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AN OVERNIGHT HIKE IN THE TSWAPONG HILLS

CAMPING

3 NIGHTS/4 DAYS ZAR 2510 PER COUPLE

The Tswapong Hills are an 80 km long sandstone ridge, rising 300m above the surrounding landscape. These scenic hills are home to a lot of wildlife and many archaeological and historic sites, and have been proposed as a UNESCO World Heritage site by the Botswana Government. They start just across the Limpopo River not far from the Groblersbrug border post.

The hills are crisscrossed with old walking trails, mostly poorly marked and maintained. However, at the NW end of the hills there is a two day loop between Modutela and Malaka, ideal for hikers. Starting at Modutela, near modern Palapye, the OPM trail climbs up and over the hills and along their southern face. This trail is through mature, mixed forest. It takes about 6 hours to reach Old Palapye on foot.

The return hike follows the 'Main Track', the old 19th Century heavy wagon trail from Old Palapye back to Modutela. This route is slightly more direct and takes about 5 hrs to walk. It is mostly on the drier, northern side of the Tswapong Hills, which is dominated by open mopane forest.

There is almost no human habitation along either route and certainly no shops, so hikers need to be fully self sufficient during the day. However, the campsite at Old Palapye offers fixed tents with futon beds and mattresses, and may have seasonal vegetables available for purchase.

Note that there are no lions, buffalo or elephant in the Tswapong Hills.

Cars can be parked at the campsite at Modutela for the duration of the hike.

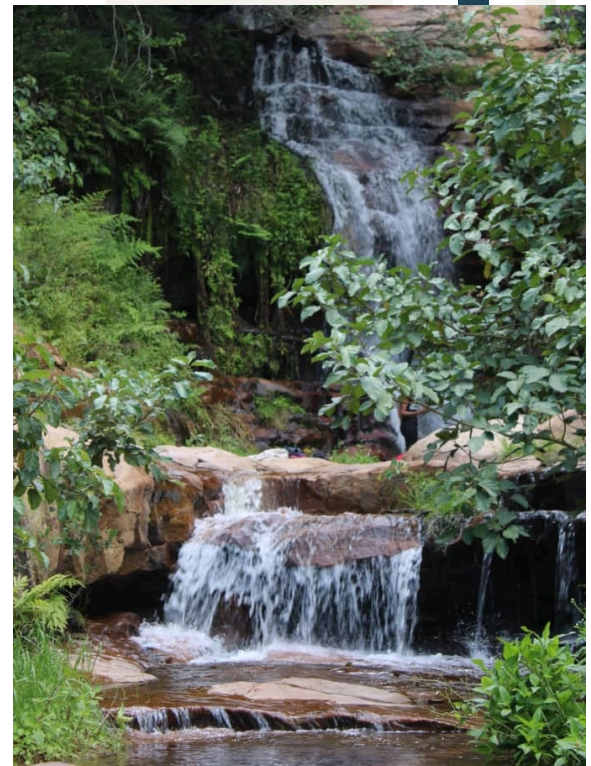


PACKAGE INCLUDES:

- 2 nights campsite accommodation at Modutela (bring your own tent and bedding)
- 1 night campsite accommodation at Old Palapye (carry your own bedding as you hike), but stay in a fixed tent equipped with a futon and mattress.
- Notes on the geological and human history of the Tswapong Hills

PACKAGE EXCLUDES:

- Entry fees to the Old Palapye historic site.
- Cross border fees for your car



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