

Located on a wildlife -rich management area, Kasane Forest in a sublime setting bordering Zambezi National Park, and its uniqueness where four countries meet: Botswana, Namibia, Zambia and Zimbabwe on the confluence of the two major river, Chobe and the mighty Zambezi- it's no surprise this is where Chobe Mopani Forest Lodge is situated. The unforgettable eco-lodge offers a secluded escape in the heart of the African bush where attention to detail and a passionate team invite guests to fall in love with the wilderness and witness nature's displays of drama, serenity, and freedom in the heart of Africa. We have 20 ensuite standard rooms, 2 stand-alone ensuite Meru chalets, and 9 campsites with private showers and ablution blocks on an elevated deck.

# **Location & Accessibility**

Guests are met by Chobe Mopani Forest Lodge either from Zambia/Zimbabwe border post, Kasane town, or Kasane airport and transferred to the lodge. From Kasane the road is on tarred road for almost 40 minutes and its accessible throughout the year.

Situated on the protected area (wildlife management Kasane Forest)
Botswana-Zimbabwe border line, almost 50 km on tarred road Kasane
Pandamatenga road, almost 10minutes from the tarred road to the lodge and
30 minutes to the borderline of Botswana Zimbabwe Border. (Between two parks
Zambezi National Park on Zimbabwe side and Chobe National Park on Botswana
side and 30km from Kazuma Pan. Since the lodge is situated between the two
national parks i.e the animals roams in abundance and it is a home to the largest
concentration of elephants transiting in between. STRICLY NO WALKING TO THE
LODGE!

Road transfer- coming from Kasane Airport almost 50 minutes
Road transfer –coming from Ngoma border almost 1h30 minutes
Road transfer –coming from Zimbabwe –Zambia Border Post almost 45 minutes
Road transfer-Coming from Pandamatenga almost 50 minutes
From Pandamatenga –Kasane road turn to the lodge -10 minutes on gravel road
GPS:18°07'34.0"S 25°20'44.0"E -18.126111, 25.345556

# **SEASONS**

(the climate is semi-arid) hot and dry throughout the year, rainfall tends to be erratic and unpredictable)

Summer: November-March

Winter: May -August

The in between periods: April/early May and September/October (tend to be dry, but the days are cooler than in summer and nights are warmer than in winter

Rainfall: October and April being transitional months. January and February are regarded as the peak season.



# **ACCOMMODATION**

18 standard ensuite rooms facing the waterhole

2 family unit (2 standard rooms with interleading door) facing the waterhole

2 stand-alone meru chalets

9 private campsite with elevated platform each with private ablutions



# **LODGE DETAILS & AMENITIES**

- Room Rates (DBB,2nights or 3 nights package)
- •2 blocks each with ten rooms, each with 5 ground floor rooms elevated and 5 first floor rooms with private balcony
- •Guide rooms available (same standard as guest rooms)
- •Main area with open reception, gift shop, on a deck with private balcony facing water hole
- •2 dining areas with mini bar each (upstairs and downstairs facing the waterhole
- •Lounge or briefing area by the swimming pool
- •The boma with fireplace on deck and platform by the waterhole
- •Raised walkways from the rooms to the main area and to the boma
- •Fusion/bio rock sewage system where the waste is recycled treated, and the water is used for irrigation and water hole only
- •A private water hole on a close range
- •We accept children of all ages under accompanied by their parents or guardian
- •Swimming pool facing the waterhole
- •Complimentary Wi-Fi internet easily accessible by the main area (reception & dining)
- •Tea /coffee station and water fountain by the downstairs restaurant (comp.& self service).



## **GUEST ROOM DETAILS & AMENITIES**

- •20 twin beds extra length, all facing the waterhole (can be combined for a king bed
- •Ensuite bathroom with shower hot / cold water, hand basin
- •Overhead fans in each room
- Shower caps
- Mosquito nets
- •Digital laptop safes in each room
- Insect repellent
- ·Solar geysers & lights
- •Wake up calls by field guide (to be arranged before sleep)
- ·Hair dryer request from the reception
- •Complimentary in -Room mineral water

## **ARRIVAL MEET & GREET:**

•Welcome Drink & face towel, welcome by the lodge manager, lodge briefing & completing indemnity forms

#### **CAMP SITES**

- •9 camping units with private deck view
- •2 toilet for male/female each camp site
- •2 open star gazing shower with cold/hot water male/female each
- •2 hand basin with a mirror each
- •Kitchen wash up facility with cold/hot water
- ·Laundry wash basin and drying line each camp site
- •Braai stand each camp site
- •Electricity /charging point each camp site
- Preparing table by the braai stand each camp site
- Dustbin each camp site
- •Firewood station in each camp site

# LAUNDRY

A laundry service is available at a nominal cost.

#### **EXTRA PAYMENTS**

Curios, drinks or bar bill and gratuities/tips can be billed to the room number and settled on check out. Payment can be made in USD cash or the following credit/debit cards: Master card, Visa card.

## WHAT TO TAKE

Comfortable light clothing for summer and during winter please bring warm jackets, long sleeve shirts/pants, gloves, and beanies for the early and late activities—neutral colors recommended, sun hats, comfortable walking shoes, sun block, sunglasses, insect repellent. Animal book, binoculars, fully charged camera (do not forget the charger) Animal book could come in handy.

- •Winter we provide extra blankets and hot water bottle (bush babes) during our turning down and rain courts or ponchos during rainy season.
- •Its best to wear pale and neutral colours when on drives or walks so not to attract the animals' attention

## **SMOKING POLICY**

- •Smoking is only allowed on the open areas ,boma .
- •Smoking is not allowed inside the rooms or by the main area but you are allowed to smoke by the room balcony, open spaces where we displayed the ash trays.

#### **DIETARY NEEDS**

•Guests are encouraged to let us know when they make their reservations if they have any special dietary needs.

#### CHILD POLICY

- •We welcome children the age of 5 years. Children should be always under the control and supervision of their parents.
- •Children between the age of 5 and 8 will be charged 25% of the adult rate.
- •Children between the ages of 9 to 11 will be charged 50% of the adult rate
- •Children aged 12 count as adults and are charged the full adult rate.
- •Private Activities are required for families with children younger than 12

# **GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:**

Chobe Mopani Forest Lodge Rates are commissionable. STO rates are nett and non-commissionable.

Chobe Mopani Forest Lodge reserves the right to amend the rates accordingly should the Government change the percentage level of VAT during the duration of this agreement.

Chobe Mopani Forest Lodge reserves the right to amend its policies, terms and conditions for bookings, without prior notice.

#### **GUIDE ACCOMODATION, MEALS & ACTIVITIES**

The guide will be accommodated on standard rooms as for guests less 50% of the RACK rate for guests less 10 pax, complimentary for camping and guide to bring their own camping equipment. Guests more than 10 guide will be accommodated complimentary excluding park fees and drinks.

#### **GROUP BOOKINGS**

Please note for group bookings we require Provisional rooming lists 60 days prior to arrival and Final rooming lists 30 days prior to arrival. Please make sure to specify any dietary requirements as well as where the group is coming from and the expected time of arrival. Kindly provide the tour leader name and contact details.

#### **PAYMENT POLICY**

A 30% deposit payment is required to confirm a booking and the other 70% is due 30 days prior to client's arrival. Any amount due to Chobe Mopani Forest Lodge will be payable as follows unless a credit application form has been completed and approved: All proof of payments to be emailed to res@chobemopaniforestlodge.com /accounts@chobemopaniforestlodge.com.

## **BOOKING TERMS & CONDITIONS:**

#### **Cancellation No Show**

charges

agreed. Payment for accommodation in full is required 30 days prior to arrival. Payment for extras can be made at the lodge by cash, or Visa/Mastercard 25% of fee if cancelled less than 30 days prior to arrival 50% of fee if cancelled less than 14 days prior to arrival 100% of fee if cancelled less than 7 days prior to arrival 100% of fee Please note that all cancellations are only effective once confirmed in writing by our sales office. Please note that all refunds are subject to commission and/or bank

Taken up 50% deposit is required to confirm a reservation unless other terms

If the payment terms are not adhered to then the Rack rates will apply. Should the deposit/pre-payment not be received within the time-frame specified, CHOBE MOPANI FOREST LODGE reserves the right to cancel the reservation. The final rooming list should also be in **CHOBE MOPANI FOREST LODGE** 's possession 14 days prior to arrival date. In certain instances CHOBE MOPANI FOREST LODGE reserves the right to increase the amount of pre-payment required and to increase the time span relating to deposit due dates, the Operator will be advised accordingly. Early arrivals/late departures: Kindly contact the lodge in good time to arrange for any early arrivals and late departures. No refunds will be given for meals or services not consumed.

## **CHECK IN /OUT TIMES**

**DAILY ACTIVITIES** 

Check in time is usually from 14h00 and check out time is by 11h00. These can be flexible, please contact the lodge if you require different timings and we shall do our best to accommodate you if possible. Reception is manned from 06h00 to 21h00 any arrivals or departures out of these times need to be pre-arranged with the lodge.



#### **ELECTRICITY**

All electricity at the lodge is supplied from solar station which we do have in the lodge and is available 24 hours a day and we do have a backup generator automatically switches on whenever this is a power failure, and we use solar geysers



#### **SWIMMING POOL**

For those needing a respite from the African heat, you'll be pleased to know that there is a swimming pool on-site, complete with a deck area with chairs and umbrellas. When you're not soaking up the tranquillity of the bushveld at the pool's edge, spend time in the boma area where a crackling fire breaks the silence of the bushveld

CHOBE MORNING /AFTERNOON GAME DRIVE	Afternoon or Break of day guided game drive into the Chobe National Park for either 3 hours ,6 hours or Full day in an open 4x4 vehicle ,provision of mineral water (picnic breakfast or lunch in the park can be arranged )
CHOBE MORNING / AFTERNOON BOAT CRUISE	Guests are opportune to enjoy the sunrise or sunset cruise as the sun rays reflect on the water edge for 3hrs guided while exploring the mighty Chobe river and its wildlife on a comfortable open boats.(brunch on boat can be arranged) Our guides steer the boat past diversified landscapes, reeds ,flood plains while maintaining a respectful distance from the hippos, crocodiles, other mammals and the varied bird species abundant in this area
VICTORIA FALLS TRIP AND TRANSFERS	Guests depart in the morning with a guide after breakfast to view the graceful massive waterfalls where the Zambezi River plummets over a cliff and into the Boling Pot before flowing through a series of gorges and come back late afternoon. Excursions are arranged i.e visit the falls either walking inside the park or through helicopter, availability of few activities by the bridge (if one loves heights) budge jumping, gorge swing etc, visit the croc farm, and see the arts and crafts from the local people at the Craft village.
VILLAGE CULTURAL TOURS	Ideal for guests staying for more nights to enjoy and experience the cultural day trip to the nearest cattle post, Lesoma Village and visit the place filled with rich history-"Lesoma Memorial Monument.
SUNDOWNER AND A PRIVATE BUSH DINNER WITH STAR GAZING	Evening / late afternoon drives are an incredible way to experience the bush in a more personal and energetic way.  Our local guides take great delight in finding the best areas with wild animals and spots to dine on snacks while sharing tales of the wild .It is an experience, which connects and grounds any participant to our Earth.  Guests are met with a candlelit private 3 course meal dinner in an open space overlooking the water hole.

## TIMES ROUTINE FOR 2 NIGHTS PACKAGE (CHOBE MOPANI FOREST LODGE

#### Day 1:

1230: Arrival, welcome, check in and briefing

1:00: Lunch at the lodge

3:30: Sundowner drive at waterhole with snack (optional with extra cost not

included)

6:00: Back to lodge

6:30: Dinner at the lodge

#### Day 2:

- •Full breakfast
- •Chobe game drive
- •Tea & Coffee, bathroom stop inside the park
- •Picnic lunch (guests to order drinks prior depart)
- •Transfer to the Kasane for sunset cruise and transfer to the lodge after the cruise
- •Dinner at the lodge

#### Day 3:

•Full breakfast and check out

## TIMES ROUTINE FOR 3 NIGHTS PACKAGE (CHOBE MOPANI FOREST LODGE)

#### Day 1:

- ·Arrival, welcome, check in and briefing
- •Lunch at the lodge
- •Sundowner drive at waterhole with snack
- •Back to lodge
- •Dinner at the lodge

#### Day 2:

- •Full breakfast
- •Transfer to Sedudu Gate (entrance to Chobe National Park) (closed car)
- •Tea & Coffee, bathroom stop inside the park
- Picnic lunch
- •Transfer to the lodge
- •Dinner at the lodge

# NB:GOT OPTION TO DO CHOBE FULL DAY $\,$ 6HRS GAME DRIVE & 3HRS SUNSET CRUISE

## Day 3:

- Continental breakfast
- •Transfer to Sedudu Gate (entrance to Chobe National Park) (closed car)
- •Tea & Coffee, bathroom stop
- •Back at the lodge
- Lunch and siesta
- $\hbox{\bf -Transfer to Kasane for Chobe Sunset River boat cruise with local beer, wine, soft or juice \& snacks }$
- •Transfer to lodge (closed car)
- •Boma dinner

## NB: YOU GOT THE OPTION TO DO THE VIC FALLS DAY TRIP

# Day 4:

- •Full Breakfast
- Check out







