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# The Best of Botswana

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A keen and enthusiastic group experienced the vast diversity of Botswana in August. From the Kalahari Desert to the Okavango Delta – they saw it all! One of the highlights had to be an up close and personal visit with a group of meerkats. As the morning sun rose casting it's golden hue – perfect for

photography – we followed these amazing little creatures as they hunted for breakfast. Meerkats are members of the mongoose family and live on grubs, scorpions and such. Watching them dig their little hearts out was too much fun. One would always be on guard keeping a black little beady eye out for predators from above. We did not concern them – it seemed they were just as curious about us! That was a special moment – as was having eyeball-to-eyeball encounters with elephants and no less than 2000 Cape buffalo AND ... coming across a cheetah mom and her fuzzy little cub – pretty amazing!

