

TAILOR-MADE DESTINATIONS

# Botswana Selinda Safari

Wild Studio Photographic Workshop with Victoria Falls



## Day 1 UK - Botswana

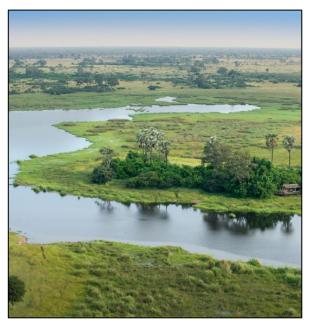
Fly out UK on night flight to Johannesburg, arriving early the following morning.

## Day 2 Photographic Workshop - Selinda Camp (4 nights, fully-inclusive)

On arrival in Johannesburg, connect with the Air Botswana flight to Maun (11:40/13:20). On arrival our representative will assist you with your scheduled charter flight to Selinda Camp, where your guide will meet you for your transfer to the camp with game drive en-route.

Selinda Camp enjoys a marvellous location overlooking the Selinda Spillway, a seasonal waterway which connects the Okavango Delta with the game-rich floodplains of the Linyanti Swamps.

The Spillway's waters give life to extensive floodplains and lagoons, which in turn attract a huge variety of game, including rare species such as wild dog and cheetah.



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All monies paid by you for the air holiday package shown [or flights if appropriate] are ATOL protected by the Civil Aviation Authority. Our ATOL number is ATOL 3145.

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Supremely luxurious, Selinda Camp offers nine spacious tents erected under cool thatch canopies, each with a panoramic view across the palm-studded floodplains of the Selinda Spillway. Each tent has en-suite facilities, with open-air bathrooms designed to allow in lots of natural light while still being screened for privacy (and virtually bug-proof!) Bathrooms feature beautiful stone bathtubs and showers, while the bedrooms have been appointed with furniture and features collected from around Africa.



Selinda's main area consists of a series of expansive decks that invite you to simply sit and soak up the scenery surrounding the camp – the design of the main area is such that there is never a barrier to these views: whether guests are relaxing in the lounge, having brunch under the cool shade of the thatched dining area, or sampling the fine cuisine of a three-course dinner on the open "star deck". Set apart from the main area is the photo/art gallery built above a temperature-controlled wine cellar and curio shop. Guests can also enjoy a small plunge pool and the traditional campfire as well as massages from the in-house therapist.

During your stay at Selinda, the Wild Studio will provide both workshop and tailored private photography tuition. Professional photographers, who live in either Botswana or Kenya, will guide you through the technical aspects of photography in one of the most iconic places to photograph in Africa. October is a prime month for game-viewing as the grass is low and the wildlife easier to see and capture. Palm trees dominate the horizons, perfect for sunrise and sunset vistas, while elephant and giraffe occur in healthy populations.









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Selinda Camp is characterised by its game-rich floodplains which are host to a variety of game, antelope, zebra, cheetah, wild dog, lion and its dry season elephant concentrations.

Birding is superb, with over 300 species of bird recorded in the reserve, including slaty egrets and ground hornbills, while nocturnal species include serval, porcupine, springhare and, with luck, leopard.

Daily activities revolve around morning, afternoon and night game drives with experienced, professional guides in custom-built 4x4 Land Cruisers. Short walks from camp accompanied by a guide are encouraged to get to know some of Selinda's smaller creatures.



#### Day 6 Sindabezi Island Lodge (4 nights, fully-inclusive)

Transfer to the Selinda airstrip for your short flight to Kasane and onward transfer to Sindabezi Island Lodge (four nights, fully inclusive basis).



Sindabezi Island is a small, private island retreat on the Zambezi River, less than 20km upstream from Victoria Falls. This area is rich in photographic opportunities giving you the change to practice your newly acquired skills! All rooms at Sindabezi have views across the river to Zambezi National Park, which is borderless, meaning elephant and other game regularly visit the island.

Sindabezi is a lovely lodge with a wonderfully rustic character. Guests sleep in thatched chalets, lending Sindabezi a real bush camp feel, quite different to most of the other lodges in the area around Livingstone. The small size of the lodge—just five guest rooms—only adds to the romance.

Sindabezi's chalets are situated on the shores of the island, directly overlooking the Zambezi River. The rooms are gorgeously made up with four-poster beds, private verandahs, and en-suite bathrooms with outdoor showers. Sandy footpaths illuminated by

hurricane lamps connect the rooms to the public areas.

There are plenty of activities included in a stay here, such as a guided tour of Victoria Falls, fishing trips on the Zambezi, canoeing, leisurely island picnics, sunset river cruises, visits to local villages and markets, and bush walks around Sindabezi Island with the camp guide.

A highlight of any stay here is a visit to the famous Victoria Falls. The short boat trip to the mainland is a lovely experience in itself and of course the Falls and the rainforest they sustain are simply







spectacular. A helicopter or microlight trip over the Falls can be booked locally and offers incredible views.



#### Day 10 Victoria Falls – Johannesburg – UK

Breakfast and transfer to Victoria Falls airport for the flight to Johannesburg and on to the UK.

#### Day 11 UK

Arrive UK early morning.

**Price Guide:** The cost of this itinerary is from £5,500 per person, based on twin share and subject to availability at the time of booking. For more information, or if you would like to enquire about a tailor-made holiday combining part or all of the above itinerary, please <u>contact us</u>.

Includes:		Excludes:
0	Selinda Photographic Workshop	• International flights (allow £900pp for
0	Accommodation on fully-inclusive basis	flights with BA or SAA)
0	Activities as outlined in itinerary	• Travel insurance – ask us for a quote
0	Internal flights	o Visas
0	Transfers in private vehicle	<ul> <li>Items of a personal nature</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Additional activities</li> </ul>
		o Tips

# **Photographic Workshop dates:** 10-14 October 2016

15-19 October 2016

Workshops will also be held during November 2016 and throughout 2017. Prices vary and there are excellent discounts during the "green season" months of November to March. Contact us for details.



