



Botswana – Scheduled Guided Safari

Elephant Safari

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15 DAYS - ELEPHANT SAFARI

SAFARI TYPE:	Scheduled Guided Safari
DUARTION:	15 days / 14 Nights
DEPARTURE DAYS:	Saturdays
DEPARTURE DATE:	Set departure dates (view dates below)
DEPARTURE LOCATION:	Kasane - Botswana
TOUR ENDS:	Livingstone - Victoria Falls – Zambia
COUTRIES VISISTED:	BOTSWANA - NAMIBIA - ZAMBIA
TRANSPORT:	Specially equipped safari vehicles

ROUTING HIGHLIGHTS:

Kasane - Chobe River Front - Mamili National Park - Susuwe - Bwabwata National Park (Caprivi National Park) - Popa Falls - Kavango River - Mahango National Park - Tsodilo Hills - Okavango Delta - Mokoro Excursion - Maun - Moremi Game Reserve - Chobe National Park - Savuti - Chobe River - Livingstone - Victoria Falls – Zambia

NOTE:

This trail forms a circular route around the Okavango Delta, starting in Kasane and ending in Livingstone - Victoria Falls, Zambia. The Elephant Trail offers a great value camping adventure through three countries - Botswana, Namibia and Zambia.

- Sunset boat cruise on the Chobe River
- 2 nights in North Eastern Namibian National Parks - Caprivi area
- 1 night Tsodilo Hills – World Heritage Site
- Central Okavango Delta & mokoro excursions
- Motorboat in the Delta
- Optional Game/Scenic Delta flight (EURO 120 per person, subject to change)
- 3 nights Moremi Game Reserve
- 3 nights Chobe National Park
- Optional visit to the Victoria Falls, Livingstone, Zambia
- 1 night at a comfortable lodge in Livingstone, Zambia

This **Group Safari** itinerary can easily be converted into a **Private Safari**



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ITINERARY:

Day 1: Chobe Area, camping

The safari officially begins in Kasane, Botswana, at 13h00. We are happy to assist with pre-tour arrangements such as accommodation and transfers from Livingstone, Zambia or Kasane, Botswana, if required. On arrival in Kasane your guide will give you a full safari briefing and take you shopping for your safari drinks. The first highlight of your safari will be a sunset boat cruise on the Chobe River. Camping will be in Kasane at a campsite with permanent ablutions. (L, D)

Day 2: Susuwe/West Caprivi National Park, camping

You will depart Kasane early to cross the Namibian border and then drive to Susuwe National Park. After setting up camp you will explore the area on an afternoon game drive. Camping is in a designated campsite with bush ablutions. (B, L, D)

Day 2: Kasane – Susuwe: 270km, 3-4hrs

Day 3: Popa Falls, camping

You will rise with the sun and head west towards the Okavango River. You will camp on the banks of the Okavango River overlooking Popa Falls and have the opportunity to visit these rapids in the afternoon. Camping is in a designated campsite with permanent ablutions. (B, L, D)

Day 3: Susuwe – Popa Falls: 220km, 4hrs

Day 4: Tsodilo Hills, camping

After a very early start we visit the jewel that is Mahango National Park before crossing the border to re-enter Botswana. You will journey through to the World Heritage Site of Tsodilo Hills and set up camp. This afternoon you will visit the museum and explore the walking trails around the ancient hills, home to thousands of traditional Bushmen paintings dating back to 800 AD. Camping is in a designated site with permanent ablutions. (B, L, D)

Day 4: Popa Falls - Tsodilo Hills: 120km, 4hrs

Days 5-6: Okavango Delta, camping

Rising with the sun, you will drive to the edge of the Okavango Delta, a special corner of paradise. You will transfer your equipment to motorboats cruise along the narrow papyrus-lined channels enjoying the exquisite birdlife of the region as well as the stunning landscape. Deeper in the Delta you will meet the local polers with their mokoro (a traditional dugout canoe) and enjoy a tranquil transfer to an island. You will spend two days exploring this beautiful area on mokoro excursions and taking guided walks on the islands and floodplains of the Okavango. You will camp wild with bush ablutions. (B, L, D)

Day 5: Tsodilo Hills – Okavango Delta: 120km, 2hrs

Day 7: Maun, camping

Inspired by the beauty of the Okavango you will travel south to Maun. You will have the option of taking a scenic flight over the Delta to Maun (1hr scenic flight is EUR 100 per person, min. 3 guests to guarantee the flight). This magical experience provides another perspective of the Okavango Delta's unique water system and if you choose to take the flight, you will enjoy a leisurely afternoon in the Delta campsite writing postcards or reading a book while you wait for your afternoon flight. Your guide will travel to Maun with the vehicle to resupply for the next stage of your adventure. After collecting you at the airport, you will

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shop for drinks and then spend the night at a campsite just outside Maun with permanent ablution facilities. (B, L, D)

Day 7: Okavango Delta – Maun: 320km, 4h

Days 8-10: Moremi Game Reserve, camping

From Maun you will drive through to Moremi Game Reserve, one of the best wilderness areas of Botswana which covers swamp and dry areas. The next three days will be spent searching for the wide variety of wildlife and birds that this area is renowned for while absorbing the sounds and beauty of this region. Game drives in the early morning as the sun rises and in the late afternoon as the sun sets will be the norm. After your morning game drive you will return to camp for lunch and a siesta. Camping will be in private designated campsites with bush ablutions. (B, L, D)

Day 8: Maun – Moremi Game Reserve: 150km, 6h (including game drive)

Days 11-13: Chobe National Park, camping

Chobe National Park, with its diverse and striking landscapes, will be your next destination. As you continue your search for wildlife, you will traverse the drier region of Savuti where bull elephants dot the plains. You will then head northwards to the Chobe River where your game drives will meander along the banks of the river, followed by the call of the majestic African Fish Eagle. Camping will be in private designated areas with bush ablutions. (B, L, D)

Day 11: Moremi – Savuti: 120km. 5-6h

Day 12: Savuti - Chobe River: 170km, 5h

Days 14–15: A night in a comfortable lodge in Livingstone, chalet accommodation

After a morning game drive you will cross the Zambezi River by ferry and then drive to Livingstone on the Zambian side of the Victoria Falls, (Visa required), where you will spend the night at a comfortable lodge. In the afternoon there will be time to visit the thunderous Victoria Falls and shop for curios. Dinner will be at your own expense at the lodge. The safari officially ends at 10h00 on Day 15. We are happy to arrange post-tour accommodation, activities and transfers to Livingstone airport or lodges, Victoria Falls airport or lodges or Kasane, Botswana, at an additional cost. Activities in Livingstone include White Water Rafting down the Zambezi Gorge, Canoeing on the upper Zambezi, Elephant rides and Helicopter Flights over the Victoria Falls, please ask your guide for further details.

(Day 14 – B, L & Day 15 B)

Day 14: Chobe River – Livingstone: 100km, 2-3h

Price includes:

All accommodation (spacious bow tents with mattresses), rooms at a comfortable lodge in Livingstone, all transfers and activities as per the itinerary, all meals that are indicated (B – breakfast, L –lunch, D – dinner) and tea/coffees, services of a Professional Guide and Camp Assistant, all Botswana park fees for activities included on itinerary and transport in specialised safari vehicles.

Does not include:

Restaurant meals (Livingstone, Zambia), entrance to the Falls, visas, airport transfers, tips, curios, optional excursions (scenic flight over the Delta and activities in Livingstone/Victoria Falls,,), beverages (alcohol, soft drinks and bottled mineral water), Insurance to cover for cancellation and curtailment, medical, baggage, emergency evacuation, sleeping bag (and small pillow) on all camping sectors.

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THE ELEPHANT SAFARI - (January – December 2011)
(14 nights/15 days)

PRICE PER PERSON SHARING	Nov - June: Rack € 1895.00 (Low Season) July – Oct: Rack € 1995.00 (High Season)	
CODE	DATES	SEASON
BWE 1100	15 Jan – 29 Jan	Low
BWE 1101	05 Feb – 19 Feb	Low
BWE 1102	05 Mar – 19 Mar	Low
BWE 1103	19 Mar – 02 Apr	Low
BWE 1104	02 Apr – 16 Apr	Low
BWE 1105	23 Apr – 07 May	Low
BWE 1106	07 May – 21 May	Low
BWE 1107	21 May – 04 Jun	Low
BWE 1108	11 Jun – 25 Jun	Low
BWE 1109	25 Jun – 09 Jul	High
BWE 1110	09 Jul – 23 Jul	High
BWE 1111	23 Jul – 06 Aug	High
BWE 1112	06 Aug – 20 Aug	High
BWE 1113	20 Aug – 03 Sep	High
BWE 1114	03 Sep – 17 Sep	High
BWE 1115	17 Sep – 01 Oct	High
BWE 1116	01 Oct - 15 Oct	High
BWE 1117	15 Oct – 29 Oct	High
BWE 1118	29 Oct – 12 Nov	Low
BWE 1119	12 Nov – 26 Nov	Low
BWE 1120	26 Nov – 10 Dec	Low

Transfers and pre/post nights at additional cost.

** PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL PRICES INCLUDE VAT 10% AND ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITH ANY CHANGES IN EXCHANGE FLUCTUATIONS, GOVERNMENT TAXES OR LEVIES **

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GENERAL NOTES:

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Length of Safari	14N / 15 Days
Languages (Guides/Camp Assistants speak English, Translator = French/German)	MIXED Groups German Translator on every departure
Recommended Arrival Airport	LVI / VFA
IMPORTANT NOTE FOR CHECKING IN OF LUGGAGE: If clients travel via JNB to LVI or MUB, they MUST collect and check-in their luggage in JNB	
Visa Zimbabwe	VFA: USD 30 per person single entry (only needed if arriving/departing via VFA) - Subject to Change
Visa Zambia	LVI: USD 50 per person, including USA & UK citizens - Subject to Change
Recommended Prenight	Livingstone or Vic Falls
Start of Safari	13h00 Briefing at Toro Lodge
Boat Cruise incl.	Boat Cruise on the Chobe River (starts 15h00)
Delta Excursion	3 day (2 nights on an island) mokoro Excursion
Game Driving	1 night Susuwe, morning drive through Mahango (all Namibia), 3 nights Moremi, 3 nights Chobe (if possible 1 night Savuti and 2 night Chobe riverfront)
Bushman Experience	No / BUT at Tsodilo Hills walk to visit the Bushman paintings (more than 1500) on the three hills
Last night of safari	1 night in a comfortable lodge incl. breakfast in LVI. Dinner own expense.
End of Safari	Day 15 at 10h00 after breakfast (post nights or transfers can be organised through Bush Ways)
Extra Costs Applicable to all safaris	Sleeping Bag: Euro 20.00 per safari Single Supplement: Euro 85.00 incl single tent on safari and single room for the last night in the lodge

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	Pre nights / post nights / transfers / flights upon request Safari Drinks - includes mineral water, soft drinks & alcohol Luggage transfer costs for oversize/weight bags
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Extra Mattress Hire – EURO 10

SLEEPING BAG HIRE

Sleeping bags including a small pillow are available for hire at EURO 20 per safari – please advise us at the time of booking.

SINGLE SUPPLEMENT

The rate for a single supplement is EURO 85. What you might not know is that we only charge this if the guest wishes to guarantee a tent / room by themselves. If a single guest is willing to share with another guest of the same gender there is no supplement charged.

SCENIC FLIGHT OVER THE DELTA

A scenic flight is offered on the Elephant, Lion, Leopard, and Fish Eagle Safaris. Clients can choose to either fly or drive back from the Delta (a minimum of 3 flying guests is required). Scenic flight cost for 1 hour: EURO 120.00 per person (the rate is subject to change)

If guests choose to fly they pay the air charter company directly after the flight (EUR, USD, Travellers cheques in EUR/USD are accepted).

Note no credit cards are accepted.

PASSPORTS must be carried with you at all times whilst on safari and in the vehicle. Your passport must be valid for at least 6 months after your safari finishes/you leaving the country. We cannot accept any responsibility should you not comply.

VISA REQUIREMENTS – Visas are your own responsibility; persons arriving without the relevant visa for their safari will not be refunded in this scenario.

PERSONAL TRAVEL INSURANCE is not included but is compulsory when travelling on any safari. Travel insurance is for your own protection and we consider it to be an essential part of modern international travel. Please consult your travel agent prior to leaving home or contact us.

LUGGAGE - Safari luggage should be maximum weight of 12 kg's with a maximum size of 700mm x 350mm x 350mm. It should be packed in a soft bag (no hard suitcases or bags with frames and wheels).

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