

BOTSWANA

Hunting with the San Bushmen-. This is done in an authentic a manner as possible, with the aim of providing culturally authentic experiences for the guests as



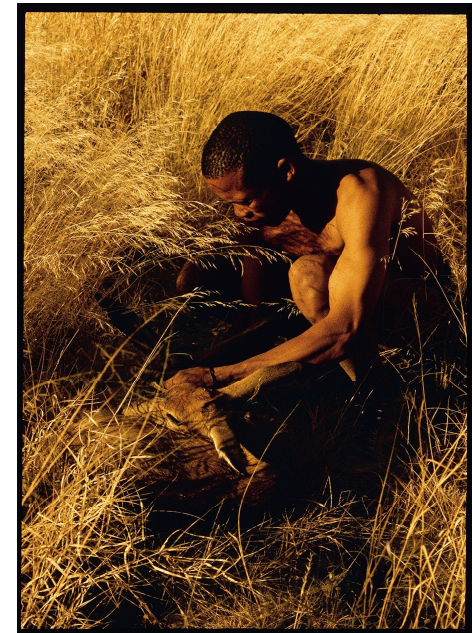
well as preserving the cultural integrity of the San Bushmen.



The guests will have excellent food throughout(despite the remoteness of the locality) as well as luxurious mobile tents(with bucket baths- the only concession to the reality of being in the remote bushes of Botswana).

Day 1-3

Guests transfer from Maun by plane and transferred to a remote campsite, located on the ancestral lands of Zu/'hoasi bushmen.



Calling ourselves 'travel mixologists', we've served up interesting itineraries for you to choose from- all of which are available for tweaking and embellishments whilst keeping the main ingredients.
Beautifully-themed journeys for you to choose from and to tweak according to your predilections.

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Day 3-7

After lunch, they will meet the elders of the nearby Bushmen village where they will be initiated into the community. Dinner follows, with the next day being dedicated to the preparation of bows and arrows for the hunt.



Materials for the bows and arrows will be gathered. Watch the men preparing the bows and arrows and the boys demonstrating

traditional games that sharpen the motor skills essential to the hunt.

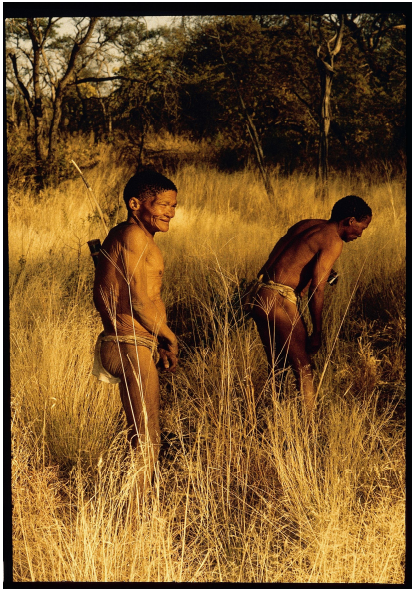


After 2 days' orientation, guests will start on the hunt for an eland with the Bushmen. In the event that the hunt for the eland is unsuccessful, the Bushmen will instead hunt for gemsbuck, wildebeest or kudu. The tracking and hunting is physically demanding and participants will be required to be fit.



Day 8

At the end of a successful hunt, the meat will be distributed at camp (initiated by the successful hunter) amongst the men, women and children.



The successful hunter (the one whose arrow kills the animal) will also receive tattoos from the camp elder as part of an initiation rite into manhood.



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A huge feast and trance dance marks the end of the hunt. The trance dance is a spiritual experience where the shaman, solely through

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the correct breathing techniques, is induced into a trance that enables him to communicate with ancestral spirits. The women sit upright, singing and clapping whilst the men form a circle around the fire to dance the night away. The aim of the trance dance is to heal as well as to clear the air of conflicts at camp.

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Total Price: USD 11,440 (price indicative only)

Per Person on double occupancy basis

*The initiation hunt is for a minimum of 8 nights, inclusive of 5 nights hunting, 2 nights orientation, 1 night celebration

Price includes:

Accommodation and meals specified

Price excludes:

All international flights and charter flights connecting to the campsite

Tipping

US\$10-20 per Guest per day is considered appropriate tip for the general Staff at safari camps. Guides can be tipped from US\$20-25 upwards or, as your heart dictates!

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How to dress whilst on safari:

YEAR ROUND:

Layers – the best way to dress on safari, due to fluctuating temperatures. We recommend cotton.

Long sleeves and trousers will protect from both sun and insects. Colours should be neutral (beige, khaki, tan...).

Fleece/warm sweater – even in summer.

Hat – broad brimmed for protection against the sun.

Sunglasses – dark ones to cut the glare.

Sunblock, insect repellent and lip salve.

Shoes – good, sturdy closed shoes/boots and socks for walking. Flip flops/thongs for use in outdoor showers.

We recommend RM Williams 'Gardener Boots', Clarks 'Desert Boots' or Timberlands.

Head torch – handy in the evenings. We recommend Petzl.

Binoculars – each person should have their own so as not to miss out on any sightings.

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We recommend Leica Ultravid 10x42 or Swarovski 10x42 WB EL.

Camera with spare batteries, memory sticks, film, and the correct charging apparatus.

A kikoi or light sarong has a multitude of uses.

Swim suite or trunks – if traveling to the Okavango Delta or camps with pools.

A good book for those lazy afternoons.

SUMMER (Wet Season):

Light, compact jacket (windcheater) for the rainy season.

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WINTER (Dry Season):

It gets very cold in the evenings and early mornings, and quite hot during the day – so layers are essential.

Warm leggings – good to wear under trousers on the quads.

Hat – woollen beanie for warmth.

Gloves – good for cool winter evenings, quad biking and sun protection.

Scarf

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Important Notes

Trip Grading/Difficulty:

This itinerary requires participants to be fit.

Flights

It is essential that you give us your air schedule at least 60 days prior to departure, so that we may confirm your arrival and departure hotels.

In most light aircraft, baggage is restricted to 20kgs per person – including camera equipment and carry-on baggage.

Use a soft bag for easy packing into the undercarriage of small planes. Clients with luggage in excess of the prescribed weight can deposit their excess luggage for safekeeping in Maun.

Health

You are strongly advised to contact your own GP or vaccination centre in respect of required vaccinations for Botswana. Check on recommended immunizations as least a month before travel. Among the items you might pack are: sun creams (factor 12 and above), insect repellent, sting relief cream, antiseptic cream, a lightweight hat and sunglasses.

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Important Note

Whilst attacks are extremely rare, we encourage you to listen to your Guide and take the necessary precautions. One of Botswana's main attractions is that it is still so wild and natural.

While we endeavor to make the itinerary as accurate as possible, it should be considered an approximate schedule of activities rather than a rigid schedule of events. Trip itineraries are subject to revision due to weather, road and trail conditions, government restrictions and other factors beyond our control.

Booking Conditions:

Booking your tailor-made holiday

A booking is accepted only after we receive the completed signed booking form and/or the non-refundable deposit required. If the booking is made within 60 days of departure, then full payment is required at the time of confirmation except over the Christmas & New Year period when the full itinerary amount must be made at the time of booking. The balance of payment due for your travel arrangements must be paid by you not later than 60 days before departure; otherwise we may treat the booking as cancelled.

Methods of payment

Payments for deposits and final monies for Travel Arrangements may be made by bank transfer.

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Cancellation

All cancellations must be advised in writing and will take effect the day we receive it. Urbane Nomads refunds all recoverable costs after cancellation, subject to third-party cancellation and refund policies and a USD500 administration and travel planning fee.

In some cases hotels require prepayment in full for hotel rooms and services in the peak period. In such cases these deposits are non refundable.

Travel Insurance

It is a condition of booking the Travel Arrangements that You are adequately insured for the full duration of the your travel arrangements in respect of illness, injury, death, loss of baggage and personal items, cancellation and curtailment. The choice of insurer is the sole discretion of You. In signing the Booking Form or paying for your holiday You confirm to Us that You either have or will have procured such insurance before the commencement of Your Travel Arrangements.

Further Terms and Conditions apply. In signing the Booking Form or paying the deposit you confirm to Us that you have accepted the booking terms and conditions.

The Urbane Nomad keenly seeks the best that travel has to offer-keenly seeking out exciting design hotels with its associated mod cons, the most unique travel experiences in localities yet to be discovered by the masses or experiencing a favoured tourist destination on an entirely different level.

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