OKAVANGO

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FACT SHEET

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Okavango Hidden Gems introduces Amber River Camp and Camp Maru. Located in a secluded private concession in the southern region of the Okavango Delta, just 80km from Maun (or 23 minutes by helicopter), is a new collection of two camps, tailored to guests looking for authentic, natural luxury. Situated on a permanent channel, bordering Moremi Game Reserve, South of Chitabe, this concession offers exciting, game-rich safaris year-round. The vegetation and ecosystems of the concession are incredibly varied - from open savannah dotted with acacia trees and grassy floodplains to permanent water channels and small islands to explore by mokoro or motorised boat.

Our guiding philosophy - “Touching the Earth Lightly” - influences everything we do, from selecting a building style to choosing guest amenities.

OUR CAMPS

Our camps are both underpinned by the mantra of “touching the earth lightly” and are built in a very similar style, offering the same ambience and understated attention to detail. Both camps offer generously sized tents with luxurious and unpretentious décor with a focus on giving the guests an authentic Okavango Delta experience and leaving no doubt that they have arrived in one of Africa’s true wonders.



AMBER RIVER CAMP

Set just a short way down the Sandididebe channel from Camp Maru, Amber River Camp is our second camp. The camp is set upon an island with year-round water activities and designed in such a way so that guests have a choice of sunrise to wake up to or a wonderful sunset to end the day with from their luxury tents. Amber River Camp has 6 luxury tents with three on each side of the island linked by a treelined walkway and is a more traditionally styled camp with the tents on raised decks along with outside bathtub and shower. The Camp enjoys the same productive game-rich area over which it traverses and is a great option to combine with the 1930's authentic feel that Camp Maru offers.

FACILITIES

Rooms	6 Luxury Tented Rooms at both camps.
Lounge Area	Under canvas, open-air, comfortable seating area, shaded veranda, overlooking lagoon & wetland area. Known as the "Map Room"
Dining	Under canvas, open-air, communal style table. Breakfast & lunch served buffet style. Dinner served plated.
Fire Pit	Campfire area under the stars.
Swimming Pool	Overlooking the lagoon / wetland area; sun loungers, shaded seating.
Laundry	Daily, inclusive laundry service available.
Electricity	Solar farm supplying renewable energy 24 hours a day.
Library (in the map room)	Books on the Delta, animals, flora and fauna are available to read at leisure.
Wi-fi	Available in lounge and dining areas.
Telephone	No telephone communication available. The lodge has a satellite phone and radio for emergencies.
Children	From 12 years and older.
Game Drives	Shared game drives – vehicles seat 6 guests. Private game vehicles available at an extra cost.





AMBER RIVER CAMP TENTED ROOMS

- 6 luxury tented rooms - capacity 12 pax at each camp
- Each room has option of extra-length King Bed or two ¾ beds

Private veranda overlooking the lagoon & wetland area. Comfortable chairs to enjoy the views or catch up on some reading.
En-suite bathrooms with double basin, flush toilet and hot-water his-and-hers showers.
Outdoor shower and outdoor luxury bathtub for bathing under the stars
Unpretentious décor styled after the romance of the 1930's safari.
Luxury eco-friendly guest amenities including insect repellent, shampoo and conditioner.
High quality bed linen and towels.
Mosquito nets.
X 2 Cupboards with hanging space.
Luggage rack.
Ceiling fan plus standing fan
Power point for charging photographic equipment and cell phones.
Flashlight for use in the rooms.
Air horn in case of emergency.
International power point for charging photographic equipment and cell phones





CAMP MARU

The design of Camp Maru is a deliberate return to the authentic safari camps of days gone by and, with just 6 luxurious tents, it offers one of the most intimate and exclusive safari experiences available in the Delta. The Camp is shaded by a grove of giant Leadwood trees on the edge of an expansive lagoon, filled with grunting hippos and fringed with waving papyrus. This permanent water source attracts many animals and birds, both great and small.

Year-round water and land activities produce exceptional game viewing, with elephant, buffalo and wild dog sightings almost a daily occurrence.

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ACTIVITIES WET & DRY

- Game Drives
- Mokoro (permanent year-round water)
- Bush Walks
- Private concession allows for night drives

HIDDEN GEMS TO LOOK FOR

- Our ethos “touching the earth lightly”. Locally sourced products, eco-friendly amenities and décor.
- Renewable energy – solar power, 100% off the grid
- Community upliftment projects
- Generous tent sizes. Décor inspired by the romance of the 1930’S safari
- Camp Maru offers first of their kind temperature regulating tent ceilings
- Option of road transfers for those scared of small planes or who have lots of luggage.



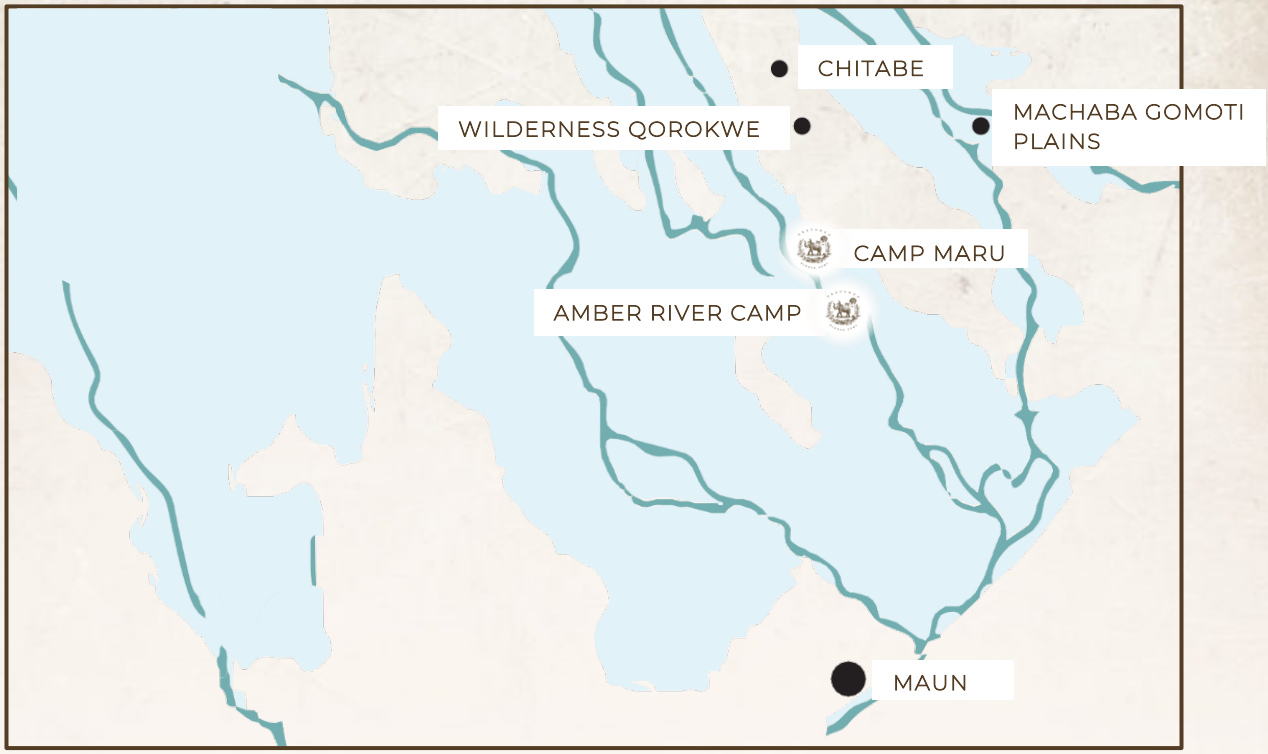






MAP OF OKAVANGO DELTA





HOW TO GET TO THE CAMPS

LAND TRANSFER

Road transfer is approximately 2 ½ hours with game viewing en route. No luggage restrictions on road transfers.

HELICOPTER TRANSFER

Helicopter transfers from Maun are 23 minutes in duration. Personal baggage shall be limited to a total of 20kg per person (including hand luggage). Bags must be soft duffle bags with no frame or wheels. Max size 60cm x 35cm x 30cm (24 inches x 14 inches x 12 inches)

Note: Guests with excess baggage have the option of sending their baggage by road.

WEATHER & SEASONS

SUMMER

Our summer season is from September through to April. High day-time temperatures (30 – 40) and short rainy spells. Pack layers, with hats, sunglasses and sunblock. January and February are the hottest months.

WINTER

Our winter season is from May through to August. Sunny, clear skies and warm by day. Cold mornings and nights (pack a warm jacket, beanie and scarf).





WILDLIFE & GAME VIEWING

Our concession is situated in a game-rich area of the Okavango Delta. This combined with an incredibly diverse habitat, which includes mopane woodland, acacia trees, savannah, floodplains, permanent channels and tiny islands, makes for spectacular and special game viewing.

WILDLIFE SIGHTINGS

Our concession

Daily sightings – elephant, buffalo, hippo, lechwe, multitudes of plains game (giraffe, zebra, warthog, antelope species)

Regular predator sightings – lion, leopard, wild dog, hyena.

Occasional sightings – Roan, sable, pangolin, cheetah, rhino, sitatunga.

Incredible birdlife – especially November to March when summer migrant species are visiting









WHAT TO PACK

- Walking shoes
- Light cotton clothing
- Warm jacket, scarf for chilly mornings
- Sunblock
- Bathing suits

BOOKINGS & ENQUIRIES

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