



SANCTUARY
BAINES' CAMP

OKAVANGO DELTA



BOTSWANA 6 SUITES

Sanctuary Baines' Camp is our smallest camp with only six luxurious Suites. With Star Baths and Sky Beds on your private deck, this is a romantic oasis.



LUXURY, NATURALLY

Adventure, enchantment and 'Luxury, naturally' - all delivered with a quiet, understated charm and understanding of place – is the guiding philosophy of Sanctuary Retreats and one of our smallest camps, Sanctuary Baines' Camp.

Sanctuary Baines' Camp is perched above the Boro River in a private concession bordering the Moremi Game Reserve in Botswana's Okavango Delta and with its vast and diverse wildlife species is one of the premium destinations in the world for a dynamic safari experience and offers a truly unique wilderness safari in Africa.

An intimate safari camp, Sanctuary Baines' was named after the 19th century explorer and painter Thomas Baines. This is Sanctuary's smallest camp with just six suites set on elevated platforms in the tree line with wooden decks that offer expansive views over the permanent water of the Boro River and a lagoon teeming with life. An eco-friendly property, Sanctuary Baines' Camp was built using only commercially grown wood, with over 150,000 recycled aluminium cans incorporated within the walls to provide insulation.

USPS

- Small intimate camp with just 6 suites
- Romantic Sky Beds and Star Baths make it a perfect place for honeymoons
- Offers land and river based activities, walking and night drives
- Unique bush skills activity
- Eco-friendly camp built from cans
- Complimentary Wi-Fi available in all the rooms

ACCOMMODATION AND FACILITIES

The six raised abodes at this boutique camp have light and airy bedrooms opening out onto curved terraces overlooking the Boro River. Each luxury suite features ensuite facilities, a private viewing deck with Star Bath and four-poster Sky Bed swathed in mosquito netting.

The four-poster beds are fully mobile and can easily be wheeled out onto the private wooden deck overlooking the shimmering waters of the Boro River. For the ultimate indulgence, guests can enjoy a Star Bath on the deck. Each room is equipped with a hairdryer, ceiling fan, in-room safe, minibar, and mosquito nets. Ensuite facilities include an indoor shower and double vanity. Complimentary wireless internet access is available in all of the rooms of the camp.

Discover a world entirely interconnected by wooden walkways – greet the hippos and step straight from the camp's jetty into a boat. Follow the raised boardwalks and find communal spaces encircling a sculptural earth formation and rising acacia thorn tree. The camp also has a swimming pool with two thatched salas on either side. Electricity supply is solar energy, with a back-up generator system.

LOCATION AND GETTING THERE

Sanctuary Baines' Camp is located in the 260,000 acre private NG32 concession which neighbours the game rich Moremi Game Reserve. The camp is accessible by air and has its own registered private airstrip located approximately 45 minutes from the camp.

Flying times: (dependent on multiple pick-ups and drop offs)

- Maun to Baines' airstrip - 15 minutes
- Chief's airstrip to Baines' airstrip - 10 minutes
- Kasane to Baines' airstrip - 1 hour 30 minutes
- Livingstone to Baines' airstrip via Kasane airport - 2 hours
- Livingstone to Baines' airstrip via Kazangula and Kasane - 2 hours and 30 minutes

PLEASE NOTE:

All inter-camp flights are provided by Mack Air. Maximum of 20kg of luggage per person is allowed for light aircraft flights, including hand luggage and camera equipment. Maximum luggage dimensions are 30cm x 35cm x 70cm.



GAME VIEWING AND ACTIVITIES

The game viewing around camp is thrilling. Water crossings are part of the adventure and watching zebra standing belly-deep grazing is a sight to see! Because Sanctuary Baines' Camp is set in a private concession, there is the opportunity to venture out after dark on night game drives to see the nocturnal animals. Key wildlife include: lion, leopard, elephant, buffalo, cheetah, giraffe, impala, zebra, wild dog, hyena, and hippo.

The following activities are included in your stay:

Game drives: Enjoy game drives, spotting wildlife from open-sided 4X4 vehicles, accompanied by professional guides. Because the camp is located on a private concession, guests have the opportunity to see animals up close on both morning and evening game drives to discover incredible nocturnal species.

Mokoro excursions and motorised boating: One of the best ways to view the wildlife is in a mokoro, a locally made dugout canoe or a motorised boat. Explore the waterways and lagoons that make up the Okavango Delta as you see the plains game from a new angle. (Subject to water levels). Generally mokoros are available from June to October and motorised boating from February to September but can't be guaranteed.

Walking safaris: Discover the signs of the bush, accompanied by your guide and armed ranger on exciting walking safaris. The camp is set in a private concession meaning guests can get very close in perfect safety with one of our guides.

Scenic helicopter flights: Enjoy a scenic helicopter flight over the permanent delta, exposing areas unreachable by vehicle or boat and showcasing the sheer enormity of the Okavango Delta. There is the option of the doors being removed for unrestricted photographic opportunities. Guests are able to choose between a 30, 45 or 60 minute tour in a three seater, one turbine Bell Jetranger helicopter. This activity is offered on a year round basis. Guests are able to choose when they would like to do the activity, however we would recommend early morning and late afternoon as this time usually provides the best light for photography. Preferred flight times can be requested in camp when making a booking.



A TYPICAL DAY ON SAFARI

Summer Schedule: September - April

- 05:30 Wakeup call
- 06:00 Breakfast
- 06:30 Depart for morning game viewing
- 12:00 Lunch
- 16:30 Depart for afternoon game viewing
- 20:30 Dinner

Winter Schedule: May - August

- 06:00 Wakeup call
- 06:30 Breakfast
- 07:00 Depart for morning game viewing
- 11:30 Lunch
- 16:00 Depart for afternoon game viewing
- 20:00 Dinner

HONEYMOONS AND SPECIAL OCCASIONS

Guests celebrating their honeymoon will receive special surprises during their stay. All attempts are made to keep honeymooners separate from other guests.

Our honeymoon services include:

- Sparkling wine on arrival in the room
- Romantic turn downs
- Private candle lit dinner at the pool deck
- Private island lunch in the bush (dependent on weather and vehicle availability)
- Star Bath set up as a surprise (dependent on weather)
- Sky Bed rolled out onto room deck for a night under the stars

FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN

We welcome children 6 years and older at Sanctuary Baines' Camp.

Our friendly guides will be able to offer special children's activities. These include teaching them the art of poling a mokoro, a local dug-out canoe commonly used in the Delta. It is propelled through the shallow waters of the delta by standing in the stern and pushing with a pole, in the same manner as punting. Find water and identify edible plants in the bush. Learn how to make rope out of natural materials.

Children under 15 years are required to share with an adult. The camp is able to accommodate 1 triple per night. Private vehicle must be booked for children aged 5 years and younger. Children aged 15 years and younger aren't allowed on walking safaris. Housekeepers are able to baby sit children while guests are on an activity.

DINING

Breakfast, lunch, snacks during activities and dinners are all included in your stay. Breakfast is served before the morning game activity. During your morning game viewing activity, coffee, tea and a selection of pastries and biscuits will be served out in the bush. Lunch will be enjoyed back at the camp.

Afternoon and evening game drives include classic sundowner cocktails and canapés at specially selected spots before returning to the camp for pre-dinner drinks and dinner. Romantic private dinners on your room deck or by the pool can be arranged upon request. With prior notice, our camps are able to arrange halaal meals, however, please note our kitchens aren't strictly halaal and our chefs are not trained in halaal food preparation. Unfortunately, we are unable to arrange kosher meals.

Meals typically consist of the following:

- Breakfast: Continental and full English Breakfast
- Lunch: Table d'Hote with a variety of choices, one being a vegetarian
- Dinner: Table d'Hote, 3 course meal with 2 to 3 choices, one being a vegetarian



CLIMATE

Green season usually begins in late November and lasts through early March. This season has hot sunny days with occasional afternoon thundershowers cooling down the surrounding area. Average daily temperatures range from 20°C-38°C. The dry season runs from late May to early October. In winter (June–August) temperatures can plummet as low as 0°C at night with a daily maximum of around 26°C-28°C.

CLOTHING

Clothing should be cool and comfortable. Greens, browns and khaki coloured clothing are advisable for safaris especially when doing a walking safari. We suggest long sleeves and long trousers and for morning and evenings due to mosquitoes and a fleece jacket as it could be cold early mornings. Sturdy and comfortable shoes are essential. A complimentary overnight laundry service is offered in the camp.

Sunscreen, sunglasses and hats are essential. Binoculars and good cameras are an absolute must. The camp provides a torch as well as complimentary mosquito repellent and toiletries.

HEALTH

We advise all travellers to take precautions against malaria and we recommend speaking with your GP or personal physician four to six weeks before departure. Travellers from or through countries which have been declared yellow fever infected areas must provide an international health certificate of vaccination for yellow fever upon arrival into Botswana.

MONEY AND CREDIT CARDS

All extras can be paid for with Visa, MasterCard and traveller's cheques. US dollars, Pounds, Euros and Rands are also accepted; however change will be given in the local currency. Diners Card and American Express Cards are not accepted.

TIPPING GUIDELINE

Tipping is not obligatory but generally accepted rates are \$15 per guest per day for the guide and \$15 per guest per day for the rest of the staff.

SPECIAL REQUESTS

Sanctuary Baines' Camp prides itself on its personalised services. Please let us know if you have any special requests, interests, dietary requirements, allergies or medical conditions.



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LUXURY, NATURALLY

Sanctuary Retreats was born in Africa with the launch of our first luxury safari camp, Sanctuary Olonana, in Kenya, in 1999. Today, the Sanctuary Retreats portfolio of luxury safari lodges and expedition ships brings a much wider choice of our boutique adventure than ever before – but our standards remain the same. We promise adventure, enchantment and 'Luxury, naturally', all delivered with a quiet, understated charm and understanding of place.

RESERVATIONS AND ENQUIRIES

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