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## **BOTSWANA KALAHARI JEWEL EXPEDITION—29 AUGUST-10 SEPTEMBER 2022**

***Last Chance Safaris is excited to announce the departure of this inaugural expedition for late summer 2022! Botswana's Okavango Delta, known as the 'Jewel of the Kalahari', is a vast oasis in an ancient thirstland, providing sustenance and sanctuary to a wildlife spectacle that both intrigues and thrills all who visit.***

The allure of the Okavango is unquestionable. As the 1000th World Heritage Site it is one of Africa's greatest conservation successes. Vast and wild, the spreading waters of the planet's largest inland delta creates a shifting maze of lily pad channels and palm-studded islands. This ephemeral landscape, always changing with the arrival and departure of fickle flows, is home to an astounding bounty of bird, plant and animal life.

The expedition will be led by Grant Nel, a specialist naturalist and professional guide who has lived and guided in Botswana since 1995. The camps selected are all on private conservancies, allowing for unfettered access and exploration of both land and water.

***Join Last Chance Safaris on this classic African expedition. Experience the Okavango's incredible biodiversity and be part of its continued conservation.***



## BOTSWANA KALAHARI JEWEL EXPEDITION

### Days 1-3 (3 nights)

Arrive in Maun, gateway to the Okavango, and hop aboard a light aircraft bound for Kwando Lagoon. This is possibly the most isolated camp in the Okavango ecosystem. Understated luxury, jaw-dropping views, prolific wildlife, and exceptional hospitality are the hallmarks of Lagoon Camp - a perfect place to start the expedition

### Days 4-6 (3 nights)

A short flight across the northern reaches of the Okavango to Santawani where Mma Dinare (Madam Buffalo) Camp looks out over the Gomoti River and the scattered floodplains of the south eastern Okavango. The classic under canvas style is what put Botswana on the safari map. Here there is an opportunity to get closer to nature on foot or by 'mokoro' (dugout canoe).

*The endangered African Wild Dog—an Okavango icon*



*Flying Okavango style*



*Kwando Lagoon Camp*



*Mma Dinare Camp*



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### Days 7-9 (3 nights)

Another scenic flight over the Okavango Delta brings you to one of the Okavango's premier locations - Pom Pom island. The mix of activities and varied habitats at Pom Pom Camp allows for consistently excellent game viewing.

### Days 10-12 (3 nights)

The wildlife rich Kwara conservancy flanks the Khwai River in the northern Okavango and is home to some of the biggest bull Elephants in Africa. Kwara Camp is a fitting finish to the expedition. Intimate and luxurious, yet still very much a safari 'camp', the service and comfort is only bettered by the quality of the wildlife viewing.

### Day 13

A short 30min flight back to Maun to connect with your onward flights back home.

*The Okavango provides the perfect habitat for Leopard*



*Typical Okavango game drive*



*Pom Pom Camp*



*Kwara Camp*



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**Cost per person sharing — US\$15,950 (Single — US\$19,465) Maximum 6 people sharing; Minimum 1 single, 4 sharing**

### Includes:

- All accommodations in en-suite facilities ranging from classic 'under canvas' safari tents to luxury canvas & thatch suites.
- All safari activities including game drives (day & night), boat cruises, 'mokoro' excursions, walking safaris
- All meals
- All laundry facilities
- All refreshments, and non-premium drinks
- All inter-camp air transfers
- All taxes, permits and tourism related fees
- The services of Grant Nel as specialist naturalist and tour leader

### Excludes:

- Visa entry fees
- Travel & medical insurance (highly recommended)
- Gratuities for local guides and lodge staff
- Costs of a personal nature
- Premium drinks (Champagne, imported spirits)
- International flights (arrive Maun International Airport 29 August 2022- depart 10 September 2022)
- Unforeseen price increases for air travel and government taxes/levies