

Thakadu Bush Camp – Ghanzi Botswana

Name of facility	Thakadu Bush Camp
Country	Botswana
Town	Ghanzi
Region	Eastern Botswana
Contact person	Johann Nothnagel
Category	Lodge & Campsite
Kanabo Rating Green rating	KS 3
Description	Thakadu Camp is a safari lodge situated just South of Ghanzi, overlooking a calcrete pan and floodlit waterhole of extraordinary beauty, surrounded by ancient leadwood trees and frequented by large numbers of indigenous wildlife, including a wonderful variety of both resident and migrant birds. Thakadu (which means 'Aardvark' or 'Anteater' in the local language of Botswana) offers accommodation, activities, and a well stocked bar and restaurant. Our Curio Shop stocks a range of crafts and some emergency supplies for travellers. We also have credit card facilities and wireless internet available 24 hours. Camping in their wonderful leadwood shaded campsites .
Facilities	<p><u>Budget cottages tents:</u> Fully Bedded pre-erected safari-style tents. These provide comfortable budget accommodation. All are equipped with electric lights and utilize the campsite ablutions.</p> <p><u>En suite Meru Tents:</u> The luxurious raised meru tents provide wonderful rustic comfort. They have electricity and abundant hot water for dusty travellers. Cars can be parked close by and the merus are a short walk from the bar and restaurant. They are twin bedded and up to one extra bed can be added for kids. An early morning call is laid on by red-billed francolin (whether requested or not!).</p> <p><u>Thatched chalets:</u> The chalets are elevated with balconies overlooking game rich veld, within short walking distance of the restaurant and bar. Vehicles may be parked directly outside the chalets which are double bedded with extra beds provided if necessary for kids. They are air conditioned and safes are provided.</p> <p><u>Camping:</u> Campsites are all situated under shady leadwood trees with an electric light, power points, drinking water and braai stands. Campsites are all within a short distance of our 2 ablution blocks. Firewood is also available.</p>
Activities	<u>Restaurant and bar:</u> We have a well stocked bar, which is a popular waterhole by the waterhole. Our cozy restaurant overlooking the pan (waterhole) provides excellent a' la carte meals at reasonable prices and a selection of wines is available. A raised swimming pool is available for guests which also overlooks the pan.

CL Woolcott Vulture Restaurant: officially started operating on 5 September 2015. Vultures play an important role in the functioning of our environment and it is our responsibility to protect them. One of the ways to protect vultures is to feed them fresh, poison-free and lead-free meat from carcasses at a Vulture Restaurant. The purpose of the restaurant is to serve as an education hub for schools and local communities and it will afford the general public the opportunity to get up close and personal with vultures and other raptor species. The restaurant commemorates a dear friend, co-founder and nature lover, Chris Woolcott who tragically passed away in a motor vehicle accident in November 2014. www.kclink.co.za

Busmen activities: The San activities at Thakadu centre around a loosely knit group of Nai Nai bushmen who come mostly from the central areas of the Central Kalahari Game Reserve (CKGR). This population became the basis for the settlement of Xade and ultimately New Xade. The name Nai Nai translates directly as “people of the bush” thus they consider themselves to be the true bushmen.

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21.7393° S, 21.6786° E



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Kanabo Botswana: CO 2013/6240

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