

African Animal Adventure Safaris presents:

Wilderness Initiative: A Learning and Discovery Experience (WILDE)

WILDE is more than just a safari, it is an integrated educational experience! Learn about your surroundings as you listen, see, taste, and touch them during a two week mobile safari. Designed for participants of all ages, these safaris are for students of life. They are perfect for anyone who has ever wanted to know more about the natural world. Reconnect with that perpetual wonder you had as a child when you wanted to know about everything, from aardvarks to zebras.

Species Topics

- Life history and behavior
- Role in the ecosystem
- Conservation
- Current research in the Delta and Botswana
- Wildlife management

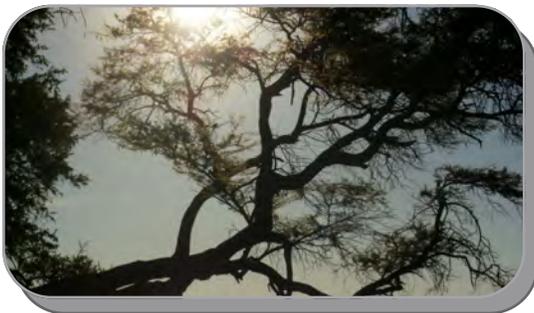
Species and taxon

- Elephants and rhinos
- Antelope
- Birds
- Carnivores
- Reptiles & small mammals
- Invertebrates



Ecosystem topics

- Ecosystem Services:
 - from Delta to Desert
- Vegetation: wetlands to dry sands
- Role of local communities in Botswana wildlife conservation
- Effects of climate change on Botswana flora and fauna



Itinerary

- Day 1: Arrival in Maun
- Day 2-3: Nxai Pans
- Day 4-5: Central Kalahari Game Reserve
- Day 6-8: Makgadikgadi Pans
- Day 9: Overnight in Maun
- Day 10-14: Khwai River/Moremi Game Reserve
- Day 15: Afternoon return to Maun
- Day 16: Departure





Your wildlife discovery adventure will take you through three different biomes. The experience combines structured discussions with experiential game viewing to give you a comprehensive understanding of the ecosystems. As you travel from desert to wetlands, you will learn how to keenly observe and interpret what you see. You will use this knowledge to understand the role of each species in their environment.

We introduce you to your surroundings by describing the true shapers of the ecosystem—climate and geology. As you explore each habitat, we detail the adaptations that allow the animals and plants to thrive there.

We encourage you to pair your stunning photos with sketches of the animals and plants that you encounter, noting their behavior and how perfectly their shape and color suits their habitat. Your journal may be full of astute observations, fantastic puns (are evil wildebeests bad gnus?), and your thoughts about your wilderness encounters.



Dates 2013

15—30 April, 13—28 May, 10—25 June, 08—23 July, 05—20 August

It is possible to join us for the first or second half of a trip. We will also work with you to design your own WILDE Safari.

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