Botswana Lodge Explorer 11 days

Discover some of the best Botswana has to offer including Moremi Game Reserve, the Nxai Pans and famous Chobe River and National Park. Visit three countries starting and ending in Zimbabwe's might Victoria Falls!

TOUR DETAILS:

- Starts in: Victoria Falls / Ends in: Victoria Falls
- Departs: Year round
- No local payment required
- Breakfast:10, Lunch: 7, Dinner: 7
- Hotel Rating: Mid Range
- Tour Guide: Yes

ONLINE RESOURCES:

- For a detailed GO GUIDE - click here
- To book this trip - click here
- To enquire about this trip - click here

TOUR MAP:

QUICK WEB LINKS

Africa Prices ::: Why Us for Africa? ::: Africa Reviews ::: Our Africa Blog ::: Top Spots in Africa ::: Best Time to Travel ::: Festivals & Events ::: Accommodation ::: Africa Visas ::: Africa - Useful Info ::: FAQs on Africa ::: Africa Gallery ::: About Overlanding ::: Gorilla Trekking ::: Optional Activities ::: About Lodge Safaris

Botswana Lodge Explorer 11 days

Day 1: Victoria Falls

On arrival into Victoria Falls airport, you will be met and transferred to your hotel. Later on we take a visit to the mighty Victoria Falls for a guided tour. This evening at 1800h meet your guide and the rest of your group for the informative pre-departure meeting. Overnight - Ilala Lodge - Victoria Falls

Days 2 - 3:

Victoria Falls - Chobe River. After breakfast, we cross the border into Namibia as we head for the Chobe River and National Park. The afternoon will be spent cruising the Chobe River where you will get the opportunity to view all manner of wildlife, including hippos, crocodiles, elephants and a vast number of birds. Day 3 will be spent exploring the flood plains on a guided walk. Overnight - Camp Chobe - Namibia

Days 4 - 5: Nxai Pan

Chobe River - Nxai Pan. After an early start we leave Namibia and enter into Botswana. Once settled into our lodge, we take a guided stroll through the nearby baobab forest, learning about the local ecology, geology and unique biology of these fascinating trees. The trees are actually not trees, but the largest succulent in the world. On day 5 we head over to the beautiful Nxai Pan, a large fossil lake that is part of the Makgadikgadi system. Covered in nutritious short grasses and small islands of acacia trees, Nxai Pan attracts vast numbers of desert herbivores such as the majestic gemsbok (oryx), the iconic springbok and the giraffe. It also offers a diverse habitat to a surprisingly complete suite of carnivores incuding lion, leopard and both brown and spotted hyena at night, and cheetah and wild dog during the day. Overnight - Planet Baobab Lodge - Makgadikgadi and Nxai Pans

Day 6: Khwai Wildlife

Nxai Pan - Khwai. After breakfast, we make our way to our camp which is situated in a private concession in the Khwai area. Khwai is renowned for its large concentration of mammals and it is not unusual to see many different types of wildlife during just one game drive. As a year round destination for wildlife, predators can regularly be seen in the area, rated as one of the most prolific in Botswana for viewing wildlife. The exceptional location of Khwai makes it a regular host to elephant, buffalo, lion, leopard, cheetah and wild dogs. Birdlife can also be viewed in abundance with exceptional sightings of wildfowl and raptors. Overnight - Khwai Bedoun Camp - Khwai River

Day 7: Moremi Game Reserve

Khwai - Moremi Game Reserve. Today we head to into Moremi Game Reserve, famous for being one of the most beautiful and varied reserves in Africa with an unprecedented concentration of wildlife, including mongoose, wild dog and both white and black rhino. The reserve is situated on the eastern side of the Okavango Delta and was the first reserve in Africa to be set up by the local residents to help preserve the wildlife. A full day is spent here enjoying the unspoiled nature. Overnight - Khwai Bedoun Camp - Khwai River

Botswana Lodge Explorer 11 days

Day 8: Maun

Moremi Game Reserve - Maun. This morning we travel to Maun, the gateway to the Okavango Delta. The day is spent at leisure. You can relax by the pool at the lodge or if you want to see the Delta from the air – why not opt to take a scenic flight? Overnight - Thamalakane River Lodge - Maun

Day 9: Chobe National Park

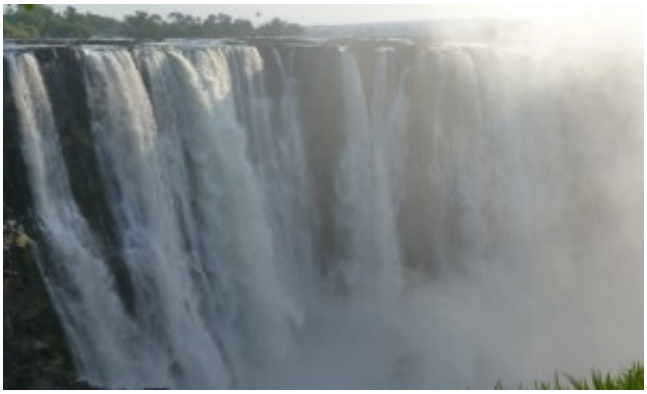
Maun - Kasane. We head to the airport this morning for the flight to Kasane (NOT INCLUDED IN TOUR PRICE - NEEDS TO BE BOOKED SEPARATELY). Whilst driving through the town, look out for local warthogs who happily wander across the road and along the pavements.This afternoon we start exploring Chobe National Park on a game drive. Chobe was Botswana's first National Park, the most diverse and the home to the largest concentration of elephants in Africa. Overnight - Chobe Safari Lodge - Chobe National Park

Day 10: Victoria Falls

Kasane - Victoria Falls. Heading back to Zimbabwe today, we leave Botswana behind and return to Victoria Falls. Victoris Falls is home to so many different activities you certainly won't be bored here. From white water rafting to lion walks to bungi jumping – it's all available here! Overnight - Ilala Lodge - Victoria Falls

Day 11: Victoria Falls

After breakfast, you're transferred back to the airport for your onward flights.



WHAT YOU SEE AND WHAT YOU GET:

Below is a list of key highlights and what is included on this tour. Further, where appropriate, we have listed the items that are not included in the tour price.

Trip Highlights

- Maun
- Khwai River Region that borders Moremi and Chobe - Game Drives
- Okavango Delta Mokoro Excursion
- Moremi Game Reserve
- Makgadikgadi Pans and the Nata Bird Sanctuary
- Sunset Cruise on Chobe River in Chobe National Park
- Victoria Falls - one of the 7 Natural Wonders of the World

What's Included

- 7 nights mid range lodges, chalets and tented camps **Please Note:** Accommodation named, may be subject to change but will be of a similar standard.
- 7 breakfasts, 6 lunches, 4 dinners
- Transportation in a fully equipped 4x4 safari vehicle (Toyota Landcruiser or similar with comfortable seating, windows for game viewing and a music system).
- Services of an experienced local guide/driver
- Game drives in Khwai Region and Moremi Game Reserve,
- Okavango Delta Mokoro Trip
- Chobe River Sunset Cruise
- Guided tour of Victoria Falls
- Airport arrival and departure transfer on days 1 and 8
- All park entrance fees

Botswana Lodge Explorer 11 days

What's Not Included

- International flights and visas. Please note the Maun to Kasane flight is NOT INCLUDED, Please budget EUR420 for this.
- Tipping - an entirely personal gesture
- Optional activities

PRICES AND DATES: from USD $3,199

Prices shown are per person travelling. The price per person applies when there are 2 people travelling, sharing a room. The 'Single supplement' applies for single travellers who require their own room and needs to be added to the per person price. Note: This tour requires a minimum of 4 passengers to run. This itinerary can also be run as a private tour, please contact us for details.

2013

Date	Price/Person	Single Supp.
10 JUN - 20 JUN	USD $3,199	USD $449
02 AUG - 12 AUG	USD $3,199	USD $449
05 SEP - 15 SEP	USD $3,199	USD $449
22 SEP - 02 OCT	USD $3,199	USD $449
26 OCT - 05 NOV	USD $3,199	USD $449
09 NOV - 19 NOV	USD $3,199	USD $449
09 DEC - 19 DEC	USD $3,199	USD $449

POSTCARDS:

Here's what some of our past travellers have written in to us and said about their experiences on this trip.

Many thanks - we had a superb trip and couldn't ask for better sightings of the numerous animals. It exceeded my expectations. I have completed a form for Jenman safaris. The rep - Chantel was brilliant. Thanks for your assistance and very worthwhile trip. My husband let me go saying that go and get it out of your system once and for all. It hasn't done that but just wet my appetite for more! Kind regards

JUDITH SPENCER , Aug 2012