

## **BOTSWANA STARS 12 days**

### **Itinerary:**



### **Day 1 : Arrive Maun - Central Kalahari (L / D)**

Upon arrival in Maun you have a scheduled flight to your accommodation, the Deception Valley Lodge, a pristine oasis deep in the Kalahari desert of Botswana near the Okavango Delta.

**Lodging:** Deception Valley Lodge

### **Day 2 : Central Kalahari (B / L / D)**

During your stay experience the vastness of the Kalahari whilst enjoying abundant bird life, game viewing or star gazing. Let the San guides show you the tracking and survival skills of the San people. You learn how they gather food and how successful they are at hunting with their poisonous arrows.

**Lodging:** Deception Valley lodge

### **Day 3 : Central Kalahari (B / L / D)**

Enjoy afternoon and night safaris for the best chance to see a variety of different species which include the magnificent Kalahari lion, cheetah, leopard as well as giraffe and kudu. The elusive brown hyena has also been seen on occasion. Night safaris reveal a fascinating world of nocturnal species. Deception Valley is also a bird lover's paradise.

**Lodging:** Deception Valley Lodge

### **Day 4 : Central Kalahari - Okavango Delta (B / L / D)**

Today leave the Kalahari for the Okavango Delta. Upon arrival of your scheduled flight transfer to Kanana. A hidden jewel on the Xudum River it is located in the southwest of the Okavango Delta.

**Lodging:** Kanana Camp

### **Day 5 : Okavango Delta (B / L / D)**

After breakfast get to know the Okavango Delta's crystal clear waterways by motorboat and enjoy the magnificent variety of bird, plant and reptile species found in the area. Visit the Kanana Private Heronry, one of the largest breeding sights in Southern Africa.

**Lodging:** Kanana Camp

### **Day 6 : Okavango Delta (B / L / D)**

In the morning take a guided bush walk to gain a detailed understanding of this diverse environment which features gems like the red lechwe bounding through marshy areas, a

kaleidoscope of birdlife plus predators and big game. Walks can also be taken on small islands where the extraordinary Pel's Fishing Owl is known to nest.

**Lodging:** Kanana Camp

### **Day 7 : Okavango Delta - Chobe National Park (B / L / D)**

Today leave the Okavango Delta on a scheduled flight to Kasane. Upon arrival transfer to the Chobe Game Lodge. It is the only permanent lodge within the boundaries of Chobe National Park. This luxury lodge has a full eco-grading by the Botswana Tourism Board.

**Lodging:** Chobe Game Lodge

### **Day 8 : Chobe National Park (B / L / D)**

Today discover the wildlife of Chobe National Park which roams in abundance and diversity and is home to the largest concentration of elephants in Africa. During the dry season these large herds, as well as vast herds of buffalo, congregate along the fertile flood plains of the Chobe River where the animals come to drink, bathe and play. Lions, leopards, African wild dogs, puku, red lechwes, sables, giraffes and roan antelopes are often seen as well.

**Lodging:** Chobe Game Lodge

### **Day 9 : Chobe National Park (B / L / D)**

After breakfast get to know birding in Chobe National Park which is spectacular with Schalows turaco, barred owlet and white-browed coucal resident in the gardens as well as rosythroated longclaw, western-banded snake-eagle and hooded vulture among a few of the 450 species of the region. You can also choose to enjoy a guided boat tour later on.

**Lodging:** Chobe Gambe Lodge

### **Day 10 : Chobe National Park - Victoria Falls (B)**

After breakfast transfer to Victoria Falls. One of the original natural wonders of the world the falls are a World Heritage Site and locally known as 'The Smoke that Thunders'.

**Lodging:** Victoria Falls Hotel

### **Day 11 : Victoria Falls (B)**

After breakfast you have time on your own to discover the area and the famous Victoria Falls.

**Lodging:** Victoria Falls Hotel

### **Day 12 : Victoria Falls Departure (B)**

After breakfast transfer to the Victoria Falls airport for your international return flight.

