



KAZUMA
TRAILS *Botswana*

CENTRAL KALAHARI, NXAI PAN LUXURY SAFARI

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4 Nights Central Kalahari, 3 Nights Nxai Pan

For this safari guests can either fly in from Maun or we can collect them at the Maun airport. The drive from Maun to the CKGR is approximately 5 hours.

Day 1 To 4 - The Central Kalahari Game Reserve

Founded in 1961 this is the largest game reserve in Botswana. Its remoteness plus unforgiving climate & harsh terrain have kept it pristine & mostly untouched. In the last 10 years it has become popular & those who venture into this remote wilderness are rewarded with wild Africa at its best. There are a few solar pumps but very little surface water in the dry season. However the Kalahari is a wide variety of habitats including acacia trees & expanses of flat grasslands - tough drought resistant vegetation. One of the main sources of water during the dry season is tswana melons and gemsbok cucumbers found in the shallow valleys of sand. The Deception Valley area is the most famous and can be a brilliant area for watching wildlife interact. The Valley comes alive during the rainy season, December - May when a lot of animals come to it for the sweet grasses. There is still a lot to see during the dry season but it is a little more spread out. The diversity of the animals is wonderful as well as their sheer will to survive in such a unique and harsh environment.

The next 3 days will be spent game driving and exploring this magnificent Game Reserve. The basic programme will run as follows:

Early rise with tea, coffee and a light breakfast served by the fire. We will then depart in our game drive vehicle/s for the morning, back to camp for a brunch/lunch and then siesta/showers/chill time. Afternoon tea will be served under the Mess tent and then out for an afternoon/early evening drive.

On the last morning in CKGR it will be another early rise as the camp is set down and we move to Nxai Pan for two nights.

Day 5 To 7 - Nxai Pan

The pan is 2,100km² in extent & it is a combination of grassland, thick bush, acacia, baobab trees, wide open spaces and dry pans that fill up in the rains and are the currency of life for all that live in the area. In the park there are a group of Baobab's that are called Baines' Baobabs as he painted them in

1862. As the hot dry season sets in the animals become dependent on the water supplies that are left in the pans. Nxai Pan National Park offers spectacular game viewing with large herds and predators abundant during the summer months from December to April. The game that can be seen in the park are lion, cheetah, gemsbok, wildebeest, giraffe, elephant, springbok, jackal, bat eared fox, red hartebeest and the elusive brown hyena. Nxai Pan itself was once part of the old lake bed, but more vegetation is found here. Here we will spend our time game driving around this splendid National Park.

Day 8

After breakfast you will take a game drive to the airstrip for your onward journeys. This is not the end of the journey as Africa is now in you so we look forward to seeing you back soon. If nothing else spread the good word of your experiences and time with us.



LUXURY SAFARIS EXPLAINED

INCLUDED

Accommodation

- In large spacious out of Africa style tents that are insect proof walk-in tents with comfortable beds.
- Solar lights in tent and bathroom.
- The ablutions are en-suite, consisting of a toilet and safari showers.
- Weather permitting laundry is done daily with the exception of the days the camp moves to its next location.

Safari Staff

The safari is run by a dedicated crew of staff in camp, who perform all camp chores which include providing gourmet meals, tidy plus clean tents and if you are on an extended safari move the camp for your arrival in the new area.

Vehicles

- The vehicles used on the safari are custom fitted 4 x 4 vehicles.
- The vehicles seat 7 people excluding the guide.

Meals on Safari

- Three substantial meals per day are served, between planned safari activities.
- Menus of fresh produce change every day and vegetarian or special diets can be catered for by prior arrangement.

Drinks on Safari

- Assortment of soft drinks, local beers & spirits, will be on offer throughout your safari inclusive in the price.
- South African wines are provided for meals and especially for a glorious sundowner.
- Please note premium wines, champagne and spirits can be ordered on behalf of the guests and prepaid.
- Guests should indicate drinks preferences in advance, so they are catered for correctly.

Insurance

- We cover guests for medical evacuation only, therefore it is imperative that guests take out their own fully comprehensive medical insurance to cover other emergency, hospitalization or further treatment.
- Unfortunately we cannot accept any client who does not have medical cover.
- We further more strongly suggest that all guests should take out travel insurance.

EXCLUDED

- Park Fees.
- Boat cruise on the Chobe River or Okavango Delta.
- Makoro excursion in the Okavango Delta.
- Please note the above will be charged at time of invoicing.

