PRIVAT GEFÜHRT DRIFTERS BOTSWANA SAFARI

8 - Day Overland Camping Safari

Maun to Kasane

DAUER **8 TAGE**

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1x LODGE **6x** CAMPING

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The casual visitor to Botswana could be excused for seeing the country as kilometer upon kilometer of flat, desolate scrubland with little or no surface water. However, to the north lies the magnificent Okavango waterway, with its green and fertile plains, flowing straight into the sea of sand, the Kalahari Desert, and creating a unique natural wonderland – home to a multitude of Africa's Fauna and Flora. Almost a quarter of this country is devoted to wildlife sanctuaries and these remote and unspoilt wilderness areas are widely acknowledged as offering the finest game viewing in Africa.

DAY 1: ARRIVAL - MAUN LODGE D

On arrival at the Maun Airport we are met by the Drifters staff and transferred to the Drifters Maun Lodge. The Lodge is located on the banks of the seasonal Boteti river and offer comfortable accommodation in tented units overlooking the river. This afternoon there will be time for a swim in the pool or just to relax and enjoy the serenity of the area. We enjoy a catered meal prepared by the Lodge.

DAY 2 - 7: FLEXIBLE GAME RESERVE SCHEDULE (Moremi & Savuti & Chobe) 6 x B L D

This morning we enjoy breakfast and then depart from the Lodge into the National Parks of Botswana. In our well-equipped 4 X 4 vehicle we head into the wilderness, passing remote villages along the way to the well know Moremi where we camp the next 6 nights around the marsh lands of the area. Moremi offers a multitude of game drive options and very active campsites (keep the fruit well hidden from the roving Elephant, and the meat from the prowling Hyenas). We will spend most our time in the park in search of animals and our guide will take time to explain the behavior of the animals we encounter.

The vegetation is constantly changing, from open plains, palm trees and marshland, to dense Mopane woodlands and Acacia scrub as we travel through Moremi into Savuti and finally into the Chobe flats known for its great herds of elephants.
Each night we will camp in pristine, remote, private sites where there is no sign of Mans existence – we leave each site in the same condition with the only thing taken are photos and the only thing left are footprints.

Serviced Camping

The Private Botswana tour offers guests the added value of a serviced camping experience in the National Parks of Botswana. During our nights in the Parks the Drifters staff will handle the camp setup every night and our staff will put up your tent and take care of all the camp duties which mean there is no participation required from guests.

DAY 8: Kasane B

Today we say farewell to the national parks and slowly exit the park to arrive in Kasane just before lunch time. Here we will say goodbye to our guide before we continue on the next leg of our journey.

BASIC INFORMATION:

ACCOMMODATION ON TOUR: Please note that you will need a sleeping bag and pillow for this tour. The nights specified as accommodated on tour is a total upgrade from camping, but stays very basic.
- Batteries can be charged from a 220 volt source in Maun
- Currency exchange opportunities: Arrival in Maun
- Limited Laundry facilities: Maun (Essential washing only)

We sell a range of sleeping bags in our shop starting from € 40.00 nett per person. We also have a range of barrel bags for sale starting from € 50 nett per bag. Please advise in advance should you need any sleeping bags.

TRAVEL DOCUMENTS
Please ensure that you are in possession of valid travel documents for all the countries, (Botswana, Zimbabwe and South Africa) that you will visit. If you have any queries in this regard, please do not hesitate to contact us. Please ensure that you have proof of further travel arrangements if you do not have a South African: passport, permanent residency permit, work permit or study permit. Although we will endeavor to assist, we do not accept any liability or obligation for your travel documents.
Telephone number:
Botswana Consulate in Johannesburg: (011)403-3748 / 9
Zimbabwe Trade mission in Johannesburg: (011)838-2156 / 9
Or visit: Botswana Tourism at www.botswanatourism.co.bw
Zimbabwe Tourism at www.zimbabwetourism.net
Make sure that your passport has at least six months' validity from your planned date of return to your home country. Make two photocopies of valuable documents such as your passport, tickets, visas. Keep one copy with you in a separate place to the original and leave another copy with someone at home.

WEATHER CONDITIONS
Please note that Southern African weather conditions vary tremendously from season to season. During summer months temperatures of up to 40°C can be experienced. During the winter months of June, July and August the nights are very cold, temperatures may drop well below 0°C, although the day temperatures will be pleasant at around 20°C. Please take weather conditions into consideration when choosing a sleeping bag for your tour.

FOREIGN CURRENCY
Botswana Pula is the currency used in Botswana. Botswana Pula can be obtained at a main branch of any major bank in South Africa. If you cannot obtain Pula before your departure ex Johannesburg, please ensure that you have sufficient Rand to purchase refreshments en route. Money can be exchanged at the airport on arrival in Maun, where all major foreign currencies can be exchanged for Pula.
Please do not rely on credit cards, as most of the places we visit on this tour will not have the facilities to deal with them.
Drifters trucks have safe-keeping facilities for extra cash/flight tickets/ passports.

INSURANCE
It is compulsory that all passengers make arrangements for adequate travel insurance to financially safeguard against unforeseen circumstances. If you need further information please do not hesitate to contact us. Drifters do not accept responsibility for any loss, injury, damage, accident, fatality, delay or inconvenience experienced whilst on tour. You will be required to complete and sign a full indemnity prior to tour departure.

CLOTHING & PERSONAL EFFECTS
Herewith a recommended guide of what to bring along:

**Backpack / Barrelbag / Soft Suitcase	Torch / Flashlight / batteries
Sleeping Bag & Small Pillow	Toiletries
Sport Shoes / Sneakers	Sun Cream
Sandals	Insect Repellant
Long Trousers / Tracksuit	Mosquito Net (Optional)
Shorts	Malaria Prophylaxis
Waterproof Windbreaker	***Refreshments
Jersey / Jumper	T-Shirts / Shirts
Money (Sundry expenses, gratuities)	Camera, Binoculars
Socks & Underwear	Books (Birds, Mammals etc.)
Swimming Costume & Towel	Pen
Hat	Passport / Visas (if applicable)
Water Bottle	Smaller day pack
Personal iPod	

* Drifters will supply each guests with a camping bed while on tour.
** Luggage should be limited to a maximum of 15kg's
HARD SUITCASES ARE NOT SUITABLE!!
*** Refreshments can be purchased en-route on the first day of the tour, and at regular intervals throughout the tour.

HEALTH PRECAUTIONS & REQUIREMENTS
The only necessary prophylaxis for Southern Africa (Botswana and Zimbabwe) is against Malaria. Please consult with your general practitioner regarding this. Resistant strains of Malaria occur in both Botswana and Zimbabwe and adequate chemo-prophylaxis is essential. Prevention is better than cure; please use insect repellent on exposed areas after sunset.
All Drifters guides have first aid boxes for use in emergencies, however we recommend that you bring along your own basic supply of medication, headache tablets etc.

PERSONAL EXPENSES
A reasonable amount of personal spending money must be brought on our tours. This is to cover own expense meals, bottled water, soft drinks, alcohol, sundry goods purchased- such as film, suntan cream etc., curios, optional extra excursions, airport tax, transfers and tips. In South Africa it is common courtesy to tip casual help for services rendered. In the case of your guide, if you were happy with his or her services, an amount of R 50 per day per person would constitute a reasonable tip. By not tipping for services you are expressing displeasure.

ON SAFARI
All our tours require participation from all group members. This entails assisting with the food preparation, washing of dishes, keeping the truck clean and the setting up of camp.
Please keep in mind that flexibility and an open mind will greatly contribute to an enjoyable safari.
We are travelling in developing countries, please do not expect the punctuality you have come to expect in first world countries. Things do not always run according to plan, however we do endeavour to run according to the itinerary as best as possible.

DRIFTERS WISH YOU AN ENJOYABLE AFRICAN EXPERIENCE

Preise 2017	**Preise 2018**
2 Personen = 1.935 EUR	2 Personen = 2.375 EUR
4 Personen = 1.495 EUR	4 Personen = 1.495 EUR
6 Personen = 1.350 EUR	6 Personen = 1.350 EUR
8 Personen = 1.325 EUR	8 Personen = 1.325 EUR

IMPORTANT INFORMATION
This trip requires a valid passport and for certain nationalities, a visa for Botswana. Seasonal Malaria precautions are necessary and are locally obtainable. Drifters will supply linen during the tour (sheets, blanket, sleeping bag, pillow and towel) A barrel bag or backpack is best suited for this trip (suitcases do not fit into the space provided). An extra day bag or camera bag is advised.
Spending money required will be for the restaurant meals, drinks, visas, tips and curios. Our price includes all food as specified (we do not use the food kitty system), coffee, tea, fruit juice at breakfast, transport, professional guides, accommodation, group equipment, permits and park entrance fees. Our price does not include restaurant meals where stipulated, visas, tips, curios, optional excursions, alcohol bottled water and soft drinks, airport tax and airfares. Before departure clients will be required to enter into an agreement pertaining to our booking conditions and general information. Clients are required to have their own comprehensive personal travel insurance.

Included Highlights
+ Serviced Camping in National Parks
+ Pristine & Remote Campsites
+ Moremi National Park
+ Savuti National Park
+ Chobe National Park
+ Victoria Falls
+ Private Tour

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