

**Guiding Experience:** Frances became a professional guide in 2013 and guided for 4 years before working in lodge management as a conservation manager and concession general manager. She has worked in Namibia, South Africa, Botswana and Kenya in both conservation and community projects.

**Regional Knowledge & Expertise:** Botswana, South Africa, Namibia and Kenya.

**Ideal for Accompanying:** Adventurous families and travellers, multi-generation family travel, small groups.

**Areas of Special Interest:** Wildlife, conservation and community upliftment.

## Qualifications:

- Frances has a BSc. Zoology, Hons degree as well as a wildlife Management, Professional Guide, Lodge and Private Concession Manager's degree.
- With extensive experience in overseeing the ranger and guiding departments.

Languages: English.

Currently Lives: Khwai Private Reserve, Botswana.

## **FRANCIS** KING

66 I feel strongly about conservation and sustainability and this all goes hand-in-hand with community outreach programs. The one cannot exist without the other.

## **OPERATES ANYWHERE IN BOTSWANA**

Growing up in the Eastern Cape of South Africa infused Frances with a great passion for nature and wildlife. She went on to study Zoology, completing a post graduate degree in Wildlife Management before completing her FGASA qualifications and acquiring a guide's licence.

Accolades in hand, Frances began her career on a South African game reserve where she ran a volunteer programme. From there she worked throughout East and Southern Africa filling positions such as Safari Manager, Resident Ecologist and Reserve Manager.

She now manages Khwai Private Reserve in Botswana's Okavango Delta where she works closely with local rangers and communities. This has equipped her with a deep understanding of the complexities around human-wildlife conflict and the challenges local people face living in close proximity to wildlife.

