



Overview

Number of days: 11 days / 10 nights
Accommodation: luxury / up-market

Dates: flexible

Option: private guided

Prepared by: NTS

You could spend a lifetime exploring Namibia. Here we've assembled the highlights in the 11-day Namibia Highlights Safari – a journey of fascinating discovery that includes the Sossusvlei in the Namib-Naukluft Park, the Skeleton Coast, Damaraland and Etosha National Park.

The Namib Desert covers the entire Namibian coastline of over 1,500km and sweeps up to 200km inland. It is the planet's oldest desert and has an astonishing diversity of landscapes and habitats including the Great Sand Sea of Sossusvlei and the surreal Skeleton Coast north of Swakopmund.

Damaraland's scenic rocky outcrops and sandy riverbeds form a vast undulating landscape that shelters a variety of desert-adapted wildlife including elephant, rhino, lion and some rather hardy plains game.

Etosha National Park's plains game come to drink during the middle of the day when predators are most lethargic; thus it's not uncommon to have a collage of several different species in the same frame. Lions, elephants and several endemic species of antelope and birds - including 46 raptors - add to the game viewing excitement.

Itinerary at a Glance

Days	Destination	Lodge	Includes		
1	Windhoek	The Olive Exclusive	BB		
2 & 3	Sossusvlei	Desert Homestead Outpost	DBB		
4 & 5	Swakopmund / Walvis Bay	Strand Hotel	BB		
6 & 7	Damaraland	Mowani Mountain Camp	DBB		
8	Etosha National Park	Ongava Lodge	DBB		
9 & 10	Etosha National Park	Mushara Outpost	DBB		
11	Windhoek	END			
Legend:					
BB: bed & breakfast DBB: dinner, bed & breakfast FB: all meals FI: fully inclusive of meals and activities					

Click on the lodge name and it will direct you to our website where you can read more about it.

Accommodation subject to availability - with minimum extra cost, up-grade any accommodation - contact us for suggestions.



Route Map



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No. of Guests	2	4	6		
1st January – 30th June 2022 – Low Season					
Cost per person sharing	ZAR 84,935	ZAR 61,145	ZAR 53,825		
Single supplement	ZAR 15,330				
1st July – 31st December 2022 – High Season					
Cost per person sharing	ZAR 95,570	ZAR 69,225	ZAR 61,140		
Single supplement	ZAR 17,790				



Includes

- Accommodation as indicated can change depending on availability and request at time of booking
- Meals as indicated
- Car hire as per picture below for 2 & 4 pax for 6 pax the vehicle is slightly larger
- All vehicle costs including fuel
- All park entry fees
- Guide and guide costs
- · Water in the vehicle at all times
- Activities as shown in the itinerary ... all activities that can be done with NTS guide and vehicle are included
- Tour file with detailed itinerary, map with route descriptions, vouchers etc.
- 24 hour personal and friendly support
- Fast and efficient response to service providers

Vehicle Hire as Included

Suggested vehicle type:

4X4 Safari Converted Vehicle

Excludes

- Items of a personal nature
- Optional extra activities
- International flights
- Holiday or personal insurance
- Staff gratuities
- Visas and visa applications





Itinerary and Accommodation

1 Windhoek The Olive Exclusive BB – Junior Suite

- You will be met by your guide on arrival in Windhoek and handed your travel documents
- City tour of Windhoek (if time permits)
- The remainder of the day can be spent relaxing at your own leisure
- For dinner tonight, you can head into town for a bite to eat at one of Windhoek's well known restaurants







2 & 3 Namib Desert

Desert Homestead Outpost

DBB

Windhoek - Sossusvlei

350km - approximately 5 to 6 hours

- After breakfast, you can still pop into town for anything you might need and then depart heading south from Windhoek to your lodge for the next 2 nights
- The route will take you either via the beautiful Spreetshoogte or Remhoogte Pass, both showcasing the natural beauty of Namibia
- Wake up early for breakfast (Day 3) and then head to the entrance to Sossusvlei, the Sesriem Gate
- Spend the whole day in the beautiful Sossusvlei area, exploring the highlights: Sossusvlei, Dead Vlei, Dune 45, Big Daddy, Elim Dune and the Sesriem Canyon
- Return to the lodge for lunch or arrange a lunch pack to enjoy in the dunes and return late afternoon for a well-earned rest
- Optional extra activities: Hot air balloon safari, Nature drives









4 & 5 Swakopmund

Strand Hotel

BB – Luxury Room

Sossusvlei - Swakopmund

350km - approximately 5 to 6 hours

- Depart after breakfast and head north to Solitaire, then west crossing the Tropic of Capricorn, through the Gaub and Kuiseb Canyons via the Namib Gravel Plains to the coast
- Either via Walvis Bay to Swakopmund, or (recommended) detour via Ganab to the Welwitschia Plains and Moon Landscape
- The Namibian coastline is generally known as The Skeleton Coast due to the barren areas, shipwrecks and, in days gone by, whale skeletons left on the beach
- 1 full day is set aside for this lovely area where Swakopmund and Walvis Bay offer a wide range of
 activities such as: Dolphin cruise, Sandwich Harbour excursion (a real Skeleton Coast experience),
 Dune quad biking, Sand boarding, Sea kayaking, Lots more...
- Lunches and dinners can be enjoyed at a cafe or restaurant overlooking the sea







6 & 7 Damaraland

Mowani Mountain Camp

DBB - Superior View Room

Swakopmund – Damaraland

445km - approximately 7 to 8 hours

- Head north along the Skeleton Coast, via Henties Bay to visit the Cape Cross seal colony. Along the way, stop at the Lichen Fields as well as the ship wreck between the colourful small town of Wlotskasbaken and Henties Bay
- Backtrack to Henties Bay and head inland through wide open plains to Uis, then north to the Twyfelfontein area
- Visit to Namibia's Open Air Museum, the Twyfelfontein Rock Engravings as well as the interesting Organ Pipes rock formations and Burnt Mountain
- Take a drive with your guide, west (4x4 needed) to the Huab River to look for the desert adapted elephants as well as other game such as oryx, springbok, ostrich and lots more
- Visit the Damara Living Museum for a hint of culture









8 Etosha National Park Ongava Lodge DBB

Damaraland – Etosha (south) 325km - approximately 4 to 5 hours

- After breakfast, drive east towards Khorixas stopping at the Petrified Forest en-route
- From Khorixas head further east along the tar road to Outjo and then north to your lodge which is situated very close to the southern entrance of Etosha, the Anderson Gate
- If time permits, enter Etosha for an afternoon game drive. Depending on how often you stop today, you should arrive at your lodge in time for lunch (optional extra)
- On entering the park, the first stop would be Okaukuejo where you pay your entry fee (included) and I suggest you pop in at the local shop to purchase some drinks and snacks and most importantly, a map of Etosha which will show you all the waterholes along the way
- Etosha is one of Africa's great game parks. With 114 species of mammal and 340 species of birds you are sure to see a great variety of wildlife on your safari







9 & 10 Etosha National Park

Mushara Outpost

DBB

Etosha (south) – Etosha (east) a full days game drive through the park

- From one side to the other side of the park is a full day game drive as you drive slowly east stopping at numerous waterholes along the way
- Take a slow drive in the morning and ending for lunch at the Halali Resort which is half way between Okaukuejo and the eastern exit gate or take a picnic lunch along and stop off at a waterhole
- 1 full day is set aside for game viewing, either all day or alternate with morning and afternoon guided drives









11 Windhoek END

Etosha (east) – Windhoek

490km - approximately 6 hours

- Head back to Windhoek today, where your guide will drop you at the airport in time for your departure flight (Keep in mind that you need to be at the airport 2 hours prior and the airport is still a 45 minute to 1 hour drive from town)
- End of services



What happens next?

- Please have a look at my suggested route, recommended itinerary and the various price options
- Contact me with any questions or requests
- Together we determine a final route, itinerary and price
- Once you are happy with the route and suggested accommodation establishments, I will make the necessary reservations as well as any other ground arrangements
- When all reservations are secured, I will send you an invoice for the 20% deposit to secure the package
- As per our company policy, the balance to be paid no less than 42 days before arrival
- Please read our <u>Terms & Conditions</u>



Important Information

Travel Insurance

We highly recommend that you arrange your own travel insurance. Not only for your own peace of mind, but also to cover you in the event of possible tour cancellation, emergency evacuation, medical and repatriation expenses as well damage/loss/theft of your personal belongings, camera equipment, money and the like.

Contact Detail

It is important that you give me contact detail of your next of kin or a friend whom I could contact in the event of an emergency. This detail you can give me on the Booking Form that I will forward to you.

Passports/Visas/Vaccinations

- Please note that Africa Tours and Safaris cannot be held responsible for any of the above.
- Passports need to be valid for at least 6 months from date of departure (the date you end your holiday) from Namibia/Botswana etc.
- Traveling with minors for parents travelling with children under the age of 18 into or out of South Africa, Namibia or Botswana - you need to have the child's full un-abridged birth certificate with you.
 See this link for more information.
- Please check on the internet or an Embassy whether you require a VISA to be arranged in advance
 or whether you can obtain it at point of entry. In some cases, it can take up to 3 months for Visas
 to be issued so please do not leave this to the last minute. Please note that we cannot arrange
 Visas from our side as the application requires your signature as well as the actual passport to be
 endorsed.
- The same applies to any possible vaccinations. Your doctor should be able to advise you.

Some Tips and Requests

- Please ensure your consultant has your phone number, preferably a local cellular number
- Satellite phones are available for rental so if required, please request one when making your reservation
- Bag types and sizes for local flights: bags to be soft type as luggage bays of small aircraft cannot hold large hard shell bags. If bag sizes and weights do not comply, extra charges could incur
- Luggage weight limitation is vital for your own safety. If luggage weight exceeds limits, some luggage will be unpacked and extra costs could incur
- Stick to speed limits as speeding is not only breaking the law, but also negates/cancels any insurance claims and should there be an accident, you will be liable for 100% of repair costs