

Our Mobile Camp Setup and Facilities

Each course operates from a fully equipped mobile tented camp.

Accommodation consists of spacious, standing-height tents for two people, each with stretcher beds, comfortable mattresses and linen.

Within the camp, a field-style classroom is set up for daily learning sessions. The camp kitchen provides three freshly prepared meals per day, and non-mineral water is available throughout. Dining takes place outdoors at a communal table under the open sky.

Our camps are equipped with private field-style toilets and showers.

Facilities are simple and functional, designed for those who seek a genuine connection with the wilderness rather than luxury.

Meals & Refreshments

At Nomad Guide School, we believe that good food fuels great adventures. During your time in the bush, all meals (three per day), non-mineral drinking water, and tea/coffee are provided.

Please inform us of any dietary requirements or food allergies by completing the Dietary Preference Form before your course begins.

Daily meals include:

- Breakfast – A simple, hearty start with rusks, toast and spreads, porridge, fresh fruit, and yogurt.
- Lunch – Served around midday, featuring a wholesome main dish, fresh salads or a vegetarian option, and camp-baked bread.
- Dinner – A warm, satisfying meal with a hot meat dish, starch, and vegetables or salad — perfect after a full day in the field.

Light snacks such as dried fruit and biltong are available for excursions. We also suggest bringing a few personal favorites like energy bars or trail mix for long days out in the bush. Out here, mealtimes are more than just about food — they're moments to recharge, share stories, and connect with fellow trainees under the open African sky. 🌿

Gratuities Policy

Nomad Guide School acknowledges that guests and students come from various cultural backgrounds, each with its own approach to tipping. Gratuities are entirely voluntary and should never be regarded as an obligation.

Should you wish to offer a gratuity, it may be given directly to your guide or placed in the communal tip box at camp, which is distributed fairly among support staff. The amount is at your sole discretion and should reflect your personal appreciation of the service received. Your engagement, respect, and commitment to our shared experience are equally valued.

Internet Connectivity

Internet connectivity at Nomad Guide School camps is basic, free and intended for light use such as WhatsApp, email, and limited social media. Streaming, movie downloads, or other high-demand applications are not supported. We believe that when you come to NGS, you come to immerse yourself fully in the wilderness and leave daily distractions behind for a while.

At the same time, we recognize the need to stay in touch with family and friends, and our system allows for that essential connection while maintaining the focus on the wild experience.

Activities during Training

At Nomad Guide School, excursions are conducted by vehicle, on foot, and when conditions allow, by motorboat and traditional dug-out canoes known as *mekoro* (plural of *mokoro*). Students actively participate in all activities, from leading guided walks to poling mekoro and driving on game excursions, helping them gain hands-on guiding experience. A valid driver's license is required for those operating vehicles.

Safety in the camps

Nomad Guide School operates in an unfenced wilderness camps wildlife moves freely around. While encounters with animals are part of the bush experience, they also require awareness and respect. Most animals will avoid people, but they can become potentially dangerous if startled or provoked. For everyone's safety, it's essential to follow the instructions at all times. By remaining alert and behaving responsibly, the risk of incidents can be greatly minimized.

Weather

The Okavango Delta experiences distinct seasonal changes that shape both wildlife activity and training conditions.

January – March:

The peak of the rainy season. Days are hot (30–35°C) with dramatic afternoon storms and lush green vegetation.

April – May:

Rainfall decreases and temperatures begin to cool (25–30°C days, 15–20°C nights). The floodwaters from Angola begin to reach the Delta, slowly filling channels and attracting wildlife.

June – July:

Cool, dry winter months with clear skies and crisp mornings (5–10°C) and pleasant days around 25°C. Ideal for walking and game drives; nights can be cold, especially before dawn. Severe fronts, cold winds may persist through the day

August – September:

The flood is at its fullest. Water-based activities peak, while wildlife concentrates along remaining water channels. Days are warm (30°C), and nights remain mild.

October:

The hottest month before the rains return, with daytime temperatures often exceeding 35°C.

November – December:

Early rains break the heat, transforming the landscape into fresh green growth. Temperatures range from 30–35°C. mornings usually around 15C.