

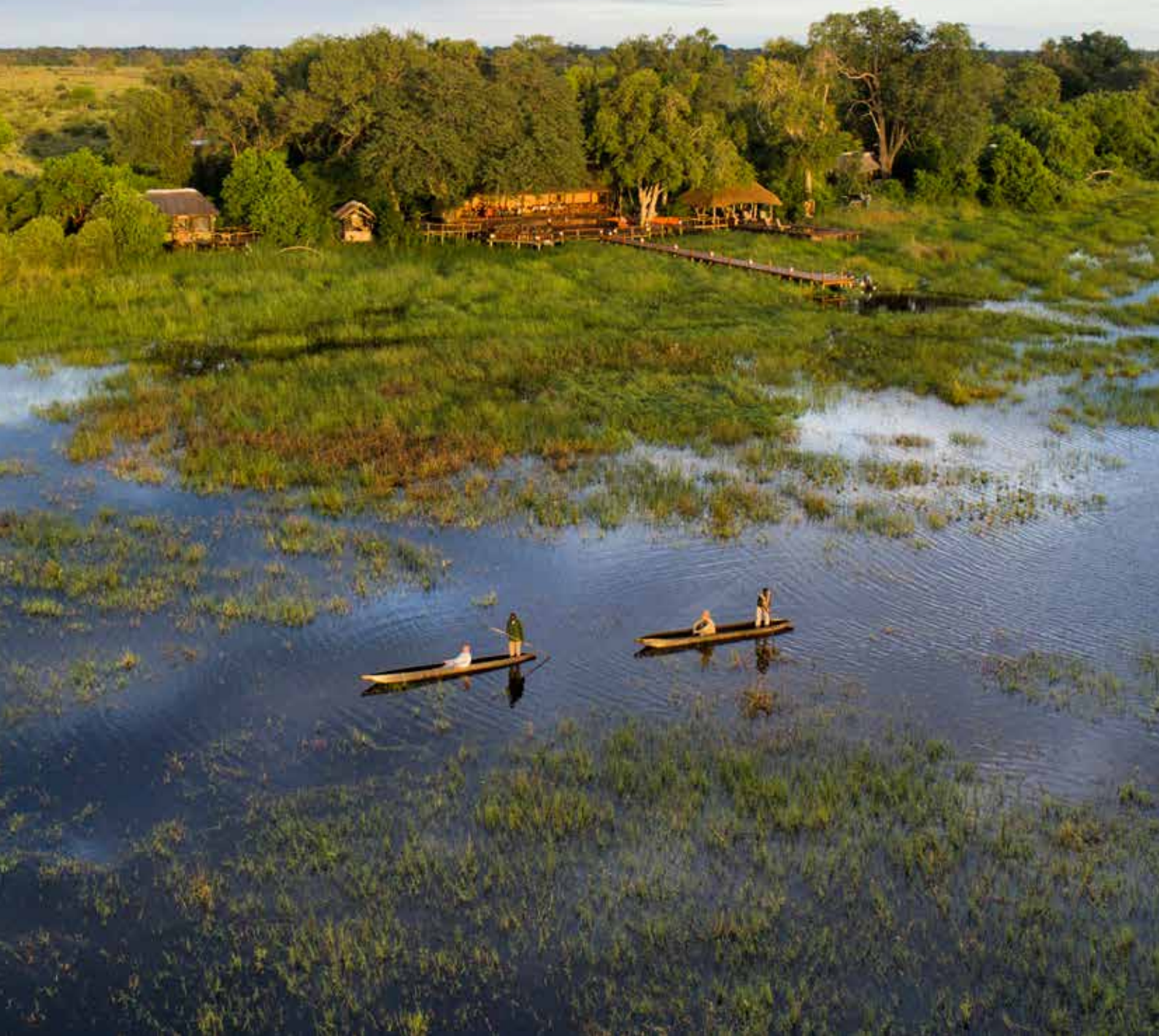


BOTSWANA SAFARI ITINERARY

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3 nights at Mapula Lodge



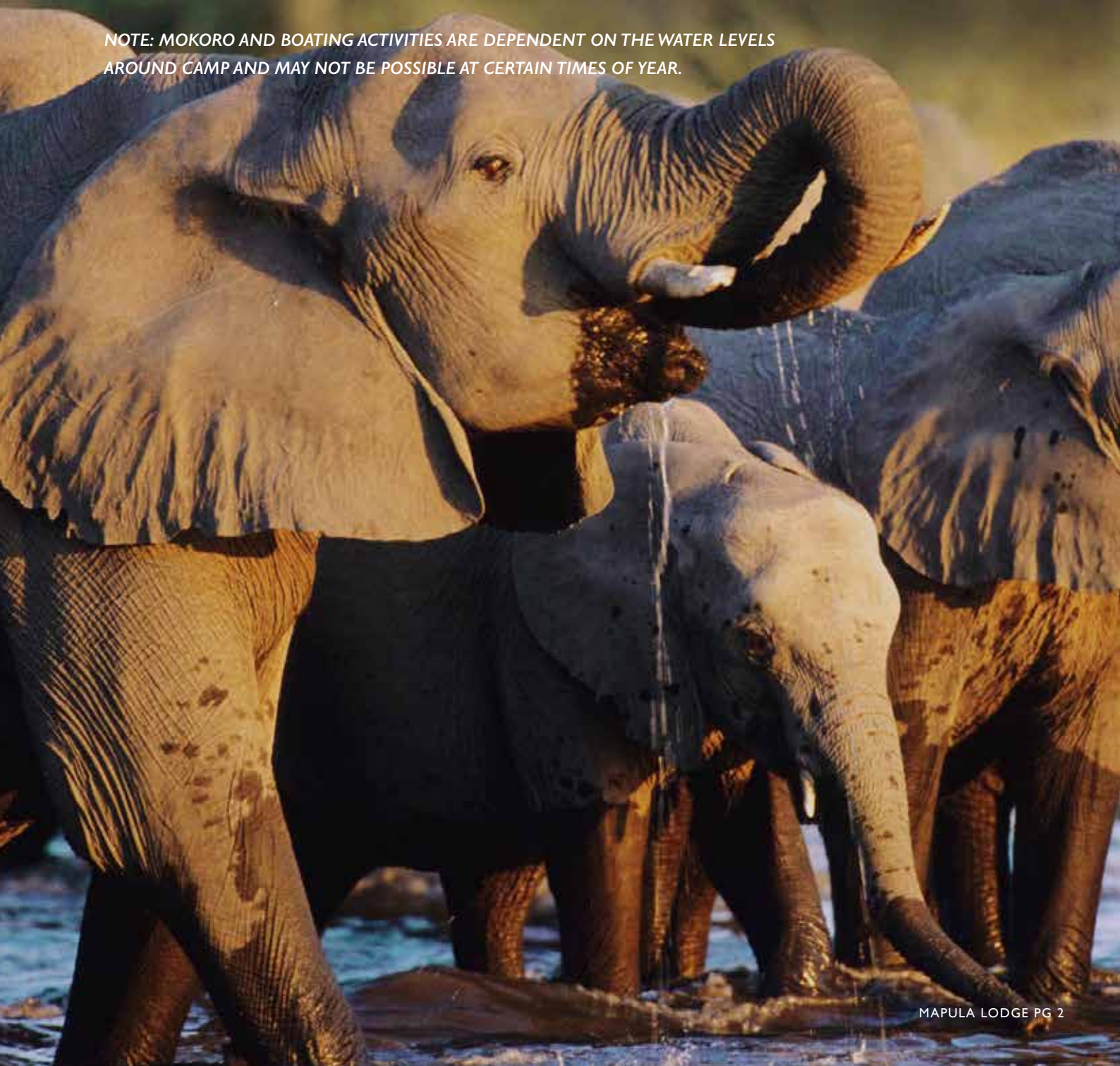
A **WATERY** WONDERLAND

THE FOLLOWING ITINERARY IS AN OUTLINE OF THE ACTIVITIES OFFERED DURING YOUR STAY AT MAPULA LODGE. THE ORDER IN WHICH THE ACTIVITIES ARE EXPERIENCED MAY VARY DEPENDING ON WEATHER AND/OR OTHER FACTORS, BUT PLEASE FEEL FREE TO DISCUSS YOUR PREFERRED PROGRAMME WITH THE CAMP MANAGER. ENJOY!

DAY 1

Arrive at Mapula Lodge in the heart of the Okavango Delta, a landscape of glossy floodplains and stately palm islands encircled by glittering waterways. Your home for the next few days is Mapula Lodge, a laidback yet stylish safari outpost brought to you by the creators of the iconic Jack's Camp. Quirky and characterful, the nine canvas-and-thatch tents are replete with king size four-posters and feather-filled pillows to fall face first into after a long day's game viewing. Ensuite bathrooms have both indoor and outdoor showers and the mini lounge area beckons for a lazy siesta snoozes. Chic finishing touches include rich Kilims on the floors, polished butler trays and flickering brass lanterns.

NOTE: MOKORO AND BOATING ACTIVITIES ARE DEPENDENT ON THE WATER LEVELS AROUND CAMP AND MAY NOT BE POSSIBLE AT CERTAIN TIMES OF YEAR.





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After you've settled into your room, head to the main area and take a dip in the large swimming pool, a cool antidote to the hot Delta afternoons. If you'd rather stay dry, pick a perch in the main area and keep an eye on the hippo-filled lagoon below, or retreat to the 'chill-pit' and do exactly what it says on the tin.

Later in the afternoon, join your guide for an Afternoon tea fit for a King in the main area. Trained by safari legend Ralph Bousfield, our guides are some of the best in the business and each has an intricate knowledge of the landscape and environment. He (or she) will tell you a little about this beautiful, wetland area that's a true wildlife stronghold before you depart on your game drive to see it for yourself – and as the only camp in an enormous, 200,000-acre concession, it really is just you and the wildlife here.

End your first day with a G&T overlooking the watery plains of the Delta before returning to camp for a fabulous, lantern-lit dinner.

DAY 2

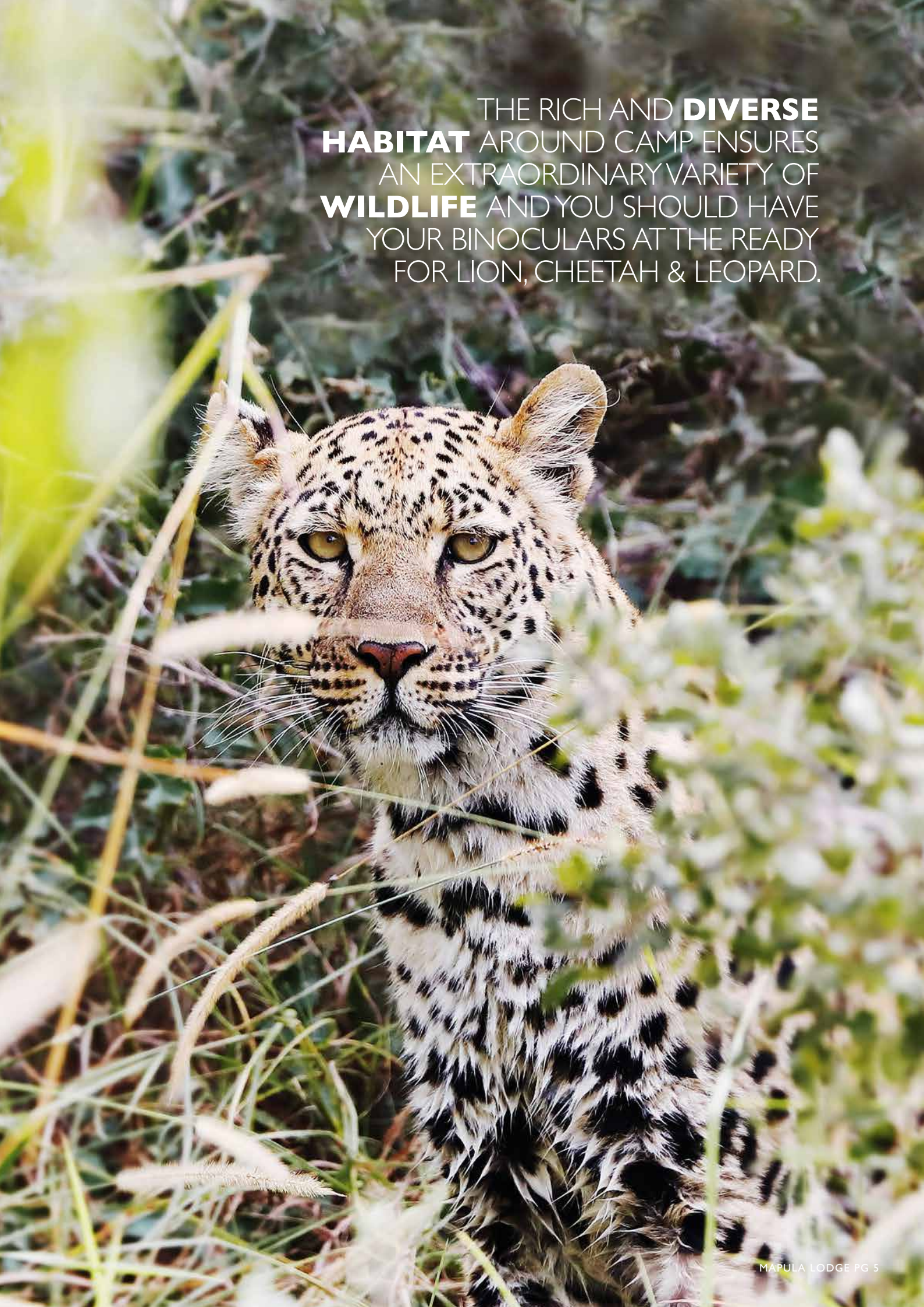
Rise with the sun and set off with your guide for a morning game drive. The rich and diverse habitat around camp ensures an extraordinary variety of wildlife and you should have your binoculars at the ready for lion, cheetah, leopard and wild dog, as well as the lesser-known predators, caracal and serval.

Stop at the edge of the water for a picnic breakfast and watch crocodile basking in the sun and hippo harrumphing happily in the shallows. On the way back to camp, you'll notice the myriad of antelope dotted across the plains, as well as zebra, giraffe and stately kudu.

Lunch will be served in camp and you can expect a variety of fresh and innovative dishes created by our wonderful chefs. Spend your siesta time with a pair of binos, watching the comings and goings at the waterhole in front of camp, or fall into a slouchy sofa for a snooze...

A decadent afternoon tea of savoury tarts, mini sandwiches and dreamy sweet treats will be served in the main area after which your second drive of the day departs. Whether you're an avid birder, or haven't spent much time with our avian friends, the birding here is exceptional and definitely deserves a flash of your binos! Several of the Okavango specials are present including endangered wattled cranes and slaty egrets, as well as, at times, the Pels fishing owl. Dinner tonight will be served in the heart of the bush under a galaxy of stars and accompanied by the sounds of the African night.

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DAY 3

This morning, it's time to take to the water and see the wildlife from a different perspective on a mokoro safari (water levels permitting). After exploring the plains by vehicle, it's a refreshing change to explore the lush, lily-filled channels by boat and your guide will silently pole you across deep flowing rivers and glittering lagoons. You'll pass elephant splashing in streams and enormous herds of buffalo congregating to drink.

This afternoon brings another game drive or, in fact, you may prefer to spend the afternoon in camp enjoying a spot of R&R. Cool off in the swimming pool and soak up the sun from a lounge; curl up with a good book in the sunken lounge or just extend your siesta-snooze for a while longer.

Enjoy your final dinner in camp and afterwards, retire to the camp fire with a whiskey for a night of safari tales.

DAY 4

Depending on your flight time, breakfast at first light and head out on a final exploration of the Delta, looking for the unusual semi-aquatic sitatunga antelope and the beautiful lechwe that hide in the nooks and crannies. There will be just enough time for a quick shower and freshen up at the lodge.

Otherwise, enjoy a leisurely breakfast overlooking the water before transferring to the airstrip for your onward flight.



SCENIC HELI FLIGHTS

OPTIONAL EXTRA AT ADDITIONAL COST

Add a little magic to your Delta safari and encounter a variety of panoramic delights, priceless memories and stunning photographic opportunities during a scenic helicopter flight.

HOT AIR BALLOONING

PLEASE NOTE THAT HOT AIR BALLOON FLIGHTS CAN ONLY BE BOOKED WITH A TRANSFER TO AND FROM THE LAUNCH SITE VIA HELICOPTER.

Experience the epitome of a balloon safari, drifting over one of Africa's great wilderness destinations. A unique landscape flooded with water interspersed with winding channels, dotted with islands and surprisingly large expanses of woodland forests. This age old adventure explores the Okavango Delta in a completely unique way, offering a 360 degree panoramic view from tree top level to a thousand feet in the air.



ENJOY YOUR **DINNER** AND
AFTERWARDS, RETIRE AROUND
THE **CAMP FIRE** WITH A
WHISKEY FOR A NIGHT OF
SAFARI TALES.

