

BOTSWANA WANDERER

From Maun to Maun, experience both Nxai Pan and the Okavango Delta by light aircraft and enjoy the safari of a lifetime.

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WHAT'S INCLUDED:

- All transfers between camps/lodges Starting and ending in Maun. We personally meet all our guests at Maun Airport.
- Accommodation with all meals and beverages, (alcoholic and non-alcoholic) as well as daily laundry. Alcoholic beverages comprise of South African wines, beers and spirits.
- All game-viewing activities that are possible at that camp during that season.
- Emergency medical evacuation cover (all guests must have their own travel and health insurance).



NXAI PAN

Nxai Pan Camp

Starting from Maun Airport, you will depart by chartered flight to your first destination, Nxai Pan. Located on the western edge of the fossil pan from which the camp takes its name, the camp faces east over the open grasslands of the pans. The biggest draw to Nxai Pan National Park are the zebras that migrate by the thousands to the area – the second largest land animal migration in Southern Africa.



THE AREA

Making up part of the larger Makgadikgadi Pans, the vast salt pan is well known not only for its large concentrations of wildlife, but also the highlight of visiting the famous Baines' Baobabs. Massive testimonies to the area, these trees are thought to be over a thousand years old and an incredible sight against the otherwise flat surrounding landscape. Named after the British adventurer and artist Thomas Baines, they are to this day, unchanged.

Once a part of a huge lake that covered a large portion of central Botswana, the landscape is now largely covered by grassland with clusters of acacia trees. From November to March, the landscape completely changes to a lush green as the pans the annual rainfall creates a succulent food source that attracts large herds of elephants, antelopes, zebra and birdlife.



ABOUT NXAI PAN

The minimalistic, white-washed design of the camp is in keeping with the surrounding white salt pans. Nxai Pan accommodates a maximum of eighteen guests in thatched units specially designed to provide a constant and comfortable temperature throughout the year, when seasonal temperatures can fluctuate from below freezing to well over 45 degrees Celsius.

The main areas of the camp include an expansive open-air lounge and dining area, with a bar, pool, and curio shop. Nxai Pan is a 100% solar-operated camp.



ACCOMMODATION

Each of the camp's nine tents face a waterhole, with the main area being the central best place for game viewing from the water hole. Frequent visitors to the water hole include elephants, cheetah, as well as the migratory herds of zebra (usually) from late December to early April, however this is entirely dependent on the summer rainfall in Botswana which affects the migratory cycle.

The rooms are light and spacious. The main area of each room features double or twin beds, a seating area, and a small writing desk. The bathroom area has shelving and hanging space, a double sink and inside and outside showers, there is a separate flush toilet.



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Décor is simple but homely. Each room has a low wooden veranda offering perfect views of the permanent waterhole where elephants are often a feature, along with the jackals and guinea fowl who always come to drink – the perfect spot to relax during the day



ACTIVITIES

Game drives are operated with both a guide and tracker. This adds to your experience with two sets of eyes searching for wildlife, ensuring a much better chance of sightings. Having a tracker also gives the guide more ability to talk to guests and answer any questions on the area or animals.

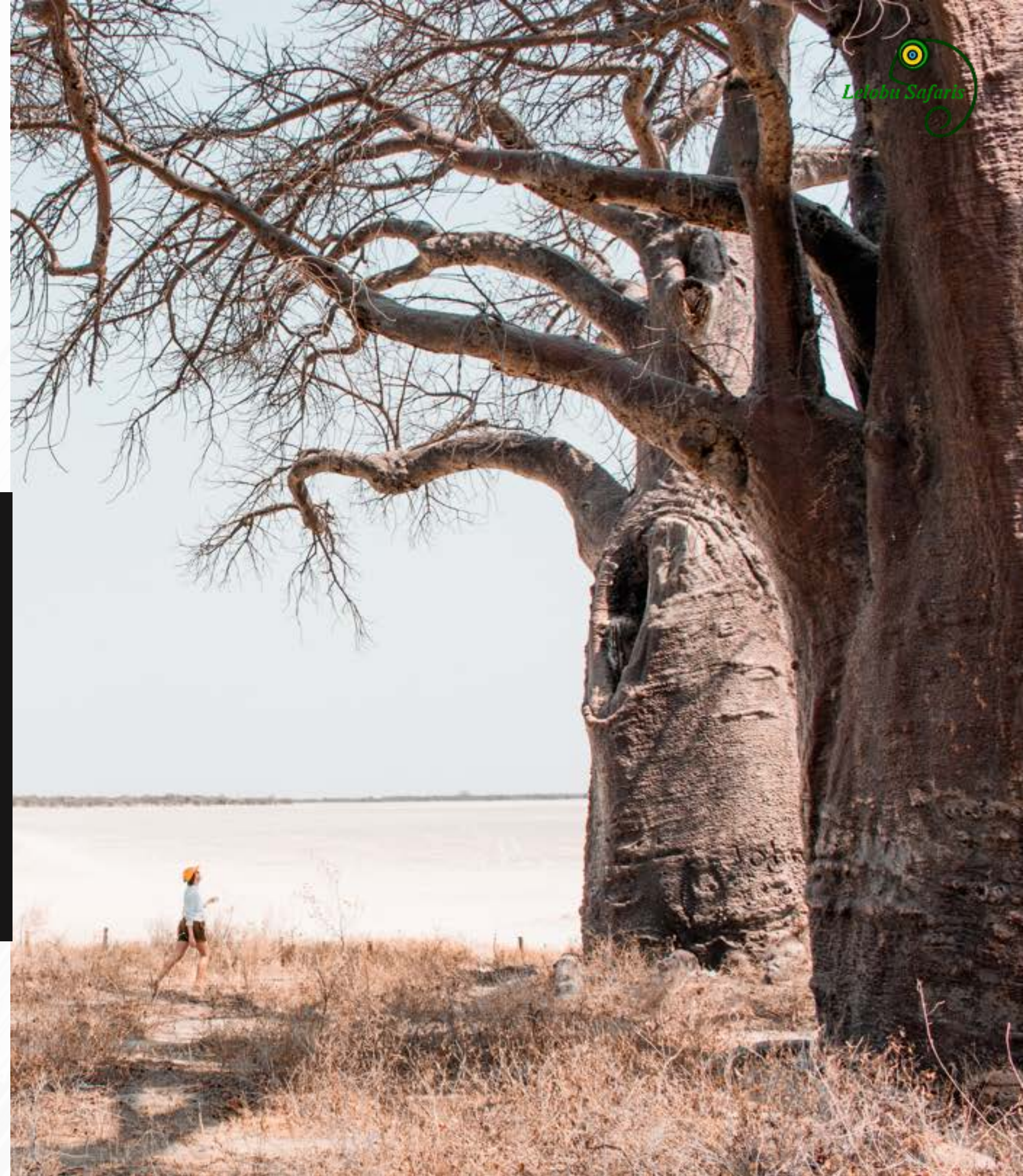
As Nxai Pan is within a national park the camp must follow their regulations with game drives. The area is ecologically sensitive and as such we are not permitted to drive at night nor off-road.

The camp also offers nature walks and star gazing here, in addition to the game drives. The nature walks are led by one of the Bushmen trackers. It is a fascinating experience where we take a step towards learning and understanding how it is possible to survive in such a hostile environment – we get a glimpse into the way of life and beliefs of the original inhabitants of the Kalahari Desert.

ACTIVITIES

As well as game drives, we offer a day trip to see the famous Baines' Baobabs – they are truly majestic, sentinels standing tall on the edge of the salt pan.

Day trips to Baines' Baobabs are highly popular and include a picnic lunch at the site.



Well known for large numbers of elephant, springbok and the massive migration of zebra. Oryx and giraffe are also often found along with the many predators that follow.

Bird life during the rains is plentiful with many species being completely different from that of the Okavango Delta - definitely a bird lovers paradise!



THE OKAVANGO DELTA

Moremi Crossings

As you fly from Nxai Pan over the Okavango Delta you can see the intricate twisting and turning of the waterways and the everchanging colours where dry land meets Delta.

Located near the most southern part of Chief's Island, Moremi Crossing is situated on a small palm fringed and treed island called Ntswi which is surrounded by the Moremi's game-rich seasonal floodplains.





THE AREA

Since this area normally receives floods last it contains some of the closest dry season watering points for the game that spreads out towards Nxai and Makgadikgadi Pans during the rains. Around this, there is a high density of game in the dry season but since quite a lot of the reserve is mopane woodlands (a favourite location for animals during the rains and early dry season) good game viewing is expected all year round.

This river system attracts a wide variety of game. Familiar favourites include Elephant, Buffalo, Giraffe, Kudu, Impala, Tsessebe, Hippo, Crocodile, Genet, Honey Badger and a host of Plains Game. Rare Antelope breeds including Roan, Sable & Eland, not normally seen in the Okavango region, occur here. As the Gomoti is the main water source in the area, Lion, Leopard, Cheetah and Wild Dog come down to the riverside to drink and hunt, of course!

The locations and views are spectacular with the classic flooding of the Okavango across the adjacent seasonal floodplains. For those keen on birdwatching, the combination of the wetlands and the drier Acacia and Mopane veldt provide a perfect habitat for a variety of aquatic species including Open Billed Storks, Hammerkops, Egrets, Ibis and forest/savannah dwellers including Raptors, Shrikes, Drongos, Sunbirds, Ground Hornbills and so on.



ABOUT MOREMI CROSSINGS

In contrast to the northern Okavango Delta where the waters are fast-flowing and the channels and view is enclosed by high reeds and papyrus, the channels around Moremi Crossing offer far reaching vistas of the Moremi's floodplain, grasslands and marginal woodlands interspersed with Mokolwane palm islands.

The central dining area houses a large open plan deck that has spectacular views over the Boro River onto Chief's Island. This half-moon shaped area is built on different levels to give a spacious feel. The dining room, bar and lounge is covered by a large, thatched roof that hugs the ancient riverine tree line. The whole camp is shaded by magnificent Llala Palms, Giant Ebony, Mangosteen, Sausage and Giant Fig trees.

ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation consists of 16 en-suite and spacious tents on raised decks, each with their own veranda overlooking Chief's Island. Tents have their own eco-friendly outdoor shower heated by solar power. We have both a Family Tent sleeping four (2 adults and 2 children) and a Honeymoon Tent with an outdoor bath.



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ACTIVITIES

Moremi Crossings activities may be seasonal dependent as the camp relies on the ever changing landscape of the Okavango Delta



Game Drives



Mokoro Excursions



Boat Cruises

ACTIVITIES



Time slows down at Moremi Crossing, whilst on foot or silently moving through the Delta's waterways on mokoro, in search of game. Through the provision of high-quality guiding services and custom-made boats, Moremi Crossing offers a more personalized wildlife experience.

Become part of the bustling river life along the papyrus clad banks of the Okavango Delta. Explore the wilderness with our game drives, guided bush walks, or sit back and absorb the scenery from a traditional 'mokoro' canoe. Another great way to explore the crystal-clear channels of the Boro River is by motorboat. Watch the sun set while drifting along a lagoon and sipping on sundowners. For the adventurous, we also offer a rustic island camping experience



END

We end the safari with a final chartered flight back to Maun. Or if you would like to combine a few nights in Chobe National Park, we would be happy to assist and continue your adventure!