

NAMBWA
TENTED LODGE
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FACT SHEET



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Where transformation happens, naturally

Nambwa Tented Lodge is a luxury camp with ten soulful and spacious tented suites perched high in the treetops of the Bwabwata National Park in the heart of KAZA – the largest wildlife conservation area in the world. Beautifully secluded, you'll feel as though there's nothing but you, the view, and sometimes, the passage of migrating wildlife below.

A place that offers nourishing settings and activities, Nambwa Tented Lodge is an antidote to the everyday, and a chance to rest, re-energise and reconnect. At the heart of the lodge is a majestic deck with a large seated fire pit, where you'll enjoy open-sky dining and rewarding views of the floodplains below. This is where large herds of elephants, buffalos and plains game gather. In the evening they may seek refuge beneath your suite.

When dawn breaks, tea or coffee and homemade biscuits are delivered to your tent. From your private treehouse deck, you can watch the sky illuminate in preparation for the day's adventure. Our elegant safari lounge is the perfect place to relax and holds a library featuring vintage artefacts, books, and small relics found on site while building the lodge on this historical military area.

As Nambwa Tented Lodge is situated next to Namibia's Kwando River and its vast floodplains, animals often meander through the camp and a game drive is not even necessary. You can marvel at the animals while sipping on sundowners from the safety of the decks or lengthy walkways, just metres below you – a memory that's unique to this offbeat destination and one you'll treasure for life.

A sense of serenity high above

To honour the elephants' right of way, a timber walkway joins the 10 spacious tented suites among treetops. Tastefully decorated in natural colours the suites open up completely, evoking a feeling of vastness and serenity.

- Built among the treetops
- 110 square metres of space
- 4-6 metres above the ground
- Private lounge
- En-suite bathroom with shower and bath
- Spacious viewing deck
- Mosquito nets around the beds
- Laptop safe
- Biodegradable amenities
- Wifi in main area and all guest suites
- 220V plug points, hair dryers, and fans in all tents
- Complimentary in-room mineral water
- Fresh coffee or tea delivered to your private deck



Helpful information

ACCOMMODATION

Ten luxury tented suites and two Meru guide/pilot ensuite tents.

SMOKING POLICY

Smoking is only allowed on the private, outside wooden decks that form part of each tented suite. Smoking is not allowed anywhere in the bush or public guest areas or while taking part in any activity.

LOCATION

Located inside the Bwabwata National Park, in the heart of KAZA, in Namibia's Zambezi Region – on the banks of the Kwando River and its floodplains.

LAUNDRY

A laundry service is available.

ELECTRICITY & WATER

- Nambwa Tented Lodge operates on 220V solar power, 24 hours a day.
- Guest accommodation is equipped with a 220-volt AC plug suitable for hairdryers and the recharging of camera and video batteries.
- Filtered water infused with fruit or hibiscus is available in the main area.
- Mineral water is supplied to guest rooms, however the lodge water is pumped from a borehole. It undergoes rigorous UV filtration and is safe for human consumption. Regular tests are performed to ensure we meet the highest safety standards.

DIETARY NEEDS

When making your reservation, please let us know if you have any special dietary needs.



Helpful information continued...

PAYMENT POLICY

A 30% deposit is required at least three months prior to arrival, once a reservation is made. Full payment of the balance is due 30 days prior to guests arrival, unless the booking is made within 14 days, in which case full payment will be required to confirm the reservation.

For all bookings cancelled between:

- 60 and 30 days prior to arrival – 50 % of the total amount will be due.
- 29 and 15 days prior to arrival – 75 % of the total amount will be due.
- 14 and 0 days prior to arrival – 100 % of the total amount will be due.

SEASONS

- Green season: April – June, December – March
- Peak season: July – November

CHILD POLICY

We welcome children of all ages

- Children should be under the control and supervision of their parents at all times.
- Children between the age of 0 and 5 will be charged 25% of the adult rate.
- Children between the ages of 6 and 11 will be charged 50% of the adult rate. Children aged 12 count as adults and are charged the full adult rate.
- Private game drives or boat cruises are compulsory for guests travelling with children under 11.

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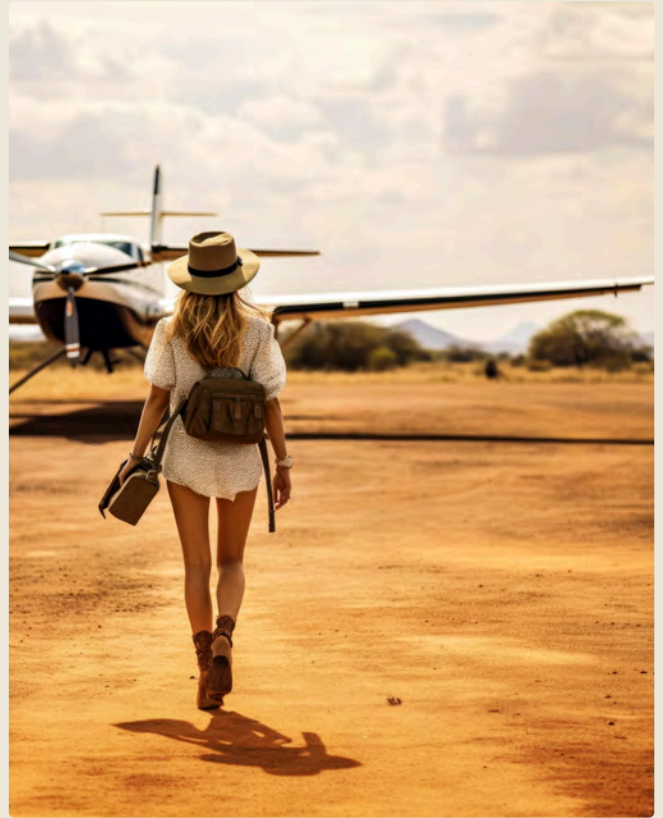
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RATES

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Access

By Road

The entrance to Nambwa Tented Lodge includes 14 km of sand road. A four-wheel drive vehicle is required. Guests should not attempt to reach the lodge with a two-wheel drive vehicle.

- GPS coordinates are: S 17°52'31.28"
E 23°19'1.46"
- It will take approximately 11 hours from Windhoek to Nambwa Tented Lodge by road travelling at a speed of 100 km/h.
- Road transfers are available from Vic Falls, Livingstone, Kasane and Katima Mulilo (rates on request).

By Air

- Immelman landing strip (no floats).
- Co-ordinates S 17°46'500" E 023°18'300"
- Length of runway: 1300 meters.

Directions

FROM WINDHOEK

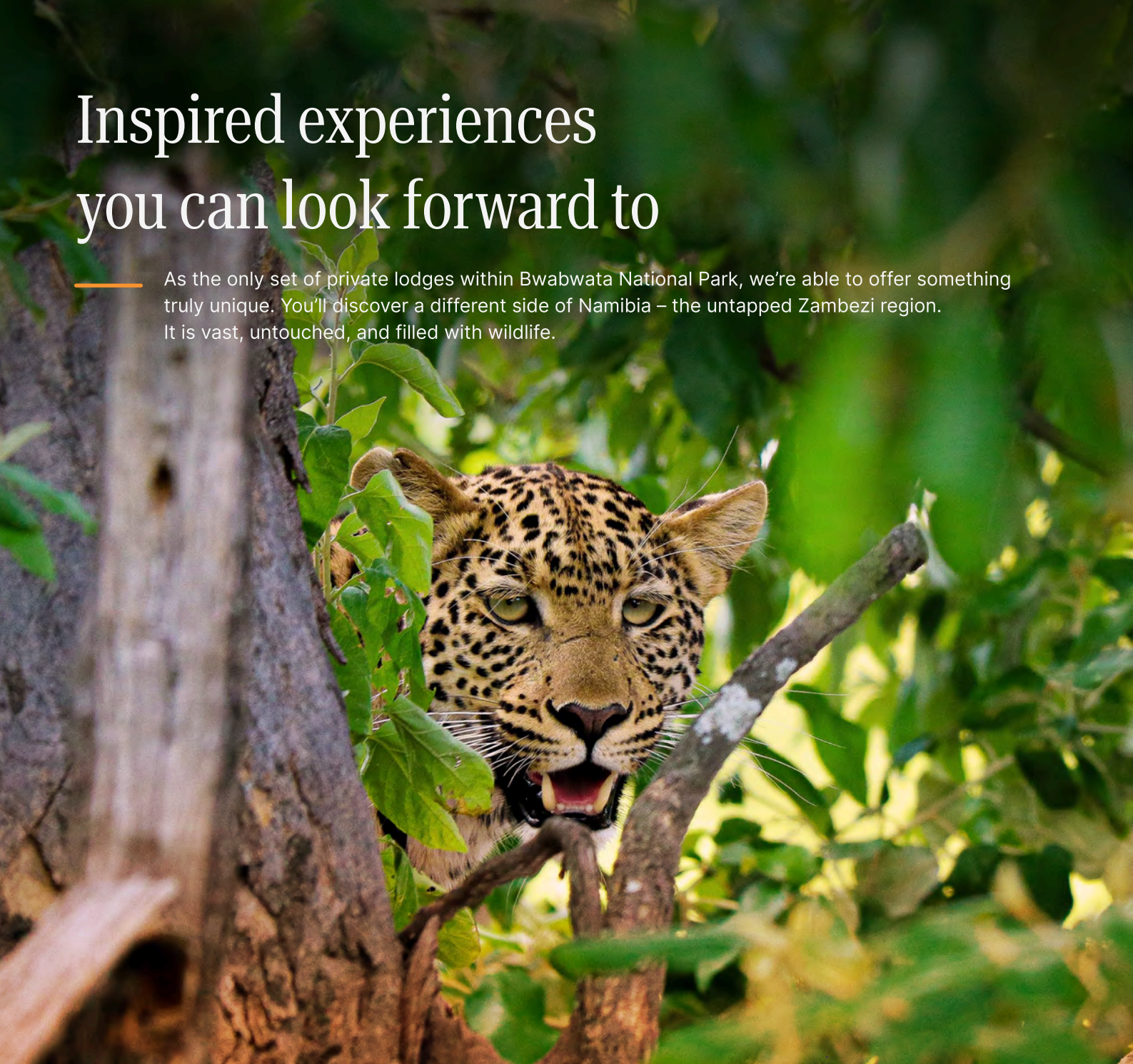
- Nambwa Tented Lodge is located approximately 1114 km and 11 hours' drive northeast of Windhoek.
- Take the B1 from Windhoek to Otavi. At Otavi, turn right on the B10 and go northeast until Rundu. At Rundu, go east on the B8 for 200 km where you will cross the Okavango River at Divundu. You will pass through a police checkpoint. From the Divundu checkpoint you will drive 194 km to the park reception sign board on your left. You will turn right at the dirt road leading to the park reception. The park turnoff is 7 km west of Kongola and 2.3 km before you reach the police checkpoint on the bridge. If you reach the checkpoint you have gone too far.
- 4×4 vehicles are required for the last 14 km to the lodge.
- Once you have passed through the park reception gate, follow the green concrete road signs as well as the Nambwa signs until you reach the lodge. It will take approximately 45 minutes. Remember you are now driving in one of the largest conservation areas in the world, enjoy the drive.
- For guests who do not have 4×4 vehicles: proceed along the B8, through the police checkpoint until you reach the small town of Kongola. Take a right turn onto the C49 at the Kongola Fuel Station.
- Please contact the lodge when you reach Kongola in order to dispatch a boat for your collection. Continue south along the C49 for 8.5km. You will reach The Sijwa Project turnoff on the right side. Continue down the gravel road for 400m, take the first turn to the left and continue along this gravel road for another 1.17 km until the road veers slightly to the left. Continue down this road for a further 987m until you reach The Sijwa Project.

You do not need a 4×4 to drive along the 2.5km gravel road to The Sijwa Project. Your vehicle can be parked safely at The Sijwa Project. If you contacted the lodge from Kongola, a boat will be there for your transfer to Nambwa Tented Lodge. A transfer fee will be applicable.



Inspired experiences you can look forward to

As the only set of private lodges within Bwabwata National Park, we're able to offer something truly unique. You'll discover a different side of Namibia – the untapped Zambezi region. It is vast, untouched, and filled with wildlife.



3 Hours

Game Drives

Look out for the Big Four: lions, elephants, buffaloes and leopards, as well as wild dogs and more. It's also a birder's paradise with 450 bird species to identify.



Bush Walks

A rare opportunity as we're the only set of lodges permitted to offer guided walks within the park.



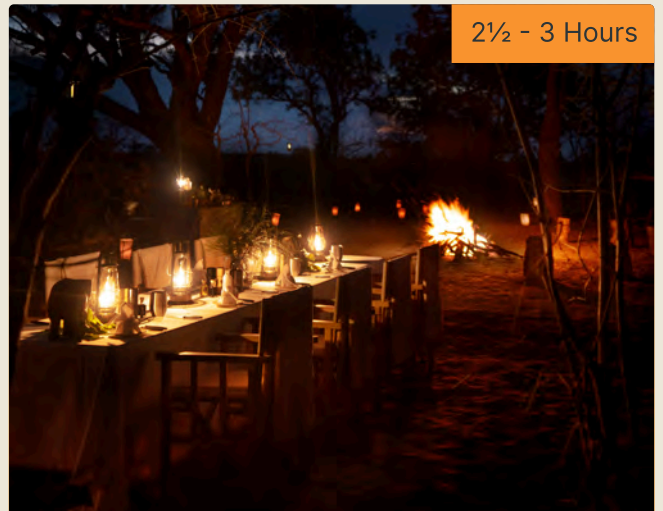
Boat Cruise

An informative, yet soulful experience on waterways similar to that of the Okavango Delta.



Sijwa Project Tour

Enrich your vacation and explore local culture with a visit to our award-winning community project.



Bush Dining

A quintessential African safari experience with delectable cuisine served in a remote, peaceful setting.



Romantic Picnic

Enjoy sparkling wine and an organic spread as a secluded picnic for two under a canopy of majestic trees.



Fishing

Head out at dawn to fish for tilapia, catfish, nembwe, and the elusive tiger fish. We support catch and release.



Sundowners

Gaze across the famous Horseshoe Lagoon and take in breathtaking sunsets with homemade, healthy snacks.

Kids on Safari

Offered at Nambwa Tented Lodge



3 Days

Kids on Safari

The Kids on Safari package is available for stays at our Nambwa Tented Lodge. It teaches children about the need to protect nature and how conservation tourism can be a force for good.

The lodge can tailor a range of activities for younger guests, but a few examples of what they may get up to during a 3-night stay include bushwalks, bush quizzes, a visit to the Sijwa Project – including bracelet making, camping on a private island, tales around the fire, a boat cruise, fishing, receiving their Junior Ranger kit, and getting their Junior Ranger Certification.

As adults you'll be able to enjoy the beautiful seclusion and the migrating wildlife below, while your kids will be whisked away on treasure hunts and bush walks where they will learn tracking and survival skills in the bush as they explore the riverways of the Kwando River.

The Sijwa Project



The Sijwa Sustainable Community Project was launched in 2018 with a vision of empowering the community. The project re-purposes and re-invents all recyclable waste from African Monarch Journeys and the local community, turning it into exquisite arts and crafts. It's also an organic permaculture nursery supplying food for lodge guests and locals alike.

Our integrated holistic approach to conservation incorporates traditional knowledge and cultural values while we measure our results by looking at tangible benefits like upskilling or sales. A visit to this cultural village will leave you feeling enriched by local culture as you take part in and enjoy the activities.





Hints and tips to make the most of your time in the bush

- Bring a good camera and binoculars. Take care not to disturb animals when using a flash.
- Bring sunglasses, a hat, sunblock, insect repellent and a sweater or fleece for evenings especially in the winter.
- During the winter, we provide blankets and hot water bottles if it's cold, and ponchos if it is raining.
- It's best to wear pale and neutral colours when going on wild experiences so as not to attract the animals' attention any more than necessary.
- Closed shoes are required for bush walks.
- We do provide basic fishing tackle, but you are welcome to bring along your own. Should you lose any of our tackle it will be charged additionally.

Get in touch

If you have any questions, please feel free to get in touch.
We're here for you.

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