and cosmopolitan history and culture



Camp Categories

● Adventures



Maputaland
 Camp: Rocktail Beach Camp
40km of unspoilt private beach, exclusive coral reefs with abundant marine life from whales to sea urchins, sea turtle nesting



SOUTH AFRICA CAMPS



PAFURI CAMP
Adventures
 7 Tents



ROCKTAIL BEACH CAMP
Adventures
 17 Tents
 7 Family Tents

SOUTH AFRICA EXPLORATIONS



PAFURI WALKING TRAIL
 3 Nights / 4 Days *Kruger National Park*

MALAWI



Malawi is a little-known gem of a country in the heart of Africa; long, narrow and landlocked, it covers more than 1 000 km (621 mi) from north to south. **Lake Malawi**, the third largest water body in Africa, dominates the countryside, a sparkling blue mass of water famed for its abundance and diversity of fish life.

Malawi's geography is sculptured by Africa's Great Rift Valley: towering mountains, lush, fertile valley floors and enormous crystal-clear lakes are all hallmarks of much of this geological phenomenon. The country's diverse ecology is protected within nine national parks and game reserves, of which **Nyika National Park** is one. It is the only big game Afro-montane area in south-central Africa, known for its rolling hills, high-altitude grassland, and pockets of endemism. Another star attraction is **Liwonde National Park**, considered the most prolific wildlife area in Malawi and dominated by the Shire, the country's largest river.

Malawi is also one of the best places in Africa to meet and interact with the local inhabitants or visit a rural community in an atmosphere totally devoid of either expectation or affectation. Here, you will start to understand why the country is known as the "warm heart of Africa."



Nyika Plateau

Camps: Chelinda Lodge; Chelinda Camp

Pristine rolling grasslands and evergreen forest, orchid paradise, roan antelope, eland and leopard



Lake Malawi

Camps: Chintheche Inn; Mumbo Island

Broad sandy beaches, offshore islands and friendly local subsistence communities, myriad tropical cichlid species



Liwonde

Camps: Mvuu Lodge; Mvuu Camp

Floodplains and woodlands along the Shire River, large herds of elephant and sable, black rhino

Camp Categories

● Classic ● Adventures

MALAWI CAMPS



Nyika Plateau



CHELINDA LODGE

*Classic
8 Cabins*



CHELINDA CAMP

*Adventures
10 Units
Includes 4 Family Units*



Liwonde



MVUU LODGE

*Classic
8 Tents*



MVUU CAMP

*Adventures
12 Tents
Includes 5 Family Tents*



Lake Malawi



CHINTHECHE INN

*Adventures
10 Units
Includes 1 Family Unit*



MUMBO ISLAND

*Adventures
6 Tents
Includes 1 Family Tent*



MALAWI EXPLORATIONS



Wilderness Safaris Explorations offers tailor-made itineraries across the length and breadth of Malawi. Fully-serviced and charming accommodation allow for spectacular vistas of each area visited.

REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO



The sparsely populated Republic of the Congo is a surprising gem with seemingly endless tropical forest and fingers of moist savannah covering its interior. Spared the conflict of neighbouring Democratic Republic of the Congo, and not having shared neighbouring Gabon's recent limelight, tourism to the Congo is at a fledgling stage with an aura of exploration and discovery enhancing every journey into its interior.

Congo's northern rainforest is largely pristine and is the heart of the Congo Basin, the world's second largest expanse of tropical rainforest. Aside from a host of forest biodiversity, it holds by far the majority of the world population of western lowland gorillas.

Rivers such as the Sangha, Mambili and the mighty Congo drain this basin and provide a means of exploration through dense forests and access to remote national parks such as **Odzala-Kokoua**, and Nouabale-Ndoki. It is in these areas that endemic wildlife flourishes and traditional forest dweller cultures persist.



Odzala-Kokoua

Camps: Lango Camp; Ngaga Camp

Pristine rainforest, habituated western lowland gorillas, 11 diurnal primates, 6 nocturnal primates, forest elephant and bongo



Brazzaville

Entry and staging point for rainforest safaris, Congo River, French colonial history and colourful markets



Forest elephant (Lekoli River, Odzala)



Camp Categories

○ Collection



CONGO CAMPS



LANGO CAMP

Collection
6 Tree-houses



NGAGA CAMP

Collection
6 Tree-houses



Gorilla (Ndzehi forest, Odzala)

KENYA



Kenya, one of East Africa's premier safari destinations, spans the equator and is bordered by Tanzania, Uganda, Sudan, Ethiopia and Somalia. One of the country's most spectacular geological features is the Great Rift Valley which passes through the country – an approximately 6 000 km (3 700 mi) long 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 and draws to an end at its scenic, paradisiacal coastline. These diverse habitats offer endless opportunities for adventures and new discoveries including the remarkable phenomenon of the wildebeest migration, the largest single movement of herd animals on the planet.

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.

Laikipia

Camp: Segera Retreat

Laikipia Plateau, rare and endangered species such as beisa oryx, patas monkeys, unique art collection, far-reaching community projects



Camp Categories

○ Collection

KENYA



SEGERA RETREAT

Collection
8 Villas
Includes 1 Family Villa



SEYCHELLES

The Republic of Seychelles is a cluster of 115 Indian Ocean islands 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. Some 30 km (18 mi) from the main island of Mahé, the 210-hectare (518-acre) Ile du Nord, or **North Island**, comprises three granite outcrops, luminous white beaches, coconut palms and takamaka trees. The warm, clear waters surrounding the island are filled with an abundance of sea life in and amongst the hard and soft corals that litter the ocean floor.

The Seychellois themselves call their home "Forever Eden" and for good reason. 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.



Inner Islands Camp: North Island

210-hectare private granitic island, soft white sandy beaches, private coral reefs, Noah's Ark Project, reintroduced species

North Island



Mahé

International access and staging point for Indian Ocean island experiences, Seychellois culture and markets



Camp Categories

○ Collection

SEYCHELLES



North Island



NORTH ISLAND

Collection
11 Villas



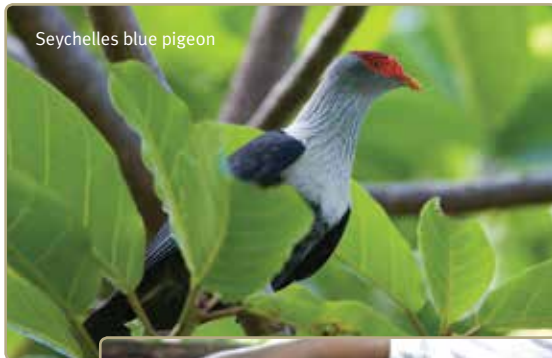
Luxurious private villa



Interpretive experience



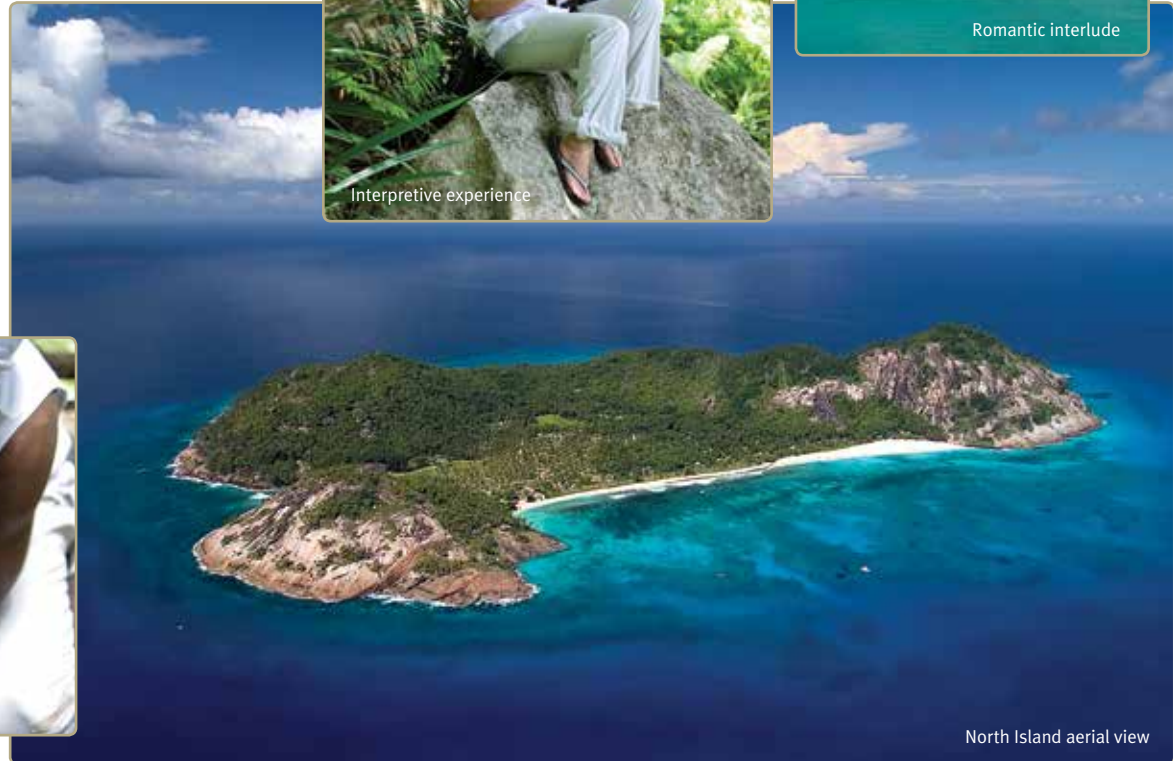
Romantic interlude



Seychelles blue pigeon



Giant land tortoise research



North Island aerial view

More Than Just a Safari

At Wilderness Safaris, our delight is to share the wild places of Africa with our guests, while our ultimate goal is to help make a difference to Africa, its people and its wildlife. As a guest, you are helping us to do so.

There is much more that needs to be done, however, which is why, over 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.

Throughout the year, Eco-Clubs are held weekly at the local schools (i.e. schools situated near Wilderness Safaris areas), where our carefully formulated curricula provide opportunities for all learners who are interested in the environment to meet, learn, discuss and expand their knowledge of their natural heritage. In addition, 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, given the opportunity to experience these wilderness areas and their wildlife. Other initiatives include school scholarships, community upliftment projects and teacher assistance.



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Children in the Wilderness – on game drive (Namibia)



Rhino conservation (Malawi)



Anti-poaching training (South Africa)



Rhino monitoring (Botswana)



Children in the Wilderness – in camp (South Africa)



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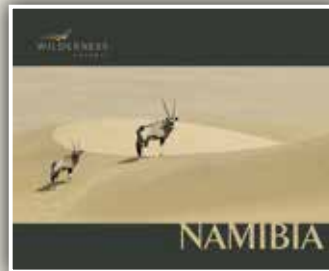


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