XIGERA

SAFARI LODGE ~ BOTSWANA

# Experiences Menu



## Here, every experience is shaped around you; your interests, energy and curiosity.

There are no set schedules. No scripted days.
A place where the wild surrounds you, creativity inspires you, and every moment becomes a story waiting to be written.

There are no checklists. Rather an invitation to move through the Delta in your own rhythm to explore, to learn, to rest, to discover, and to feel.

You may choose stillness or adventure, dawn light or starlight, a morning on the water or an afternoon immersed in art. The choice is yours.

Welcome to the art of the possible.

Welcome to Your Safari, *Your Story.*

**Every experience is shaped by the rhythms of the Delta, but may vary with the seasons and the spirit of the day.*



# By Land, Water and Air

## Game Drives

Move through the Delta's living landscapes on dawn, dusk, or guest-desired game drives. Follow dusty paths across floodplains and woodlands, where elephants wade through channels, lion prides rest in golden light, and the elusive leopard moves like shadow through the trees. With Xigera's expert guides, each drive becomes a deeper encounter, with wildlife, with land, and the stories they hold.

## Helicopter Safaris

Take to the skies for an aerial perspective of the Delta's immeasurable wonder. Choose door-off flights for unmatched photographic opportunities, or pair with champagne landings on hidden palm islands.

## Bush Walks

Tread with nature on guided bush walks, attuning to every sound, scent, and track. Walking slowly unwraps the linked pace of the wild, where wisdom is written into every track and leaf.

## Delta Fishing

Catch-and-release fishing offers a serene but exciting encounter with the Delta's waters. Tigerfish, African Pike, and Bream await, but sustainably, mindfully and unforgettable. *(Seasonal)*

## Photographic Safaris & Birding

Curated photographic outings and specialist birding safaris reveal the Delta's extraordinary avian life, from wattled cranes to Pel's Fishing Owls, alongside the iconic mammals in breathless surroundings.

## Mokoro & Motorboat Excursions

Drift through the Delta's waterways on traditional mokoros, guided by the steady hand of your poler, each push moving you silently, deeper into the bountiful landscape. *(Seasonal)*

Or explore winding papyrus-fringed channels aboard elevated motorboats and glass-bottomed boats, where the water's surface mirrors sky and story alike.

"Naga e tletse botlhale jo bo sa feleng."

THE WILDERNESS HOLDS ENDLESS WISDOM



# Only at Xigera
# Extraordinary Delta Immersions

## Baobab Treehouse Sleepout

Spend an unforgettable night 10 metres above the floodplains in our exclusive sculptural Baobab Treehouse.

Open to the stars, surrounded by the sounds of the Delta, it is Africa's most extraordinary sleepout experiences.

EXPERIENCE HIGLIGHTS

- Panoramic wilderness views
- Rooftop deck for sundowners and wildlife viewing
- Open-air king-size bed beneath the stars
- Second interior bedroom
- Spacious bathroom
- Canvas walls that open to the surrounding nature
- Guide stationed nearby for peace of mind



## The Delta's Ancestral Passage

A Journey into the Soul of the Okavango. A two-day, one-night experience invites guests to explore the Delta through its ancient waterways, ancestral knowledge and enduring connection between people and place.

EXPERIENCE HIGHLIGHTS

- Travel the Delta at its natural rhythm on a traditional mokoro
- Be guided by a local Bayei poler who calls these waterways home
- Overnight stay at an exclusive island camp with fireside dinner
- Discover stories and wisdom shared across generations
- Experience a deeper connection to the landscape and its people
- Gain insight into the legacy protecting the Delta's future



"Tholego ke motswedi oo sa feleng"

NATURE CREATES WITHOUT END



# Flavours of the Okavango Delta

## Fire Side Experience

An intimate, interactive chef's table where ancient fire cooking meets modern sustainability. Courses are prepared over open flame, paired with exceptional wines.

## Star Deck Tswana Dinner

Celebrate Botswana's culinary heritage beneath a sea of stars. Traditional Tswana dishes, open skies, and soulful storytelling create a night to remember.

## Bush Breakfasts, Picnics & Wild Lunches

Dining in the wild. Whether a sunrise breakfast, a secret picnic spot, or a long, languid lunch beneath an ancient tree, surrounded by the wild. Each experience surprises, delights, and deepens connection.

## Delta Cooking

Learn how to craft soulful dishes rooted in place and season, an opportunity to cook with integrity and story, and take a taste of the Delta home with you. As you join our chefs for a hands-on exploration of local flavours from Kalahari truffles and wild Delta herbs to grains, pulses, and seasonal produce grown in nearby Maun.

## Wine Tasting

Hosted in Xigera's climate-controlled wine cellar, this tasting journeys through extraordinary wines, from Hemel-en-Aarde to Swartland from Burgundy to Bordeaux chosen not only for prestige, but also for soul and story. Every great wine begins in nature, and reveals itself slowly, like the Delta herself.

## Xigera Cocktail Crafting

The art of creating Xigera's cocktails. Each inspired by the spirit of the Delta and the stories of the land. Explore indigenous botanicals, craft techniques, and the subtle balance of flavours that make Xigera's signature drinks memorable. You'll enjoy the tasting and leave with a collection of Xigera cocktail recipes to recreate at home.

## In-Suite Dining

Dine in the quiet luxury of your suite, where the Delta stretches before you and time slows to your rhythm. It's just you, the wild, and the joy of a meal made with heart. Overlooking the floodplains, enjoy breakfast with birdsong or dinner under stars, each course brought with care, each moment shaped for you – your preferences guided by season, flavour, and feeling. This is dining as it should be: personal, sensory, and perfectly unhurried.

A moment of creativity. A story in every glass. A memory that lingers.



# At Dusk & Under the Stars

## Stargazing

Xigera's remote setting offers celestial magic. On clear nights, the Milky Way sweeps the sky, a universal reminder of our place in this ageless wilderness.

## Deluxe Sundowners

There is no sunset like an African sunset. At Xigera, it is an art form. Personalised G&Ts, crafted cocktails and fine wines savoured as the sky deepens in colour across the plains, alongside, a tapestry of local flavours and tastes of the land echo the spirit of the Delta.

## After Dusk Game Drives

As daylight fades, the Delta reveals another side. Set out after dusk as nocturnal life begins to stir and familiar landscapes take on a different rhythm. With Xigera's expert personal guides, follow the sounds and signs of elusive creatures rarely encountered by day. Under vast African skies, every rustle, call and movement draws you deeper into the wild.

"Dinaledi ke matlho a bo rraetsho."

THE STARS ARE THE EYES OF OUR ANCESTORS.



# Community & Conservation Experiences

## Elephant Havens

Elephant Havens is a sanctuary near Maun, Botswana. The sanctuary provides a safe haven for orphaned calves with the goal to return them to the wild. A deeply moving conservation experience.

## Ecoexist Tour

Discover innovative human-elephant coexistence work through the Ecoexist Project. Engage with local communities and conservationists forging pathways of harmony between people and giants.

## Habu Village Tour

Meet the communities who call the western Delta home, Herero, Mbukushu, Tswana, and Khoi San. Where our produce is grown and through dance, storytelling, and sustainable projects, this is an exchange of culture, dignity, and shared purpose.

## Okavango Gin Experience

The off-grid Okavango Gin Distillery, where the craft of gin-making is rooted in sustainability and local botanicals. Meet the makers. Learn the alchemy of distillation. Taste wild-foraged flavours drawn from this distinctive landscape. Then, craft and bottle your own.

"Lefatshe le mo tlhokomelong ya rona."

THE EARTH IS IN OUR CARE.



# Wellness & Stillness



# Creativity & Connection

## The Spa

A sanctuary of calm. Treatments blend Tata Harper's award-winning organic skincare with the healing power of indigenous botanicals. Signature massages, facials, and body rituals revealing the mystical healings of the Delta, restoring balance to body and spirit.

## Yoga & Meditation

In a place where time softens, stillness becomes sacred. Practice yoga or guided mindfulness on the elevated spa deck open to nature, or in the privacy of your suite. Each breath a reconnection, each movement an invitation to presence.

## TechnoGym & Pool

Train amidst tranquillity. Our air-conditioned fitness centre features state-of-the-art Technogym equipment for mindful movement. Swim gentle laps in the pool shaded by trees, with the wilderness of the Delta unfolding beyond.

## The Art of Tranquillity

There is a quiet joy in doing little and feeling everything. A moment not to fill, but to be within. You are in a place of rare stillness. Surrounded by nature, just as it was meant to be. Elephants graze. Birdsong drifts. And time... stretches. Listen to the hush of the Delta from Porky Hefer's bird's nest. Read beneath a ceiling of sky. Watch the day unfold from your daybed, the floodplains breathing beyond. Inside, every surface tells a story – handwoven textures, carved wood, soft light filtering through sculptural forms. Sometimes, the wild finds its way to you. This is not escape. It's a return to presence, beauty, yourself.

## Art & Design Tour

Xigera is not a gallery, it is a living canvas. Explore the largest private collection of contemporary African art in hospitality, with stories woven into every sculpted, carved, forged, and woven piece across the lodge.

## Back of House Tour

An insider's look at Xigera's pioneering approach to sustainability.

Explore our solar farm, reverse-osmosis water systems, and zero-waste initiatives that make Xigera a model of off-grid luxury with light footprints.

But this is more than a technical tour, it is a window into the heartbeat of Xigera. Behind the scenes, where the more than 120 permanent team members live, train, and grow.

"Motho ke motho ka batho ba bangwe."

A PERSON IS A PERSON THROUGH OTHER PEOPLE.