



NAMIBIA
TOURS & SAFARIS

16-DAY BEST OF NAMIBIA SAFARI WITH SOUTHERN EXTENSION *STANDARD ACCOMMODATION*



Overview

Number of days:	16 days / 15 nights
Accommodation:	standard / mid-market
Dates:	flexible
Option:	private self-drive
Prepared by:	NTS

This 16-Day Best of Namibia Safari takes you from the Kalahari to the Namib Desert. Down the Skeleton Coast, up through Damaraland to Etosha and finally a visit to a wildlife rehabilitation centre. You'll also visit Fish River Canyon, Kolmanskop Ghost Town, Sossusvlei and Dead Pan.

Namib means 'vast place'. At times a harsh, brutal, desolate land but the animals do that amazing evolutionary thing, they adapt. Desert elephants take it in their stride and Namibia is home to the world's largest population of free roaming cheetahs.

Itinerary at a Glance

Days	Destination	Lodge	Includes
1	Windhoek	Am Weinberg Boutique Hotel	BB
2	Kalahari	Camelthorn Lodge	DBB
3	Fish River Canyon	Canyon Roadhouse	DBB
4 & 5	Lüderitz	Alte Villa Boutique	BB
6 & 7	Sossusvlei	Desert Homestead Lodge	DBB
8 & 9	Swakopmund / Walvis Bay	Swakopmund Luxury Suites	BB
10 & 11	Damaraland	Camp Kipwe	DBB
12	Etosha National Park	Etosha Village	DBB
13 & 14	Etosha National Park	Mushara Bush Camp	DBB
15	Central- AfriCat Foundation	Okonjima Plains Camp	DBB + 2 activities
16	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
1st January – 30th June 2022 – Low Season		
Cost per person sharing	ZAR 52,080	ZAR 43,495
Single supplement	ZAR 14,785	
1st July – 31st December 2022 – High Season		
Cost per person sharing	ZAR 56,945	ZAR 47,480
Single supplement	ZAR 16,165	



Includes

- Accommodation as indicated - can change depending on availability and request at time of booking
- Meals as indicated
- Meet and greet upon arrival
- Car hire as below
- Airport transfers on arrival and for departure
- Activities as indicated
- 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 Toyota Fortuner – Automatic Transmission

Includes:

GPS, ZERO excess - maximum insurance, tyre & windscreen cover, unlimited mileage, 2nd spare tyre, additional driver, cell phone with local sim



Excludes

- Items of a personal nature
- Optional extra activities
- International flights
- Holiday or personal insurance
- Staff gratuities
- Park entry fees
- Fuel for vehicle rental
- Visas and visa applications



Itinerary and Accommodation

1	Windhoek	Am Weinberg Boutique Hotel	BB
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You will be met by the car rental company representative on arrival and transferred to their offices in Windhoek to complete all rental procedures You will then meet with our representative to hand over your travel documents 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	Kalahari	Intu Afrika Camelthorn Lodge	DBB
<i>Windhoek - Kalahari</i>		<i>245km - approximately 3 to 4 hours</i>	

- After breakfast, you can still pop into town for anything you might need and then depart heading south from Windhoek to the red sand dunes of the Kalahari
- Spend the remainder of the day at leisure in this beautiful setting
- Optional activities here include game and nature drives as well as a Bushman experience





3 Fish River Canyon

Canyon Roadhouse

DBB

Kalahari – Fish River Canyon 440km - approximately 7 to 8 hours

- Head south via Mariental and Keetmanshoop to the Karas region, the Fish River Canyon area
- Detour en-route to Giant's Playground and Quiver Tree Forest, a beautiful site where three large aloes grow between rocks
- If time permits, visit the Fish River view point at sunset to end the day



4 & 5 Luderitz

Alte Villa Boutique Guesthouse

BB

Fish River Canyon – Luderitz 385km - approximately 5 to 6 hours

- Enjoy a morning canyon view before heading west through harsh but beautiful terrain which changes to wide open desert plains as you make your way to the coast
- Your drive will take you via Aus, where you may be lucky to view the wild desert horses in the area
- 1 full day is set aside to enjoy the historic town of Lüderitz and visit the amazing Kolmanskop Ghost Town
- Lunches and dinners can be enjoyed at any of the local restaurants in town





6 & 7 Namib Desert

Desert Homestead Lodge

DBB

Luderitz – Sossusvlei

505km - approximately 7 to 8 hours

- After breakfast, you will depart to the "sea of sand" backtracking to Aus and then heading north via Helmeringhausen
- Wake up early for breakfast (Day 7) 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: Guided Sossusvlei excursion, Hot air balloon safari, Nature drives



8 & 9 Swakopmund

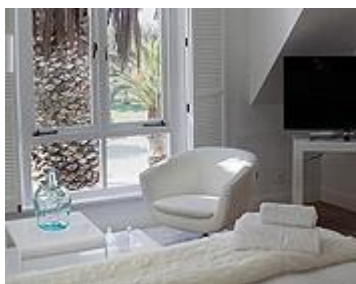
Swakopmund Luxury Suites

BB

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, ship wrecks 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 café or restaurant overlooking the sea





10 & 11 Damaraland

Camp Kipwe

DBB

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 west (4x4 needed) to the Huab River to look for desert adapted elephants as well as other game such as oryx, springbok, ostrich and more (recommended with a lodge guide)
- Visit the Damara Living Museum for a hint of culture



12 Etosha National Park

Etosha Village

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 Andersson 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 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





13 & 14 Etosha National Park

Mushara Bush Camp

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 head slowly east stopping at numerous waterholes along the way
- Take a slow drive in the morning and then enjoy a packed lunch (optional extra) overlooking one of the waterholes before continuing on through the park to the eastern side
- 1 full day is set aside for game viewing, either all day or alternate with morning and afternoon drives. These are self-drive game drives but you can arrange at the lodge to go with their open safari vehicle and guide (optional extra)



15 Central Namibia

Okonjima Plains Camp

DBB + 2 activities - View Room

Etosha (east) – Okonjima 315km - approximately 4 to 5 hours

- Head south via Otavi and Otjiwarongo to Okonjima, which is home to the AfriCat Foundation. Aim to arrive here by 14h00 latest in order to enjoy the afternoon tea/coffee and cakes before heading off on your afternoon excursion





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Windhoek

END

Okonjima – Windhoek

225km - approximately 3 to 4 hours

- Early morning rise for a quick snack before joining the morning activity, which will be to visit the AfriCat Foundation or for a drive in the animal enclosure, which is more a game reserve
- Back to the lodge for a hearty Namibian breakfast before departure
- Head back to Windhoek today, where the vehicle is returned and your holiday comes to an end
- Transfer to the airport to catch 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)

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 [Terms & Conditions](#)





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