



# CHABBA SELEI

“The balance of the unity of life in a desert coupled with the fun of having very keen guests and a lovely team at Uncharted Africa Safari Company is a beautiful recipe for a happy jolly life.”

**Guiding Experience:** Chabba has been guiding since 2005.

**Regional Knowledge & Expertise:** The Kalahari Desert, the Makgadikgadi Pans, the Okavango Delta.

**Ideal for Accompanying:** Adventurous families, multi-generational family travel, couples, solo travellers, small groups, journalists & keen photographers.

**Areas of Special Interest:** Science, tracking, all things Botswana and human evolution, life science - especially biology and farming.

#### Qualifications:

- Chabba is a scientist and a teacher at heart.
- He is a zoologist by qualification, schooled in Oklahoma state university in the USA.
- He also did a nursing course (Gateway Foundation).
- His schooling was done in Francistown where he excelled in science.
- In 1997 he got an 'A' for his O'level and went on to do his national service as was required then before university.
- Chabba taught maths and science to the Bushmen in Salaiwe, Southern Kalahari.
- He spent a lot of time guiding in the Makgadikgadi Salt Pan area where Jack's Camp, Camp Kalahari and San Camp are situated.

**Languages:** English, Setswana, Kalanga, basic Shona.

**Currently Lives:** Mapula Lodge, The Okavango Delta.

## OPERATES FROM UNCHARTED AFRICA CAMPS IN THE MAKGADIKGADI PANS AND THE OKAVANGO DELTA IN BOTSWANA

Chabadimaketse Sele (universally known as Chabba) was born in Francistown, Botswana. In the early 80's this area still had great biodiversity around it and Chabba would catch birds and reptiles and with the help of elders identify them, performing his first dissection with a broken bottle, not aware that this would lead to a path in science and education. Eventually Chabba undertook national service and taught in a bushman village named Salajwe in the Southern Kalahari.

From there he began his scientific studies at the University of Botswana, after two years transferring to the University of Oklahoma to complete his degree.

Chabba joined Uncharted Africa in 2005 as a guide, also undertaking duties such as guide training and maintenance. He is currently based in the Okavango Delta but has a deep love of the Makgadikgadi Pans after many years based at the famous Jack's Camp. Chabba enjoys showing guests how life and environments connect in an interesting and educational way.