



BAPADILE BROOKS KAMANAKAO

“There’s nothing quite like the adrenalin rush of finding spoor and then tracking your way with excited guests to find the prize. Even if you end up empty handed, there are so many other incredible wonders to unearth along the way.”

Guiding Experience: Brooks started guiding in 2000.

Regional Knowledge & Expertise: Etosha National Park, Zimbabwe’s Hwange Park, Zambia’s Kafue National Park, South Africa’s Kruger National Park. the Okavango Delta, the Kalahari, the Namibian Desert are his favourite regions.

Ideal for Accompanying: Adventurous families, multi-generational family travel, couples, solo travellers, small groups.

Areas of Special Interest: Wildlife, fauna and flora, astronomy, photography, birding, and the diverse cultures of Botswana, community service and conservation talks, educating the community and the school children about nature and conservation.

Qualifications:

- Computer studies at Nthoo Commercial College (Maun).
- He got his full professional guide licence from the Botswana Wildlife Training Institute, including walking qualifications.
- He is credentialed at the highest level as a Professional guide in Botswana and with the prestigious weapons proficiency certificate for walking safaris.
- In early 2006, he joined the Wilderness private guiding team to enhance his knowledge of other areas of the country, as well as spending more days with each group of guests.
- A combination of superlative bush knowledge, friendly hosting and a wide interest in astronomy, birding and the diverse cultures of Botswana.

Languages: Setswana, English.

Currently Lives: Motopi Village, Botswana.

OPERATES IN BOTSWANA & PARTS OF AFRICA

Brooks started his career as a camp assistant, but determined to progress further in the tourism industry, he became a waiter, then a tracker, and then went on to qualify as a professional guide in 2000. Since then, Brooks has developed his bush knowledge even further, and has fine-tuned his guiding skills even more through working at premier camps, such as Mombo and King’s Pool.

Brooks has earned a reputation for always wanting to learn more, as well as never giving up the wildlife chase if he’s hot on a track!

His deep knowledge on ‘simply everything’ is astonishing, and this, combined with his friendly manner, humour and special interests in fauna and flora, astronomy, photography, birding, and the diverse cultures of Botswana, makes him one very popular guide.

The ultimate reference, however, is the sheer number of guests who come back specifically for another life-changing safari with Brooks.

