

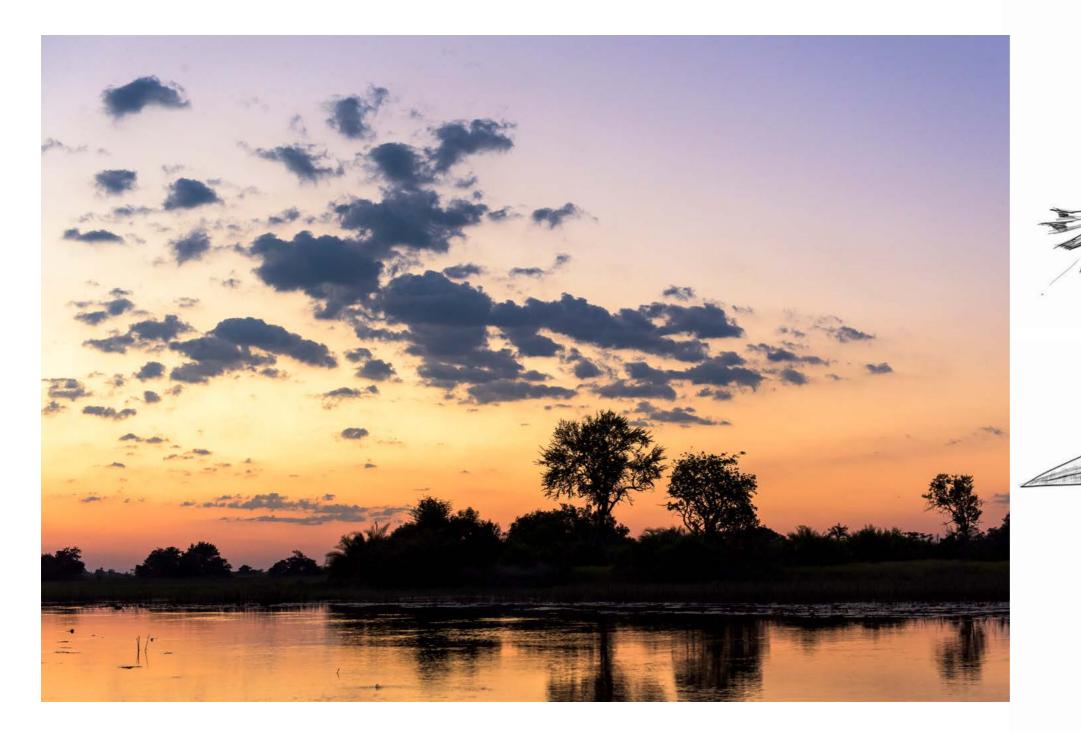


ALL THE REASONS TO LOVE XIGERA SAFARI LODGE



Xigera opened December 2020 in Botswana's most unspoilt wilderness, Xigera ("Kee-jera") is, quite simply, a pioneer. This extraordinary new safari lodge, located in the Moremi Game Reserve in the heart of the Okavango Delta, is a bold new statement, reinventing what it means to experience the African bush.





OUR LOCATION IN BOTSWANA

Resting on the western edge of the Moremi Game Reserve, overlooking the verdant floodplains of the Okavango Delta, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, Xigera has the gift of offering remarkable experiences both on land and on the water.











OUR FAMILY & HERITAGE



Nearly 70 years of passion, care and attention to detail have been dedicated to Xigera. This pioneering camp is the dream and vision of the Tollman family, the pinnacle of a life's work creating extraordinary hospitality for both Xigera and The Red Carnation Hotel Collection.

OUR WILDERNESS EXPERTS



Inspired by a deep love and understanding of the African bush, our Xigera guides are led by legendary wildlife and conservation expert Mike Myers. With over 40 years of experience, he has brought together a team with great experience and knowledge, revealing a truly authentic safari experience and allowing guests an enriching and educational way of discovering this majestic corner of the Okavango. Mike's knowledge of the Delta has also enabled him to oversee the immense build of Xigera, an architectural project that is ground-breaking in its scope and vision.









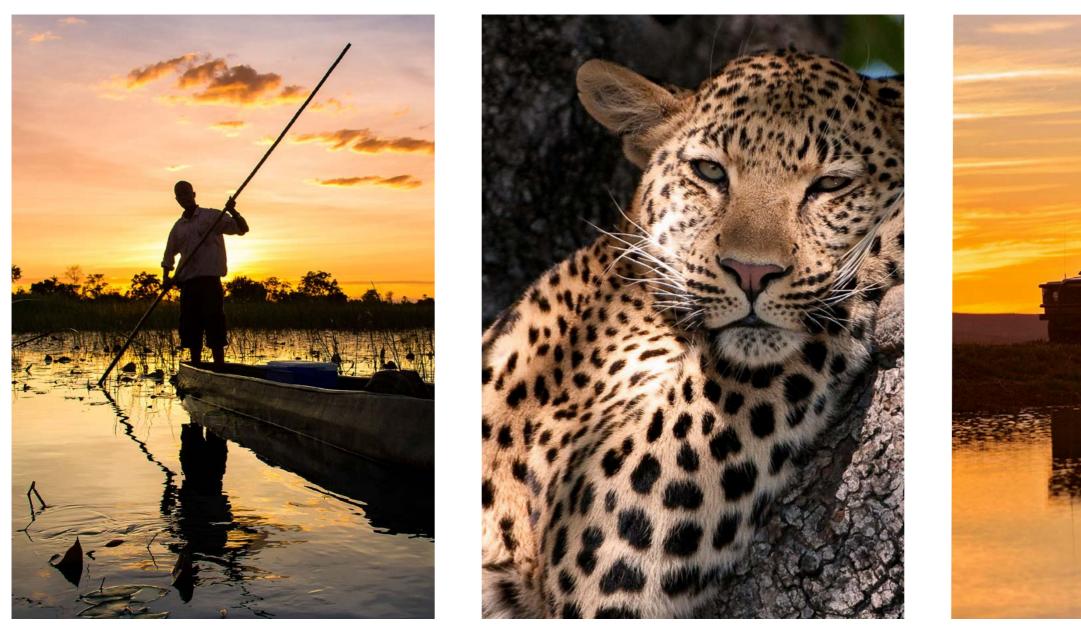
HOW WE MAKE OUR GUESTS FEEL



With 105 staff members and just 24 guests, Xigera offers a truly personal, unique and memorable safari experience. Red Carnation is renowned for its thoughtful service and generous hospitality and the team led by Mike and Marian Myers, is empowered to ensure that all our guests feel special, cared for and welcome.



EXTRAORDINARY BUSH EXPERIENCES



One-of-a-kind activities are carefully tailored to guests' specific interests and timings, from exploring the bush on a thrilling photographic game drive with our resident wildlife photographer Mike Myers, or on foot with our wonderful guides, to discovering the Okavango's most remote waterways by boat, culminating in feet-in-the-water sundowners. Our traditional mokoro is glass-bottomed and undeniably unique in the Delta, allowing our guests to drift gently across serene lagoons, surrounded on both sides by open floodplains extending as far as the eye can see, while fish flicker below among the river plants.







A CALL FROM THE WILD



The Lodge sits lightly on the earth, elevated elegantly above the waterways and protecting the pristine environment, with magnetic views through every opening. Awake each morning to perfect views of the breathtaking floodplains, and listen as the bush comes to life. Birdsong and the rustle of passing wildlife - or even the distant roar of a lion - signals the start of each day's new adventure, allowing guests to connect and be in harmony with nature. Our guides share a deep knowledge of the African bush with our guests, from details about the minute Malachite Kingfisher to the majestic elephants migrating across the wetlands.





UNIQUE DESIGN & CURATED ART





Gently undulating architecture and scorched timber cladding blends seamlessly with the surroundings, while the meticulously designed interiors by Toni Tollman, in collaboration with Southern Guild gallery, are a vibrant reflection of the landscape, featuring exceptional one-off works by Africa's most globally recognised artists. Every piece of furniture, each surface, every object has been exquisitely crafted, from the walnut four-poster beds draped in a hand-loomed throw created exclusively for each room by African Jacquard, to over-scaled karakul wool and jute rugs by Coral & Hive, a hand painted Dokter and Misses Kassena cabinet, a Charles Haupt Num-Num bronze table and a pair of Atang Tshikare ceramic plinths.













SCULPTOR ADAM BIRCH ON LOCATION AT XIGERA





Adam Birch has spent months on site hand-carving beautifully sculpted benches and chairs from African Mangosteen and Knobthorn trees that have fallen on the property. Each piece is unique, a re-incarnation of the tree and a tribute to nature. Adam has generously dedicated his time to teach some of our team members how to work with the wood. Alongside Tirafalo our carpenter, we are so proud that two of our polers, Oscar and Brandon, have been given the opportunity to learn these new skills from Adam.

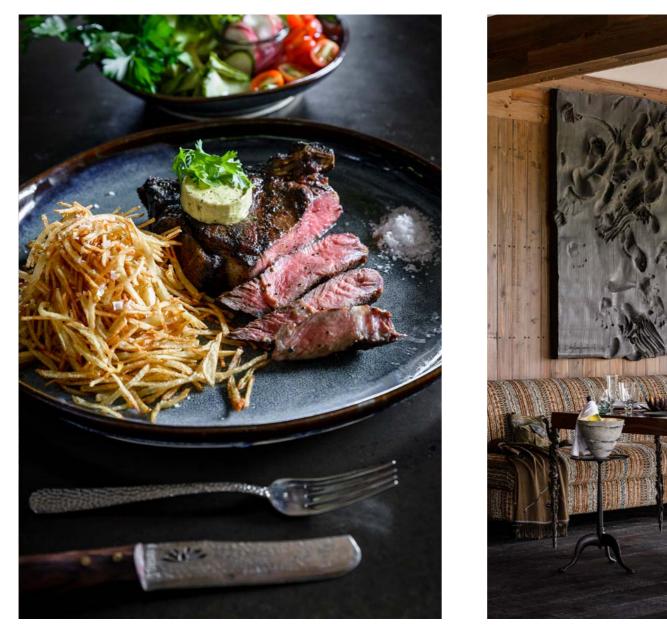








DELICIOUS CUISINE IN THE HEART OF THE OKAVANGO





Served under a forest of trees on the deck, on the banks of the Xigera channel, guests can indulge in delicious signature dishes created by our founder, Beatrice Tollman, as well as marinated ribs, butterflied leg of lamb and ribeye steaks cooked on the braai and a selection of wholesome side-dishes using locally grown produce. The outdoor boma, circling a totemic forged steel and fire sculpture by South Africa's most important blacksmith, Conrad Hicks, allows al fresco meals beneath a blanket of stars, while the world-class wine list showcases the family's award-winning Bouchard Finlayson vineyard. Sip iced tea from handblown tumblers by Ngwenya Glass, and tuck into delicious curries and nourishing dishes cooked in time-honoured tradition, admiring the cerulean glazes of the crockery by Cape Town ceramic designer Mervyn Gers echoing the surrounding waterways.









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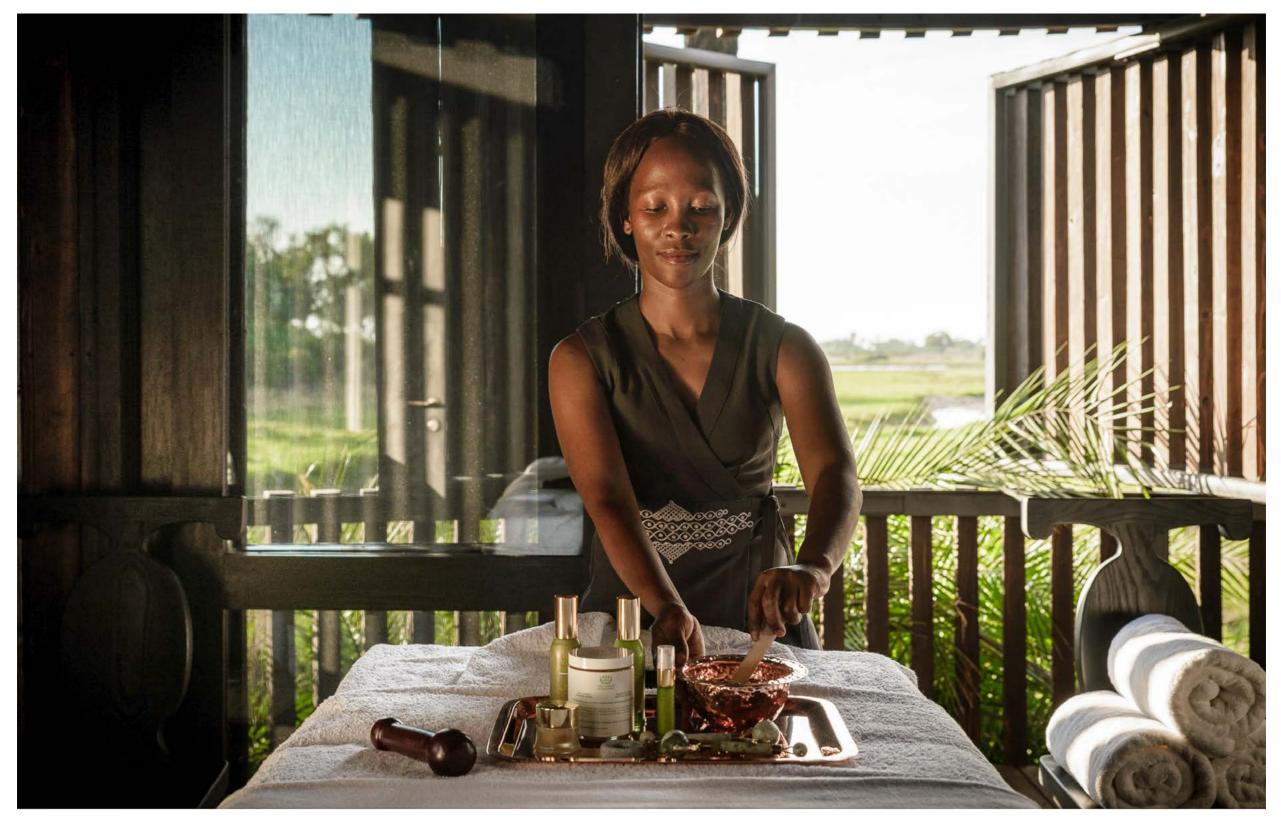


A GIN & TONIC OVERLOOKING THE AFRICAN PLAINS



Nothing says that you are in Africa more than watching the sun fade over the African landscape with a Gin & Tonic in hand the quintessential safari sundowner experience. We have an incredible selection of boutique and craft gins to enjoy on our terraces, in your villa or from your private viewing vehicle, expertly mixed by our talented bartenders and often created with botanicals foraged from the surrounding wilderness.

THE HEALING POWER OF THE BUSH



Drawing on the deep connection between soul and nature, The Spa at Xigera offers a profoundly regenerative environment for guests to heal and let go. Using the natural healing ingredients of Tata Harper and BIAfrica, our bespoke flora-inspired wellness line, guests can benefit from a truly restorative experience, where the inspiring wilderness provides both the setting and the therapy. Set away from the main lodge, the circular treatment rooms are enfolded by slatted screens of Japanese Cedar. The rejuvenating experience culminates on the deck in the shade of the Lily Pavilion, gazing across the river and sipping rose quartz and amaranth tea.









SLEEP UNDER THE STARS



Our guests can be at one with nature and escape even deeper into the bush with a private stay in our sculptural treehouse, a kilometre away from the lodge. Nestled among a cluster of indigenous Croton trees, the structure, built in the evocative shape of a baobab tree, rises almost 10 metres above the floodplain, offering expansive 360-degree views from each of its three levels. Inspired by an iconic painting of a solitary baobab tree by Jacobus Hendrik Pierneef, one of South Africa's master landscape artists, the treehouse offers a once-in-a-lifetime experience of the Okavango Delta's natural rhythms - intimate, wild and free.



WE CARE ABOUT AFRICA'S RENEWABLE ENERGY



We are deeply committed to caring for our wildlife and local communities and strive to tread lightly wherever we go. In partnership with The TreadRight Foundation, Xigera is fully solar-powered and single-use plastic-free, and we are proud that no bricks or concrete were used in construction, with the interiors sourced almost entirely in Africa. We are proud of our Reverse Osmosis process which enables guests and staff to safely drink the water from our taps. We encourage our guests to join us on our conservation journey to safeguard this precious landscape for generations to come.

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OUR PROPERTY AT A GLANCE

ACCOMMODATION

- 12 luxurious air-conditioned suites, including one two-bedroomed Family Suite, offering perfect privacy and expansive Okavango views
- Magnificent suites offer 184 square-metres (1980-square-feet) of living space, including airy bedrooms, dressing room area, separate lounge and private outdoor terrace
- Secluded outdoor decks feature peaceful outdoor gazebos and king-size daybeds for quiet moments, and quality family time in nature
- Spacious bathrooms offer both indoor and outdoor showers, with freestanding baths overlooking the Okavango wilderness
- Modern amenities include flat-screen TV, Wi-Fi access and in-room safe

EXPERIENCES

- Flexible approach to 4x4 safari drives, offering freedom for guests to curate their own safari experience
- Memorable excursions on unique glass-bottomed mokoros, led by expert local guides with intimate knowledge of the Okavango Delta
- Thrilling motorboats safaris on custom-built game-viewing boat with elevated spotting deck
- Bespoke wilderness experiences, including focused photographic safaris and extended bush walks
- Memorable dining, from bush breakfasts and wild picnics to 'feet in the water' sundowners
- Sleep out under the stars in perfect safety atop the remarkable 10-metre Baobab Treehouse
- Catch-and-release angling for endemic species (in-season only)
- Unforgettable aerial perspectives with sightseeing by helicopter (additional cost)
- Sunrise yoga, meditation and mindfulness sessions on the spa deck, or in the privacy of a suite

outdoor Boma and spacious deck

- flexible 'Anything, Anytime' approach to dining • Serene spa with two treatment rooms. Signature treatments feature spa products by Tata Harper and B|Africa
- Safari boutique stocked with unique range of design, fashion and décor from leading African artists
- Exceptional cellar stocked with fine wines and champagnes, including vintage selection from award-winning Bouchard Finlayson estate in South Africa, sister-property in The Red Carnation Hotel Collection • Air-conditioned gym with state-of-the-art equipment and outdoor yoga deck • Pool pavilion with panoramic views over the Okavango Delta • Quiet library space stocked with research material and wildlife documentaries • Extensive photovoltaic solar-farm powered by Tesla technology ensures Xigera is entirely solar-powered • Built on a philosophy of sustainability, including local procurement,

- waste-disposal and eliminating single-use plastics

- Situated on the western edge of the Moremi Game Reserve in Botswana's Okavango Delta
- Spanning 15 000-square kilometres, the Okavango Delta is a UNESCO World Heritage Site
- Arrive by chartered plane from Maun (25-minute flight) and short vehicle/boat transfer to the lodge
- Suspended on stilts and connected by elevated walkways, the lodge rests effortlessly across two islands, set beneath a canopy of ancient forests to offer remarkable views of the floodplains

LODGE FACILITIES

- A choice of elegant lounges and bar spaces
 - for convivial gatherings or quiet reflection
- First-of-its-kind collection of bespoke African art and design
- Array of al fresco dining venues, including the signature
- Locally inspired menus and Bea Tollman classics, complemented by

LOCATION