



# Desert & Delta Safaris – Ultimate Family Safari Package

Botswana is fast becoming a destination of choice for families who want their children to experience the pinnacle of that African adventure. The discovery of Africa is a profound and impactful experience in one's life, which will be remembered for many years to come.

This Desert & Delta Safaris - **Ultimate Family Safari** - allows for the family to experience a choice and combination of five of the key ecosystems and environments within Botswana on a fun filled adventure of discovery suited and focused on the specific needs of the family. Your days will be spent on safari exploring the wild, pristine wilderness of Botswana and there are also opportunities to engage culturally with local communities and their children. Desert & Delta Safaris have intimate, small and exclusive lodges, allowing for personalized service and attention to detail. Our passionate lodge staff are committed to making your dream African family adventure a reality that will be cherished for a lifetime. Your children will not forget this experience!

**Highlights:** To celebrate the discovery of Africa with your family taking in a choice of the wonders of the zebra migration in Makgadikgadi Pans National Park, visiting a local village and school at Khumaga, experiencing the water wilderness of the Okavango Delta by boat, mokoro and educational safari walks, catching fish, safari game drives in Moremi and the Savute area's of Botswana, both renowned for their abundance in animal and bird life and then the memory of the large herds of elephant along the Chobe River. A combination of these areas and the mix of activities and experiences are ideal to share with your children.

**Flexibility:** Desert & Delta Safaris have realised that every family is unique and different. In doing so, we want to make it easy and uncomplicated to plan that Ultimate Family Safari experience. We have come up with a variety of flexible and easy to book Family Safari options which range from **4 nights, 6 nights or 8 nights** with a choice of any or all our magical safari destinations included.

All our Ultimate Family Safari Packages are fully inclusive of Accommodation, all meals and drinks, taxes, park and entrances fees and levies, laundry service, private guide and activities, scheduled charters between camps and can operate to/from Maun and/or Kasane in both directions.

New family rooms at Chobe Game Lodge, Savute Safari Lodge, Camp Moremi and Camp Okavango allow for us to assist families in experiencing Botswana on a choice of multi-declinational safari packages in a way that Botswana has never been experienced by travelling families before. Furthermore, each property has a dedicated "Safari Hero", a staff member in camp, whose attention and function is dedicated to the planning of flexible safari activities and experiences for the family.



# Suggested Itinerary – 4 Night Ultimate Family Safari



**Based on Maun to Maun route**

## **Day 1 & 2 Camp Okavango, Okavango Delta, Botswana**

Arrive at Maun Airport, a Desert & Delta Safaris representative will be there to welcome your family to Botswana, present your children (aged 6 to 15) with their special Safari Activity Backpack and assist you on to your charter flight into the heart of the Okavango Delta.

*The newly rebuilt Camp Okavango is located on a remote island in the heart of the permanent Okavango Delta. Botswana's magnificent Okavango Delta is a maze of lagoons, lakes, islands and hidden channels which attract wildlife that depend on the permanent waters of this unique wilderness.*

The elevated walkways, which lead up and in between the overhanging branches of the rich plant life in this island paradise, are a unique welcome to your first steps, as you approach this incredible camp from the airstrip where you have just landed.

Camp Okavango has 12 luxury Safari Suites and 1 Family Suite consisting of 2 bedrooms both with en-suite bathrooms. This expansive room, which connects through inter-leading doors, is your home for the following two nights as you marvel in the pristine beauty and excitement of experiencing the Okavango Delta at its best. An additional bed can be placed in the family suite to accommodate 2 adults and 3 children. All suites are raised on Siligna platforms with stacking doors on expansive private decks, accommodating just 24 people.

All rooms lead, by means of raised decking pathways, to a majestic elevated public area which hosts the lodge reception, curio shop, lounges, self- help "feel at home" drinks area, bar, library and dining room. All of which allow for the most spectacular views out and over the Okavango Delta and lead on to a large open air star deck with fire places and areas to sit and enjoy the night sounds.

An elevated, infinity view plunge pool is provided to cool down in the heat of the day.

Days are spent discovering the Okavango Delta on a private activities with your guide.

### **Camp Okavango offers the following activities:**

- Guided nature walks conducted by experienced professional guides
- Mokoro (canoe) & motorised boating trips through a variety of tranquil waterways to explore the Okavango
- Exceptional bird watching opportunities
- Fishing for bream and tiger fish (seasonal)

A dedicated staff member, your "Safari Hero", will plan your stay, activities, meals times, in camp activities, story times and ensure that both you and your children have an incredible stay with us at Camp Okavango.





## **Day 3 & 4 Savute Safari Lodge, Chobe National Park, Botswana**

*Savute Safari Lodge is situated on the banks of Botswana's fabled "Stolen River", the Savute Channel. Stretching from the waterways of the Linyanti all the way to the Savute Marsh, the winding waterways of the Savute Channel have pumped life into the western section of the Chobe National Park for many thousands of generations. However, there is mystery to this channel, this fickle and unpredictable channel has a fascinating history of*

*flooding and drying up independently of good rainy seasons and flood levels elsewhere – a mystery that has intrigued geologists and researchers for many years.*

Savute Safari Lodge consists of 11 luxury thatch and timber chalets and 1 family suite raised on expansive private decks, accommodating only 24 guests. The family suite consists of two bedrooms both with en-suite bathrooms. Families consisting of 3 children, can be accommodated in the family room with the addition of an extra bed in the suite.

The main lodge area offers a lounge, dining room, secluded library, bar, plunge pool and most meals are served on an elevated deck which looks out over the Savute channel and the waterholes which are a magnet to animals which come to quench their dry Savute thirst.

The area is renowned for its population of bull elephant and for the unique interaction of the resident predator species.

Your time at Savute Safari Lodge is spent on private game drive activities with your guide.

### **Savute Safari Lodge offers the following activities:**

- Activities are centred around game drives throughout the Savute area in open 4x4 safari vehicles
- Families can also enjoy a visit to the ancient San rock paintings at Gubatsa Hills, a small hilly outcrop which forms a remarkable landmark in the otherwise flat landscape. (visits to these painting at times when predators are known to be denning near these hills will restrict this activity)

A dedicated staff member, your "Safari Hero", will plan your stay, activities, meals times, in camp activities, story times and ensure that both you and your children have an incredible stay with us at Savute Safari Lodge.

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## **Day 5 – Departure**

A transfer to Maun airport is included for those departing on scheduled flights from Maun.



## **Daily Activity Schedule**

*May vary slightly from camp to camp, and all schedules are fully flexible and adaptable to each family. Upon arrival in camp your "Safari Hero" will liaise with you on your preferred times for meal and activities, that will suit your needs. The below is a sample of a daily activity schedule*

### **Winter (April – September)**

- 05h30 - Early morning wakeup call
- 06h00 - Light continental breakfast is served in the boma
- 06h30 - Leave for morning activity (approximately 3-4 hours)
- 11h30 - Brunch is served at the boma
- 15h00 - Afternoon tea is served at the boma
- 15h30 - Depart for afternoon activity (approximately 3 hours)
- 18h30 - Arrive back at lodge
- 19h30 - Dinner is served at the dining area

### **Summer (October – March)**

- 05h00 - Early morning wakeup call
- 05h30 - Light continental breakfast is served in the boma
- 06h00 - Leave for morning activity (approximately 3-4 hours)
- 11h00 - Brunch is served at the boma
- 15h30 - Afternoon tea is served at the boma
- 16h00 - Depart for afternoon activity (approximately 3 hours)
- 19h00 - Arrive back at lodge
- 20h00 - Dinner is served at the dining area

## **Inclusions**

- 4 night's accommodation on a fully inclusive basis
- All meals, soft drinks and local brand beverages
- Private activities throughout the safari
- National Park entrance fees
- Charter flights & domestic airport departure taxes
- Activity back pack for each child (Ages 6 to 15 only)
- Laundry services
- Dedicated family host per camp to assist with planning of meals and activities
- Adapted in camp activities for the Children/Family members
- Emergency medical evacuation cover included

## **Exclusions**

- Meals other than specified
- Premium brand drinks
- Gratuities
- Sightseeing and activities other than specified
- Visa fees
- Travel insurance
- International flights & airport taxes

## Requirements for Minors Travelling through all Botswana ports of entry

Effective from 1st October 2016 minors travelling through the country's borders will be required to produce certified copies Of unabridged birth certificates in addition to their valid passports. In the event that one parent is not travelling with the Child, the other parent's affidavit consenting to such travel should be vailed. However an affidavit will not be required if the father's name does not appear on the child's birth certificate.

### Notes:

- The Ultimate Family Safari Packages can be booked for families with a minimum of 3 or more family members travelling together.
- Other T & C's apply.



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