“OKAVANGO WILDLIFE SAFARI” is an Eleven-day non-participation safari that takes in all that the Okavango Delta, Moremi Game Reserve and Chobe National Park offers. From the start of the safari on the banks of the Zambezi and crossing the Caprivi Strip, to the first days spent on the enigmatic Okavango River on a Houseboat and a day where guests can experience the resonant atmosphere of spirituality that inhabits Tsodilo Hills. A fantastic flight into our remote camp in Moremi, to the remarkable Game-viewing that the inscrutable Savuti Channel offers, with the last few days spent alongside Chobe River watching Elephants, to the Safari’s end at the splendid Victoria Falls. From recollections of first few nights spent out in the unique water wilderness of the Okavango Delta, to the moonlit sands of Savuti... these images all combine to leave indelible memories of spectacular wildlife, of nights passed on //Kabbo Houseboat listening to the flow of the Okavango and the tinkling of Bell Frogs... and of evenings spent around a campfire under the constellation of the Southern Cross.
DEPARTURE POINT IS THE ZAMBEZI WATERFRONT HOTEL (LIVINGSTONE) Guests are required to be at the reception at 07h00 on day 1

Day 01: //Kabbo Houseboat, Okavango Delta
Tonight we board //Kabbo Houseboat, based on the serene waters of the Okavango River. Guests depart Livingstone by road transfer (07h00) and we cross into Namibia over the Zambezi River at Seseke Bridge or Kazungula. After customs and immigration formalities, we make our way westwards, before driving into Botswana and the town of Shakawe, which is situated on the banks of the Okavango River. //Kabbo is a San Bushman word which is a loose translation meaning “To dream”. The Houseboat operates in the “Panhandle” area of the Okavango Delta, Northern Botswana. This area is recognized as being amongst the quietest and most peaceful in the Delta, due to its remoteness. Indeed, there are only a handful of permanent camps and boats operating in this wilderness area - which makes it ideal for our discerning guests.

Distance: 550km, 6-7 hours, sight-seeing  
Departure: 07h00  
Accommodation: (L,D) En-Suite Houseboat Cabin,//Kabbo Houseboat, Okavango Delta
Day 02: Kabbo Houseboat, Okavango Delta
Kabbo (the // denotes a specific click), has tender boats which assist in the activities offered. The activities available include bird-watching, boat safaris and an optional visit to Tsodilo Hills. Tsodilo Hills is a World Heritage Site and are about 50km southwest of Shakawe, in dry, bush-covered and softly undulating landscape. The site consists of four hills that rise abruptly, to about 400m, from the dry expanse of Bushveld. Having been inhabited for about 30,000 years, they’re one of the world’s oldest historical sites. The Hills are home to more than 4,000 San Bushman paintings - probably the world’s most important collection of rock art - perhaps even more remarkable is the resonant atmosphere of spirituality that inhabits Tsodilo Hills. Several walking trails provide helpful routes around the painting sites. Among the interesting paintings are paintings of whales and penguins that suggest contact between the San and other peoples.
Distance: 100km, 2 hours, sight-seeing
Departure: 07h00
Accommodation: (B,L,D) En-Suite Houseboat Cabin, //Kabbo Houseboat, Okavango Delta

Day 03: Sedia Riverside Hotel, Maun
Today we take quick and early drive out of the Okavango Panhandle and journey south-east into the frontier town of Maun, to our hotel which has a pleasant eating area with a welcome swimming pool. The afternoon is at leisure at the Hotel, which is situated on the banks of the Thamalakane River. Lunch and Dinner are at guests own expense. Guests are also able to replenish their drinks for the next eight days.
Distance: 100km, 2 hours, sight-seeing
Departure: 08h00
Accommodation: (B,L) Sedia Riverside Hotel, Maun
Day 04: Khwai River, Moremi Game Reserve
A Wilderness Dawning representative will assist with your transfer from Selia Riverside Hotel to Maun Airport and onto a shared light aircraft, for an exciting flight to Moremi. Your guide will meet you at the airstrip we take a leisurely drive to our private Campsite in the Khwai River area of Moremi Game Reserve. This region’s diversity of animals is truly astounding. Moremi was proclaimed a conservation area in 1964, the result of this foresight is that Moremi is quite rightly been rated as one of the best game-viewing areas in the world.

Distance: 30 min Flight, 3 hours. Game-viewing activities
Departure: 11h00
Accommodation: (B,L,D) Khwai, Moremi Game Reserve. Serviced En-Suite Camping. Private Campsite

Day 05: Khwai River, Moremi Game Reserve
Today is spent on early morning and afternoon game drives. Your guide will generally spend maximum time on game-drives, depending on what is seen, trying to cover as much area as possible. The result of this is guests are given the best chances of seeing a variety of wildlife—although there is of course, that obligatory siesta during the hottest part of the day!

Distance: Game-viewing activities
Departure: 06h00
Accommodation: (B,L,D) Khwai, Moremi Game Reserve. Serviced En-Suite Camping. Private Campsite
Day 06: Savuti, Chobe National Park
We leave Moremi, crossing the Khwai Bridge to the northern bank of Khwai River. There is a quick opportunity to buy more drinks in the small village, before making our way to Chobe National Park. Due to the fact that none of Botswana’s wildlife areas are fenced, game can move freely between these two wilderness areas. Hippo, Elephant and sometimes Lion are often found on this route. Moving through the Mababe depression, we relocate to Savuti. Game viewing this afternoon takes place along the fringes of the dry marsh and surrounding water holes. The area is best known for large populations of Bull Elephants and Prides of Lion that patrol the banks of this enigmatic channel.

**Distance:** 160km, 4.5 Hours Game-viewing activities  
**Departure:** 07h00
**Accommodation:** (B,L,D) Savuti, Chobe National Park. Serviced En-Suite Camping. Private Campsite

Day 07: Savuti, Chobe National Park
We again we have the opportunity to spend many hours on morning and afternoon game drives, and time-dependent, an opportunity to climb one of the hills to see San Bushman paintings, an indication that this area has always drawn those who have an affinity to the wilderness. Savuti is unique and the special opportunity of exploring this area always remains with our guests for a long time afterward

**Distance:** Game-viewing activities  
**Departure:** 06h00
**Accommodation:** (B,L,D) Savuti, Chobe National Park. Serviced En-Suite Camping. Private Campsite
Day 08: Serondella Area, Chobe National Park
We journey north toward the Chobe River, the second biggest river in Southern Africa (Zambezi in the largest). Chobe River is home to the world’s largest Elephant herds; large numbers of big game such as Buffalo, Hippo and Lion can be seen here. Gamedrives are taken in the afternoons and mornings to find the remarkable variety of species that are drawn to this permanent water source.

**Distance:** 160km, 4.5 Hours Game-viewing activities  
**Departure:** 07h00  
**Accommodation:** (B,L,D) Serondella Area, Chobe National Park. Serviced En-Suite Camping. Private Campsite

Day 09: Serondella Area, Chobe National Park
After an early start, we take a slow drive along the southern bank of the Chobe River, where we can find Chobe Bushbuck and Puku Antelope. The sheer variety of animals, in abundance, make this region a must see for any wildlife enthusiast. In the afternoon, guests might choose to go on an optional afternoon boat cruise along the Chobe River—perhaps the last river where one has a fair chance to see Lion and Elephant, Leopard or Wild Dog from the unique viewpoint of a boat.

**Distance:** 160km, 4.5 Hours Game-viewing activities  
**Departure:** 06h00  
**Accommodation:** (B,L,D) Serondella Area, Chobe National Park. Serviced En-Suite Camping. Private Campsite
Day 10: Victoria Falls, Livingstone-Zambia
We have a leisurely start this last camping morning and say fond farewells to our efficient back-up and camp crew after breakfast. We head eastwards on a last gamedrive to the exit-gate at Sedudu Valley. From there it is a short drive to Kazungula Border Post, where your Safari Guide will ensure that your transfer back to Livingstone is seamless, before leaving to lead another safari. This afternoon can be spent exploring one of the truly magnificent sights on earth—the wonderfully beautiful Victoria Falls—300 feet high and over a mile wide! Witness the power of nature as an average of 550000 tons of water thunders into the Zambezi Gorge every minute. Optional activities and Victoria Falls Entrance at guests own expense. Overnight is usually at the Zambezi Waterfront. Please note that the entrance fee to Victoria Falls is not included within this safari.

Distance: 120 km 4.5 Hours Game-viewing activity  Departure: 08h00
Accommodation: (B) Zambezi Waterfront, Livingstone

Should guests wish to start or end their Safari in a Lodge or Hotel other than The Zambezi Waterfront (the last night which is included within the cost of the safari), this can be arranged. Alternative accommodation and transfers can be to any of the establishments in the towns of Livingstone (Zambia) or Victoria Falls (Zimbabwe). An extra cost applies.

Day 11: Victoria Falls, Livingstone-Zambia
After breakfast, Wilderness Dawning’s safari arrangements end. Before proceeding with onward arrangements, guests might want to partake in the numerous optional activities that are available in this adventure capital! (B)
The Fine Print

Included:
- Use of specially modified 4x4 vehicles.
- All camping on a non-participation basis in private campsites.
- Camping equipment. Tents with En-Suite Facilities
- Meals as specified (B-Breakfast, L-Lunch, D-Dinner).
- Accommodation on a shared basis.
- Botswana National Parks and Game Reserves entrance fees.
- Mineral water, local beers, softdrinks & wine while Camping.
- Open Vehicle Game drives in all National Parks and Reserves.
- Lodge accommodation Maun (Day 4) and Livingstone (Day 13).

Excluded:
- All airfares. *(Flight into Moremi on Day 4 is included)*
- Optional activities in Maun and Livingstone
- Any gratuities, any personal expenses, visa fees, departure taxes.
- Entrance fees Victoria Falls.
- Travel Insurance (compulsory).
- Pre and post tour accommodation and transfers.

*While we endeavour to ensure the itinerary runs as advertised, Wilderness Dawning reserves the right to change this due to unforeseen circumstances or external influences beyond our control. E&OE*

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Your Safari Guide, Tour Leader, Driver and Cook!

At Wilderness Dawning we strongly believe that the single most important factor on any safari holiday is the quality, patience and experience of the Professional Guide. All our guides are passionate about Botswana and the environment in which we operate. An attitude, which is reflected in all our safaris, is the responsibility the guide has been given in showing guests the diversity of our country. We realize that for many people, a safari is a holiday of a lifetime and this is therefore a responsibility, which our guides do not take lightly.

Over the years, we have built up an enviable reputation for the recruitment, training and development of local guides, who are acknowledged to be outstanding in their field. All our guides have deep appreciation for the wilderness and wildlife that lives there. Most importantly, our guides display a love for the region and its people. On our safaris our guests are enriched with the guide’s knowledge and gain a new perspective on the country they are visiting.
Why choose Wilderness Dawning?
Botswana has a myriad of Safari Operators, all offering the opportunity of experiencing, in some manner, the wilderness, scenery, wildlife, history and culture this dynamic and richly beautiful sub-continent offers ... most have enviable reputations for delivering a holiday of unsurpassed quality. When choosing a destination and expert to make a dream safari a reality, it is more often than not – not the price of something that differentiates one holiday from another, but what one receives in return ... Wilderness Dawning retain Guides and Safari Leaders that are unmatched in their field, Wilderness Dawning spend maximum time actually inside national parks and reserves ... not on the outskirts and most importantly, we offer the unique experience of gaining something fundamental ... an experience that endeavors to enrich our guests, guests who do not seek to be pampered and amused, but rather strive to enhance their understanding and love for Southern Africa.

A Safari Day the Wilderness Dawning Way
Guests are usually met at the airport in Maun, or Livingstone and transferred to the starting point of their safari. They are flown or driven to their first camp from where the safari commences. Typically two game drives a day are experienced. In Game Parks, the morning game drive leaves at first light, when predator activity is expected. We return for brunch as the day starts heating up. The hottest part of the day is spent at leisure ... siesta time! Our afternoon activity departs after tea, usually around 4pm, to return in the early evening. Game drives and activities vary from one trip to the next, depending on sightings and animal activities. Generally, we drive quite far and slowly to absolutely maximize game-viewing potential. Should we be moving from one camp to another, a short drive might taken in the morning and we drive through game areas to our next camp, where lunch is served.

Camping Equipment and SERVICED Camping
Wilderness Dawning offer an above-average level of comfort whilst camping. Our tents are 3 x 3 meter dome-type, big enough so that someone can stand inside. These tents are made from durable rip-stop canvas and have sewn-in ground sheets. They come equipped with sturdy camp beds, mattresses, fitted sheets, pillow, pillowcases and duvets. Tents have En-Suite Facilities while using Private Campsites
Other equipment used on safari to enhance our guests comfort are camping basins, washstands, hot water bucket showers and water-based toilets. Safari style fold-up chairs and large tables are provided (all meals eaten from the table).

Our great back-up staff does all the cooking, cleaning and setting-up and breaking camp, so the difficult aspect of camping is taken away!
This setup allows our guests to get as close to nature, wilderness, plants and animals as possible. The essence of what we do is not to insulate guests from the very things they have come to see. In many cases, the camping aspect of our safaris are what guests remember most, due to the use of our private sites which allow our guests closeness to the wild.

Safari Vehicles
Robust 4WD vehicles are essential for travel in Botswana due to the variable conditions of the tracks within protected areas. Wilderness Dawning operates specially modified Toyota Landcruisers that accommodate either 8 or 12 guests. All vehicles have an open roof and sides (with roll-down weatherproof canvas and thus offer the best game-viewing opportunities. They also come equipped with first aid kits, a fire extinguisher, individual bucket seats with seat belts and a cooler box for beverages. We carry out twice-yearly risk management assessment of our procedures and operations to ensure maximum client safety and due care.