

KAI COLLINS

66 I was lucky to grow up in a rural village surrounded by wildlife, which sparked my passion for conservation. I now dedicate my life to the conservation of the last wild places and critical ecosystems that sustain us. Nature brings us back into the present, where we really should be spending most of our time!

Guiding Experience: Kai has been guiding for 12 years

**Regional Knowledge & Expertise:** Okavango Delta and Angola.

**Ideal for Accompanying:** *Travellers with an interest in conservation.* 

**Areas of Special Interest:** Conservation, ecology, climate change, remote wilderness areas.

## Qualifications:

- Holds an MSc and is studying for a PhD
- Vast conservation experience
- Spent 5 years with the National Geographic Okavango Wilderness Project
- Has spent much of his life in Botswana

Languages: English and French

Currently Lives: Maun, Botswana

## **OPERATES IN BOTSWANA AND ANGOLA**

A born and bred Botswana boy, Kai is a seasoned conservation biologist who's remained close to his roots and bases himself in Maun. He holds a MSc degree and is currently completing his PhD.

Kai makes an ideal choice for the conservation-minded traveller since he has been heavily involved in some truly epic conservation efforts throughout sub-Saharan Africa. These have included coordinating some of the largest international translocations of black rhino in history. His expertise lies in the safeguarding of endangered species and addressing the ecological ramifications of climate change on ecosystems and protected areas. The conservationist has also coordinated a collaborative framework and coalition amongst NGOs and governmental bodies with the aim of spearheading community-driven initiatives to catalyse sustainable economic ventures including adventure tourism opportunities in remote parts of Africa.

This weight of experience makes Kai a fascinating and insightful guide. He has worked as a guide since 2012 and speaks both English and French.

His core knowledge is of the Okavango Delta in Botswana but he also has plenty of experience in Angola having spent five years with the National Geographic Okavango Wilderness Project.

