

Explorations at a Glance 2015

Set out under the African sun to explore some of the continent's prime wilderness areas with our exclusive Explorations safaris. These spectacular journeys allow guests to discover remote and pristine areas in diverse private concessions while enjoying the most outstanding wildlife viewing. Our fully-serviced cross-country safaris cater for small groups (operating with a minimum of two and a maximum of eight guests) on a scheduled basis or are tailor-made for private groups. All of which allow for the most authentic African experience today.

WHY WILDERNESS EXPLORATIONS ARE UNIQUE?

Guides

- The secret to a fantastic Explorations trip is your guide, who leads the safari from beginning to end. Not only does this develop a relationship between you, but allows the guide to understand each individual's aspirations.
- Our guides are passionate, experienced and highly trained local individuals who make the whole journey seamless and interpretive from start to finish.
- Many are skilled photographers and can assist you in taking amazing wildlife photographs.
- These guides are also available to lead private tailor-made safaris and specialist trips – some even offering multilingual departures.

Dedicated Teams

- Each Exploration has a dedicated team that ensures a personal and comfortable experience for all guests.

Private Concessions

- Most of our Explorations take place in private concessions, which means that guests have private access to some of southern Africa's most pristine and finest wildlife reserves.
- Such exclusivity is enhanced by the fact that there is little contact with other people, excluding your fellow travellers.

Travelling

- Explorations are all about seeing the wide-ranging habitats in which we operate.
- A variety of travel modes results in a more fulfilling wildlife experience. Each Exploration uses different modes of transport depending on the environment and distances covered; however they also combine a number of the following: game drives, walks, mokoro rides, boating and light aircraft transfers.
- Flying is a great way of appreciating the magnitude of your journey. While flying is not a part of every Exploration itinerary, almost all guests experience this fantastic mode of transport when flying in and out.

EXPLORATIONS CAMPS

While on an Exploration, you may experience a number of different accommodation styles, including our own unique Discoverer, Adventurer and Trails camps.

Discoverer Camps are private camps that are set in secluded locations with outstanding wildlife viewing. Each camp enjoys creature comforts in permanent wood and canvas tents (at least 5m x 3m/20ft x 11ft) with en-suite bathrooms. The main area is comfortable with lounge, dining room and outdoor boma as well as charging facilities.

Adventurer Camps comprise dome tents (3m x 3m/10ft x 10ft) with en-suite hot showers and toilet facilities. Dining under the stars and around the fire creates an authentic safari experience.

Trails Camps are mobile camps that allow access to very remote locations. They are dome tents (3m x 3m/10ft x 10ft) complete with en-suite bathrooms and bucket showers. Trails Camps immerse you in a true safari experience.



Explorations Highlights

BOTSWANA



THE GREAT WILDERNESS JOURNEY

10 NIGHTS/11 DAYS

A Discoverer Exploration

Explore Botswana's diversity in pristine areas where few visitors roam. Star attractions include the green-blue Okavango Delta, the game-rich Linyanti and Chobe River systems and Victoria Falls, the widest curtain of water in the world.

- Three-night stays in each area ensure detailed insights into habitats and game movements in the area.
- Private wilderness areas within Okavango Delta and Linyanti are visited.
- Exceptionally wide range of activities: day and night game drives, walks, mokoro and boating.
- Excursions include exploring a Chobe River boat cruise and a guided tour of the Victoria Falls.
- Transfers between locations are diverse and exciting and include water, land and air.



BOTSWANA SUMMER ENCOUNTER

9 NIGHTS/10 DAYS

A Discoverer Exploration (December To March)

Explore the life-filled Central Kalahari Game Reserve, the fertile green islands of the Okavango Delta, the diverse and wildlife-filled Linyanti and Chobe River areas, with a grand finale of the world-famous Victoria Falls.

- Explore the diverse habitats of Botswana, from desert to delta and plains to rivers, all in one of its most abundant and remarkable seasons.
- Combination of old-style fully serviced Adventurer and Discoverer camps convey the sublime "back to nature" feeling of an Exploration, while accommodation in Wilderness Classic camps allows for unassuming luxury.
- Exclusive access to the wilderness areas of the Okavango Delta, Linyanti, Chobe and Victoria Falls.
- Diverse and exciting transfers between locations (by air and on land).



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NAMIBIA



DESERT DUNE SAFARI

9 NIGHTS/10 DAYS

A Discoverer Exploration

This journey of discovery travels through some of Namibia's most varied and remote desert areas, starting with the red dunes of Sossusvlei and ending with the rugged landscape of Damaraland.

- Explore the very different desert areas of Sossusvlei, Skeleton Coast and Palmwag.
- Exceptionally diverse variety of activities, including day and night nature drives, sea- to land-based wildlife viewing, flying, driving, and boating.
- Unique activities include rhino tracking, motorboat trip at Walvis Bay (including extension to Sandwich Harbour, and seafood lunch) and a scenic flight from Sossusvlei to Swakopmund (weather permitting)

DIVERSE NAMIBIA

9 NIGHTS/10 DAYS

An Adventurer Exploration

This active and exciting adventure takes in the iconic, soaring red dunes of Sossusvlei, the life-filled blue Atlantic Ocean, the desert and denizens of Damaraland, and the plains game and predators of Etosha National Park.

- Accommodation includes a range of lodges and camps in private areas.
- Travel on lesser known routes and explore key private conservation areas of this vast country: its dunes, deserts, plains and iconic wildlife.
- "Diverse" also indicates the range of activities such as tracking the rare desert-adapted elephant and visiting the ancient rock engravings at Twyfelfontein and scenic walks.

