



KAGISO 'VILLA' MOATSHE

“ Conservation is humanity caring for the future. ”

Guiding Experience: *Villa has been guiding since 2016 when he attained his license.*

Regional Knowledge & Expertise: *A desert specialist, his knowledge is mainly focused on the Makgadikgadi Salt Pans of Botswana.*

Ideal for Accompanying: *Guests with a love of environmental conservation and those with a keen interest in photography.*

Areas of Special Interest: *Wildlife, conservation, the Kalahari Desert, environmental conservation and photography.*

Qualifications:

- *Villa worked in outreach and conservation prior to starting as a guide.*
- *He has travelled internationally.*
- *Expertly trained by Ralph Bousfield.*
- *Villa loves to tell stories through his photography.*
- *Passionate about environmental conservation and preserving the environment for future generations.*

Languages: *English*

Currently Lives: *Botswana – based at Jack's Camp*

OPERATES AT UNCHARTED AFRICA CAMPS IN BOTSWANA

Kagiso – who's known as Villa throughout the Natural Selection family, had his first environmental conservation experience at the age of 17 when he volunteered through an organization called Botswana Workcamps Association. The organization sparked a passion for the environment in Villa, and he remained with the setup, running conservation projects within communities and wildlife reserves until 2013 when he was offered the opportunity to facilitate high school workshops on conservation and climate change in Germany.

Villa returned from Germany with one dream: to become a safari guide. Newly qualified, Villa began his guiding career at Khama Rhino Sanctuary and then Modisa Wildlife Project before joining Uncharted Africa in 2018. He underwent intensive guide training from Ralph Bousfield (revered guide and founder of Uncharted Africa) before setting out to guide in the Makgadikgadi Pans.

Villa's experiences have made him somewhat of a desert specialist and he's particularly knowledgeable about the Makgadikgadi Pans. The love for the environment and its conservation that was first sparked at the age of 17 in Villa has endured to this day, and he's passionate about sharing his knowledge and care for our planet with his guests.

He also shares these wild places to a wider audience through his photography and he's a great option for guests who are keen photographers themselves. The Kalahari Desert and the Makgadikgadi Pans especially are his favourite places to work in. He feels that the Pans offer a unique environment that can't be experienced anywhere else in the world.