

11 DAY DESERT & DELTA EXPLORER

Looking for a unique experience? Visit the paradise pan at Nxai Pan National Park is the best place to photograph the desert or dry adapted species. Have an early morning game drive in Nxai Pan National Park to find the Bat-eared Foxes, Brown Hyena and Ostrich. Baines Baobabs just south of the main pan offer fantastic landscape photography opportunities.

Early morning and evening in the Central Kalahari Game Reserve, the calls of Black-backed Jackal can be heard along the length of the valley and as the sunsets, barking gecko calls resonate too. Observe cheetah and big herds of Oryx, as well as an excellent place to view Honey Badgers. Look for the seldom seen Black Maned Kalahari while having a game drive in the late afternoon in CKGR. Relax during an afternoon boat trip to the mighty Okavango in Xaxaba. Enjoy a walk through Xaxaba Swamp and see amazing bird species in the amazing Xaxaba Forest during an exciting nature walk.

Trip Destinations

- 3 Nights-Nxai Pan National Park
- 4 Nights-Central Kalahari Game Reserve
- 3 Nights-Okavango Delta (Xaxaba)

Trip Details

- Duration: 10 Nights 11 Days
- Country: Botswana
- Departures:
- Start- Maun End – Maun
- All inclusive: Meals: (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner), activities, accommodations and drinks.

Activities

- Game Drive
- Bird Watching
- Cultural Tour (Xaxaba village)
- Mokoro –dug-out canoe

Observe African fish eagles during the Okavango Channel boat trip and look for the seldom water lily smell, the beautiful natural colours around you, Animals in the water, Aquatic birds, Aquatic Animals, Aquatic plants, The beautiful termites mounds in the middle of the swamps.



Day 1: Arrival Maun International Airport

Upon your arrival at the Maun International Airport, you will be welcomed by our professional tour guide. Thereafter embark on a transfer to your Hotel in Maun.

No. of Nights: 1

Accommodation: Overnight at Cresta Riley's Hotel or similar; B&B

Day 2 - 4: In Nxai Pan National Park

Early morning we will pick you from the hotel or guesthouse of your choice and take you to Nxai Pan NP with our equipped safari 4x4 vehicle. We will have a re-route stop for a picnic lunch before continuing via Park to reach later in the afternoon at the designated campsite just inside the park boundaries.

Have a unique close encounter with wildlife during game viewing in Nxai Pan Impenetrable National park. You will spend the entire day in the bush on a full day game drive in this amazing unique landscape. It's your dream holiday, so the choice is yours. Whatever your preferences; early morning game drives, it is our job is to turn them into unforgettable realities. The day will close with dinner prepared by our amazing chef and a fabulous view over camp fire, and the evening coming with all the noise of an African night.



No. of Nights: 3

Accommodation: Patmobile Sahara en-suite tented camp

Possible mammal Sightings; (*elephant, cheetah, lion, leopard, zebra, jackal, wildebeest, giraffe, impala, springbok, oryx and the elusive nocturnal porcupine*).

Possible birding Species; (*red-billed quelea, blacksmith lapwing, black-chested snake eagle, African hoopoe, pale chanting goshawk, western cattle egret, lilac-brested roller, fork-tailed drongo, crimson-brested shrike, Montagus's harrier, greater kestrel, Kalahari scrub robin, shaft-tailed whydah, southern masked weaver, rufous-naped lark, tawny eagle and secretary bird*).

Day 5 - 8: To Central Kalahari Game Reserve

We will leave early in the morning we will cross to Central Kalahari Game Reserve and go on an en-route game drive from morning to noon tarred road transfer, seeing several animals including lions and Oryx's. In the afternoons we will go on the impressive launch trip on the Reserve, up to the valleys in the Kalahari are extinct river valleys that occurred millions of years ago and are now covered in short dry grass.

A fiercely beautiful but hostile environment. We will spend the next four night's expenditure morning and afternoon game drive discovering what makes the Kalahari so special.

The Central Kalahari Game Reserve harbours one of the most unique biodiversity in southern Africa including some concentrated populations of threatened species of animals such as the Brown Hyena and diverse birds of prey. This fabulous area will creep into your soul and for many months after your visit you will yearn to return.



No. of Nights: 4

Accommodation: Patmobile Sahara en-suite tented camp

Possible mammal Sightings; *(in this vast area of semi-arid desert, it is the home of striking black manned lions, cheetah and abundant prey animals including springbok, and majestic gemsbok).*

Possible birding Species; *(The Central Kalahari Game Reserve offers good bird-watching. Lot of species have been recorded and this amazing place; some of the big ground-dwelling birds like ostrich, secretary birds and kori bustard, smaller bustards; black bustard and red-crested bustard are common).*

Day 9 - 11: Okavango Panhandle (Xaxaba)

After your breakfast, head north of the Okavango Panhandle, for yet another rewarding game including; the hippos, crocodiles and even more wildlife species. After lunch, go for an afternoon boat cruise on Xaxaba River, where you will be rewarded with view of game as well as a variety of bird species. The birding is excellent and highly recommended for enthusiasts; the Pel's Fishing Owl is regularly seen here and will undoubtedly be a highlight. The Panhandle region is renowned for its excellent bird watching and fishing and offers a quintessential Okavango experience.

Activities focus on the perennial waters of the Okavango River. Boating, mokoro, fishing, bird-watching and journeying by houseboat are the favourite pastimes here. If you're not on the water, then you're by the water – soaking up the tranquillity of this calm and peaceful environment.



No. of Nights: 3

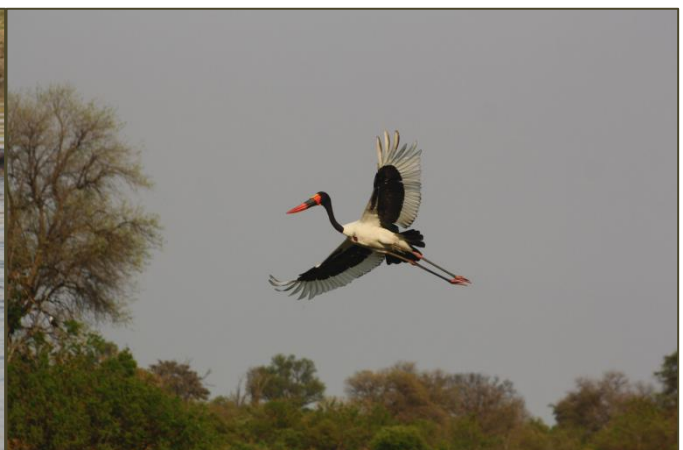
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Possible mammal Sightings; *(Sitatunga, Lechwe, African wild dog, Sable antelope, Puku).*

Possible birding Species; *(Slaty egret, wattled crane, Pel's fishing owl, white-backed night heron, African jacana, Malachite kingfisher, African pygmy goose, Bateleur, Southern ground hornbill, African fish eagle, African openbill, African skimmer, Saddle-billed stork, Rosy-throated Longclaw, Lesser jacana, Red-billed oxpecker, Coppery-tailed coucal, Verreaux's eagle owl, Southern carmine bee-eater, Blue waxbill).*

Day 12: Departure Day

It's time to say goodbye to Botswana! You r hearts, minds and cameras will be filled with



unforgettable memories as we fly to Maun Airport for your voyage home – or to whichever adventure life has lined up for you next. From Maun, you can connect to your international flight.

Trip Details

Tour Includes;

All accommodations, park entrance and camping fees (except Vic Falls), excursions, transfers and border fees.

Full board in Patmobile Safaris Tented Camp with non-participatory/fully serviced en-suite tented accommodation; **includes** all meals (three course), snacks, local beverages.

Tour Excludes;

International flights, gratuities for guides and staff, any applicable visa fees & optional excursions and extra activities, full medical & travel insurance.