

THE KALAHARI SAFARI

Adventure Camping
(Tour Code: BWK)

6-NIGHT/7-DAY SAFARI

This safari offers insight into a comprehensive and broad travelling experience throughout Central Kalahari Game Reserve. It is ideal for the adventure enthusiast, offering breathtaking scenery and desert wildlife.

HIGHLIGHTS:

- 2 nights Deception Valley Private Reserve, San cultural experience
- 3 nights Central Kalahari Game Reserve
- 1 night Makgadikgadi National Park surrounds

This 6 night immersive Kalahari safari explores the richness of semi-arid desert areas. Blend culture with wildlife as you partake in a San bushman walk where they engage you in the secrets of this desert area and their rich history. Explore the stunning range of habitats within both reserves, each offering unique wildlife encounters. Venture into dry riverbeds and open plains, observing the diverse flora and fauna that have adapted to this harsh environment. End the safari on the banks of the Boteti River, where the wide variety of animals follow the changes in the seasons.

Please note: As the safari starts at 07h30 on Day 1, you will need to pre-night in Maun and purchase drinks for your safari the day before your safari starts. Bush Ways Safaris can assist with pre-safari arrangements (accommodation, transfers). In the afternoon of your pre-night, you will have the option of taking a 45min flight in a helicopter with no windows and doors, allowing magnificent views from above. Rate TBA by your agent. Both experiences have to be booked prior to arrival, and payment made in USD cash only (transfers not included, extra charges apply). During the flight it is even possible to spot large game animals such as Elephant, Giraffe and Hippopotami.

Day 1 – 2: Deception Valley Private Reserve – camping

The safari begins in Maun where your guide will meet you at 07h30 at your lodge. You will travel 160km to a private reserve on the northern border of the Central Kalahari Game Reserve. Upon arrival you will set up camp and have a safari briefing.

You will explore the area for the next two days, enjoying game drives and participate in a nature walk led by a local San tracker. They will share intricate bush knowledge and give you an insight into their unique and intriguing culture. Game drives will allow you to explore the area, home to a fascinating variety of desert specialised wildlife such as oryx, springbok and eland as well as predators including lion, brown hyena and cheetah. Savor the vast open spaces, clear night skies and uninterrupted beauty. This is adventure camping in its purest form as water and communications are limited and we travel as a self-sufficient group. (Day 1 - L, D, Day 2 - B, L, D)

Maun – Deception Valley Private Reserve (northern border CKGR): 160km, 5h

Day 3 - 5: Central Kalahari Game Reserve, camping

You will wake up as the sun rises and head toward the pristine wilderness of the largest game reserve in Botswana. The next three days will be spent exploring the undeveloped wilderness of the northern region of the Central Kalahari Game Reserve. Camping is in a private designated campsite with bush ablutions. (B, L, D)

Deception Valley Private Reserve – Central Kalahari Game Reserve: 80km, 3-4h (including game drive)

Day 6: Makgadikgadi, comfortable lodge

This is your last morning in the Kalahari, after breaking camp you will do a slow drive to the Makgadikgadi area. You will spend the night at a camp on the edge of the Makgadikgadi National Park, overlooking the Boteti River in Khumaga village. Enjoy an afternoon game drive into Makgadikgadi National Park. (B,L,D)

Central Kalahari Game Reserve – Boteti River Camp: 180km, 4-5h (including game drive)

Day 7: END OF THE SAFARI

After an early morning breakfast you will make your way to Maun. The safari officially ends at approximately 11am on Day 7 at Maun Airport. Bush Ways can assist with your onward travel arrangements. (B)

Boteti River Camp – Maun Airport 180km, 2.5h

Price includes:

Camping Accommodation and equipment (spacious bow tents with mattresses), rooms at a comfortable lodge in Khumaga, all transfers and activities as per the itinerary, all meals that are indicated (B – breakfast, L –lunch, D – dinner) and filtered drinking water, 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. Okavango Air Rescue.

Does not include:

Restaurant meals, visas, airport transfers, tips, curios, optional excursions, beverages (alcohol, soft drinks), Insurance to cover for cancellation and curtailment, medical, baggage, emergency evacuation, sleeping bag (and small pillow) on all camping sectors, any increase in National Park Fees.

ABOUT OUR ADVENTURE CAMPING SAFARIS

Description: camping safari requiring a minimum participation from the guests, i.e.: setting up the tent and packing it / carrying their bag from/to vehicle at campsites. The rest of the camp chores are carried out by our team made up of one guide and one camp assistant.

Equipment: Tents are 2.1m x 2.1m x 1.75m. A 5cm high density foam mattress is provided for each guest. Ablutions are shared and bush ablutions set up by our team when staying in game reserves and national park campsites.

Vehicle: 4x4 safari vehicles custom-built by Bush Ways - custom built trailers.

of guests: Max 12 pax – No minimum pax required, safari is guaranteed once Bush Ways has accepted and confirmed a departure.

Itineraries: **Itineraries:** We have 6 different Adventure Camping Safari programs: Leopard safari (17 days), Lion safari (15 days), Fish Eagle safari (11 days), Jackal safari (11 days), Buffalo safari (8 days), Kalahari safari (7 days)

Profile: Adventures maintaining the exhilarating spirit of the pioneer.

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Adventure Camping equipment: <https://goo.gl/photos/2bQWnpJtZfJwDxNm9>

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