

Call of the Wild Adventure Safari

8 nights / 9 days

Starts Maun/Ends Maun, Botswana



From US \$ 4900 per person

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Day	Location	Accommodation	Transfers / Activities	Meals
1	Moremi Game Reserve (or Khwai Community area)	Private Camping Standard safari tent with shared bush bathroom <i>Private Guide starts</i>	Upon arrival at Maun Airport you are met by a representative of Safari Specialists and assisted to the flight into Moremi (or Khwai). You are met by your private guide, transfer to the campsite, game drive en-route.	Afternoon tea, D & SB
2	Moremi Game Reserve	Private Camping	Game drives in Moremi Game Reserve area. If in Khwai Community area night drives as well.	B, L, D & SB
3	Moremi Game Reserve	Private Camping	Activities as above	B, L, D & SB
4	Southern Selinda Spillway	Motswiri Camp Luxury en-suite safari tent	After breakfast, transfer to the nearest airstrip to fly to Motswiri Camp transfer to camp and afternoon activity.	B, L, D & SB
5	Southern Selinda Spillway	Kala Bush Camp, Fly Camp	Following breakfast morning walk along Selinda Spillway to the fly camp. Afternoon at leisure – swimming, fishing or walking	B, L, D & SB
6	Southern Selinda Spillway	Motswiri Camp Luxury en-suite safari tent	After breakfast you walk along the false spillway to the North of the concession – with possible game viewing along the en-route. Arrive back at Motswiri for lunch and overnight at the main camp.	B, L, D & SB
7	Okavango Delta, private Kwara concession	Kwara Camp	Following breakfast and a possible morning activity transfer by light aircraft to the Okavango Delta. Afternoon activity.	B, L, D & SB
8	Okavango Delta, private Kwara concession	Kwara Camp	Morning and afternoon activity from a choice of: day and night game drives, mokoro excursions, boating and guided walks.	B, L, D & SB
9	Safari Ends Maun	Safari Ends	Morning activity (flight time permitting), transfer by light aircraft to Maun for onward connections.	B

Key: B=breakfast / L=lunch / D=dinner / SB=selected beverages

Highlights

- Privately guided Mobile Camping Safari
- Game drives in Moremi Game Reserve
- Walking safari along the Selinda Spillway with overnight bush camp sleep-out
- Horse riding at Motswiri (pre arrangement only)
- Mokoro and guided walks in Okavango Delta
- Day and night game drives in the private Kwara Concession



Cost of Safari 2015

Season	Cost Per Person Sharing	Single Surcharge*	Average nightly rate per person
November 2014	US \$ 4850 per person	US \$ 960	US \$ 607 per person per night
December* 2014	US \$ 4730 per person	US \$ 510	US \$ 592 per person per night
January* - March 2015	US \$ 4900 per person	US \$ 580	US \$ 613 per person per night
June 2015	US \$ 5570 per person	US \$ 1195	US \$ 697 per person per night
July 2015	US \$ 6270 per person	US \$ 1420	US \$ 784 per person per night
August – September 2015	US \$ 6480 per person	US \$ 1520	US \$ 810 per person per night
October 2015	US \$ 6270 per person	US \$ 1420	US \$ 784 per person per night

Please Note:

- Christmas Surcharge for any nights from 20 December – 4 January at Kwara Camp of an additional US \$ 90 per person per night
- Please ask your consultant about cocts for an **upgrade option to the en-suite** tented camp option, should you wish to have the higher level of comfort camping.
- Please note that where a booking crosses over 2 different rate periods e.g. June & July, neither rate is applicable – please request a special quote
- The above rate is subject to change due to major currency fluctuations, fuel surcharges and increases in National park fees
- Subject to availability at time of booking, should any accommodation on the itinerary not be available at the time of booking, you will be offered a similar alternative.
- * Single supplement is for accommodation only, applicable when travelling with more than 2 guests and excludes a flying surcharge for guests travelling solo – rate available on request.
- Optional pre and post safari extensions on request

Botswana Park Fees and Departure Taxes - Increase

Please be aware that the Botswana Park Fees and Airport Departure taxes are expected to increase in 2015. The new fees and implementation date have not yet been confirmed. We will notify you as soon as we receive an update. Regrettably such increases are beyond our control and are excluded from any bookings, provisional or confirmed.



Travel for Impact – Responsible Travel

By booking this itinerary, you donate USD\$2 for every night of travel per person on the booking. Your donation goes to **Travel for Impact (TFI)** and ensures that your safari has a meaningful impact on the people who live locally. For more information on giving back to your chosen destination of travel, visit

www.travelforimpact.com

Non-Participation Camping Safaris- Standard Camping

This is a non-participation safari led by a highly experienced specialist guide. The guide and camp assistant(s) take care of the setting up and breaking down of camp on movement days as well as all the cooking and cleaning. Meals will be prepared for you over the fire and selected drinks are included.

The accommodation tents are 2.5m x 2.5m dome tents, which are well ventilated with mosquito proof screens. The bathrooms are bush ablutions that are shared (not en-suite). The open-air bathroom comprises of a bucket shower (hot water provided), water basin (water provided regularly) and dugout toilet (with a real toilet seat and a spade/ash system for flushing).

The tents are fitted with bedrolls with comfortable mattresses, sheets, duvets and pillows (camp beds available on request). Each tent has an oil/paraffin lamp or lantern on the veranda. Although there are lamps strategically around the camp and at your tent for navigation, an essential tool for your safari is a headlamp and/or flashlight as this lets you read a book and move around at night in your tent.

Unless otherwise advised you will be using a private bush campsite which offers an unspoilt wilderness experience. There are no fixed buildings or facilities at these sites and the entire camp is erected and removed for your stay.

Inclusions	Exclusions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 nights Private Mobile Camping Safari in standard dome tents, Moremi Game Reserve area - non participation camping, camping equipment/bedding/towels with shared bush bathroom facilities, all meals, selected beverages, activities – game drives with current corresponding park fees, private guide and assistant • 3 nights Motswiri Walking Safari, Selinda Spillway including meals, selected beverages and activities as per detailed itinerary <i>** option to change this to a horse riding safari, for experienced riders only.</i> • 2 nights Kwara Camp, Okavango Delta including meals, selected beverages and activities – game drives, night drives, guided walks, mokoro excursions, motorboating. • Light aircraft transfer: Maun – Xakanaxa/Khwai – Motswiri camp – Kwara – Maun Airport 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increases in National Park Fees for 2015 • Increases in government taxes and levies, exchange rate fluctuations and fuel surcharges • All extras such as telephone calls/curio shopping/postage and so forth • Spirits whilst on mobile camping safari (includes beer & wine only) • International flights & taxes • All Travel Insurances • Visas if required for travel in Botswana • Premium imported wines, champagnes, spirits & liqueurs where drinks are included • Errors and omissions • Visas and vaccinations • Personal spendings

Detailed Itinerary:

Days 1, 2 & 3: PRIVATE MOBILE CAMPING SAFARI, Moremi or Khwai area (fully inclusive) *Private guide starts at the bush airstrip *	Travel time: Maun – Xakanaxa or Khwai approx 30 min flight
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On arrival in Maun you are met by Safari Specialists and Mack Air for the light aircraft flight into Xakanaxa (or Khwai) Airstrip in the Moremi area. Upon arrival at the Airstrip you are met by your private guide for onwards transfer to the campsite. Here you will receive an important safety briefing on safety in the campsite and then settle into camp. The following 3 nights you will enjoy a private camping safari in Moremi Game Reserve or Khwai Community area.

Please note that the flight is booked on a 'seat rate' basis and therefore flight times are not scheduled until the day prior to flying, the lodge management will arrange your activities and transfers accordingly. Please note that there is a strict luggage restriction on all light aircraft flights of 15kg per person in soft bags, plus hand luggage.

The campsite is situated in a 'wilderness' area where you sleep in spacious walk in safari tents with comfortable bedding, simple furnishing and shared bush showers and toilets

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Over a refreshing drink and snack the guide will discuss the afternoon route and some guidelines on animal behaviour before heading out on an afternoon game drive to explore the area. You return by sunset to a welcome site with the campfire lit and dinner preparations beginning. All of the meals are cooked over an open fire.

The camp consists of accommodation spacious 2.5m x 2.5m dome tents. Bathroom facilities are shared open-air bush ablutions. Guests sleep on comfortable mattresses on a bedroll (camp beds available on request), and all bedding is provided – sheets, duvet, blankets and pillow.

The shared bathrooms are open-air tented enclosures with a real toilet set over a dugout /pit latrine. Showers are 'bucket' showers that are filled with hot water as required. Each tent has its own wash basin. We recommend you bring your own toiletries, but towels are provided.

Dinner is served at the table, but you return to the campfire after dinner to enjoy an evening of stories under the stars. The night skies are generally clear and the stars bright, so you can learn about the African night sky and constellations in the Southern Hemisphere. We head to bed quite early so that we can be up at first light, ready to find out what the bush has in store for each new day. Generally in the middle of each day clients spend some time relaxing in camp, this is when they generally shower and have lunch and then have some free time. You may use this time to read by yourself, or you may prefer to go over your bird or wildlife checklist, draw some of the wildlife you have seen and perhaps write a bush journal. The days will follow a pattern of a light breakfast, morning game drive, lunch and siesta (optional!), afternoon game drive and returning to camp for dinner around the stars.

AREA DESCRIPTION: MOREMI GAME RESERVE

Moremi Game Reserve is a rich and diverse wildlife sanctuary, situated in the Okavango Delta. The reserve is unfenced and its boundaries are defined by natural water systems. The vegetation is varied, with dry land complemented by permanent and seasonal swamplands, resulting in an excellent diversity of both wildlife and birdlife. There is a great network of game drive routes through the reserve. Boating can be enjoyed in Xakanaxa and Mboma where the channels are connected to permanent delta waterways.

Moremi is one of the best game reserves in Africa for viewing the endangered African wild dog. Xakanaxa is home to a resident herd of several hundred buffalo whose range covers the territories of at least four prides of lion who hunt them. Breeding herds of elephant move between browsing areas in the mopane forests and the fresh waters of the Okavango. Red lechwe are one of the more unusual antelope species commonly found here.

Game viewing in the Moremi Game Reserve is excellent year-round and varies between the seasons. During the dry season (Apr – Oct) the game is usually concentrated around permanent water sources as seasonal pans dry up. From September to November migrant birds such as herons and storks return to the area guaranteeing prolific bird watching which remains excellent throughout the summer months. In the rainy season (Nov – Apr) Moremi captivates its visitors with wild flowers, dramatic thundershowers and spectacular sunsets. Most of the animals give birth during this period and newborn antelope attract a variety of predators.

Day 4, 5 & 6: MOTSWIRI WALKING SAFARI, Southern Selinda Spillway (fully inclusive)

Travel time: Khwai/Xakanaxa – Motswiri 40 minutes flight with short transfer to Motswiri

After breakfast and a possible morning game drive (flight time permitting) you transfer to the airstrip for your light aircraft transfer to Motswiri just north of the Okavango Delta, in the southern reaches of the Selinda Spillway. You are met and transferred to camp for your 3 night stay on a fully inclusive basis. Included in your stay is an overnight walking safari with a sleep out at Kala Bushcamp. There is an option to change the focus of the safari to a horseback riding safari instead of a walking safari – for experienced riders only and on advance arrangement.



Motswiri Camp operates in the western third of the Selinda Concession and traverses an area of 120 acres, which is home to abundant wildlife and birdlife, which tends to be spread out across the area. Exploring the immense concession on foot makes tracking spoor and finding game an adventurous process of patience rewarded. The remoteness and seclusion of the area is easily enjoyed without ever having to come across another human being or vehicle during your time in the concession, making it perfect for more active itineraries on foot where the smaller details can be appreciated.

Walking Safari Itinerary:

Day 4: On arrival at the airstrip, you are met by your guide and taken to Motswiri Camp which is a 5 minute drive away. Depending on your time of arrival, we will have a light lunch or tea with time to settle in before getting ready for the evening walk along the magnificent Selinda Spillway which may or may not be in flood, depending on the time of the year. After your walk, we will return for a three course, candlelit dinner. Overnight at Motswiri Camp

Day 5: While staff pack up we leave for our fly camp walking East along the Selinda Spillway. Where the spillway and the false spillway converge, we find our fly camp with breathtaking views, superb birdlife and beautiful sunsets. Here we stay for the night. The afternoon may be spent swimming, fishing or walking. Walking at Motswiri is a fabulous experience and your experienced guide will show you how to track game, how to identify trees, the medicinal uses of the fauna and flora and teach you the joy of identifying and watching the areas' wonderful birdlife. Overnight Kala Bushcamp

Day 6: the next morning we make our way along the false spillway to the North of the concession which is home to the elusive roan and sable antelope. En route, we are likely to see elephant, giraffe, zebra and impala. We head back to Motswiri camp for lunch. Overnight Motswiri

Day 7: For your final walk we will decide which route to take depending on what we have come across over the past few days. We will make sure that we get you back in plenty of time to get ready for your onward flight out of Motswiri.

Please note: this Walking Safari is steady but not strenuous. This itinerary only serves as a guide and all scenarios are dependent on the season and levels of the Okavango flood. At times it may not be possible to go to the fly camps and during cooler months one longer walk may replace the normal morning and evening walks. Other activities including mokoro, fishing (seasonal) & speedboat activities are also possible from camp should you like to do something a little different however all depend on water levels.

AREA DESCRIPTION: SELINDA SPILLWAY

The Selinda Spillway is a shallow channel connecting the northern Okavango Delta to the Linyanti and Chobe River systems. During years of high water the spillway flows (usually May to October), connecting the delta and Linyanti areas with the spillway flowing annually since 2006. If the annual flood is particularly high on one side, the channel can flow either towards or from the Okavango Delta. When water is low, the spillway can dry up completely, leaving the area better enjoyed for walking safaris than water activities.

The spillway is different to the more open Selinda area further east, as it features thick riverine woodland and mopane forests. Due to the increased instance of mopane, game viewing can be more challenging; however the area is perfect for more active safaris such as walking, which is still possible during green season (November to March) at your guides' discretion. The spillway provides the impression of being situated on a river rather than in the open floodplains of the Okavango Delta, however the reeds and water lilies that characterise the Okavango Delta are present here too.

The birding in this area is incredible, with over 130 different bird species. Smaller groups of buffalo can be found amongst the mopane with bigger herds often spotted moving down the spillway. The area is also very good for seeing the unique roan antelope and although shy, leopard, hyena, lions and wild dog are

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present around the spillway. Breeding herds of elephant and solitary bulls are most commonly spotted in the area as they browse in the mopane forests and take advantage of the water in the Selinda Spillway for bathing and drinking.

**Days 7 & 8: KWARA CAMP, Private Kwara Concession
Okavango Delta (fully inclusive)**

**Travel time: Motswiri - Kwara
Approximately 20 min flight**

Following the final morning walk (time permitting) and breakfast, you are transferred to Kwara Camp by light aircraft, for a 2 night stay in the Okavango Delta on a fully inclusive basis.



Kwara Camp is situated on private concession on the edge of the permanent waters of the world renowned Okavango Delta in Botswana, and shares a common boundary with Moremi Game Reserve. The area offers a combination of permanent water, seasonal flood plains and pans, open grasslands as well as extensive dry bush and scrub which creates a great game viewing destination throughout the year. The eight traditional safari-style tents are built on raised decks, within a grove of huge and ancient African Ebony trees. Each tent has an en-suite bathroom with an indoor/outdoor shower and a private deck with views across the floodplain. There is a lounge, bar and dining area in the central lodge as well as a plunge pool and gift shop. Evenings can be enjoyed around the boma area.

Kwara is renowned for being a camp that offers a year round delta experience on a diverse range of activities including mokoro trips, guided walks with armed guides and motorboating trips through the waterways. In addition day and night game drives are taken to explore the area which offers spectacular scenery with scattered herds of plains game and ever-attendant predators. All game drives are taken with a guide and tracker, providing an extra pair of eyes.

The vehicles are now all updated to Toyota Landcruisers with 3 rows of 3 seats at Kwara Camp. Please note they do not have an overhead canopy. Kwando Safaris believe this is to their client's advantage for optimal photographic and game viewing opportunities. This may not be suitable for some clients due to exposure to the elements.

AREA DESCRIPTION OF OKAVANGO DELTA

The Okavango Delta is one of the world's largest inland deltas situated in the middle of the largest stretch of continuous sand in the world - the Kalahari basin. This oasis in the middle of the desert is a rich yet fragile ecosystem, providing a life source for an incredible variety of wildlife. A wealth of species have adapted to the contrasting conditions created by living in the harsh Kalahari desert which is transformed annually with the arrival of the delta flood waters originating in Angola.

The Okavango wetland encompasses Moremi Game Reserve and surrounding regions divided into areas known as Private Concessions. These concessions are wildlife management areas, carefully administrated to balance the growing community's development and conservation, whilst empowering citizens through sustainable tourism. Many of the exclusive lodges in Botswana are situated within these concessions in the delta, providing an unparalleled wildlife experience - exclusive and remote, avoiding mass tourism and exploitation.

Flood levels fluctuate dramatically throughout the year, with high water levels peaking in the central Okavango during the dry winter months and water levels at their lowest during the later summer months, contrary to the seasonal rainfall. The landscape, activities and game viewing vary considerably throughout the delta depending on your location, the season and flood levels. Some areas have larger tracts of permanent dry land which generally means there is more focus on land based activities (game drives) and big game viewing. Lodges situated on islands deep in the delta concentrate more on water activities such as mokoro excursions, walking, boating, fishing and bird watching. Those lodges situated on the outer fringes of the delta, referred to as the 'seasonal' delta, offer varied experiences at different times of the year - more water based during high flood levels and more land based as the flood recedes.

Game is more concentrated around the permanent water during the dry season (Apr - Oct) with it becoming very hot in the later months. The heronries become active as the migrant birds return to

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Botswana from September through November, and general bird watching is excellent throughout the summer months. The rainy season (Nov - Apr) invigorates the lush scenery with wild flowers, dramatic thundershowers, spectacular sunsets and the birthing season brings great predator and prey interaction.

Day 9: SAFARI ENDS IN MAUN

Travel time: Kwara - Maun
approx 30 min flight

After the breakfast and a possible early morning activity (flight times permitting) your transfer to Maun by light aircraft for own onwards travel arrangements.

Special Notes

Shared Transfers and Activities

Road, boat, air transfers and activities are quoted on a seat basis (on a shared basis and NOT private) unless otherwise requested or specified. Private charters/transfers can however be requested at an additional cost. Passengers may have various stops en-route to a destination adding to the duration of the transfer. International flight connections are accounted for in the daily schedules.

On shared transfers all the flight times are arranged a day before travel to avoid endless schedule changes. The transfer or charter company reserves the right to specify departure and arrival times.

Weight and Luggage restrictions

Please advise upon requesting a quotation where a traveller **weighs over 100kg**, as well as at time of confirming the booking, as it may be necessary to cost in an additional seat on internal flights for the passenger's safety and comfort.

Luggage is restricted on flight transfers to **20kg per person in soft bags**, which includes all hand luggage and camera equipment. Please refer to your itinerary notes, as in some instances, and in some countries, such as Zambia and Zimbabwe this limitation is decreased to 15kg per person. Please note that luggage in excess of the above restrictions shall result in additional costs for transport and/or storage and should be arranged in advance. Note that laundry can be done on a daily basis at most camps and lodges.

Health

Please confirm that all Clients are medically fit, in good physical and mental health and that there is nothing which renders him/her unfit to undertake the tour at the time of booking. Any Client with a pre-existing medical condition or illness must declare the true nature of such conditions to the Company before the commencement of the tour. The Client is responsible for attending to any medical condition which he/she may have and must consult with his/her physician in respect of all medical conditions which might be affected by his/her participation in the tour, activities or associated activities.

The Client accepts that certain areas included in the tour are malaria-infected areas and that he/she should take reasonable anti-malaria precautions.

Insurance

Travel, cancellation and health insurance are highly recommended for all Clients.

Visas/Passports/Travel Documents

The Client is solely responsible to ensure that his/her passports, visas, insurance cover and vaccination certificates, (and any other travel documents and/or requirements of any nature whatsoever) are valid for the duration of the tour and in the countries to be visited.

Arrival and Departure Details

It is imperative that we have the correct International/Regional arrival and departure details for the clients in order to plan the itinerary and ensure efficient onward transfers. Costs may be incurred if these details are not given on quotation, or if they change subsequently.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

We require that you have read and understood our full **SAFARI INFORMATION** and **TERMS AND CONDITIONS** before confirming the itinerary and commencing the safari. However we would like to highlight the following important notes.

EXCLUSION OF LIABILITY

In terms of the trading conditions, and any contract(s) concluded pursuant hereto, the Company acts as a booking agent only, for and on behalf of the Client in procuring services. The Company utilizes the products of various travel Subcontractors. The Company does not provide any direct services to the Clients as its services are limited to procuring and compiling tour packages for its clients.

While the Company makes every effort:

- to engage quality Subcontractors among the airlines, hotels, tour operators and other service providers to constitute the itinerary of the tour; and
- to ensure that the various services that constitutes the tour package will be carried out efficiently and as advertised;

it does not have direct control over the provision of services by Subcontractors and shall not be liable for *inter alia* any loss, damage, injury, additional costs, delay or irregularity that may be occasioned by an error or default, act or omission of any Subcontractor in carrying out the logistics of the tour package, or associated activities.

Payment Terms

Bookings must be confirmed in writing by fax, email and/or registered letter and the deposit payment must be received before the Company can confirm in full to all subcontractors. Once the deposit is received and the booking is confirmed, all terms and conditions apply and our cancellation policies will be in immediate effect.

By confirmation of the booking, the Client acknowledges that all terms and conditions of the Company have been provided and accepted.

The full amount of the tour is payable not less than 60 days prior to the date when the tour commences.

In the event that a booking is not paid in full as per the above payment terms the Company reserves the right to refuse the Client(s) participation in the tour, and the client will be liable for any applicable cancellation fees.

CANCELLATIONS

All cancellations should be made in writing and will only be deemed effective upon acknowledgment of receipt by the Company.

Cancellations will be subject to the following penalties:

- 20% of the total booking fee shall be payable immediately upon confirmation.
- 50% of the total booking 45 - 90 days prior to commencement of the tour.
- 100% of the total booking 44 days or less prior to the commencement of the tour.

Standard Cancellation fees shall apply in instances of postponed departure dates.

RESERVATIONS

Please be advised that for any quotes, no provisional bookings have been made unless otherwise specified by your consultant. Accommodation is subject to availability at the time of the booking.

Costs quoted are subject to change at any time due to *inter alia* excessive exchange fluctuations, fuel costs, taxes, levies, government regulations, rate of exchange, and factors that are imposed upon us by our suppliers and government that are beyond our control.

Provisional bookings will be held for a period of 12 days (unless otherwise advised), where after confirmation of the booking and payment of a 20% non-refundable deposit will be required to secure the booking, failing which the booking will be cancelled.

Clients are to advise the Company at the time of requesting a quotation, and of making a booking, of the ages of all children (under the age of 21 and as at the time of travel) that will be participating in the tour, together with their date of birth, as not all lodges accept children, and there may be restrictions or conditions applicable. Some properties will require that children under the age of 18 share with an adult.

It is recommended that optional additional activities should be requested at the time of requesting a quotation and/or making the booking, specifically in Livingstone or Victoria Falls e.g. sunset cruise, to guarantee availability of such activities.

All Clients should allow a minimum 2 - 3 hours connection time in Johannesburg for international flights. Please ask your consultant to check your flight details before booking.

With confirmation of the booking the Client accepts that the tour carries inherent risks, and that the Clients voluntarily assume all risks, which are associated with the tour. All Clients will be required to sign indemnities

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at the various camps/lodges/service providers, and abide by the Operators Code of Conduct in order to ensure their safety.

On confirmation of a booking, the Company requires personal information with respect to each and every Client e.g. Medical Conditions, Dietary requirements, Travel Insurance details and Emergency contact details. Please complete the Booking form on confirmation of a booking. By choosing not to complete and submit this information to the Company the Client will compromise the Company's response time in the event of an emergency.

With confirmation of the booking the Client confirms that he has read, understood and accepted the terms and conditions of the Company and its Subcontractors.