

Thanks again for another spectacular safari! I need a couple of weeks to write a trip report with some photos, but the short version is:

- Everything was very smooth, without any issues or hiccups; from the connections to the camps, to the game drives.
- All of the guides were top-notch.

Savute Safari Lodge: During my first night, just as we were sitting down for dinner, some of the guests freaked out as 12 lions came down to drink at the waterhole that the dining tables overlook. As I was being escorted back to my tent after dinner that night, my escort and I bumped into a leopard that was ON the raised walkway. Later during that night, lions were roaring up a storm. The roars were mixed with elephants trumpeting and blaring. It was clear that at the very least, lions were chasing elephants in the dry river channel. The next morning we found that the Marsh Pride had killed an elephant just a few minutes outside of and behind camp; and this happened in the Northern Pride's territory. I later came to learn that this pride was featured in a Natural World/BBC documentary in 2014, called Africa's Giant Killers. The crew is still filming in the area.

Thanks again for another fabulous safari Kyle! I'll put this into more of a trip report with photos in another week or two. I have little bit of photo sorting to do now

Best regards,

**Chris Swindal, Sep 2016**

We had a great time at Savute Safari Lodge and saw some amazing sights...African Wild dogs, Baobab trees, leopards, etc. It was fun to meet up with Bill, Kathy and family. It was somewhat of a mixed bag overall. The area is so dry now due to a draught and a shift in the tectonic plates. Man made watering holes are present at the lodge and throughout the park. I think the animals seem a bit stressed and it is different with little to no natural water. The watering hole by the lodge can get quite stinky and dusty. The stench and dust was really quite bad the last evening at dinner. Loved the staff, food, music and dancing. Rooms were beautiful.

Thanks for all your assistance in arranging a trip of a lifetime. We hope to go back!

Best,

**Mary Jeanne Hecht, Jul 2016**

We cannot rave enough about the trip. Everyone was informative, helpful and friendly. We saw the animals up close and personal, accommodations were luxurious, meals delicious and Cape Town a perfect ending. You were right, Esther is an excellent guide for Victoria Falls. We like Botswana best, my husband liked Chobe best and I liked the Okavango Delta and Xakanaxa Camp, in part because it was so peaceful and rustic (without roughing it).

Thank you for putting this together. It was the trip of a lifetime.

**Margy Meyers, June 2016**