

6 Day Namibian Highlights Lodge Safari

Overnight in rustic well located lodges, this safari spends two nights outside the Namib Naukluft National Park, one night inside and outside the Etosha National Park as well as a night at Swakopmund in between, you'll be able to experience the amazing sand dune sea of the Namib and Sossusvlei region as well as Etosha National Park, renowned as one of the best game reserves in Africa.









DAY 1 LODGE - ETOSHA NATIONAL PARK

We depart Windhoek at 08h00. We stop briefly at Otjiwarongo and enjoy a light lunch pack before entering Etosha National Park through the Anderson Gate. We game drive across the park visiting waterholes looking for predators as well as zebra, giraffe, elephant and rhino. We arrive at our accommodation just before sunset located inside Etosha National Park and has a floodlit waterhole next to the camp. Dinner is prepared by your guide and an early night is recommended.

Accommodation: Overnight accommodation on a twin share basis with en-suite facilities

Meals: Lunch, Dinner

DAY 2 LODGE - NEAR ETOSHA NATIONAL PARK

We rise for a pre-sunrise snack with tea/coffee and then game drive until mid-morning when we return to camp for breakfast before heading out for another game drive visiting many waterholes and drive back to Halali for a picnic lunch. After lunch we visit the mighty Etosha Pan (the largest salt pan in Namibia) before game driving across the park in our quest to find the big 4 as well as all the plains game. We arrive at Okaukuejo late afternoon and leave the park prior to sunset, visiting one last waterhole to worship another African sunset. Dinner is prepared by your guide over the campfire where you can compare photos and stories of the animals seen today and another early night is recommended



Accommodation: Accommodation is twin share permanent tents with en-suite bathroom facilities

Located just outside the park.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY 3 SWAKOPMUND

Early morning breakfast before departing from our lodge at 07h30 for our drive via the communal lands of Damaraland where we see the communal farmers in this arid region. We stop at the Ugab River Bridge to visit with the beautiful Herero ladies who sell their small art and craft items to support their families. We lunch in the shadow of the Brandberg Mountain and have a short visit with a Himba group who have moved into this area to sell their jewellery and other items (dependent on Himba tribes people). After lunch we head directly through the Namib Desert and stop at the latest shipwreck on the Skeleton Coast before arriving late afternoon in Swakopmund. We recommend exploring this seaside town on foot this afternoon and perhaps visiting the jetty for sundowners overlooking the cold Atlantic Ocean. Your guide will be happy to recommend a good restaurant for your evening meal (own expense).

Accommodation: Hotel A La Mer on a twin share basis

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch,

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DAY 4 DESERT CAMP, NEAR SESRIEM

This morning after breakfast we highly recommend a visit to the Museum or Aquarium (optional and unguided) and for the adrenalin junkies a 2 hour quad bike experience in the dunes should get your pulse racing. Departure from Swakopmund at 12h00 noon (summer time) or 11h00 (winter time). Driving through the Namib Desert via the Kuiseb Pass and Solitaire we arrive at our camp late afternoon and have a chance to relax and enjoy the views before taking a short walk for sunset looking over the Naukluft mountain range. Dinner prepared by your guide.

Accommodation: Overnight in twin rooms/permanent tents with en-suite bathroom facilities.

Pool and bar available Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY 5 DESERT CAMP, NEAR SESRIEM

Dawn departure from camp to arrive at the park gate for sunrise. We drive down an ancient river bed surrounded by towering dunes to the 2x4 parking (around 55kms) and take a 4x4 shuttle into the Sossusvlei area to appreciate the beauty of this place in early morning light and enjoy the peace and tranquility of the region. We explore this unique area on foot before heading into Dead Vlei with its large expanse of bleached cracked clay and skeletal camel thorn trees, contrasting with a backdrop of huge dunes with their ever-changing colours. We can either walk or take the 4x4 shuttle back to our vehicle. As we drive back to our accommodation we will stop at the famous Dune 45 and climb this dune if we wish or just wander around the base. We return to Sesriem and visit the nearby Sesriem Canyon, one of the few permanent water sources before arriving back at our lodge late afternoon to watch the sunset over this spectacular desert. Dinner prepared by your guide.

Accommodation: Overnight in twin share rooms/ permanent tents with en-suite bathrooms.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY 6 WINDHOEK

Early morning breakfast before heading to Solitaire Guest Farm where we join a biologist to track wild cheetahs at the N/a'ankuse Namib Conservation Centre. We return to Windhoek via Bullsport and Rehoboth and we arrive mid-afternoon where you will be dropped at your accommodation. For those wishing to travel onwards today we





do NOT recommend booking any flight prior to 17h00 in case there are delays returning from safari, transfers to the airport can be organized by your agent on request and at own expense.

Meals: Breakfast.

Tour Information

Accommodation

Accommodation is spent in twin share permanent tents and lodges with en-suite bathroom facilities.







What's excluded

All items of a personal nature, alcohol, snacks, souvenirs, tips and optional activities.

Health

Please inform us of any pre-existing conditions such as diabetes or asthma and any prescription medicine you may be taking. We also need to know about any food allergies or physical disability that you may have.

Visas

Please note that these are your responsibility. Some nationalities require visas for Namibia.

Insurance

All clients require adequate Travel Insurance. Medical Insurance is not sufficient. Activity providers can refuse participation of activities, if the correct valid Travel Insurance is not provided.

Climate

The African sun is very strong. Please use a factor 30 sunscreen and wear a hat. You should drink at least 3 litres of water per day to avoid dehydration.

Vaccinations

No vaccinations are prescribed by law for the countries being visited on this tour.

Pre and Post Tour Accommodation

If you require accommodation before or after your tour we can arrange this for you. We can also arrange airport transfers – contact your reservations agent to make these bookings.

Should you have further questions, please feel free to contact us on the below details.

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