

MOGOTLHO SAFARI LODGE, KHWAI RIVER – FACT SHEET

LOCATION:

Set in the heart of a 50 000-ha private concession and named after the iconic Camelthorn tree, Mogotlho Safari Lodge is situated on the banks of the beautiful Khwai River within a greater, pristine wildlife area in Northern Botswana. It is adjacent to both Moremi Game Reserve and Chobe National Park, and the perfect en-route stop between Maun and Kasane.

The lodge is a 2 hour drive from Maun.

GPS CO-ORDINATES:

Mogotlho Safari Lodge, Khwai River - S19 13.146 E23 57.616

DIRECTIONS:

Proceed north out of Maun through Shorobe Village onto the dirt road until you cross through the Buffalo Fence. 1.2 km further, turn right at the fork. Proceed on this dirt road, passing through Sankuyo Village, keep straight for approximately 27 km and turn left at the Mogotlho Safari Lodge sign. Total: 109 km from Maun.

LODGE EMERGENCY NUMBER: +267 76 850 059

CLIMATE:

Summer months (November to March) tend to be quite hot and has the highest rainfall of the year.

Cooler months (April to October) tend to be cool to warm days, with evening and night temperatures being rather chilly.

ACCOMMODATION:

Mogotlho Safari Lodge has 13 spacious and modern tents, of which 2 are family tents, sleeping a total of 24 guests. Each tent has a king size bed that can be split into twin beds, and have been intimately placed to ensure unspoiled panoramic views of the African bush, with a touch of class. Sit back on your private deck overlooking the river – or rest in our king size beds, after an action-packed day exploring the area.

CHILD POLICY:

* Children of all ages are welcome

* Children aged 0 – 3 years are accommodated free of charge; Children aged 4 – 12 years pay a reduced child rate as above; Children aged +13 years pay full adult rate

THE MAIN CAMP: LODGE

Our lodge facilities include a beautiful thatched-roof lounge, wildlife library, dining area and bar, as well as a swimming pool and boma area with views over the river.

SOLAR POWER AND USE OF ENERGY:

All geysers are solar powered. The entire lodge is off the National grid and is electrified using only solar generated power, connected to an inverter and batteries. A back-up generator is used only in extreme situations to top up the batteries.

As an eco-lodge, staff make a concerted effort to keep lights switched off where possible.

FOOD:

We try as far as possible to utilise the surrounding villages to supply fresh produce to the lodge. This will facilitate empowering the local farmers and support the villages in a continuous and sustainable way.

GUEST AMENITIES:

All guest amenities including shampoo, conditioner, hand and body lotion, foam bath, liquid gel and soaps are sourced from eco-friendly suppliers, who are endorsed by Beauty without Cruelty, and where possible, use organic ingredients which are biodegradable.

WATER SUPPLY:

Water is supplied from our underground borehole, which is safe for human consumption. All effluent and grey water generated by the lodge passes through a purification system known as “The Biorock” - a unique mini-biological plant, that requires no electricity, has no moving parts, therefore needing minimal annual maintenance - returning safe water to the environment.

ACTIVITIES OFFERED:

Game Drives:

Experience daily African wildlife encounters with nature in a classic safari vehicle through the eyes and knowledge of our passionate guides. Departure times occur in the cooler hours of the early mornings or afternoons, a favourite for guests and wildlife itself. Our Mogotlho guides are excited to share their knowledge of the bush with you and provide a game viewing experience of the highest quality.

Night Safaris:

Night safaris are an invitation to discover the mysterious world of nocturnal wildlife. Exploring the wilderness provides a unique opportunity to discover the unusual and secretive nocturnal members of the animal kingdom. A two-hour drive offers the chance to see a different world of nocturnal species including owls and a variety of diurnally elusive predators.

Bush Walks:

Walking in the footsteps of our safari guides along the banks of the Khwai River provides you with an opportunity to learn more about the indigenous flora and traditional medicinal uses of plants, getting up close and personal with nature. A bush walk is a sensory experience, spending time observing, listening, learning and reconnecting to the African animal kingdom. Our guides will highlight the various facets of the ecosystem, as well as impart their tracking knowledge, sharing the rich history of Botswana.

Cultural Experiences:

Mogotlho Lodge celebrates and supports local culture and history and is proud to be in partnership with the community from Mababe. Be curious and learn more about the co-existence of wildlife and humans in this African landscape and how dynamic and perspective has evolved over centuries.

Candlelight Bush Dinners:

Dining under the African sky is a feast for the senses. To round off a perfect day in the African bush, you will indulge in a bush dinner by candlelight - an *Out of Africa* experience in an exquisite location that is guaranteed to leave a lasting impression, in flavour and event.

Full Day Excursions:

Safari aficionados and bush lovers can experience a full-day excursion to neighbouring Moremi Game Reserve and the surrounding Khwai safari area. Exploring the waterways of the Okavango Delta in a mokoro and game viewing from water level is a surreal and exhilarating experience which can also be arranged with this day trip.

Activities: Frequently Asked Questions	
1. How long are the half-day game drives?	Half-day game drive : +- 3 hours.
2. Are drinks/snacks provided on the game drives?	Drinks and snacks are provided on game drives.
3. Are children allowed on game activities? What is the age limit?	Yes, from 6 years for game drives & 16 years on game walks.
4. Is there a fence around the concession?	No, there is no fence.
5. Can I go for a walk on the concession without a guide?	No, guests are to be escorted by a guide. Guests can freely move around the lodge during the day.
6. What kind of animals can I expect to see?	Elephants, Leopard, Lion, Warthog, variety of birds, Buffalo, Painted Dog, Cheetah, Jackal, Giraffe, Hares, Hyaena, Mongoose, Civet, Genets, Honey Badger, Monkey, Bat-eared fox, Zebra, Pangolin, a variety of antelope etc.

Room Facilities: Frequently Asked Questions	
1. How many tents are there?	13 luxury tents.
2. Do tents have electricity?	Yes
3. What view do the tents have?	All tents have a river view
4. How many people can fit in 1 tent?	Double/Twin (2 Adults)

5. Are there Family tents for children?	Yes, we have 2 family tents.
6. Which tent is closest to the Main Area? Recommended for old people?	The Family tents are closest 4 & 5 – one on each side. The closest double/twin tents is 3 & 6
7. Is there WIFI in the tents?	No
8. What are the tent facilities?	King size bed, en suite bathroom with shower. Hot water bottle in winter. Fan. mosquito repellent, emergency air horn, rechargeable torches, charging station.
9. Is there a safe in each tent?	Yes
10. Is there a fridge in the tent?	No
11. Is there laundry services available?	Yes
12. What time does rooms service clean?	When guests are on game drives.

Main Area: Frequently Asked Questions	
1. Is there a Spa?	No
2. Is the dining area outside or inside?	Outside and inside, Boma dinner. Private dinner can be arranged on the deck.
3. Does the lodge have a pool?	Yes
4. What time is breakfast/lunch/dinner served?	Discussed with guests.
5. Can I have a Boma dinner?	Yes
6. Is there a bar?	Yes

Other Info:	
1. Where are the Mogotlho Safari Lodge transfers to/from?	We offer transfers to/from Maun as well as Khwai Airstrip.
2. Can I self-drive?	Yes.
3. When is the best time to visit?	From May to November.
4. What type of clothing do you recommend I pack?	Neutral coloured clothing, warm jacket in winter.
5. Can we charge phones?	Yes, in each tent, adapter available.
6. Check-in & Check-out Times	Check in: after 2pm; Check out: 11am Earlier check in or late check out can be arranged.
7. Mobility / Accessibility: are we geared for Disabilities (Wheelchairs etc.)	No.
8. Can guest walk to their tents?	Guests are escorted to their rooms at night, by a guide/camp staff.