# A Walker's World

### **BOTSWANA – DISCOVER THE DELTA**

Luxury Fly-In Safari 6 nights/7 days Okavango Delta and Moremi Game Reserve

SPECIAL ADD-ON!! STAY AT FOOTSTEPS TRADITIONAL AFRICAN 'FLY' CAMP PLUS GHOHA HILLS LODGE EXTENSION IN SAVUTI, CHOBE NATIONAL PARK



A safari between three isolated bush camps to experience the far reaches of the Okavango Delta. Stay in luxurious, spacious tents furnished with African materials, colours in a unique rustic style. Each has private ensuite bathrooms and viewing deck for relaxing and game watching in privacy. Bush and international cuisine is a feature in candlelit settings in the evenings. The emphasis is on personalised service and game-viewing is a top priority. Travel between camps on spectacular flights over the twisting and turning waterways of the Delta.

There's no better way to experience the African wilderness!

#### Your Safari at a glance

Day	Itinerary	Flights/Transfers
Day 1	Kanana	Maun – Kanana with Safari Air
Day 2	Kanana	
Day 3	Okuti	Kanana – Okuti with Safari Air
Day 4	Okuti	
Day 5	Shinde	Okuti – Shinde with Safari Air
Day 6	Shinde	
Day 7	Maun	Shinde –Maun with Safari Air

#### **Itinerary**

#### Day 1 & 2 – Kanana (Okavango Delta)

On arrival into Maun airport, a Ker & Downey Botswana representative holding a signboard with your name will meet and welcome you. After collecting your luggage, you will be escorted to the light charter aircraft to

meet your pilot for a short flight over the Okavango Delta to the camps airstrip where on arrival you will be met by your guide who will transfer you on an open safari vehicle to camp.





Kanana sleepout deck





#### Kanana

A hidden jewel on the Xudum River, Kanana is located in the southwest of the Okavango Delta. The area encompasses a necklace of islands dotted with palms, figs, ebony and knobthorn, and is home to a myriad of birds, plants and animals. The nature of the habitat means it is the perfect place to experience the diversity of species found within the Okavango Delta.

The annual floods transform parts of this concession into a true water paradise, offering guests the best of both worlds. At certain times of the year guests may actually enjoy the breath-taking spectacle of the water visibly rising around the camp's raised teak decks. Experience magnificent game sightings during drives as well as the unique experience of exploring the delta's beautiful waterways by boat. There is also a Sleep Out Deck that offers guests the opportunity to spend the night under the splendid African night sky.

Situated in the Kanana Concession, the focus of activities at Kanana varies with the rising and falling levels of the Okavango Delta. Activities include morning and late afternoon game drives in open safari vehicles, with afternoon game drives often continuing into the evening. Alternatively you may explore the crystal clear

waterways by Mokoro or motorboat, and enjoy the magnificent variety of birds, plant and reptile species found in the area. Birding is spectacular, and Kanana hosts a seasonal heronry that teems with activity, a Kanana highlight which converts all visitors to avid 'twitchers'. Guided bush walks are highly recommended as is fishing for tilapia, African pike and sharptooth catfish.

#### Day 3 & 4 – Kanana to Okuti (Moremi Game Reserve)

After breakfast there could be a morning activity followed by a transfer back to the airstrip to board the light aircraft and enjoy a scenic flight across the Okavango Delta to the Moremi Game Reserve. You will be met at the Xakanaxa Airstrip by your guide and from there it is a short road transfer to Okuti.







#### Okuti

This delightful camp lies alongside the Maunachira River which flows through Xakanaxa Lagoon within the world renowned Moremi Game Reserve, Okuti is built amidst the wilderness of one of Botswana's prime game viewing regions. Refurbishment of Okuti took place at the beginning of 2014 and draws its influence from water which flows in front of the camp, with its abundant birdlife, fish and sandy river banks, it remains an oasis of serenity and peacefulness.

Situated in the heart of the world-renowned Moremi Game Reserve, guests can experience unhindered views in specially-designed safari vehicles. Moremi Game Reserve is rich in wildlife, and its consistent year-round game viewing makes it ideal for the first time visitors to Botswana. Guests can also explore the Okavango Delta waterways by motorboat, and the areas open lagoons and winding channels make it a birder's paradise, complete with herons and storks in the breeding season.

#### Day 5 – Okuti to Shinde (Okavango Delta)

After breakfast is a morning transfer (but can vary in times) back to the airstrip to board the light aircraft and enjoy a scenic flight across the Moremi Game Reserve to the Okavango Delta. You will be met at the Shinde Airstrip by your guide and from there it is a short game drive to Shinde.







#### Shinde

Nestled on a lush palm island in the heart of the northern Okavango Delta, Shinde is an intimate, classic camp located on the edge of Shinde Lagoon, which simply teems with animal and birdlife. The camps unique main area comprises a multi-tiered dining room and lounge which is set under canvas under the shade of ebony and mangosteen trees.

Courtesy of its location Shinde can offer both water and land activities year round. Motorboats or Mokoro provide a chance to experience the incredible bird, plant and reptile species found in the aquatic habitat of the Okavango Delta. Game drives are conducted by a personal guide in comfortable, specially designed game drive vehicles. For the more adventurous, guided walks are also available while fishing enthusiasts will enjoy fishing for a variety of species such as tilapia and tigerfish.





Shinde is 'cat' country

Shinde's vast concession as seen from the air

#### Day 7 - Maun

After breakfast and a morning activity (time aircraft scheduling. Movements are arranged to be as convenient as possible around activities and permitting) you will transfer by plane to Maun for your onward flight.

Ker & Downey Botswana services end on arrival at Maun Airport

#### **'FOOTSTEPS ACROSS THE DELTA' 3 NIGHT EXTENSION**









You will be met and transferred to this traditional African fly camp for an interpretive experience exploring this fascinating area led by your professional guide, predominantly on foot.

One of the special attractions of this walking programme is its flexibility, you are never tied to a schedule and days are planned as you go, beginning with a full safety briefing and short walk to get you accustomed to the bush and further exploring as the days unfold.



Walking in the wilderness is exciting yet at a relaxed pace which allows you to learn about tracking skills over the Kalahari sands. Large mammals can be viewed safely on foot from a respectable distance and these are encounters you will never forget.

In addition (water levels permitting) you venture out by mokoro (traditional dugout canoe), which provides one of the best opportunities to discover some of the multitude of plants and animals that make up the diverse ecosystem of the Okavango Delta. You may enjoy fishing either from the banks of the lagoon or by mokoro.



Every evening you return to camp to enjoy a piping hot bush shower and the ambience of dining by candlelight, relaxing by the fire and sleeping amidst the sounds of the wilderness.

Accommodation is in simple yet spacious tents with full bedding and private bush showers and toilets. All meals are prepared over an open fire and served by the camp staff in the dining tent - true bush cuisine. Evenings can be spent around the campfire, enjoying the peaceful ambience under the stars. (Please note that there is no electricity at Footsteps, it is a 'mobile' camp and set up to take advantage of the best location at the time of your visit).

All meals, selected drinks and activities are included in your stay.

Days 8 - 10 Transfer by vehicle to Shinde for your last 2 nights.

#### GHOHA HILLS LODGE, SAVUTI EXTENSION 4 days/3 nights

Day 7 Fly Maun to Savuti Airstrip then by vehicle to the luxury GHOHA HILLS LODGE.





Days 7 – 10 Ghoha Hills is located on a hillside with spectacular views of the Savute area of Chobe NP.





Days spent on game drives on private roads in the Ghoha Hills, the dry Savute Channel and marsh, the relic of a once large inland lake that has erratic water due to movements in the tectonic plate. Desert elephants frequent the area as well as wildebeest, zebras, kudu and their predators.

**Day 10** Fly to Maun or Kasane at the end of your stay.

**Please note:** All transfer times in light aircraft will be advised the day prior to travel and are subject to fluctuations in accordance with meals.

## COST 2020 per person share twin in US\$ Ker & Downey Camps – 7 days/6 nights

**SEASONS: LOW** - March & Dec SHOULDER - Apr, May, Jun, Nov HIGH - Jul – Oct Share twin Low - \$3,830 Shoulder - \$5,750 High - \$7,440

Extra cost to depart or return to Kasane US\$150 (one way) + tax US\$13

Single supplement applies high season only Jul – Oct US\$1845

#### **Cost includes:**

- Accommodation 6 nights on twin basis
- A donation to Bana Ba Letsatsi
- Light aircraft flights as indicated in the itinerary
- Road transfers as indicated on the itinerary
- All meals when in camp
- Laundry
- Selected (local brand) beverages (South African wines and spirits)
- Activities as indicated on the itinerary
- Park fees and concession fees in accordance with the itinerary

#### **Cost excludes:**

- International flights, visas or taxes
- Any optional activities not mentioned in the itinerary
- Any excluded beverages/items
- Any extra purchases (curio shopping etc.)
- Tips and gratuities
- Medical and luggage insurance (Ker & Downey Botswana camps have emergency evacuation to the nearest regional medical facility, but this covers emergencies only)

#### 'FOOTSTEPS ACROSS THE DELTA' 3 NIGHT EXTENSION

Share twin Low season US\$1635 Shoulder season US\$1920 High season US\$2445 Single supplement in High season only US\$735 Minimum 2 guests, maximum 6 guests in 3 tents

Same inclusions as above. We recommend including this extension before Shinde.

#### GHOHA LODGE, Savutl - 4 days/3 nights

**Price 2020:** Double/twin share US\$2050 (Apr – Jun & Nov), US\$2615 (Jul-Oct) Single Supplement: US\$775 (Jul-Oct) NB no single supplement rest of the year

#### TRANSPORTATION TO THE LODGE

Road transfer ex Kasane (3 hrs approx.) - US\$200 per person one way based on minimum 2 passengers Flights ex Maun or Kasane US\$490 return If passenger's weight exceeds 110 kg an extra seat must be paid.

Cost inclusions are the same as Ker & Downey Camps.

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