Angola Expedition

9 Days

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## Angola Expedition

Join MT Sobek co-founder Richard Bangs to make history at the UNESCO-listed Okavango Delta in our first-ever safari to Angola. Explore the rich biodiversity of Africa’s iconic wetlands and crucial waterways by boat, with over 1,000 plant species, 480 bird species and 130 mammal species, including the world’s largest elephant population. Take to the sky via helicopter to discover remote source lakes and floodplains, and walk the Angolan Bush with local tribesmen.

### Details

- **Arrive:** Maun, Botswana
- **Depart:** Maun, Botswana
- **Duration:** 9 Days
- **Group Size:** 6-8 Guests
- **Minimum Age:** 16 Years Old
- **Activity Level:**

### Testimonials

- “I have taken 12 trips with MT Sobek. Each has left a positive imprint on me—widening my view of the world and its peoples.”
  
  Jane B.

- “I’ve taken six MT Sobek trips and they have all exceeded my expectations. The staff, the food, the logistics and the communications have always been exceptional. Thank you for being my "go to" adventure travel company!”

  Margaret I.
Why Take This Trip With Us?

**REASON #01**
On this exclusive itinerary, join MT Sobek as one of the first "outsiders" to ever visit Angola, a pioneering achievement.

**REASON #02**
Learn about the Okavango Wilderness Project’s groundbreaking work.

**REASON #03**
This trip expertly combines exploration, safaris, history, and conservation, journeying into the wilderness of the world’s most important inland delta.

What to Expect

**ACTIVITIES**
Scenic helicopter tours, safaris by boat and 4x4, bush walks and swimming in remote lakes.

**LODGING**
Expedition-style mobile camps with simple amenities and campfire dining, punctuated by luxury wilderness lodges at the journey’s beginning and end.

**CLIMATE**
Hot summer from October to April with temperatures averaging 80°F. January to March and May September bring cooler temperatures and sporadic rains.

Meet Our Guides

Our expert guides and trip leaders are truly the key to our trips’ success. Many are locals who live in-country year-round; others have made it their second home—all are passionate, enthusiastic and endlessly knowledgeable. Meet two of the guides that might be on your trip.

Richard Bangs has often been called the father of modern adventure travel since co-founding Sobek Expeditions (now MT Sobek) in 1973. He has spent 50 years exploring the globe and led the first descents of 35 rivers, including the Yangtze and the Zambezi. Richard still loves to lead exciting “out there” adventures and is heading to Iraqi Kurdistan and Sudan with MT Sobek in Fall 2020 and Spring 2021. Richard is an accomplished storyteller, best known for his popular PBS series “Richard Bangs’ Adventures with Purpose,” and was a 2019 PURE Awards finalist for his contribution to experiential travel.

Richard Bangs
Itinerary

DAY 1
ARRIVE IN MAUN & FLY TO THE OKAVANGO DELTA

Arrive in Maun and embark on a helicopter tour over the expansive Okavango Delta - one of the Seven Natural Wonders of Africa and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Take in the lush scenery and exotic game along the way, before settling into Nxamaseri Camp in the secluded heart of the main Okavango River. Boat safari in the evening for the region’s best birdwatching, from Pel’s fishing owls to white-backed night herons, and fall asleep to the rapturous rhythms of Africa’s wild.

Activity: Scenic helicopter tour and bird encounters on a 3-hour boat safari
Meals: L, D

DAY 2
JOURNEY TO ANGOLA & THE SOURCE LAKES

Set course for Angola, capturing Namibia’s "Caprivi Strip" and the Miombo woodlands from above, before adventuring to the Source Lakes region. Arrive to our mobile camp on the shores of the Cuanavale and meet our team on the ground. Ruminate on the untamed headwaters of the Okavango, Zambezi and Kwando around a campfire as dusk descends.

Activity: Scenic helicopter tour
Meals: B, L, D

DAY 3
DISCOVER THE ANGOLAN BUSH

Spend the day venturing into the unexplored Angolan bush with our local team, whose conservation initiative, the Okavango Wilderness Project, has been documenting the fragile region for years, discovering 130 species previously unknown to Angola, 26 species new to science and 75 species potentially new to science.

Activity: 1 to 3 hour exploratory nature walks, scenic helicopter tours
Meals: B, L, D

DAY 4
FURTHER EXPLORE THE SOURCE LAKES

Embed deeper with our local team, immersed in the beauty of the Okavango-Zambezi Water Tower and its complex ecosystem. Marvel at the native flora and fauna, spotting some of its 200,000 wildlife residents.

Activity: 1 to 3 hour exploratory nature walks, scenic helicopter tours
Meals: B, L, D

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HEAD TO THE PRIME ANGOLAN CIVIL WAR BATTLEFIELDS - THEN ONWARDS TO THE CUBANGO REGION

Journey to the historic battlefields of the Angolan Civil War by helicopter, where the plains along the Lombo River are strewn with the remains of tanks and armored personnel carriers. Fly onwards to the Cubango region, where a protected 500,000-acre reserve straddles the two major Cubango and Cuatir rivers responsible for the Okavango’s pulse floods. In this remarkable wild downstream from the Source Lakes, local Stefan van Wyk protects precious wildlife and trees. Set up in our comfortable, thatched bungalows and join a thrilling boat safari, bush walk or game drive.

Activity: 4x4 nature drive or bush walk
Meals: B, L, D

BUSH WALK THE CUBANGO RESERVE

Begin your morning with a riveting bush walk guided by local tribesmen and track the elegant sitatunga antelope and other diurnal wildlife. In the afternoon, head out on a scenic drive in 4x4 Land Cruisers—this is where nature roams.

Activity: 3-to-4-hour bush walks, 3-to-4-hour 4x4 nature drive
Meals: B, L, D

FLY TO BOTSWANA AND THE EASTERN OKAVANGO

Fly onwards to Botswana, touring the northern floodplains of the Okavango Delta on a stunning game viewing safari by helicopter. Arrive to our tented accommodations overlooking biodiverse floodplains and lagoons and set off on a leisurely game drive before sunset.

Activity: 3-to-4-hour 4x4 game drive
Meals: B, L, D

THE EASTERN OKAVANGO- KHWAI PRIVATE RESERVE

Your last full day of the expedition is spent in the eastern reaches of the Okavango Delta at the small and exclusive Jackal

Activity: 3-to-4-hour 4x4 game drive
Meals: B, L, D

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DAY 9  RETURN TO MAUN & DEPART

Experience a morning game drive, followed by a sumptuous brunch to round-out your extraordinary African adventure. Return to Maun and connect with departing international flights.

Activity: Morning 4x4 game drive, scenic helicopter tour
Meals: B
Dates

Jun 4 - 12, 2022
Pricing

2021
from $19,995 per person dbl. occ.

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PRICE INCLUDES

- Expert leadership from experienced adventure guides
- Accommodations as noted in the itinerary
- Meals as noted in the daily itinerary
- Potable water and snacks throughout
- 1 glass of wine or beer at dinner
- All tips and gratuities for support staff with the exception of your lead adventure guide(s)
- All group entrance fees, activities, and ground transportation
- Arrival and departure day group airport transfers

PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE

- International airfare, any airport taxes, or excess baggage charges
- Optional tips to your lead adventure guides
- Personal expenses such as medical immunizations, phone calls, laundry, or souvenirs
- Airport transfers if arriving or departing outside of the group transfers
- Optional travel protection

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