



# Hidden Trails

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## About Hidden Trails



Hidden Trails is owned and operated by nature enthusiasts who love horses and adventure activities. We have been involved with riding and other outdoor vacations for over 20 years.

With our partners Voyage du Cheval (France), Pegasus (Germany) as well as Equitour (Switzerland and France) we have collected the best riding destinations all over the world in some hidden places we would like to share with you.

These rides are about galloping on endless beaches, forging rivers, cantering through forests, trotting along age-old trails, gazing at beautiful vistas and encountering foreign cultures. But most of all, these trips are about getting away from the cycle of too much work and never enough free time.

Escape from the rituals, which long ago froze our nights and days into little more than routine and away from the worries of our new tense times. It is so satisfying when we take the plunge of adventure - it's unfortunate that we invent so many reasons to put aside living our dreams of adventure. It is sometimes a tangled web that we weave through life. Some of the threads reveal a work-a-day world of commitments, duties and obligations. Other threads are of a quiet fabric of hope, responsibility and refreshment.

On our adventures you see the real country, its back country and meet the locals. The love for horses has no boundaries but possesses a common language we all speak and understand. The majority of the overseas rides are from inn to inn, some from castle to castle and a few are camping rides.

You will experience new countries and their customs and make new friends. The Hidden Trails trips are the best you can find.

They have been tested by our staff or associates and received our stamp of approval. If you are considering a special riding vacation anywhere in the world, call us first and let our experienced consultants match the perfect trip with your dream.

We will listen to you and give you objective advice to help you choose the best destination and adventure.

Your vacation is the most precious time of the year and we are committed to making it the most memorable time of your life. Wherever you go, have a great time and bring back some peace of mind.

Thank you for your continued support.

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# Okavango Big Five Safari - 6 days - Botswana, Southern Africa

Tour Code: IT-BORT01-5  
6 days / 5 nights ~\$7,550.00  
Dates: Feb to Dec

Trip Rating : ●●●●●  
Difficulty : ●●●●●  
Lodging : ▲▲▲▲▲ Exceptional

**Tack:** English leather saddles to a very high...

**Horses:** American Saddle, Arabs, Boerperds, Dr...

**Pace:** The terrain offers a wide range of pac...  
Walk,Trot,Canter,

**Airport:** Maun, Kasane



## Introduction

Okavango Delta, Botswana

A remote and exciting horseback safari deep into the world renowned wilderness of the Okavango Delta!

The Okavango Delta is undoubtedly the most outstanding of Botswana's natural wonders, a 15,000 square kilometer wilderness of floodplain and forest interlaced with lagoons and waterways, and teeming with game and birds. A riding safari through this spectacular wetland sanctuary is an exciting and memorable experience for experienced horse riding enthusiasts with a passion of nature and international travel. Botswana is quintessential African wilderness: A vast country of savannah, desert, wetlands and salt pans, making it an ideal and varied safari destination. While nearly three quarters of the country is covered by the magnificent Kalahari Desert, yet in the north lies the Okavango Delta, the largest wetland delta in the world and an amazing contrast to behold. Botswana's huge wildlife populations make for some of the best game viewing in all of Africa. On the safaris here, you regularly encounter elephant, giraffe, buffalo, zebra and a multitude of other plains game and the big cats!

This is an extremely professional establishment, owned and operated by PJ and Barney Bestelink for more than two decades. They offer the very best in African riding safaris today; among other accolades, they have most recently been given the title, 'Winner of Best Riding Safari Property in Africa' for 2013 awarded by 'The Safari Awards.' The safaris operate in their own private concession of the Moremi Game Reserve in the Western region of the Okavango Delta. Guests will be riding for four to six hours a day through some of the most scenic and top quality game viewing areas available in the world! The immediate area includes three major river systems of the Okavango Delta: the Xudum, the Matsibie and the Kiri. These rivers have created palm islands, grassy flood plains, mopane forests and clear streams. When the flood plains are full, the horses can wade through the water from island to island. Game viewing includes the sought after Big Five, as well as equivocal African game such as meerkats, honey badgers and red lechwe.

Safari groups are kept small, which allows for a personal touch on each individual departure which usually last for five, seven or ten nights in the wilderness; your overnight accommodations will be at a selection of luxury bush camps, pending on the safaris trail chosen for the group. Kujwana Camp is the base camp with luxury tented chalets combining double or twin beds with ensuite bathrooms - each with private facilities. The other two camps - Moklowane Camp and Kiri Fly Camp - consist of dome tents or bed rolls under the stars. Meals are cooked by an expert chef and are prepared every day to suit the activities organized - saddlebag picnic breakfasts and lunches are a specialty before a three course candlelit gourmet dinner is served once back at camp. With over 50 horses schooled and brought up in the African bush, the guides can and do go to any length to make the best match of horse and rider.

The game trails you follow are sometimes the same routes used by the herds of elephant or buffalo, and when lucky, you may get the exhilarating opportunity to gallop alongside the giraffe or zebras. As you will be riding in an area of dangerous game, notably the elephant, buffalo and cats - these riding safaris in Botswana can only experienced riders who are confident and capable riding at all paces. Rides are usually early in the day to avoid the most intense heat and sun, while afternoons are spent at leisure with a siesta or relaxing bird walks or mokoro rides (water levels permitting), or jeep game drives. Non-Riders are welcome here too! They can have their own guide and enjoy game drives, walks and Mokoros while their friends are out riding.

## Accommodation



### Accommodations

This is a wilderness ride, so nights will be spent in safari tents in different locations.

**6-day Accommodation Itinerary** - subject to changes based on availability  
All nights are spent at Kujwana Camp.

**8-day Accommodation Itinerary** - subject to changes based on availability  
Most nights are spent at Kujwana Camp, except for night 5, which will be at Moklowane Camp.





#### Kujwana Camp

Kujwana camp is situated on the Xudum River south west of Chiefs Island in the Okavango Delta. Tents are a mixture of pole-and-canvas lodging with sliding doors and Meru tents, with very comfortable handmade bespoke beds. There are two double-bedded tents and two twin bedded tents complete with attractive furnishings, bedside tables, hanging cupboard, luggage rack, floor rug, and chairs. Bathrooms are en-suite with flushing toilets and lovely hot showers.

There are 2 spacious Riverside suites with spectacular views built on the river (The Hippo Cradle or The Rocking Horse - can be booked on request for an extra fee).

This camp has a swimming pool, a bar, and a library to keep you entertained for when you are not riding. WiFi access allows you to stay in touch with family. The camp has 220volt solar power. Limited recharging of camera batteries is possible (no hair dryers or electrical appliances). Laundry and ironing is completed every day, inclusive of total cost.



#### Mokolwane Camp

Mokolwane camp is North West of Kujwana on the Matsebi River which is the main feeder for Lake Ngami. This camp is situated in the open flood plains, which receive floodwater 3 weeks earlier than Kujwana camp. The vegetation consists of smaller palm islands and wide-open spaces. Mokolwane is an 8-bedded camp with 5 tree houses. The tree houses (accommodation) are 10 feet off the ground boasting superb views, each with private bathroom with flushing toilets and hot showers. There is no WIFI or laundry on this site.

#### Room Occupancy

The first two singles to book will have their own guaranteed "no single supplement". After this, guests would be requested to share or pay a single supplement.

Please, note that single supplements might also apply to transfers.



#### Meals

All meals are included from lunch on Day 1 to breakfast on the last day.

Safari cooks prepares three meals a day including a 3 course dinner plus saddlebag snacks and vehicle support picnic lunches.

Emphasis is on fresh vegetables and salads. Fresh bread is baked every day.

Meals are eaten alfresco style in open aired boutique dining room, with tea and coffee served afterwards around



the camp fire.  
Picnics are served on long tables dressed with silver ware out in the bush under a shaded tree.

Beer, bottled water, an assortment of cool drinks, and a limited choice of spirits are available. Cordials, tea, and coffee are freely available, and house wine is served with dinner. Special requests can be catered for with advance notice and billed out accordingly.

Dietary Restrictions

We can cater to most dietary restrictions with prior notice. Please let us know at the time of booking.



**Riding**



**Riding Ability**

Participants all need to master the basic aids, be able to post to the trot for stretches of 10 minutes at a time, be comfortable at all paces and be able to gallop out of trouble. It is a great advantage if you are a fit and a proficient rider.

**Pace & Riding Terrain**

We spend between 4-6 hours in the saddle a day. This is broken by refreshment stops and a 10-minute walk for every two hours spent in the saddle. This eases up the rider using different muscles, and helps the horse from constant pressure of the rider's weight.

The Okavango Delta has been described as a water meadow. Palm islands, grassy flood plains, mopane forests and clear streams. Highest water is normally between May to September. Many of the flood plains are full at this time and the horses wade through from island to island.

The going is normally quite good and firm along the edges of the islands allowing the ride to move on at a trot and canter.

**Horses**

Full and part Thoroughbred, Pure Arab, Anglo Arab, Friesian cross, and Botswana Warmbloods (American Saddle bred cross African Boerperd) between 14 and 17 hands. All are well-schooled, responsive and even tempered. There is a wide range of horses (over 50) suitable for all kinds of riders. Every effort is made to match horse and rider.

The horses are chosen with temperament and suitability at the forefront. Many of the horses have either been sourced through close friends in Harare, Zimbabwe or are selected from well-known breeders in South Africa. In recent years, we have carefully selected mares to join our team and using Lamu, an American Saddlebred, we are breeding more of our own horses now.

When not on safari the horses freely graze the grassy molapos of the delta through the day. They graze loose and this truly is one of the amazing sights you will see while on safari with us.

**Tack**

Tack is English Style and South African Trail saddles. Each saddle has a seat saver for comfort. Tack is of high quality and kept in good condition. Saddles are well known makes such as Ideals, Albion, and Symonds. Most horses are in snaffle bridles.

**Weight Limit**

Maximum weight is 200 lbs (14 ½ stone or 90 kg). Guests may be required to step on the scales. We do not accept riders over that weight.

**Group size**

The 2 camps can accommodate up to 6 guests each so the rides are normally no larger than a group of 6-8 riders.

**Children**

We accept children over 12 years of age unless special arrangement is made with the camp for younger children

and family groups. In order for a child to ride, we ask for a letter confirming the child's competence from an independent equine professional.

#### **Safety**

All rides are led by qualified, specialized and/or professional guides and a back up guide. A 375 rifle is carried on all the rides. All camps and vehicles have radio communication and guides ride with hand held radios. A demonstration is given at the beginning of the safari with a talk on how to handle big game situations. Should an accident happen all guests are registered with a helicopter evacuation service which can get you to a hospital within 20 minutes.

A medical kit is kept in the camp.

#### **Guides**

All rides are led by qualified, specialized and professional guides as well as a back up guide. A keen interest is taken in birds as well as fauna and flora. Other activities including game drives, Mekoros, walks and power boats are also led by qualified, specialized and/or professional guides.

#### **Insurance**

All guests must have adequate medical and travel insurance to join this trip. Guests must check that their travel insurance covers horse riding. This is often an extra that must be added on.

### **Itinerary**



#### **Sample Itinerary: 6-day program - subject to changes**

##### **Day 1 (Sunday): Arrival**

You are met at Maun Airport before a 25 minute transfer by helicopter straight into camp, or by light aircraft to Pompom airstrip, which is then roughly an hour's drive to camp by vehicle or boat. Once you arrive in camp you will be given time to settle in before lunch and an introduction talk with demonstration on tack and advice on game viewing from horseback. This is followed by an orientation ride (about 1-2 hours).

*Meals included: Lunch & Dinner*

*Overnight at Kujwana Camp*

##### **Day 2 (Monday): Xudum Ride**

Wake up each day is 30 minutes before dawn to ensure best game viewing. After breakfast, a morning ride in the Xudum area, wading through lush green malapos that lead you from island to island, surprising a timid reedduck out his dense cover on a heavily wooded island, or enjoy the herds of techwe and zebra moving through the open spaces.

In the afternoon head out for a peaceful mokoro expedition on the river and enjoy the tranquility of the Delta from our dug out canoes. Enjoy the beautiful colours of the Delta as the sun starts to sink behind the horizon.

*Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner*

*Overnight at Kujwana Camp*

##### **Day 3 (Tuesday): Qwaapu Ride & Game Drive**

A full morning ride heading to the east exploring the Qwaapu area – a different river system with exciting game viewing opportunities and a different landscape.

Return to camp for lunch followed by a siesta.

Afternoon game drive with sunset drinks, followed by a bush dinner and an evening night drive.

*Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner*

*Overnight at Kujwana Camp*

##### **Day 4 (Wednesday): Matsebe River Exploration**

A full day ride from Kujwana Camp, of approximately 30km heading northwest. The route moves through open floodplains and scattered islands towards the Matsebe river system, where you will see a wide variety of game.

A picnic lunch is served on a shady island followed by siesta with camp beds, maybe a swim, and then a further 2 hours ride in the afternoon. Arrive at back at Kujwana Camp at sunset and enjoy a refreshing drink as you admire the stunning views over the floodplain.

*Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner*

*Overnight at Kujwana Camp*

##### **Day 5 (Thursday): Matsebi River Ride & Game Drive**

A full morning ride exploring the southern Matsebi area. This ride moves through a variety of game areas fording the Matsebi River through numerous hippo channels.

Afternoon a game drive or power boat to hippo pans; a great area for bush walks and tracking. The vehicle drops you off and you can walk to the platforms for Sunset drinks. The platforms are 4 meters above the ground, camouflaged by a canopy of mangosteen trees. Enjoy the great view and wildlife moving freely below you.

*Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner*

*Overnight at Kujwana Camp*

##### **Day 6 (Friday): Departure**

Early morning game ride out of Kujwana camp if flight times permit. Guests leave after breakfast. One hour's game drive to the nearest airstrip for transfer by light aircraft into Maun or a 20 minute helicopter ride.

*Meals included: Breakfast*





**Sample Itinerary: 8-day program - subject to changes**

**Day 1 (Saturday): Arrival**

You are met at Maun Airport before a 25 minute transfer by helicopter straight into camp, or by light aircraft to Pompom airstrip, which is then roughly an hour's drive to camp by vehicle or boat. Once you arrive in camp you will be given time to settle in before lunch and an introduction talk with demonstration on tack and advice on game viewing from horseback. This is followed by an orientation ride for approximately 1 – 2 hours.

*Meals included: Lunch & Dinner*

*Overnight at Kujwana Camp*

**Day 2 (Sunday): Qwaapu Ride**

Wake up each day is 1 hour before dawn to ensure best game viewing. You start with a full morning ride heading to the east exploring the Qwaapu area – a different river system with exciting game viewing opportunities and a different landscape.

In the afternoon head out for a peaceful mokoro expedition up the river and enjoy the tranquility of the Delta from our dug out canoes. Enjoy the beautiful colours of the Delta as the sun starts to sink behind the horizon.

*Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner*

*Overnight at Kujwana Camp*

**Day 3 (Monday): Morning Ride & Game Drive**

After breakfast, a morning ride in the Xudum area, wading through lush green malapos that lead you from island to island, surprising a timid reed buck out his dense cover on a heavily wooded island, or enjoy the herds of lechwe and zebra moving through the open spaces.

Return to camp for lunch followed by a siesta. Afternoon game drive with sunset drinks, dinner in the bush and evening night drive with a spot light to end.

*Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner*

*Overnight at Kujwana Camp*

**Day 4 (Tuesday): Matsebe River Ride**

A full day ride from Kujwana Camp, of approximately 30km heading northwest. The route moves through open floodplains and scattered islands towards the Matsebe river system, where you will see a wide variety of game.

A picnic lunch is served on a shady island followed by siesta with camp beds, maybe a swim, and then a further 2 hours ride to in the afternoon. Arrive at back at Kujwana Camp at sunset and enjoy a refreshing drink as you admire the stunning views over the floodplain.

*Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner*

*Overnight at Kujwana Camp*

**Day 5 (Wednesday): Kujwana Ride & Mokolowane Game Drive**

Today you'll spend the morning on horseback, exploring the open plains to the south of the camp.

After lunch and a siesta, you'll game drive Northwest to our sister camp, Mokolowane (Mok), and stay overnight in its beautiful stilted accommodation which is raised up to be above the highest water.

The Mok experience specialises in predator viewing - lion and leopard are frequently seen and an afternoon game drive looking for these predators is often rewarded.

*Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner*

*Overnight at Mokolowane Camp*

**Day 6 (Thursday): Game Drive to Kujwana & Afternoon Ride**

Rising early, back in the game drive vehicle by dawn, ready to head out to look for lions and leopards in the area surrounding Mokolowane. After the thrill of watching predators in the wild, head back to Mok for lunch overlooking over the floodplains.

After lunch return to Kujwana with a game drive, with time for a short siesta before getting back in the saddle to explore the immediate area around camp on horseback.

*Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner*

*Overnight at Kujwana Camp*

**Day 7 (Friday): Xudum Ride**

An option of another full day ride exploring the Xudum area - picnic lunch along the way. The ride covers around 35 km, with 4 hours ridden in the morning and two hours in the afternoon.

This ride moves through a variety of game areas fording the Xudum River through numerous hippo channels.

*Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner*

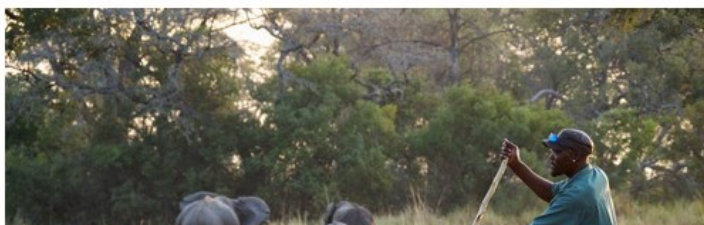
*Overnight at Kujwana Camp*

**Day 8 (Saturday): Departure**

Early morning game ride out of Kujwana camp if flight times permit. Guests leave after breakfast. One hour's game drive to the nearest airstrip for transfer by light aircraft into Maun or a 20 minute helicopter ride.

*Meals included: Breakfast*

*Note: We reserve the right to alter the itinerary according to water levels and game movements. Mokoros (dugout Canoes) are offered as an activity depending on water levels.*





#### Non-Riding Activities

Although our priority is riding, we offer alternative activities during the afternoons that are not day rides. A 6-hour morning can be tiring so afternoons are spent at leisure with evening bird walks or mokoro rides (water levels permitting). Afternoon game drives and night spotting are also offered.

#### Non-Riders

We can accommodate non-riders but they must be booked in as such.

We offer exciting walking itineraries combining two or three of our camps, as well as non-riding itineraries for those accompanying a riding party. Non-riding guests will meet up with riding parties at every meal and for every non-riding activity, so you won't feel left out! These itineraries are built entirely around you to fit in with your requirements.

With your very own guide, our non-riding itineraries are put together on a case by case basis, depending on the interests of individuals and the time of year. However they often include the following:

- walking safaris
- land-rover driven safaris
- power boat safaris
- mokoro expeditions
- bush-craft lessons

For more information about our non-riding safari itineraries contact us, and we can put together an itinerary just for you.

### Other Info

**Meeting:** Xudum Camp

**Airport:** Maun, Kasane

**Transfer:** Maun (charter flight) usually in at 12 noon, return by 1 pm.

**Distance:** 80 miles from Maun

Transfers are available from Maun, Kasane, or Xaranna airstrip. Type of transfer dependent on water levels. On your last day, our partner will take you back to Maun airport in time for mid-day flights. \*\* Transfers to or from Maun should co-ordinate with Air Botswana's flight BP211, BP212 and South African AirLink's flight SA8300, SA8301.

**Tack:** English leather saddles to a very high standard, some South African trail saddles. All horses go in snaffle bridles.

**Horses:** American Saddle, Arabs, Boerperds, Draft cross, Thoroughbred and Thoroughbred crosses, Kalahari and Homebreds

**Pace:** The terrain offers a wide range of pace with many areas that we can move on, flooded malapos allow for water canter but when game viewing we also move at a leisurely pace 4 to 6 hrs in the saddle each day

Walk | Trot | Canter |

**Level:** 🐾🐾🐾🐾🐾 (3.5 to 4 out of 5) Intermediate+

**Age:** Min 12

**Weight:** 200 lbs / 90 kg

**Riders:** Min 2 riders

Max 8 riders

### Non Rider itinerary

#### 5 NIGHT ITINERARY

A 5-night itinerary may take place on the first five nights or the second 5 nights of a 10-night itinerary. Clients would depart on day 6 after an early morning activity & breakfast (aircraft movements permitting).

#### 7 NIGHT ITINERARY

A 7-night itinerary usually starts on night 1 of a safari; it would usually be split between 2 camps giving guests the opportunity to explore these areas more than on a 5-night itinerary.

#### 10 NIGHT ITINERARY

On a 10-night itinerary we work out of our base camp Kujwana. This is situated on the Xudum River in the Okavango Delta. We then use two other camps in different areas of the concession. All these camps are well situated in big game areas. They are chosen for the variety of terrain & species that favour particular areas.

This is a sample itinerary, which may vary according to water levels and game movements.

#### Day 1 Kujwana Camp

You are met at Maun Airport by our representative & transferred by light aircraft to Xudum airstrip, a 25-minute flight. You are then transferred into the camp by vehicle, which takes approximately 1 hour. (Game viewing). Alternatively you would be transferred by light aircraft to Xaxacaba Airstrip where the helicopter would meet you; a 12-minute scenic flights would bring you directly into camp. Lunch and an introduction talk and advice on game viewing. This is followed by an afternoon activity. An afternoon mokoro trip down the Xudum river system, offering the opportunity for exploring the waterways around base camp. An ideal time for birding and spotting animals coming down to the

water to drink.

#### **Day 2 Kujwana Camp.**

Morning game walk in the Xudum area. Wake up is 1 hour before dawn to ensure best game viewing. Walk along the edges of the lush green malapos that lead you from island to island. Surprise a timid reedbuck out his dense cover on a heavily wooded island, or enjoy the herds of Lechwe & Zebra moving through the open spaces. Return to camp for lunch. Siesta. Afternoon game drive with sunset drinks & evening night drive with a spot light, joining the rest of the group for this activity.

#### **Day 3 Kiri/Xwaapu Camp.**

A move east towards Beacon and Lion Island. These are two very large islands in the area, which are cut off from Kujwana by the Xwaapu River. To travel between the camps you will take a mokoro, stopping for walks in interesting areas along the way. The area is criss-crossed with game paths leading you through a chain of rain pans. This is a great contrast to the open flood plains. Mopane forests and Acacia woodlands offer a good variety of food for Kudu and Giraffe. Breeding herds of elephant enjoy the security of the dense forest and should the pans be holding water zebra, wildebeest and buffalo will also be found. Animal tracks abound telling you of what has been and gone - or what you might still find. Afternoon bird walk, with the rest of the group.

#### **Day 4 Kiri/Xwaapu Camp.**

Walk north east towards Moremi game reserve. This area forms seasonal marsh land and hosts a variety of exceptional bird life. Wildlife moves freely to and from the national park. Good Buffalo and Elephant country. Picnic lunch in a shady area with the rest of the group before a siesta through the heat of the day, afternoon tea followed by a game drive back to camp.

#### **Day 5 Kujwana Camp.**

A move back towards Kujwana. A morning mokoro taking in the flora and fauna of the area. With time aplenty there will be the opportunity to stop for a spot of fishing on the way in. With bream, pike and catfish to go at, a few hours spent on the water will fly past. For this who would rather not fish, the journey back will be broken with game walks and a break by a water crossing. Lunch at Kujwana with the rest of the group followed by a siesta. Afternoon game walk with the rest of the group.

#### **Day 6 Kujwana Camp.**

A rest day for the guests riding for 10 days. There is the option to game drive, walk, mokoro or view a water hole from the hide. Afternoon game drive, sunset drinks and return to camp with a spotlight. Dawn game drive 2 hours for the guests staying for 5 days. Return to camp for breakfast. Guests joining the safari do a mokoro in the cool of the afternoon as the wildlife stirs from the heat of the day. 2 hours.

#### **Day 7 Kujwana Camp.**

A full morning game drive exploring the area to the south towards the Matsibe river. A good habitat for Cheetah and breeding grounds for Carmine Bee-eaters, our summer visitor. This route has thick riverine forestry and is a good area for elephant and buffalo (and the unexpected). Afternoon mokoro with the rest of the group.

#### **Day 8 Mokolwane Camp**

Move from Kujwana to Mokolwane camp. This is approximately 30km from Kujwana heading northwest, game drive into new and exciting areas. The route moves through open floodplains and scattered islands towards the Matsebe river system. A picnic lunch is served on a shady island, followed by siesta and tea. 1 hour game drive in the afternoon to a boat station and then a 20 minute powerboat trip into camp before sunset.

Guests on a 7-night itinerary would game drive for 2 hours, returning to camp for a cooked breakfast, flight times permitting.

#### **Day 9 Mokolwane Camp**

Morning game walk. This camp is on the Matsebe river system and features wide open flood plains interspersed with Mokolwane palms - favorite food of Elephant & Baboon. Good area for plains game.

Afternoon: 1 - 2 hours' mokoro experience (traditional dug out canoe). This camp also has a fantastic natural swimming hole accessed by powerboat and plenty of opportunities to fish on the Matsebe River.

#### **Day 10 Kujwana Camp.**

A full days move from Mokolwane to Kujwana with a picnic lunch along away. A 40 Km drive with 4 hours covered in the morning and two hours in the afternoon. This route moves through a variety of game areas fording the Xudum river at numerous crossings. Arrive Kujwana on sunset.

#### **Day 11**

Early morning game drive out of Kujwana camp if flight times permit. Guests leave after breakfast. One hour's game drive to the nearest airstrip for transfer by light aircraft into Maun.

NB. We reserve the right to alter the itinerary according to water levels and game movements. Mokoros (dugout Canoes) are offered as an activity depending on water levels.

On a non-riding itinerary our guests will have private guides with them at all times. It is highly likely that they will be the only ones using this guide so the itinerary is normally built around the specific requests of these guests. It is a highly personalized service and offers the opportunity to focus on the desires of the individual.

## Rates and Dates 2026 - IT-BORT01-5

**Rates include:** Accommodations, All meals including local drinks within reason for dinner, 6 riding days, Guided game drives & walks, Laundry service, Concession fees & Taxes  
A limited assortment of half chaps and riding gloves are kept in the camp for loan

### Packages and Options

| Season | Description              | GBP   | ~US\$  |
|--------|--------------------------|-------|--------|
| A 2026 | 6 day trip (High Season) | £5675 | \$7550 |
|        | Daily rate, dbl, pp      | £1135 | \$1420 |
| B 2026 | 6 day trip (Mid Season)  | £4625 | \$6150 |
|        | Daily rate, dbl, pp      | £925  | \$1155 |
| C 2026 | 6 day trip (Low Season)  | £3850 | \$5120 |
|        | Daily rate, dbl, pp      | £770  | \$960  |

The US Dollar Rate is based on a GBP Exchange Rate of 1.33 and subject to currency fluctuation

### Transfer Option

#### Description

|      |  |      |       |
|------|--|------|-------|
| 2026 | Transfer from/to Maun via helicopter (25 min) per person (min of 2), per way           | £340 | \$435 |
| 2026 | Fixed wing transfer from/to Maun via Xaranna, per person (min 2), per way (seasonal)   | £280 | \$360 |
| 2026 | Fixed wing transfer from/to Kasane via Xaranna, per person (min 2), per way (seasonal) | £450 | \$575 |
| 2026 | Road transfer from/to Kasane to Victoria Falls via vehicle, pp (min 2), per way        | £105 | \$135 |
| 2026 | Upgrade to Riverside suite, per room, per night  | £100 | \$125 |
| 2026 | Upgrade to Mini suite, per room, per night   | £50  | \$60  |
| 2026 | Single supplement - please inquire   |      |       |

#### Tour Dates

| Season | Tour Dates              |         |                          |
|--------|-------------------------|---------|--------------------------|
| C 2026 | 03/14/2026 - 03/19/2026 | 6d / 5n | 6 day trip (Low Season)  |
| C 2026 | 03/21/2026 - 03/26/2026 | 6d / 5n | 6 day trip (Low Season)  |
| B 2026 | 03/28/2026 - 04/02/2026 | 6d / 5n | 6 day trip (Mid Season)  |
| B 2026 | 04/04/2026 - 04/09/2026 | 6d / 5n | 6 day trip (Mid Season)  |
| B 2026 | 04/11/2026 - 04/16/2026 | 6d / 5n | 6 day trip (Mid Season)  |
| B 2026 | 04/18/2026 - 04/23/2026 | 6d / 5n | 6 day trip (Mid Season)  |
| B 2026 | 04/25/2026 - 04/30/2026 | 6d / 5n | 6 day trip (Mid Season)  |
| B 2026 | 05/02/2026 - 05/07/2026 | 6d / 5n | 6 day trip (Mid Season)  |
| B 2026 | 05/09/2026 - 05/14/2026 | 6d / 5n | 6 day trip (Mid Season)  |
| B 2026 | 05/16/2026 - 05/21/2026 | 6d / 5n | 6 day trip (Mid Season)  |
| B 2026 | 05/23/2026 - 05/28/2026 | 6d / 5n | 6 day trip (Mid Season)  |
| A 2026 | 05/30/2026 - 06/04/2026 | 6d / 5n | 6 day trip (High Season) |
| A 2026 | 06/06/2026 - 06/11/2026 | 6d / 5n | 6 day trip (High Season) |
| A 2026 | 06/13/2026 - 06/18/2026 | 6d / 5n | 6 day trip (High Season) |
| A 2026 | 06/20/2026 - 06/25/2026 | 6d / 5n | 6 day trip (High Season) |
| A 2026 | 06/27/2026 - 07/02/2026 | 6d / 5n | 6 day trip (High Season) |
| A 2026 | 07/04/2026 - 07/09/2026 | 6d / 5n | 6 day trip (High Season) |
| A 2026 | 07/11/2026 - 07/16/2026 | 6d / 5n | 6 day trip (High Season) |
| A 2026 | 07/18/2026 - 07/23/2026 | 6d / 5n | 6 day trip (High Season) |
| A 2026 | 07/25/2026 - 07/30/2026 | 6d / 5n | 6 day trip (High Season) |
| A 2026 | 08/01/2026 - 08/06/2026 | 6d / 5n | 6 day trip (High Season) |
| A 2026 | 08/08/2026 - 08/13/2026 | 6d / 5n | 6 day trip (High Season) |
| A 2026 | 08/15/2026 - 08/20/2026 | 6d / 5n | 6 day trip (High Season) |
| A 2026 | 08/22/2026 - 08/27/2026 | 6d / 5n | 6 day trip (High Season) |
| A 2026 | 08/29/2026 - 09/03/2026 | 6d / 5n | 6 day trip (High Season) |
| A 2026 | 09/05/2026 - 09/10/2026 | 6d / 5n | 6 day trip (High Season) |
| A 2026 | 09/12/2026 - 09/17/2026 | 6d / 5n | 6 day trip (High Season) |
| A 2026 | 09/19/2026 - 09/24/2026 | 6d / 5n | 6 day trip (High Season) |
| A 2026 | 09/26/2026 - 10/01/2026 | 6d / 5n | 6 day trip (High Season) |
| B 2026 | 10/03/2026 - 10/08/2026 | 6d / 5n | 6 day trip (Mid Season)  |
| B 2026 | 10/10/2026 - 10/15/2026 | 6d / 5n | 6 day trip (Mid Season)  |
| B 2026 | 10/17/2026 - 10/22/2026 | 6d / 5n | 6 day trip (Mid Season)  |
| B 2026 | 10/24/2026 - 10/29/2026 | 6d / 5n | 6 day trip (Mid Season)  |
| B 2026 | 10/31/2026 - 11/05/2026 | 6d / 5n | 6 day trip (Mid Season)  |
| B 2026 | 11/07/2026 - 11/12/2026 | 6d / 5n | 6 day trip (Mid Season)  |
| B 2026 | 11/14/2026 - 11/19/2026 | 6d / 5n | 6 day trip (Mid Season)  |
| B 2026 | 11/21/2026 - 11/26/2026 | 6d / 5n | 6 day trip (Mid Season)  |
| C 2026 | 11/28/2026 - 12/03/2026 | 6d / 5n | 6 day trip (Low Season)  |
| C 2026 | 12/05/2026 - 12/10/2026 | 6d / 5n | 6 day trip (Low Season)  |
| C 2026 | 12/12/2026 - 12/17/2026 | 6d / 5n | 6 day trip (Low Season)  |
| C 2026 | 12/19/2026 - 12/24/2026 | 6d / 5n | 6 day trip (Low Season)  |
| C 2026 | 12/26/2026 - 12/31/2026 | 6d / 5n | 6 day trip (Low Season)  |

**Min/Max:** 2/8

If you wish to arrive on a different date, we might be able to organise a program for you staying at 1 camp only  
Minimum 3-night stay

Rates do not include: Transfers, Optional upgrade to Riverside suite while at Kujwana Camp, Travel and medical insurance (mandatory) & Gratuities

# Reservation Form

**Tour :** \_\_\_\_\_ **Code #:** \_\_\_\_\_ **from:** \_\_\_\_\_ **to :** \_\_\_\_\_

| The Travelers<br>(Last Name, First Name) | Male<br>Female           | Single<br>room /<br>or tent | Birth Date<br>MM/DD/YY | Height | Weight | Special diets            |                          |                          |                          |                          |                          |                          |              |              |                |
|--|--------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|--------|--------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|
|  |                          |                             |                        |        |        | Special diets            | Beginner                 | Novice                   | Intermediate             | Strong Intern.           | Advanced                 | ride English             | ride Western | mostly arena | mostly hacking |
| 1. _____                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>    | _____                  | _____  | _____  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |              |              |                |
| 2. _____                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>    | _____                  | _____  | _____  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |              |              |                |
| 3. _____                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>    | _____                  | _____  | _____  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |              |              |                |
| 4. _____                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>    | _____                  | _____  | _____  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |              |              |                |

Special Diets: \_\_\_\_\_

Your fitness level: Excellent  Moderate  Poor  How long have you been riding? \_\_\_\_\_

How often do you ride? \_\_\_\_\_ Have you been on other riding tours? No  Yes  last trip when? \_\_\_\_\_

If Hidden Trails offers a transfer from the local airport/station: I would like the transfer to be included: YES  NO

In an emergency, name and phone number of contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Attention: Please, if there is more than one participant, all have to sign the reservation form - make copies if needed

With my signature I confirm my reservation of the listed program(s) under the Hidden Trails Booking Conditions. I'm aware, and I made all participants aware of the risk involved with these outdoor adventure activities. All participants have read and agree with the Hidden Trails Booking Conditions and the Hidden Trails Recreational Activity Release and Indemnity Agreement in this brochure or as listed on the Internet.

I (we) will sign and forward the Recreational Activity Release and Indemnity Agreement at least 10 weeks before trip starting date.

Last Name and First Name (The Traveler) \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Postal/Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (wk) \_\_\_\_\_ (hm) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature (mandatory) 1. \_\_\_\_\_

Please, charge a 25% deposit (minimum \$ 350 per person) now and full payment 10 weeks before the travel date to my credit card.

For payments by VISA  or Mastercard  (no debit cards)

Cardholder: \_\_\_\_\_

Card # \_\_\_\_\_ 3 digit Security # \_\_\_\_\_

Exp.Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Billing Address for Credit Card (if different than mailing address):  
\_\_\_\_\_

I have enclosed a check for the deposit

Additional Signatures:

2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_

**Travel Cancellation Insurance** Credit Card required

Sign me (us) up  initial \_\_\_\_\_

No, we will provide our own  initial \_\_\_\_\_

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