

Travel Itinerary

2 night Walk Mashatu
AD Active Experiences



At a glance...

- 2 nights Mashatu Trails Camps - Full board basis

Day 1: Motloutse River

This morning, transfer to your first trails camp for the start of your walking safari.



Submerge yourself in the ecological diversity of Mashatu's spectacular landscape as you **set off on foot through the Western Sector of the reserve**, in the company of your highly experienced walking guide. For the nature enthusiast, hiker and outdoors person, this is the opportunity of a lifetime. Get up close to big game, discover the true beauty of sunsets and marvel at the sheer magnitude of the night skies. Mashatu's game include leopard, lion and elephant, healthy populations of cheetah, the aard-wolf and bat-eared fox, African wild cat, honey badger and black-backed jackal. The reserve is a bird-watchers paradise, hosting over 350 bird species.

Passionate about the wilderness, your all-round naturalist guide will share his wealth of knowledge, providing a deeper understanding of wildlife and conservation.

Famous for being the river in which diamonds were first discovered in Botswana, Motloutse is dry for most of the year, and this large river-bed is a good spot to view elephant, as they dig beneath the surface in search of water, creating vital water points for other game. The dramatic dolerite dyke, Solomon's Wall spans the river, an impressive 30 metres tall.

During the morning, take a well-earned break and enjoy **snacks and drinks** as you admire the scenery. **Return to camp for brunch and some rest time**, before your afternoon excursion. This evening, enjoy an outdoors meal at the trails camp, complemented by the nocturnal sounds of the wild.



Distance: 5 - 8 kms (Day hike returning to base camp)

Overnight Mashatu Trails Camp, on a full board basis.

Day 2: Motloutse River - Eagle Rock

On wake up, enjoy a light breakfast before departing for your hike. We will return to camp for brunch and then transfer to your second trails camp.

This morning, depart for Mmamagwa, a trip of approximately 12 - 14 kms. These ruins provide a fascinating insight into the early indigenous people of the Limpopo Valley. Littered with artefacts, the Mmamagwe Hill contains archaeological evidence of ancient civilisations, with ties to the ruins at South Africa's Mapungubwe. On top of the hill, stands an old Baobab, inscribed by Cecil John Rhodes, and from here the vistas are spectacular.



Continue on the 6 - 8 kms to the rocky ridge of Eagle Rock, with its sandstone buttress, panoramic views and resident pair of Verreaux's Eagles. Bushman paintings are located on some of the overhanging rocks and this area is popular with brown hyena. **Return to your camp for dinner.**

Distance: 18 - 22 km (Day hikes from base camp)

Overnight Mashatu Trails Camp, on a full board basis.

Day 3: Eagle Rock - Serolo Camp



Your bushwhacking continues with a 10 - 13 kms walk to the Limpopo River, the boundary between Botswana and South Africa. The river banks are home to a wealth of creatures, including crocodiles, and excellent birdlife.

Brunch and shower at Serolo Camp, before departure.

Distance: 10 - 13kms (Hike & return to base camp)

Inclusions

- 2 nights accommodation at Trails Camps
- All meals & drinks
- Expert guiding

Exclusions

- Gratuities