

Safe travels

# **10 DAY CHOBE TO OKAVANGO DELTA I SELF-DRIVE BOTSWANA**

### THE START OF A LEGACY

<u>Falcon Safaris</u> is run by people who know the African continent intimately, who have lived there, and who know the people and Places. It is run by people who were born and raised in Africa and who continue to return year after year – not only to refresh their knowledge but predominantly because of the love and passion that they have for its areas.

Falcon Safaris is owned and managed by Hamilton and Chenai Mandi.



# 10 Day Chobe To Okavango Delta | Self-Drive Botswana Safari Tour

Set out and explore as you cross the borders to drive from camp to camp and lose yourself in the exquisite Botswana scenery. Rest your head at cozy safari lodges in between action-packed safaris.

Venture on thrilling bush drives to track predators, antelope, and other roamers. Experience the bush on foot on guided walking safaris. Sail off into the sunset on magical boat cruises of Chobe River, glide through the lily studded Delta waterways, and witness a diversity of wildlife.

#### HIGHLIGHTS

- Visit Chobe National Park, Victoria Falls in Zimbabwe, Makgadikgadi Pans in the Kalahari, Moremi Game Reserve in the Okavango Delta
- ✓ Good road conditions that are well signposted
- Travel and explore at your own pace with a 4x4 vehicle with GPS and satellite phone
- ✓ Cruise the Chobe River during sunset
- Explore the Makgadikgadi Salt Pans
- ✓ Go on thrilling game drives in Chobe National Park
- ✓ Glide along the Delta waterways in a traditional dug-out canoe
- ✓ Fly over the Okavango Delta waterways
- ✓ See the Victoria Falls from the sky (optional)



## **ROUTE & ITINERARY**

#### DAY 1: PICK UP A CAR RENTAL IN KASANE

Chobe National Park in Botswana road sign. Pick up your Botswana car rental and experience this amazing journey at your own pace as you travel through exquisite scenery en route to your Chobe River accommodation. Unwind with a refreshing drink and enjoy picturesque views of the lush vegetation and the pristine Chobe River.

After a long journey, relax and unwind with a cold drink and freshen up for the adventures you are about to experience. Set off on an action-packed game drive and celebrate your first night on your self-drive Botswana safari tour with sundowner drinks in a scenic location.

#### DAY 2 & 3: EXPLORE CHOBE NATIONAL PARK

Elephant sightings during a Chobe River boat safari cruise. Have an early start to your day to indulge in everything the African wilderness has to offer. Venture on a guided morning game drive in the Chobe National Park or track wildlife from your own vehicle. Alternatively, mornings can be spent enjoying a fishing excursion on the Chobe River, or an exciting walking safari in the vast wilderness.

Afternoons are spent on tranquil river cruises on the Chobe River in Botswana. Take delight in the trumpeting sounds of elephants and watch as large herds of these majestic creatures come for a drink at the banks of the Chobe River.

#### DAY 4 & 5: DISCOVER VICTORIA FALLS

Travelers admiring the Victoria Falls in Zimbabwe. Tuck into a wholesome breakfast and set off for a scenic journey to Victoria Falls in Zimbabwe. On your journey, you will encounter wild games and observe how the locals go by their everyday lives. After a long day of traveling relax and unwind at your Victoria Falls accommodation. Spend the day at leisure and take a dip into the crystal clear swimming pool. Many exciting optional adventures await for you to take delight in.

Thrill-seekers can embark on white water rafting, bungee jumping, canoeing safaris, and a helicopter flight over the exquisite Victoria Falls. A wildlife adventure of a lifetime can be experienced on boat cruises of the Zambezi River, unforgettable elephant excursions, guided walking safaris, and action-packed game drives.

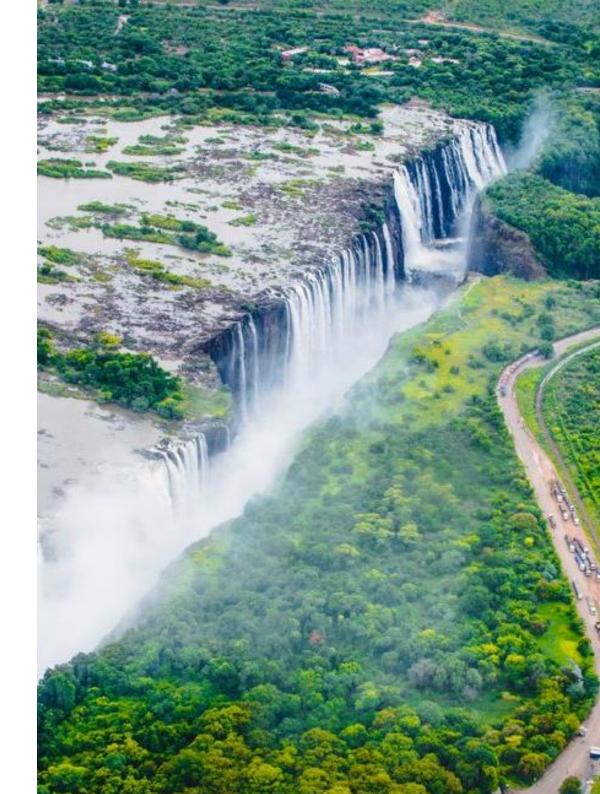
Distance approx. 100km - driving time approx. 2-3 hours (Border Crossing into Zimbabwe)

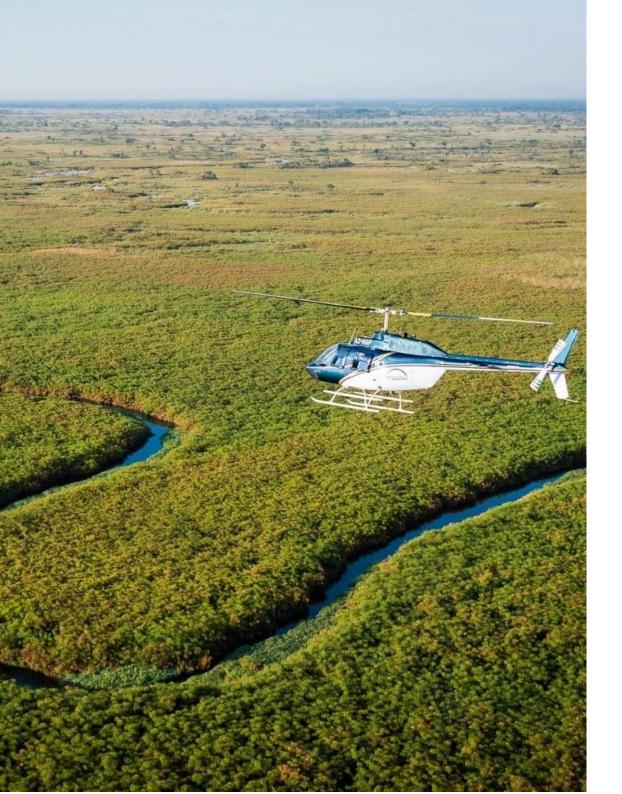
#### DAY 6 & 7: VISIT THE MAKGADIKGADI SALT PANS

Spot African wildlife from a game viewing deck. Say goodbye to Zimbabwe and return to Botswana to continue your epic African selfdrive safari. There will be a day of driving ahead of you. The road conditions are good and on your journey to your lodge in the Makgadikgadi Pans, you can stop and take photos, spot a myriad of colorful birds and enjoy a picnic on a scenic spot.

The highlight of your stay is a guided excursion to the Salt Pans. Make sure to bring your camera along to capture the unique beauty of this salty desert on an adventure-filled afternoon. Nata is a birders paradise and you can enjoy sightings of Helmeted Guineafowl, Crested Francolin, Yellow Hornbill, Pied, and Arrowmarked Babblers are among the birds that soar the skies.

Distance approx. 320km - driving time approx. 5 - 6 hours





#### DAY 8 & 9: FLY INTO THE OKAVANGO DELTA

Moremi Game Reserve mokoro canoe excursion. After an early morning breakfast makes your way to Maun where your self-drive leg of this Botswana safari will come to an end. Drop of your vehicle in Maun and board a light aircraft that takes you into the Okavango Delta. Lose yourself in the marvelous scenery from your private window as you fly at a low altitude over the Delta waterways. Sit back and enjoy a mini-game transfer to your Okavango Delta accommodation

Your last few days in the African wilderness are dedicated to relaxing and soaking up the ambiance in the diverse Moremi Game Reserve. Discover the hidden secrets of the African bush on a leisurely mokoro cruise and witness a profusion of birds, and feel the thrill as you encounter hippo. Motorboat safaris in the afternoon are ideal for witnessing the majestic African sunset. Dose off as the nocturnal choir sends you off into a deep sleep.

Distance approx. 300km - driving time approx. 3 - 4 hours

#### DAY 10: FAREWELL TO BOTSWANA

Watch out for elephants during your self-drive Botswana safari. The time has come to say goodbye. Enjoy a hearty meal and a last opportunity to take photos of the African wilderness. Catch a final glimpse of Moremi Game Reserve and Okavango Delta from the window of your light aircraft en route to Maun.

#### INCLUDED

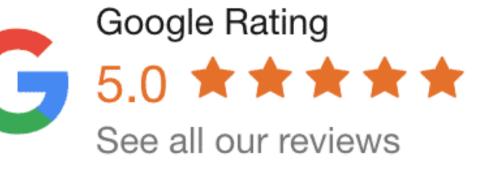
- ✓ Park fees (For non-residents)
- ✓ All activities (Unless labeled as optional)
- ✓ All accommodation (Unless listed as upgrade)
- ✓ A professional driver/guide
- ✓ All transportation (Unless labeled as optional)
- $\checkmark~$  All flights during the tour
- ✓ All Taxes/VAT
- ✓ Roundtrip airport transfer
- ✓ Meals (As specified in the day-by-day section)
- ✓ Drinks (As specified in the day-by-day section)

#### EXCLUDED

- × International flights (From/to home)
- X Additional accommodation before and at the end of the tour
- ★ Tips (Tipping guideline US\$15.00 pp per day)
- × Personal items (Souvenirs, travel insurance, visa fees, etc.)
- X The government imposed an increase in taxes and/or park fees

#### BOTSMANA ZAMBIA ZAMBEZI RIVER CHOBE N. PARK SAVUTI KALAHAR OKAVANGO ZIMBABWE CENTRAL DELTA Maun MAKGADIKGADI SALT PANS ancistown Bobonon Ghanzi Mamuno Serowe KALAHARI CENTRAL Mahala Kweneng Molepolole Mochudi Kgalagadi horone Werda SOUTH AFRICA

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# Excellellent personalised service

Excellent all arrangements were good and staff very helpful

### Dan – ZA

#### **Great experience**

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myself and my sort out ings as well as airport Safaris for all our outings as well as airport transfers. Canoeing, Devils Pool visit and Elephant back ride. They were all fantastic especially Vimbai and Edna. We had an amazing time and nothing was too much trouble to sort out for us.

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