



Savute Safari Lodge Fact Sheet

Chobe National Park

**** Star Grading

Location

- Chobe National Park
- Situated on the banks of Botswana's fabled "Stolen River" the Savute Channel
- Stretching from the waterways of the Linyanti all the way to the Savute Marsh, the winding waterways of the Savute Channel have pumped life into the western section of the Chobe National Park for many thousands of generations. But this fickle and unpredictable channel has a fascinating history of flooding and drying up independently of good rainy seasons and flood levels elsewhere – a mystery that has intrigued geologists and researchers for many years
- GPS Co-ordinates S18 33 54.17 E24 03 26.86

Seasons

- Summer: September – April
- Winter: May – August
- Closed for 1 month during the rainy season (January-March) for refurbishments and maintenance

Game Viewing

- Activities are centred around game drives throughout the Savute area in open 4x4 safari vehicles
- Many trips will incorporate a visit to the famous Savute Marsh for your chance to see the historic presence of the Savute Channel at the marsh against a teeming backdrop of wildlife
- Guests will also enjoy a visit to the ancient San rock paintings at Gubatsa Hills, a small hilly outcrop which forms a remarkable landmark in the otherwise flat landscape
- Savute lays claim to a spectacularly large summer zebra migration, which is determined by the rains but usually occurs between November and December and again between February and April when the zebras move from the rivers in the north in search of the lush grasslands and full waterholes in the southeast of the park. They are always accompanied by a myriad of predators



Accessibility

- **Air** – Savute airstrip is served by Safari Air charter aircraft from Maun International Airport (IATA:MUB) and Kasane Airport (IATA:BBK)
- **Road** – 200kms from Maun on sandy roads suitable for 4WD vehicles only, approximately a 6 hours' drive

Savute Airstrip Details

- Savute Airstrip is owned by the Department of Wildlife and National Parks
- Airstrip GPS Co-ordinates S18 31 16.84 E24 04 33.39
- The airstrip is a CAAB licenced Class B airstrip and can accommodate aircraft up to MAUW 5700kg's (Cessna Caravan)
- Airstrip length: 1000m
- Depending on the time of year and safety restrictions on individual runways, groups may be split up due to safety reasons
- Please note there is a limit of 20kg's per person (including hand luggage) in SOFT BAGS (No hard bags or soft bags with hard wheel bases allowed e.g.: Samsonite's)

Savute Airstrip to Savute Safari Lodge Transfer

A road transfer of approximately 25 minutes to camp

Flying Times

- To/from Maun: 50 minutes
- To/from Kasane: 45 minutes

Accommodation

12 luxury rooms on raised platforms consisting of:

- 12 x twin bedded suites
- 1 x guide/pilot tent

The camp can accommodate a maximum of 24 guests

Guest room details

- Luxury thatch and timber chalets raised on expansive private decks
- En-suite bathroom comprising of a shower, hand basin and toilet
- Fans in all guest rooms
- 220V Plug points for charging equipment
- A range of African bio degradable soaps, conditioning shampoo, hand wash, body lotion with insect repellent and shower caps are supplied in each room
- A hairdryer is available from the lodge reception
- Tea and coffee making facilities in each room
- Flashlight available in each room
- Gowns supplied in each room
- Umbrella's for the rainy season
- Battery operated reading lights, desk light and bathroom light at night
- Small safe for valuables
- Emergency air horn for emergency situations



Camp Description

- The area is renowned for its population of bull elephant and for the unique interaction of the resident predator species. The close proximity of wildlife translates itself into the recently refurbished, modern African décor
- Savute boasts a viewing deck and an al fresco dining area which is ideal for watching game at the waterhole
- The sitting area, library and cocktail bar are situated in an exquisite thatch and timber main building
- Swimming pool and sundeck overlooking the waterhole
- Curio shop

Activities

- Game Drives with open safari Land Cruisers

Suggested Daily Activity Schedule

Winter (April – September)

- 05h30 - Early morning wakeup call
- 06h00 - Light continental breakfast is served in the dining room
- 06h30 - Leave for morning activity (approximately 3-4 hours)
- 11h30 - Brunch is served at the shaded dining deck
- 15h00 - Afternoon tea is served at the shaded dining deck
- 15h30 - Depart for afternoon activity (approximately 3 hours)
- 18h30 - Arrive back at lodge
- 19h30 - Dinner is served at the dining deck

Summer (October – March)

- 05h00 - Early morning wakeup call
- 05h30 - Light continental breakfast is served in the dining room
- 06h00 - Leave for morning activity (approximately 3-4 hours)
- 11h00 - Brunch is served at the shaded dining deck (weather permitting)
- 15h30 - Afternoon tea is served at the shaded dining deck (weather permitting)
- 16h00 - Depart for afternoon activity (approximately 3 hours)
- 19h00 - Arrive back at lodge
- 20h00 - Dinner is served at the dining deck (weather permitting)

Electricity & Water

- Savute Safari Lodge operates on AC 220V generator power which is available during the day and evening
- Guest accommodation is equipped with a 220-volt AC plug which is suitable for hairdryers and the recharging of camera and video batteries
- The generator is switched off at night and inverted 12-volt DC lighting provides room and bathroom illumination overnight



Pricing / Child Policy

- **Green Season:** December to March
 - **Shoulder Season:** April to June and November
 - **High Season:** July to October
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- Children over the age of 6 years are welcome. Families with children aged 6-11 will be required to book private activities at an additional cost, the nature of which may be subject to the discretion of the managers or guides
 - Should a family consist of two or more children, parents will need to split up and share with children in separate tents
 - There are no family units available therefore one child under the age of 12 years can share with 2 adults (and a separate bed will be placed in the tent)

Drinks Policy

- All local branded drinks are included in the nightly rate

Laundry Policy

- Laundry is done on a daily basis and inclusive in the nightly rate

Extras Payment

- Curios and tips/gratuities can be billed to the room number and settled on check out. Payment can be made by cash (ZAR, US\$, British Sterling, Euro and Pula) or the following credit cards: Visa or MasterCard

Gratuity

- Tipping at own discretion. Our suggested guideline is US\$ 5.00 per person per day for General Camp Staff which goes into a central tipping box and US\$ 10.00 per person per day to the Guide



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