

# TULI WILDERNESS

*Affordable - Exclusive - Remote*

## Mohave Bush Camp 2022

**Mohave Bush Camp is a small and private rustic bush camp located on the banks of the Mohave River in the Northern Tuli Game Reserve.**

The unfenced Mohave Bush Camp offers accommodation in 5 units overlooking the dry Mohave River. Two of the units have en-suite bathrooms whilst the other 3 units share two outdoor communal ablutions. There is no electricity so lighting is provided using gas, paraffin and solar. There is a 220V electrical point which is used to charge electrical devices and phones. Shower water is heated by a solar geyser and the cookers and freezer are gas-operated. There is a central lapa / dining area with a fire-pit as well as a small splash pool. The night sounds heard at Mohave are magical and game such as Elephants, Lion, Brown and Spotted Hyaena, Civet, Genet and African Wild Cat may possibly be seen in and around the camp. The Mohave River is a hotspot for game movements and the remoteness of the camp ensures that you will truly feel that you are deep in the wilderness.



Tuli Wilderness is home to a diverse range of wildlife and the Tuli Area boasts the world's largest elephant population on privately-owned land (over 1800 elephants) - offering some incredible sightings and providing fantastic photographic opportunities. Our private and exclusive 24 000 acre unfenced concession borders the great Limpopo River at its Southern end and the Motloutse River to the East and encompasses riverine thickets, mopane veld, open plains and boulder-strewn sandstone ecosystems, complete with the game one would expect. The landscapes are breath-taking!

# The Area

Tuli is a spectacular, rugged and wild area that has been described as Botswana's best kept secret. As this is private land and off the beaten track, you can be sure that there will be no crowds and you can revel in an authentic wilderness experience.

Lion, Leopard, Cheetah, Spotted and Brown Hyaena are amongst the many carnivore species that occur within the reserve. Large herds of free-roaming Eland, Zebra and Wildebeest are seen regularly and many other plains game species are also to be found in the area.



The area falls within the famous Kalahari geological system and is rich in archaeological heritage with beautiful San rock art sites having been discovered alongside numerous archaeological sites dating back from the Stone Age. Scattered artefacts are still being discovered over the concession.

Game-viewing is excellent during the drier months of April to October and the southern night-skies appear to be studded with more stars than the other seasons. The stark beauty of the landscape towards the end of the dry season is synonymous with the Tswana word "tuli" (meaning dust).

The 'green season' occurs from November to March and this is when the African bush takes on a whole new look. Most animals produce their young while the migrant birds return to their sunny southern African summer homes. Once the rains return to the region, the bush lays a lush green floral carpet and the sky is spectacularly blue, all combining to make this a special season to visit us.



# 2022 Rates and Bookings

Mohave Bush Camp is charged at a daily self-catering rate and one has exclusive use of the entire camp, irrespective of number of persons but up to a maximum of 10 persons.

The daily rate includes the dedicated services of a professional guide and includes 2 daily activities (game drives, night drives and bush walks). Camp attendants are on hand to lay the tables, wash up dishes, make fires, light lanterns and undertake all housekeeping duties. We do also offer bush dinners at an additional charge should you be interested in a dinner with a difference.

Please note that there is an additional conservation levy charge of P100 per person per stay for SADC residents and P100 per person per night for international guests. This levy is paid on to the Tuli Conservation Trust (<https://tulitrust.org>) to assist our conservation efforts in the reserve as well as to support our community outreach programme.

<b>Mohave Bush Camp: SA Rand</b>	<b>SELF CATERING</b>
<i>Description</i>	<i>RACK Rate ZAR</i>
Exclusive Camp Rental (10 guests)	R 8 450
Fully-catered rate per person (includes 4 meals daily)	R 650 pppn

  

<b>Mohave Bush Camp: Botswana Pula</b>	<b>SELF CATERING</b>
<i>Description</i>	<i>RACK Rate BWP</i>
Exclusive Camp Rental (10 guests)	P 6 560
Fully-catered rate per person (includes 4 meals daily)	P 500

A guest registration form is to be completed, signed and returned to our reservations department prior to or on arrival. Payment for extras can be made with us by cash, or by credit card.

TW reserves the right to amend the published rates without notice. Please note that Tuli Wilderness' rates are quoted in Pula and Rand, therefore TW reserves the right to amend the EURO / USD from time to time due to changes in rates of exchange.

## Deposits and Payments

A 50% deposit is required to confirm a reservation. TW reserves the right to cancel any such Provisional Reservation, where the 50% Deposit has not been received within a week of the Provisional Reservation being made. The balance is to be settled in full 30 days prior to the arrival of the guest(s) at Tuli Wilderness.

## Cancellation Policy

Tuli Wilderness reserves the right to charge the following cancellation charges:

- Less than 14 days prior to arrival 100% of total cost of the reservation
- 15 to 29 days prior to arrival 75% of total cost of the reservation
- 30 days or more prior to arrival 50% of total cost of the reservation
- In the event of a no-show, the total cost of the reservation will be charged for



# General Information

Tuli Wilderness caters for a variety of budgets: from self-catering units at Molema Bush Camp to fully-catered options in the en-suite safari tents at Serolo Safari Camp to very exclusive walking trails with our Mashatu Walking Safaris operation. We also specialise in educational conservation experiences for groups so please contact us should you require any further information.

**Check-in Time: 13h00    Check-out Time: 10h00**

**Game-viewing:** The following game and more occur here: Elephant, Lion, Leopard, Cheetah, Wild Dog, Spotted Hyaena, Brown Hyaena, Eland, Giraffe, Burchell's Zebra, Blue Wildebeest, Kudu, Impala, Klipspringer, Bushbuck, Common Duiker, Steenbok, Black-Backed Jackal, Bat-eared Fox, Warthog, Bushpig, Small-Spotted and Large-Spotted Genet, Civet, Caracal, Porcupine, African Wildcat, Banded and Slender and Selous' Mongoose, Rock and Yellow-Spotted Dassie, Hippo, Crocodile, Aardwolf, Aardvark, Honey Badger, Vervet Monkey, Chacma Baboon, Springhare, Scrub Hare, Lesser Bushbaby.

**Children:** All children are welcome at Mohave Bush Camp under strict adult supervision. Please note that children under 12 may not participate in bush walks.



**Laundry:** Laundry can be arranged at our camps for an additional charge.

**Birding:** Birders will be pleasantly rewarded with sightings of many of the more than 350 species occurring in Tuli Wilderness' habitat: Meyer's Parrot, Meve's Starlings, Southern Black Tit, African Mourning Dove, African Scops-Owl visit are resident all year round and summer brings visitors like Broadbilled Roller, Eurasian Golden Oriole, Woodland Kingfisher and Levalliant's Cuckoo. Raptors include Little Sparrowhawk and Gabar Goshawk. Be sure to look out for the resident breeding pair of Verreaux's Eagles at Eagle Rock.

Birding is particularly good between October and March, depending on when the rains arrive. At this time the bush is also particularly lush with wildflowers blooming. The bush thins out from March onwards and is at its driest from July to October.

**Telephone Signal:** MTN (SA) reception is to be found over most of the reserve. Mascom and Orange (Botswana) signal is to be found in scattered pockets around the reserve. MTN offers 3G for data connections on smart phones.

**Border Entry:** A valid passport is required for entry into Botswana (ensure that it is still valid for at least 6 months after date of entry and there are two blank pages in it). New legislation requires that UNABRIDGED birth certificates are presented at the border when travelling with minors (children under 18 years of age) as well as an affidavit if both biological parents are not present. Please ensure that you have your vehicle papers or police clearance papers. Vehicle entry into Botswana costs approximately P152 and this may only be payable in cash with Botswana Pula but credit card is also accepted as a payment means. Please confirm with us just before your visit which border crossing you should use (some may close due to the Limpopo river flooding in the wet season). Please contact us for further information on customs allowances and a list of countries whose nationals require visas. It is the responsibility of the guest to check with the border authorities if there are any current restrictions that may be in place regarding bringing in any food products and other items.

**Covid-19 Entry and Exit Requirements:** A negative PCR test of less than 72 hours is required upon both arrival and departure from Botswana. PCR tests can be done at any Ampath laboratory in South Africa and at any Diagnofirm laboratory in Botswana. Please ensure that you follow up with us regarding Covid-19 protocols and requirements before arrival as the the rules and requirements do change regularly.

**Special Dietary Requirements:** We can cater for special dietary requirements for full-board options if given advance notice. Please contact us to discuss this.

**Insurance:** Guests should have their own travel insurance in place.



**Malaria:** Tuli Wilderness is officially in a low risk malaria area although cases are exceptionally rare. Guests should consult their doctor for any advice and about appropriate malaria prophylaxes.

**Water:** A borehole supplies water to Mohave Bush Camp and this water is of a good quality for drinking and cooking.

**Weather:** Average annual rainfall for this area is 350 mm per annum, with the main rains occurring between December and February. It is generally hot (daytime min 15°C max 40°C) from October to March, and cooler from April to September (daytime min 10°C max 30°C).

**Credit Card Facilities:** Master Card and Visa are accepted. Please note that we do not have facilities to accept any other types of credit card.

**Self-catering:** The kitchen is stocked with a gas cooker, cooking utensils, crockery, cutlery and a gas deep freeze. Firewood is provided for cooking and aesthetics. Camp attendants are on hand to help unpack when you arrive, wash dishes, make beds and service the camp.



**Drinks:** Please let us know in advance should you wish to purchase any drinks from Tuli Wilderness so that we can be sure to be able to provide for your requirements. We recommend bringing a cooler box full of ice.

**Special Occasions:** Should you wish to book a function or special occasion, kindly contact us for a quotation tailored to suit your requirements.



**Indemnity:** Tuli Wilderness, Redshield Estates, their holding companies or any other associated company, person(s) or trust, shall not be held responsible for any injury, loss or damage to, any guest(s), or their property, caused through whatever nature, or by any acts, or any person(s). The person signing the guest registration form will be held liable for payment of all outstanding invoices should any problem with payment occur. Please note that all guests are required to complete & sign our indemnity form, prior to or on arrival at Mohave Bush Camp.

**We do not permit any unaccompanied walking or driving around the reserve.**

# Getting to Us

*GPS co-ordinates: 22°16'27.3" S, 28°59'32.0" E / -22.274240° S, 28.992223° E*

Tuli Wilderness is located in the Northern Tuli Game Reserve, approximately a 6-hour drive from Johannesburg and 3 hours from Polokwane. Platjan and Pont Drift are our two closest borders (approximately 30 km from either to our reception). If coming with a non-4x4 vehicle, entry must be via Platjan border (the Motloutse River has to be crossed if coming from Pont Drift). A 4x4 vehicle is not a necessity to reach our reception (except in very rare circumstances during the wet season), however, travel in low sedan vehicles is not recommended in the wet season (October to April) - please confirm with us before travel to check on the road conditions if travelling at this time of year.

Guests going to Mohave Bush Camp will meet their guide at Serolo Safari Camp before being escorted out to Mohave Bush Camp. Mohave Bush Camp can only be reached in a 4x4 so vehicles that are not suitable can be left at our reception area and your guide will transfer you out to the camp in a game-viewer.

## *FROM GABORONE / MAUN*

From Gaborone/Maun: Guests should head to Selebi-Phikwe and then on to Bobonong. Keep to the main road as you enter Bobonong until you come to a roundabout, where you turn right (3rd exit). Follow this road to a T-junction where you must turn right - signposted to 'Lekkerpoet'. Take the first tar road to the left (there is a signboard reading 'Thune Dam'). Follow this road for 62km, passing through Molalatau village en route and continuing straight on past the turnings for Mathathane and Mothlabaneng. After 62km, you will reach a T-junction where you turn left onto a dirt road signed to Lentswe le Moriti. After about 7.5 km, you will see the Serolo Camp signboard on your right, turn in here and the reception is about 2km down the dirt track from this point.



## *FROM JOHANNESBURG*

From Johannesburg, guests should follow the N1 to Polokwane then the R521 to Alldays.

From Alldays to Tuli Wilderness, either Platjan Border or Pont Drift Border can be chosen as entry points (please note that Pont Drift cannot normally be crossed by vehicle during the wet season and that a 4x4 is required to reach us via Pont Drift regardless of season).

## VIA PLATJAN BORDER POST

From Polokwane: Arrive at the T-junction in Alldays and turn right and immediately left onto the R572 to Swartwater. Approximately 40kms outside of Alldays, turn right onto a good gravel road marked 'Platjan'. You've seen the last of tarred roads now. It is approximately 18kms from here to Platjan border post. After 16km, you will come to a T-junction. Turn right and the border post is less than 2km on your lefthand side. There is a low level bridge crossing the Limpopo River at Platjan. After passing through the border entry, you will arrive at a T-junction, approximately 8kms from Platjan, turn right here and it is 26km to the Tuli Wilderness entrance. On the way to us, you will cross straight over a T-junction (which is the tar road heading to Bobonong). At the Serolo Camp signboard on the right of the road, turn in and follow the main track for 2kms until you reach our reception.

## VIA PONT DRIFT BORDER POST

From Polokwane: Arrive at the T-junction in Alldays and turn right to Pont Drift. It is 59kms to Pont Drift. Once you've completed the border formalities in SA you've seen the last of tar roads. Cross the Limpopo River bed – there is neither a bridge nor a low level crossing. Approximately 1km outside Pont Drift border post, turn left on the main road. It's 30km to the Tuli Wilderness entrance. Travelling on this road, you will cross a veterinary fence where you'll be required to put the soles of your shoes in an anti-pest watery solution (You are not required to pay anything at this gate). Continue on to a four-way stop and go straight. You will cross the Motloutse River bed – there is also no bridge or low-level crossing. A few kilometres later, you will come to the farm gates of Talana farms. Open the gates and go through the farm. After exiting the farm at the second farm gate, continue on for 2kms and you will find the entrance to Serolo Camp on the left. Turn in here and follow the track for another 2kms until you reach the reception.

## VIA MARTIN'S DRIFT BORDER POST

When travelling to Martin's Drift please ensure that you follow Google Maps to '**GROBLERSBRUG**' Border and don't put in Martin's Drift as the GPS waypoint is INCORRECT. After passing through the Botswana border control, follow the road for 20km and then turn right (signboards directing to Selebi-Phikwe). After 105km, turn right at the signboard directing to Bobonong (as you have entered Sefophe village). Follow this road for 53 km to Bobonong and take the third exit at the roundabout. After 700m, turn right at the T-junction. A further 650m, turn left at the signboards marked Thune Dam / Pont Drift. Follow this road straight for 65km (passing the Thune Dam wall) until you get to a T-junction where the tar road ends. Turn left onto the gravel road. Turn right after 8km at the signboard marked 'Serolo Safari Camp' and follow the track for another 2kms, turning right again at the small Serolo signboard and the camps is just a short distance down this track.

***There is a charge of around P 152.00 per vehicle for entry into Botswana – please ensure that you have all of the necessary vehicle papers and permission letters to take your vehicle across the border. Only Botswana Pula (BWP) and credit card may be used as a means of payment at the border.***





Please contact the border or Tuli Wilderness prior to travel so that we can advise the best route available at the time should the Limpopo and/or Motloutse Rivers be flowing. A 4x4 is needed if entering at Pont Drift, regardless of time of year. When the Limpopo is flowing then Pont Drift border will be closed to vehicles. We do arrange border pick ups and drop offs for a fee - please contact us should you require more information.

Useful telephone numbers:

Tuli Wilderness: +27 (0) 78 391 4220

Platjan Border: +27 (0) 14 767 2959 (SA) / +267 264 6333 (Bots)

Pont Drift Border: +27 (0) 15 575 1561 (SA) / +267 264 5260 (Bots)

***WE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING YOU TO TULI WILDERNESS!***



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