

Travel Itinerary

3 night Makgadikgadi Horse Safari
AD Active Experiences



At a glance...

- 3 nights Camp Kalahari – Full board basis & activities

Day 1: Camp Kalahari

Arrive at Camp Kalahari, on your flight into Tsigaro Airstrip, where you will meet your host and horse riding guide. Camp Kalahari, lies nestled amongst the acacias and Mokolwane palms of Brown Hyena Island on the edge of the Makgadikgadi Salt Pans.

Located on Hyena Island at the edge of an ancient super lake and adjacent to the Makgadikgadi National Park, is the classically quaint Camp Kalahari. Nestled amongst acacias trees and Mokolwane palms and looking onto the completely vast and empty nothingness of the glittering-white Makgadikgadi saltpan, Camp Kalahari offers fresh and affordable adventure. An eclectic mix of original African furniture and textiles, paired with campaign-style furniture and colonial antiques gives this family-friendly safari camp a stylish and laid-back atmosphere. Spacious and comfortable, 11 classic safari tents include one inter-leading family tent. Each tent has four poster beds and comfy linen, en-suite covered bathrooms, hot and cold running water and flush loos.

The distinctive dry season brings lunar landscapes and unparalleled stary night skies from horizon to horizon. Game drives, fascinating wildlife and scenery are part of the appeal of this camp. In addition, the cultural and historical component (including an informative Bushman interaction experience) rounds off a visit to Camp Kalahari.

Note: The dry season and green season itineraries differ slightly depending on the season.



- 11 Meru tents, including one family tent

- Stunning desert landscape: vast salt pans
- Relaxed camp: pool, deck & comfortable seating
- Game drives: unique desert-adapted wildlife
- Habituated meerkats & seasonal zebra migration (Green season: Nov – Mar)

After tea, head off in the beautiful afternoon light for **an introductory ride** to get comfortable with your horse and experience the beauty of this magical area. **Return to camp for sundowners and dinner.**

Overnight Camp Kalahari, on a full board basis.

Day 2: Camp Kalahari



After an early start and a light breakfast, head off in search of some of the Kalahari's most fascinating inhabitants, the meerkats. Tether the horses and proceed on foot into the midst of this group. These habituated meerkats let us get up close and personal. Following well-worn trails that lead to the resident herds of zebra and large congregations of ostriches, attracted to hidden waterholes.

Return to camp for lunch and a siesta.

Later this afternoon, after tea, climb aboard the vehicles to search for unique desert species such as springbok, gemsbok, red hartebeest and elusive brown hyena. These desert-adapted animals survive in arid areas, where food and water are scarce. **Enjoy a night drive back to camp**, and with the aid of a spot-light, look out for nocturnal inhabitants such as armadillo, bat-eared foxes, armadillos, porcupine, honey badgers and perhaps even a black-maned Kalahari lion.

Arrive at Camp Kalahari for dinner.

Overnight Camp Kalahari, on a full board basis.

Day 3: Camp Kalahari

After a light breakfast, take a long morning ride through the "land of a thousand islands" – palm-treed sand dunes stranded on the ancient lakebed. The white encrusted pans provides excellent riding terrain, and if there has been much rain, migratory water birds may be seen.

Return to camp for lunch and leisure time, avoiding the heat of the day under shady trees or in the swimming pool.

After tea we go in search of the desert animals (game vehicle or ride). Dinner at Camp Kalahari.

Overnight Camp Kalahari, on a full board basis.

Day 4: Camp Kalahari / Depart

This morning, drive through the bush to a traditionally built Bushmen village; where the community gathers during the day. The huts provide shelter from the harsh Kalahari environment, but are not the community's permanent accommodation. The elders welcome you in a traditional manner, then **the community accompanies you on an instructive walk**, revealing the Kalahari and Bushmen way of life. Distinct ecological characteristics, animals and bird species are pointed out, and spontaneous discussions about the uses of plants and wildlife provides the fascinating link between culture and the environment.

Depart camp for your onward journey.

Inclusions

- 3 nights accommodation Camp Kalahari
 - All meals & snacks
 - Soft drinks & selected alcoholic drinks
 - Horse riding (bring your own helmet)
 - Game & nature drives
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Exclusions

- Premium brand drinks
- Light aircraft transfers to/from Tsigaro Airstrip
- Riding gear: hard hat