



MANKWE TENTED RETREAT



SUN DESTINATIONS

MANKWE TENTED RETREAT DIRECTIONS SHEET



DIRECTIONS TO MANKWE TENTED RETREAT

Mankwe Tented Retreat is located only 96km from Maun, and is easily and affordably accessed by self-drivers from Maun Airport. Alternatively, a road transfer from the airport to the lodge can be arranged. Mankwe Tented Retreat is located on the eastern edge of the Okavango Delta, renowned World Heritage Site in Botswana.

The border of the Moremi Game Reserve lies a stone's throw to the west of Mankwe, while Chobe National Park is slightly north, and Maun is only two hours south, by road.

The lodge is nestled in a prime location in its own 365 000 hectare concession. This is a prestigious territory in the wild wonderland of Botswana, where the lack of fences allows for free-roaming wildlife, resident lions, an abundance of elephants, and incomprehensible room to explore.

FROM SOUTH GATE, MOREMI TO MANKWE TENTED RETREAT

Coming from South Gate, drive back towards the Buffalo gate - if you reach buffalo gate you have gone too far. Before you reach buffalo gate you turn left and follow the main road for 25km to Sankuyo village. Mankwe is signposted on the left hand side of the road, 5.5 km out of Sankuyo.

These are the estimated distances from Mankwe:

Khwai : 28 km (1 hour) Savuti : 90 kms (4 hours) Maun : 93 kms (1hr 50mins) South Gate: 60 km (1hr 30 mins) North Gate : 45 kms (1hr 40 mins)

Kasane: 260 kms (9 hours - through the Park)

3rd Bridge: 110 kms (3.5 - 4 hours)

Mababe Gate : 45 kms (2 hrs) Maun to Nata : 300 kms Nata to Kasane: 300 kms Kasane to Victoria Falls : 80 kms

Mawana Gate (Buffalo fence): 33 Km

FROM MAUN TO MANKWE TENTED RETREAT

Self-drivers travelling from Maun Airport will exit Maun, following the tar road in the direction of Mababe on the Seretse Khama road. Just keep heading north through the town on this road - it curves east and crosses the Thamalakane River, and then comes to a traffic circle. Take the first exit heading towards Shorobe. From the traffic circle, when heading North, it's 27km to Shorobe. As you go through Shorobe you leave the tar road behind and go on to a gravel road to Mawana Gate (Buffalo veterinary fence), which is roughly 18 kms.

From the gate you proceed straight until you reach the "fork" in the road. Keep right and follow the road to Sankuyo Village, which is roughly 25kms. From Sankuyo to the Mankwe turn off on your left hand side it is 5,5 km. Turn left, and follow the road to the lodge which is roughly 2km.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Tar roads are passable all year round in a 2wd vehicle. Roads are normally kept in good condition throughout the country with only a few potholes. Traffic is light and distances between fuel stations and toilet stops can be long, so careful planning is required. These areas are hot all year round so pay attention to tyre pressures – especially on heavy laden vehicles. If your vehicle is full of people, then baggage tyre pressure and condition become much more important. Check your tyre pressure is correct, and take regular stops along the journey for the tyres, passengers and driver.

Driving at night not recommended at all in Botswana (any part of the country) because of wildlife. Wild animals, cows, goats, chickens, dogs and even people are attracted to the road as night falls. You will often find cows sleeping on the road; and many collisions occur with vehicles causing serious injury. If at all possible, arrive at your destination before sunset. If you set out before dawn, keep your speed down and watch the road at all times.

