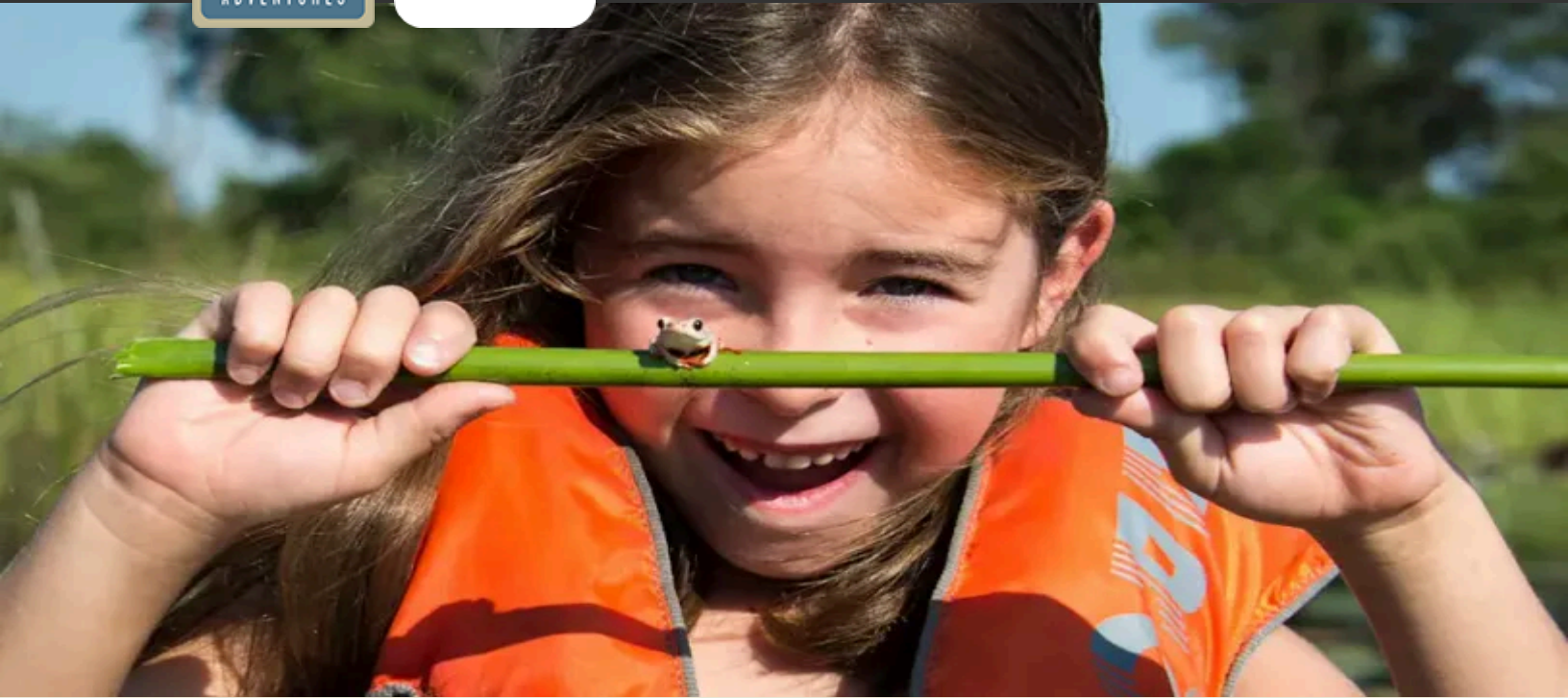




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# Family Botswana Safari

*From Desert to Delta, an Exhilarating Adventure to Thrill Safari-Goers of All Ages*



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## Trip Details:

### Days

10 Days / Jun–Dec

### Price

From \$12995  
(+Air)

### Physical Requirements

Easy to Moderate

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For families, there's no topping the adventure of an African safari—and in Africa, it's tough to top Botswana. Big game is abundant, and we get amazingly close to elephants, lions and much more from authentic tented safari camps deep in the bush and far from crowds. In a world of vanishing natural treasures, the chance for a family to experience Africa's wonders together is an unsurpassed gift. As you watch a cheetah sprint across the savanna or study the green glow of a hyena's eyes at night, "wild life" takes on a whole new meaning! Our family-focused itinerary is designed for all generations, to maximize diversity of locations and experiences, and to keep young minds captivated. From the vast expanse of the Kalahari Desert with its sprawling salt pans to the emerald marshes of the Okavango Delta and the thunder of Victoria Falls, our Botswana family safari unveils new thrills day by day.

## Trip Highlights

**Explore the game-rich Okavango Delta and Kalahari Desert with an expert naturalist guide specifically chosen to foster fun and learning for kids**

**Enjoy the abundant comforts of authentic luxury bush camps, and discover diverse wildlife habitats by 4x4, bush walks, quad bike, boat and poled canoe**

**Stand before the thunder of Victoria Falls, the largest sheet of falling water on Earth, and visit a nearby village to meet local children and learn about their lives**





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## Itinerary At A Glance

### Days 1 & 2

Maun, Botswana / Makgadikgadi  
Pans National Park

### Days 3 - 5

Eastern Kalahari—Makgadikgadi  
Pans

### Days 6 - 8

Okavango Delta—Khwai Private  
Reserve

### Day 9

Khwai Private Reserve / Victoria  
Falls, Zimbabwe

### Day 10

Victoria Falls / Depart

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### Days 1 & 2: Maun, Botswana / Makgadikgadi Pans National Park

Our Botswana family safari begins in Maun, where our Expedition Leader meets us at the airport. Then we're off for Makgadikgadi Pans National Park in the Kalahari Desert—360,000 square miles of sandy, semi-arid savanna that sustains a surprising amount of wildlife. Our first two days reveal the park's western reaches, where a multitude of game ranges across a landscape of scrub, palms, riverine trees and grassy plains. Our classic tented safari camp overlooks the Boteti River, a lifeline flowing through these parched environs that attracts Africa's second-largest zebra and wildebeest migration. We frequently see other animals stopping for a drink in front of camp, too—oryx, springbok, zebra, wildebeest, Kalahari lion, cheetah, hyena, jackal and ostrich are often on view.



Varied activities will delight family members of all ages, including a 4x4 wildlife drive with a picnic lunch in the bush, a private boat cruise on the Boteti River when water levels permit, and a rare opportunity for a walking safari with local Kalahari bushmen who reveal as much about their indigenous culture as the native plants and wildlife we observe. As the sun sets, enjoy sundowners overlooking the river escarpment where we may view elephants at close range. We often see lounging crocodiles, too—our camp's namesake. At the end of each full and gratifying day, return to camp for dinner under the twinkling stars, followed by conversation around the campfire.



### **Days 3 - 5: Eastern Kalahari—Makgadikgadi Pans**

On Day 3, we transfer by road to the eastern side of the Kalahari, making a fascinating overland journey across the region's vast salt pans as we traverse Nxai Pan National Park. Along the way, we'll learn about the giant baobabs that dot the flat expanse that's evocative of a lunar landscape. These quirky-looking ancient trees average more than 4,000 years old, and they have functioned as prominent landmarks on this terrain for centuries.

Our tented camp rests on the edge of the world's largest salt pan, an oasis of comfort shaded by acacias and palms. The Makgadikgadi Pans formed when an ancient lake evaporated thousands of years ago, and these shallow depressions are all that remain of once-enormous Lake Makgadikgadi. Today, this vast expanse of salt glitters in the intense dry-season sun, evoking a moonscape. The only visible plant life is a thin layer of blue-green algae, but seasonal rains will later turn the pans into an important habitat for migrating animals, including wildebeest and one of Africa's largest zebra populations, along with the predators that pursue them. During our visit, look for unusual desert-adapted creatures on private game drives as we head out in search of gemsbok, springbok, red hartebeest, steenbok and many small mammals, birds and reptiles. We'll also interact with a friendly habituated colony of meerkats. Quad bikes offer an exciting way to explore the lunar-like surface of the pans. Back at camp each night, enjoy some of the best stargazing on the planet.

### **Days 6 - 8: Okavango Delta—Khwai Private Reserve**

Fly by light aircraft this morning into the contrasting environment of the Okavango Delta. Here in northwest Botswana, the Okavango River fans out over the Kalahari sands to create the world's largest inland delta—5,800 square miles of marsh, clear channels, lagoons and islands comprising a mosaic of diverse wildlife habitat. In 2014, the Okavango Delta became the 1,000th site to be officially inscribed on the UNESCO list of World Heritage Sites.

Our destination is the massive Khwai wildlife reserve, a community concession encompassing riverine woodlands, floodplains, mopane forest and open grasslands. Bordering the famous Moremi Game Reserve, the private conservancy lies along the Khwai River that is a lifeline for the region. Elephants abound, and year-round wildlife includes waterbuck, reedbuck and many antelope species, including red lechwe, along with frequent sightings of lion, leopard and spotted hyena. Khwai's varied habitats also support abundant giraffe, wild dog and the majestic sable antelope for which our camp, Sable Alley, is named. In addition, more than 450 bird species have been recorded. We explore on wildlife drives, walking safaris led by local guides, and by mokoro, the traditional poled canoe of the delta, giving local polers a chance to share their deep knowledge of this ecosystem and how it has sustained their people for generations.

Our eco-conscious camp on the banks of a peaceful lagoon is part of a community-based partnership that bridges safari tourism with Khwai village life, enhancing economic stability for the local people. Wildlife literally comes to us as elephant, buffalo and herds of plains game arrive to drink. Seasonal waterholes often attract lion, hyena, eland, zebra and kudu, plus an assortment of smaller nocturnal species such as porcupine, genet, jackal and honey badger.



### **Day 9: Khwai Private Reserve / Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe**

After a last morning wildlife activity on the Khwai Reserve, depart by light aircraft for Kasane, Botswana. After border formalities, continue by road to Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe, where we have a privately guided tour of Victoria Falls. The massive cataract is located inside Mosi-oa-Tunya National Park, whose name in the local language means "the smoke that thunders," referring to the mighty falls and its abundant spray. The falls and park together comprise a World Heritage Site that spans both sides of the Zambezi River, encompassing terrain in both Zimbabwe and Zambia. We follow a network of trails along the rim to various vantage points over the falls. The vistas are dramatic along the mile-wide cataract, which plummets 350 feet into the Zambezi Gorge below. This evening, our Expedition Leader hosts a festive farewell dinner.

### **Day 10: Victoria Falls / Depart**

This morning, choose to relax or visit a nearby village where kids will love the opportunity to meet African children. Just outside the hustle and bustle of the Victoria Falls tourist zone, we interact with locals tending their crops or going about their chores, enjoying a glimpse into daily rural life. It's a fitting finale to our Botswana family safari, which comes to a close as we transfer to the Victoria Falls airport to meet departing flights later this morning.

**Click [here](#)** to view the seasonal variations of weather and wildlife viewing in Botswana.





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## Accommodation Details:

**Meno a Kwena**

**Camp Kalahari**

**Sable Alley**

**Ilala Lodge**

For detailed descriptions, visit [nathab.com/family-adventures/family-botswana-safari/accommodations](http://nathab.com/family-adventures/family-botswana-safari/accommodations)

## Family Botswana Safari Accommodations

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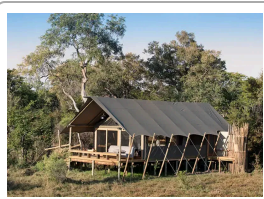
### Meno a Kwena

Situated between the Okavango Delta and the Central Kalahari Game Reserve near Makgadikgadi Pans National Park, this stylish camp overlooks the Boteti River, a magnet for wildlife.



### Camp Kalahari

Nestled among acacias and Mokolwane palms on Hyena Island at the edge of the vast Makgadikgadi Salt Pans, 10 spacious Meru tents occupy the historic site of storied expeditions.



### Sable Alley

This newly rebuilt bush camp on the edge of the private Khwai wildlife reserve is a part of a community-based partnership with a keen sensitivity for the environment and local culture.



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### Ilala Lodge

This luxurious boutique hotel enjoys an exclusive setting on the Zimbabwe side of the Zambezi Gorge—geographically, it is the closest accommodation to Victoria Falls, accessible via an easy walk.



## Why Choose Nat Hab for Your Family Botswana Safari?

Every family-focused safari in Botswana is *not* the same. It's important to compare crucial features like itinerary inclusions, vehicles and window seats, accommodation style and locations, group size, etc., so you can be sure the safari of your family's dreams is exactly that! When you see how we stack up, we can't imagine you'd choose any other family safari adventure.

1

**A Small, Personalized Family Safari** Our Family Botswana Safari is limited to just 13 guests, divided into two safari vehicles—the perfect size for a multi-generational family, or an opportunity to share an intimate family experience with another small family group or two, for added fun and companionship.

2

### **You Won't Find a More Diverse Itinerary**

When you're traveling with kids, variety is important. Safari-goers of all ages will be wowed by our wide-ranging itinerary that takes you from the arid expanse of the Kalahari Desert into the watery reaches of the Okavango Delta—plus a visit to mighty Victoria Falls! And it's not just destinations that are diverse; we include a host of different activities, too, from classic game drives to guided safari walks, poled mokoro (canoe) excursions, boat rides, and even a quad bike outing across the salt pans. No one will be remotely bored on this exciting journey.

3

**Private Reserves Offer Special Activities** Rather than staying in more heavily visited national parks, we concentrate on remote, uncrowded private reserves. Here, in addition to traditional wildlife drives, we have the chance to get out of the truck (always important with kids) and enjoy safely guided bush walks in the company of our Expedition Leader. In addition, we take exciting night drives in search of nocturnal creatures. These are exclusive advantages, since these activities are not permitted in the national parks.

4

### **Small, Secluded Camps Offer Memorable Accommodations**

Ambiance means a lot on safari. So does your proximity to the animal life that your family traveled so far to see. Stay at intimate, isolated camps that immerse us in nature amid profuse wildlife, rather than other tourists.

5

### **Chartered Flights Maximize Your Comfort and Time**

Rather than subject your family to long, rough overland drives, we opt for several light aircraft transfers between camps and regions. This means you have more time to spend on safari making great memories together—plus you'll have some pretty amazing aerial views of Botswana's varied landscapes and their wild inhabitants.





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### Open "Window" Seats Are A Priority

The private state-of-the-art safari vehicles we charter have open sides and nine cushioned passenger seats or shared benches—one in front next to the driver, followed by three rows of three seats each—though we limit our capacity to just seven travelers in each vehicle on wildlife drives for maximum comfort, viewing and photo opportunities. This means a window seat for everyone, though extra-secure middle seats are available for the littlest ones, if preferred.

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**The World's Finest Safari Guides** Natural Habitat Adventures is known for employing the finest naturalist guides on the planet. Our Family Botswana Safari includes your own private Expedition Leader for the duration of the trip. Our Expedition Leaders are the most highly trained guides in Africa, renowned for providing exceptional service. Those who lead our family safaris have a special rapport with kids and a knack for discerning and balancing the needs and interests of different generations traveling together. Our Expedition Leaders average 15 years' guiding experience in Africa, and their training is enhanced by access to resources from WWF's top scientists. **See Expedition Leader bios** with traveler comments regarding the quality of our leaders. In addition, we have support from well-qualified local camp guides who assist with driving and interpretation at each location.

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### Our Quality-Value Guarantee Ensures Your Superior Family Safari

Natural Habitat Adventures offers an exclusive guarantee, which states that we will meet the lofty expectations we set forth in our promotional materials. To our knowledge, this is the most ambitious guarantee made by any adventure travel company.

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### Feel Good About Your Carbon-Neutral Journey

We care deeply about our planet, as we know you do. When you travel with us, the carbon emissions from your trip are 100% offset—including your round-trip flights from home. Natural Habitat Adventures has been the world's first carbon-neutral travel company since 2007.

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### Natural Habitat Adventures is WWF's Travel Partner

Because of our commitment to environmentally friendly travel, as well as the exceptional quality of our adventures, World Wildlife Fund—the world's leading environmental conservation organization—has named Natural Habitat Adventures as its worldwide travel partner, a designation that makes us exceedingly proud!



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## Make It Private or Design Your Own Custom Safari

Travel privately, exclusively with your immediate family, multi-generational family or group of friends. Our in-house safari experts can reserve a private departure for your group or help you design your own custom Africa itinerary—their expertise is second to none! **Click here** to request more info.

***Please note that on Family Botswana Make It Private departures we require a minimum group size of 6 travelers.***

*Also, please be aware that your per-person cost on a Make It Private trip will vary depending on the number of travelers in your group and may be as much as 10%-30% higher (ship-based trips may be even higher) than our normal trip cost unless you fill the trip.*

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This **Make It Private** option is available on nearly every Nat Hab trip for family and friend groups. Call an Adventure Specialist at 800-543-8917 or look for the "Make It Private" icon in the **pricing section** of a trip online at [nathab.com](http://nathab.com) to see prices based on your specific group size.



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## Dates & Pricing Summary:

### Prices:

From \$12995  
(+Air)

### Group Size:

Limited to 13  
Travelers

### Physical

**Requirements:**  
Easy to Moderate

## Family Botswana Safari Dates, Pricing & Info

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### 2025 Departures

Departure	Return	Notes
Jul 4, 2025	Jul 13, 2025	Habitat Club Pricing Available
Aug 1, 2025	Aug 10, 2025	
Aug 8, 2025	Aug 17, 2025	
Aug 15, 2025	Aug 24, 2025	
Nov 24, 2025	Dec 3, 2025	
Dec 27, 2025	Jan 5, 2026	

### 2026 Departures

Departure	Return	Notes
May 24, 2026	Jun 2, 2026	
Jun 5, 2026	Jun 14, 2026	
Jun 19, 2026	Jun 28, 2026	





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## Dates & Pricing Summary:

### Prices:

From \$12995  
(+Air)

### Group Size:

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Travelers

### Physical

### Requirements:

Easy to Moderate

Departure	Return	Notes
Jun 28, 2026	Jul 7, 2026	
Jul 3, 2026	Jul 12, 2026	
Jul 10, 2026	Jul 19, 2026	
Jul 17, 2026	Jul 26, 2026	
Aug 7, 2026	Aug 16, 2026	
Aug 14, 2026	Aug 23, 2026	
Nov 22, 2026	Dec 1, 2026	
Dec 19, 2026	Dec 28, 2026	

## 2027 Departures

Departure	Return	Notes
May 25, 2027	Jun 3, 2027	
Jun 6, 2027	Jun 15, 2027	
Jun 20, 2027	Jun 29, 2027	
Jun 29, 2027	Jul 8, 2027	
Jul 4, 2027	Jul 13, 2027	
Jul 11, 2027	Jul 20, 2027	
Jul 18, 2027	Jul 27, 2027	
Aug 8, 2027	Aug 17, 2027	
Aug 15, 2027	Aug 24, 2027	
Nov 23, 2027	Dec 2, 2027	
Dec 20, 2027	Dec 29, 2027	



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## Pricing

### 2025 Prices

#### ➤ Trip Price

Adult: \$12995 - 13995 (+internal air)

Child (12 & under, sharing): \$10995-11995 (+internal air)



**Internal Air Cost:** \$984 per person (this will be listed separately on our invoicing).

**Single Occupancy:** For a single room add \$3295. **Click here** to learn how you can avoid the single supplement.

**Deposit:** \$500 per person (nonrefundable)

**Make It Private:** **View pricing** to take this trip privately with just you and your select travel companions.

Trip prices are per person based on double occupancy and are given in U.S. dollars.

**Please read our Payment & Refund Policy here.**

### 2026 Prices

#### ➤ Trip Price

Adult: \$14895 (+internal air)

Child (12 & under, sharing): \$9895 (+internal air)

**Internal Air Cost:** \$1128 per person (this will be listed separately on our invoicing).

**Single Occupancy:** For a single room add \$2995. **Click here** to learn how you can avoid the single supplement.

**Deposit:** \$500 per person (nonrefundable)

**Make It Private:** **View pricing** to take this trip privately with just you and your select travel companions.

Trip prices are per person based on double occupancy and are given in U.S. dollars. **Please read our Payment & Refund Policy here.**

### 2027 Prices

We're still in the process of confirming 2027 pricing. Please contact an Adventure Specialist for more details: 800-543-8917.

## Included

➤ **Trip price includes:** Accommodations in luxury safari camps, services of Nat Hab's professional Expedition Leader(s), local guides and camp staff, premier open-sided 4-wheel drive Land Cruisers or Rovers, private chartered helicopter flight above the Kalahari Desert, all meals from dinner on Day 1 through breakfast on final day, some alcoholic beverages, some gratuities, airport transfers on Day 1 and final day, all activities and entrance fees, all taxes, permits and service fees.

➤ **Internal air cost includes:** All light aircraft flights within the itinerary (this will be listed separately on our invoicing).



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### Not Included

Travel to and from the start and end point of your trip, some alcoholic beverages, some gratuities, passport and visa fees (if any), optional activities, items of a personal nature (phone calls, laundry and internet, etc.), airline baggage fees, airport and departure taxes (if any), required medical evacuation insurance, optional travel protection insurance.

### Physical Requirements

#### *Easy to Moderate*

To participate in this trip, you must be able to walk unassisted at a steady pace for at least one mile over uneven terrain, climb steps to get into and out of our raised safari vehicles, and be able to tolerate daily outdoor excursions that may last 4-5 hours or even a full day at a time, sometimes in hot, windy and/or dusty conditions. Children must be able to sit still and be quiet while searching for or in the presence of wildlife. Wildlife drives pose a particular type of physical demand on the body, as they require long hours of sitting and take place over terrain that is often very rough and bumpy, including dirt roads with many ruts and potholes. Travelers with back or neck problems, or other health issues that could be exacerbated by such conditions, should take this into consideration. While any walking safaris are considered optional, travelers must be able to walk unassisted to and from the vehicle to our camp accommodations, sometimes walking over uneven ground or on boardwalks. Please note, however, that in general, children 15 and under are not permitted to participate in general walking safaris, they will be able to explore close to camp and participate in the bushman walk. Days spent on safari are often long, as mornings typically start before daybreak and evening meals are served after sundown. Safari accommodations and vehicles are not climate-controlled and, depending on the season, temperatures can range from quite cold to extremely hot, so it is critical that travelers come prepared.

On custom or private departures with smaller groups, our ability to accommodate varying levels of physical abilities or interests is limited, since these trips are staffed with a single Expedition Leader who may be assisted, pending availability, by local guides.

### Important Information About This Trip

We have designed this family safari for those guests whose African dreams include the most remote wildlife experience available and who don't require over-the-top accommodations to accomplish that goal. On these trips, changes to the itinerary may occur in order to take advantage of conditions unique to the season. Depending upon availability, itineraries may run in a different order.

#### **Age Limit on Family Botswana Safaris**

We welcome children age 6 and older on our Family Botswana Safaris. However, while some 6-year-olds are well suited for our Botswana adventures, others may not be ready for the requirements of group travel. We believe it's best to consider this minimum age limit a guideline—you, as a parent or guardian, are best qualified to decide whether your child would enjoy the experience without compromising the comfort of others. We strongly encourage you to speak with one of our Adventure Specialists about the specific requirements of the trip so you can make an informed decision. We do not permit children younger than 6 on our scheduled departures due to safety regulations, physical limitations and concerns regarding group dynamics. Depending on the age of the child, children must be matched in rooms with adults for safety purposes and due to camp regulations in Botswana. Additionally, children under 13 years old are not generally able to participate in the traditional mokoro boat rides for safety reasons and children must be 16 years or older to participate in longer, optional safari walks. Alternative activities will be provided for children as appropriate.



## Mandatory Insurance

Since the areas we travel to on this trip are remote and wild (that's why we go there!), we require medical evacuation insurance for our guests' safety. If you decline the medical evacuation insurance coverage offered by Natural Habitat, we request that you send us documentation of the independent coverage you have selected. We will add the cost of a medical evacuation policy to your tour invoice until you provide our office with proof of coverage including your insurance company's name, contact number and your individual policy number. Thank you for understanding that our policy exists exclusively in the interest of our guests' safety.

## Getting There & Getting Home

Please plan to arrive in Maun, Botswana by 1:30 pm on Day 1 and you may depart Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe anytime after 1 pm on the final day.

We can best serve you if our Natural Habitat Adventures Travel Desk makes your reservations, as our staff is intimately familiar with the special requirements of these programs and can arrange the most efficient travel. Please call us at 800-543-8917. Note that while we offer you the best possible rates available to us on airfare and additional nights' accommodations, you may find special web rates or better fares online.



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### Extension Details:

**Cape Town Extension**  
\$1995

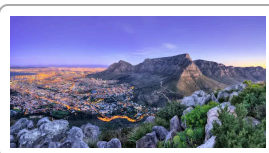
**Wild Cape Coast Extension**  
\$2995

**Namibia Desert Extension**  
\$5795

**Sabi Sand Extension**  
\$4395

## Family Botswana Safari Extensions

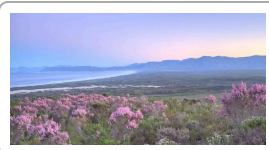
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### Cape Town Extension

Discover one of the world's most entrancing cities and its natural environs. Survey the view from Table Mountain, explore the Cape Peninsula, visit Cape Point Nature Reserve, see penguins at Boulders Beach, and tour the Winelands.

**\$1995**



### Wild Cape Coast Extension

From our luxury ecolodge base on the Grootbos Private Nature Reserve, explore pristine coastal wilderness including the rare Cape Floral plant kingdom and Stony Point penguin colony.

**\$2995**



### Namibia Desert Extension

Namibia's towering sand dunes, arid canyons and desert-adapted wildlife offer a distinct contrast to other southern Africa safari destinations—look for endangered black rhino, desert elephant and more.

**\$5795 (+air)**





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### Sabi Sand Extension

An exclusive safari experience on a 160,000-acre private reserve that's one of Africa's best places to spot the famous Big Five—choose among intimate luxury camps and secluded boutique lodges.

**\$4395**



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