



## THUTO MOUTLOATSE SPECIALIST SAFARI GUIDE - FREELANCE



### ***Operates in Botswana and other parts of Africa***

Voted “Seven Best Adventure Guides on the Planet” in *Outside* magazine’s Travel Awards in 2014, Thuto Moutloatse life has evolved around wildlife. His passion for nature runs so deep that one of his guests once observed: “He seems to really

understand the profound position he is in – that he lives our "trip of a lifetime" every single day."

Thuto's privilege to live in and amongst the pristine natural areas of Botswana was due to his father's involvement in tourism and conservation and a school career spent in the foothills of the Drakensberg Mountains in neighboring South Africa. His first four years at Wilderness Safaris were filled with guiding in the Linyanti before being "set free" in 2006 to satisfy his insatiable interest in the diverse ecosystems of Botswana as a private guide. This enhanced his natural sense for guiding and he is now frequently requested by both tour operators and repeat guests from all over the world.

As for his specialties, the list is endless. From birding and tracking to astronomy and wildlife photography, his knowledge is impressive; he conducts photographic safaris and freely shares information on even the more technical aspects. Likewise, Thuto's larger-than-life personality makes for memorable family safaris.

In fact, there is a never a dull moment with Thuto: he may have you down on your hands and knees looking at the tiny critters, or you could find yourself tracking big game on foot; and "breakfast-on-a-spade" to dinner under the stars are likely to be of his creation. Going on safari with Thuto will have your mind reeling from the experience. Chances are good that you will return home having acquired a great deal of knowledge as well as a new friend; but while you are with him, don't forget to ask him about Tour de Tuli and why he loves seafood so much...

Thuto must have the eyes of an eagle, since he can spot game, most can barely see with binoculars. He can track anything, and his store of knowledge makes one believe he must be 90 years old. There is not a question unanswered, and it seems there is no creature or habitat that has escaped his full knowledge of past and present history - not to mention his knowledge of Botswana and Africa in general.

Thuto is an accomplished photographer, leading photographic safaris throughout Africa while sharing his technical expertise with guests.

### ***Years of guiding experience***

Thuto started guiding in 2001 and has 21 years of guiding experience.

### ***Regional knowledge and expertise***

Okavango Delta, Kalahari, Southern Africa, East Africa, Zambia, Zimbabwe and Namibia.

### ***Ideal for accompanying***

Adventurous families, multi-generation family travel, photographers, couples, small groups, journalists.

### ***Areas of special interest***

Birding, walking safaris, mokoros, wildlife photography, animal behavior, tracking, geology, entomology, botany, conservation.

### ***Qualifications & Expertise***

- Thuto completed a Travel & Tourism course
- Following graduation, he undertook volunteer work at Hluluwe Imfolozi Game Reserve, then returned to Botswana, beginning his career at Khama Rhino Sanctuary.
- He then spent four years as a lodge-based guide in the private Linyanti Concession.
- To feed his insatiable interest in Botswana's diverse ecosystems, Thuto began leading safaris that spanned the country's mosaic of prolific wildlife regions, enhancing his natural sense for guiding and furthering his personable rapport with guests.

- He worked for Wilderness Safaris for 16 years.
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**Languages:** Setswana and English.

**Currently Lives:** in Maun, Botswana.

*"Each and every day I am grateful for the stories I get to share, the adventures I get to have and the incredible people I get to meet."* - Thuto Moutloatse

**To book Thuto as your specialist guide contact:**

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