



Family-Focused Safaris and the Ngwana Club



Safaris offer a unique setting for families to reconnect away from daily routines, enjoying wildlife interactions and the beauty of nature together. It's a chance to share experiences across generations, away from digital distractions, fostering deeper connections and creating lasting memories in the heart of the African wild.

From Big Five sightings and immersive nature walks, to enriching cultural excursions and sunset boat cruises, a family safari with African Bush Camps provides an unforgettable experience for every traveler.

Children of all ages are welcome at any of our Icon Experiences, as well as our family-focused Signature Experiences: Somalisa Acacia, Nyamatusi Mahogany, Linyanti Ebony, and Khwai Leadwood. Travelers over the age of 12 may venture to all of our Signature Experiences.

At African Bush Camps, we believe that an exceptional safari requires an exceptional guide;
this is no different for families traveling with children.

Within our Experiences, our expert guides carefully curate educational, accessible, and fun activities for our younger guests in the form of exciting adventures that captivate all ages. Our safaris are tailored to each family's unique needs and preferences, considering the children's ages and any special interests or requests.

Rediscover the joy of connection with your family through a personalized safari with
African Bush Camps.



"Ngwana," the Setswana word for "explorer," is the name of our young adventurer program at Somalisa Acacia, Nyamatusi Mahogany, and Linyanti Ebony. The Ngwana Club offers a variety of safari adventures for children of all ages, including:

Nature Walks: Accompanied by a guide and a parent, children embark on nature walks around the Experience, discovering fun and unique learning opportunities such as traditional plant uses, identifying various bird species, and hunting for the 'Little 5'. Afterwards, children receive a 'Junior Guide' certificate, encouraging continuous learning about future conservation and wildlife preservation.

Ngwana Club Cooking Classes: At Somalisa Acacia and Nyamatusi Mahogany, young travelers can make their own pizzas, meals, smoothies, and drinks under the guidance of our chefs.

Traditional Storytelling: Guides share our heartlands' history and folklore through performance and interactive drumming sessions that impart traditional legends and stories. In this way, children can learn more about different cultures.

Arts and Crafts/Beading: An arts and crafts corner is where our young guests can get creative, inspired by their new surroundings. They can make bracelets and necklaces as mementos of their time in the bush, as well as enjoying coloring and picture painting.

Within our family-focused Experiences, we provide dedicated children's menus designed to delight young palates with tasty and wholesome choices. We're also flexible with dietary needs, ensuring that everyone enjoys their meals to the fullest.

Please be informed that we do not include babysitting services as part of our offering.

We prioritize creating memorable safari experiences while ensuring the safety and enjoyment of all guests, especially children, under our care.

Journey on an unforgettable family experience with us as we

Share and Conserve Africa, Together.





Family-Focused Safari Reviews



Somalisa Acacia | 182Tanguym | 30 Aug 2023

“Magical stay at Somalisa - fantastic guide.”

We had a fantastic stay at Somalisa Camp, definitely one of our best ever safaris! Lovely setting in front of a waterhole (elephant herds and other animals frequently coming to drink - even drinking from the old swimming pool of the camp!), great location in Hwange National Park, great wildlife watching (including lions and leopards), attentive service and good food ... but above all our guide (Godwin) was fantastic (best ever guide we have had) - managing to get the kids (and adults!) really into the mood of tracking animals and enjoying every single bit of our safari drives!

Nyamatusi Mahogany | AlwaysSafari | 25 Sep 2019

“Off the charts amazing Mana.”

Mana Pools is probably my favourite place in the world. Nyamatusi Mahogany really do this stunning place justice. We went as a family of 4 with kids aged 7 and 10. Both us and the kids were treated like family/royalty. Nyamatusi is split in 2 with Mahogany being child friendly - way beyond friendly really. The lodge setting is perfect, great views over the river floodplain with game a constant in camp and on the plain. Activities were varied, not just game drives, and every one was as close to perfection as I have ever had. We were guided by Nick who had a wealth of experience and knowledge but more that this he was amazing with the kids. Joyce hosted us and again nothing was too much for her. All the staff, Witness, Princess, Pamela and all the others made us so welcome and took a real interest in us - fantastic service and just made the stay perfect. The wildlife was fantastic, great sightings every day, but for me Mana is about the landscape and the 'feel' and this can't be beaten. I can't rate this highly enough, my kids cried as we left and I might have had a bit of dust in my eye too. This was a trip for my 50th and made my year.

Khwai Leadwood | AshleyMtraveler | 16 Jul 2023

“Khwai Leadwood is an amazing, 5 star spot!”

Our extended family of 7 stayed at Khwai Leadwood in mid-June of 2023. We ranged in age from 4 to 76. The lodge and tents were comfortable and clean and right along the river. The views were beautiful and the sounds of the animals at night was like nothing we've ever heard before! The food was great and the service from Mimi, KG, and staff was 5 star. Sinkah was an amazing and knowledgeable guide. He was very patient with our four year old and also great with our 10 and 12 year olds. Khwai was definitely worth the work to get there. Two highlights were the helicopter ride of the area and a stop at the local school. I would highly recommend Khwai for a unique and exciting experience!



Khwai Leadwood | TravelerSnob | 18 Jan 2023

“We really didn't want to leave!!!”

We had the most amazing 5 days at Khwai Leadwood with our two boys (8 and 10 years)!!! Big thank you to our guide, DT, and our host Nico, for looking after us so well!! We didn't want to leave and it was really sad for our boys to leave DT, Nico and all their friends at Khwai Leadwood behind. There were definitely tears when they had to say their farewells!!

It was not our first safari experience as a family, but it was truly a magical experience!! Even if its the wet season, there was still plenty of game in the concession and the Moremi Nature Reserve. We saw several prides of lions (very up close), a croc and lioness encounter, tracked for leopard, hippos on land, had morning teas/sundowners with elephants and next to busy waterholes! On top of that, this season was full of spectacular natural lightning displays at night with the soundtrack of noisy frogs! It was incredible!

DT was an amazing guide and so fabulous with our boys - he was patient, knowledgeable and funny. He must have laser sharp eyes and spotted wildlife miles ahead. When he finally found the leopard we were tracking, we couldn't even see it until we were much closer! He listened to all our questions and answered them patiently. He stopped to teach us how to read the footprints/tracks, explained about the large elephant bones, taught us about animal behaviour and the flora and fauna around us.

Our family tents were just perfect for us - the kids tents were far enough away via a connected corridor while us parents had our own space and privacy as well. And do not be fooled by the word "tent" - they were luxurious and extremely comfortable. With the full on activities, the comfy bed and surroundings were just what we needed.

Nico and his team were perfect hosts. From the singing welcome, and the uplifting choir, to attending to all our needs and for all our meals - they were just wonderful. They were also excellent with our boys, and catered to their tastes and needs. The boys loved the pizza making, full breakfast and all the treats during 3pm tea, not to mention the biltong, biscuits cupcakes during game tea breaks. We really were fed very well! This was our second ABC experience (Thorntree) and we loved it what you do ABC! As our boys are a bit older this time, they will carry this memory with them for a long time! One of our boys made us promise him that we will take him back within 2 years....how could you say no to him when he's crying on the flight back to Maun?!

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