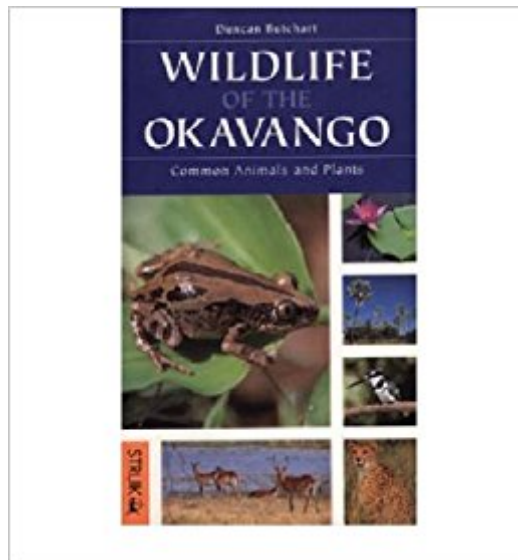




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# Wildlife Of The Okavango: Common Plants And Animals



## Synopsis

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This book is a 2000 edition of the 1995 book, *Wild About the Okavango: All-In-One Guide to Common Animals and Plants of the Okavango Delta, Chobe and East Caprivi*, by Duncan Butchart. There is no apparent difference other than the publisher and the cover. Same 126 pages. Compact, well organized. Starts with descriptions of the different types of habitats in the Okavango, then color codes animals to these habitats. Four animals per page, with a small photo and a small paragraph. There are minor shortcomings that I have noticed--Nile monitor is called a water monitor, Luna Moth is called a Lunar Moth. No latin names. Ants are described as "tiny gregarious

creatures," and if those are the only kind of ants I see I will be disappointed, as the Okavango should also have big termite-raiding *Pachycondyla analis* and maybe driver ants. It is small enough to fit in a vest pocket and will be easy to carry on safari. Good for identification in the field. The many photos of birds may be especially useful. Might check names and pictures against another reference afterward. I purchased this via from a used book dealer, gsuter6 of Shawnee, Kansas, who advertised it as used-good condition, and it was on the better side of good.

I used this guidebook while on safari in Botswana. I also brought other more extensive guides on birds and mammals of the Okavango Delta. This little guide was used by several people on this trip because it covered so many forms of wildlife and plants. I enjoyed using the book during the day time hiatus to refresh my memory of what I had seen and on occasion to verify a new sighting like the trees that smelled like potatoes in the evening.

This is a good short work if you're looking for something of a manageable size. The pictures and introductory text are very helpful. I was disappointed that not all the animals we saw were listed, but the majority are and it doesn't purport to include everything. It makes a good visual souvenir of a safari in this part of Botswana.

This is a great book little smaller than the one we saw while in Africa but very necessary for identifying mammals

Great book for identifying the wildlife in the Okavango Delta in Botswana. Small and easy to carry but so much information. One of our guides had one and we bought our own as soon as we got home to go with our photos.

My original is dog-eared and loved. great info in small space

A handy guide, small enough to take with you out in the field. It held up to two weeks of safari back in 2002. The bird section was very useful with clear pictures. While you might other guides for detail, this is the one you want to start with.

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