



Position title: Camp Nomade - Camp Managers (Couple)

Location: Zakouma National Park (ZNP), Chad

Starting date: 1 November 2020

Duration : Initial 3 year contract

Overview:

Camp Nomade is an exciting mobile camp in Zakouma National Park. Zakouma is managed by the non-profit organization African Parks, on a long-term basis, to protect its wildlife and uplift the surrounding local communities for the ecological, financial and social sustainability of the park. Under African Parks' management since 2010, Zakouma has become a world-renowned case study for successful elephant conservation in a challenging environment. In tourism circles, Zakouma is still a relatively unknown and isolated savanna park, but with its abundant wildlife and unique Saharan nomadic cultures, leading private guides are convinced of its potential for exclusive, high-end tourism and are jointly developing this product with African Parks. Safari tourism in Chad is in its infancy, and we're committed to helping the Chadian people discover the potential of their incredible natural heritage through this niche tourism development. Camp Nomade is a high-end mobile safari camp designed to capture the romance of the nomadic culture that is an integral part of Chadian/Sahelian culture.

The camp was opened in 2015 to leading tourism ambassadors and to the top private safari guides in Africa. The camp received great feedback and has proved very popular being fully booked in advance. The camp is primarily used to entertain African Parks existing or potential donors as well as select private guides and their clients. The season is relatively short, December – April. Before this the park is flooded and after this it's too hot for tourists. The camp can host up to 8 persons with their private guide on a 7-night fixed departure rotation. It is a truly authentic and intimate safari experience. The tented camp is light enough to move through-out the season as the game congregates around the rapidly drying pans. Fly camping is also offered for guests throughout their stay so that they can experience a different location and mix up their 7-night itinerary.

Role and Responsibilities:

The role and responsibilities are wide and varying due to the location and environment. They include but are not limited to the following:

1. Camp Management

- Overall responsibility for the running of the camp to a high standard of service
- Delivery of a world class tourism product synonymous with African Parks
- Management of up to 10 local staff including refresher training and upskilling
- Daily hosting of the clients in conjunction with private guides, donor account managers and from time to time senior park management
- Adherence to the Expenditure budget

2. Logistics

- Movement and setup of Camp Nomade depending on access and water levels
- Logistics and procurement of camp supplies
- Liaison with APN Commercial for trip itineraries.
- In country logistics for guests between Ndjamena and Zakouma.
- Accurate and careful pack up of camp at season end

3. Reporting

- Monthly expenditure reporting
- Inventory reports
- Producing client trip reports
- Maintaining and improving the CRM records

4. Reporting Lines

- a. Operational execution and Logistics :
 1. Greater Zakouma manager
 2. Head of Tourism service
- b. Product design, delivery and reporting:
 1. Head of Commercial development

For the days spent in Camp Nomade (majority of the 6-month period) a **comfortable but basic tented accommodation will be provided**. When there are no guests in camp accommodation will be provided at Zakouma Park Headquarters.

Role requirements::

- A practical, adaptable, enthusiastic and independent management couple with extensive guiding, luxury camp and F&B management experience
- At least 5 years' experience living and operating in remote safari locations
- Excellent planning and organizational skills
- Strong initiative and creativity
- Team players who share ideas and learning with others
- Professional with a sense of fun
- Excellent ability to build and manage relationships with a wide variety of people and cultures
- Computer literate
- At least a basic level of French fluency

Key relationships

1. Greater Zakouma Manager and Management Team in Zakouma.
2. Head of Tourism Service Zakouma
3. Head of Commercial development African Parks
4. Fundraising teams

Summary

This is a unique opportunity to be part of the leading conservation organization in Africa. Camp Nomade is a flag ship product of African Parks which allows the organization to directly engage with donors and guests. The aim is that we can drive much needed revenue for the park operations and ultimately significant funding can be raised to help drive conservation at scale in Africa.

To apply, please email your CV and cover letter to hadmin@africanparks.org by 8th May 2020