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KUTLWANO BANDA

Specialty _____

BIRDING

Qualified _____

2006

Born

BORN ON THE 7TH OF JULY 1984 AND RAISED IN KHWAI VILLAGE. KHWAI IS A VILLAGE ON THE NORTH BANK OF THE KHWAI RIVER IN THE NORTH-WEST DISTRICT OF BOTSWANA.



PROFILE

Kutlwana, or Banda as he is known, grew up in the Khwai Village. Growing up in a village of people who decided to set aside their traditional lands for a wildlife reserve had a profound impact on Banda. A community-run eco-tourism initiative, Khwai Village and the surrounding area is a superb example of conservation tourism at its best and, from a young age, Banda learnt that wildlife was his heritage to protect and conserve. This led to his training to become a professional safari guide, so that he could share his deep respect for animals and show wildlife-seeking adventurers the beauty of an African safari.

CERTIFICATIONS

- Certificate of Achievement (Botswana Wildlife Training Institute)
- Professional Guiding Skills (Career Dreams Centre)
- BNVQF Tourism Nature Guiding Level 3 (Okavango Guiding School)
- Boat Handling Skills (Okavango Guiding School)
- Certificate in Bird Guiding (Birdlife Botswana)
- Basic fire fighting (SEMS first Aid, Fire and Ambulance Academy)- refresher course every two years.
- Emergency Care Level1 (SEMS first Aid, Fire and Ambulance Academy)- refresher course every two years.
- Professional Guide
- PRDP (Passenger's permit)

PASSIONS

- Photography
- Star gazing

FAVOURITE SPECIES

- Elephant