



19-DAY NAMIBIA & BOTSWANA ROUNABOUT SAFARI *STANDARD ACCOMMODATION*





Overview

Number of days:	19 days / 18 nights
Accommodation:	standard / mid-market
Dates:	flexible
Option:	private self-drive
Prepared by:	NTS

Showcasing diverse landscapes and incredible game viewing, this 19-day Namibia & Botswana Roundabout self-drive safari combines the best of Namibia with the best of Botswana as well as a visit to Victoria Falls.

Between the ancient desert, the wildlife of Damaraland and Etosha, the bounteous wetlands of the Caprivi, Chobe and the Okavango Delta and of course the wonder of Victoria Falls, it will be hard to pick a favourite. The tour starts and ends in Windhoek but you can start and end it in Chobe National Park or Victoria Falls.

Itinerary at a Glance

Days	Destination	Lodge	Includes
1	Windhoek	Am Weinberg Boutique Hotel	BB
2 & 3	Sossusvlei	Desert Homestead Lodge	DBB
4 & 5	Swakopmund	Swakopmund Luxury Suites	BB
6	Damaraland	Camp Kipwe	DBB
7	Etosha National Park	Etosha Village	DBB
8 & 9	Etosha National Park	Mushara Bush Camp	DBB
10 & 11	West Caprivi	Shametu River Lodge	DBB
12 – 14	Chobe National Park	Chobe Safari Lodge	DBB + activities
15	Makgadikgadi Pans	Planet Baobab	BB
16 & 17	Okavango Delta	Moremi Crossing	FI
18	Central Kalahari	Thakadu Bush Camp	DBB
19	Windhoek	END	

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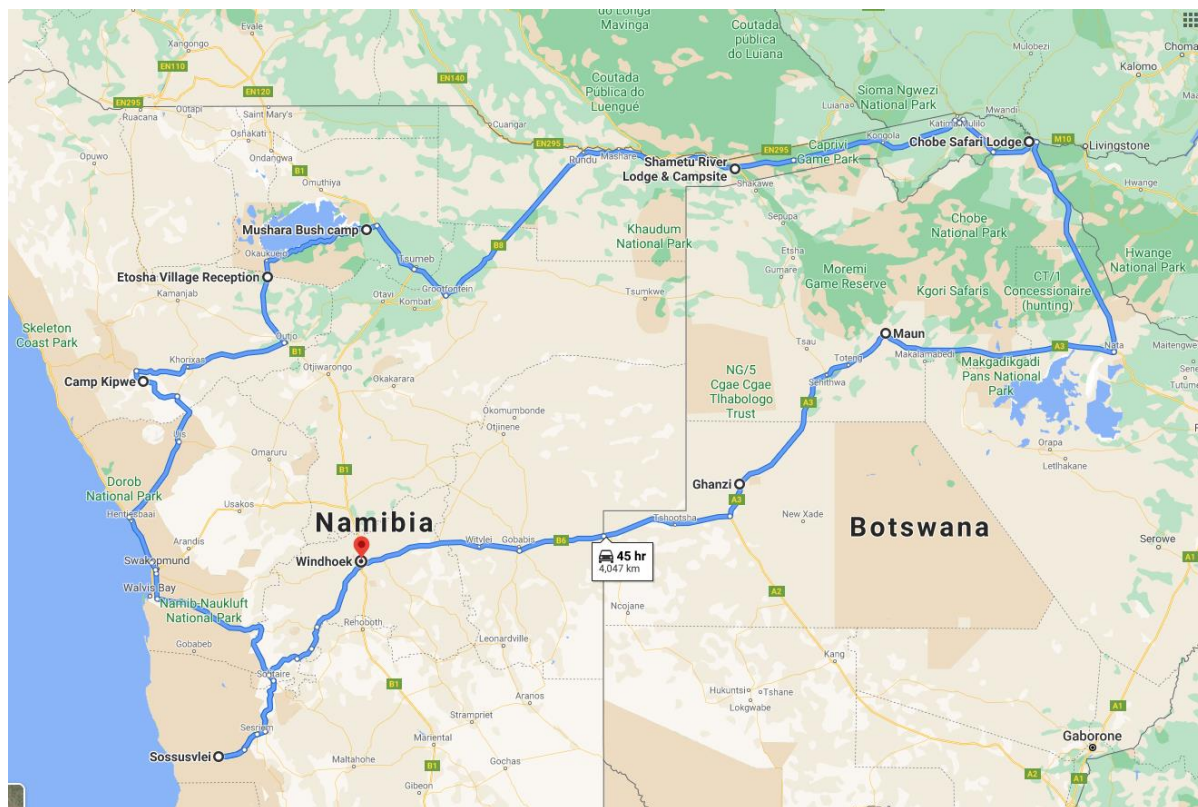
BB: bed & breakfast DBB: dinner, bed & breakfast FB: all meals FI: fully inclusive of meals and activities

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			
Nam Section	Cost per person sharing	ZAR 42,035	ZAR 31,695
	Single supplement	ZAR 8,760	
Bots/Zim Section	Cost per person sharing	US\$ 2,640	US\$ 2,640
	Single supplement	US\$ 940	
1st July – 31st December 2022 – High Season			
Nam Section	Cost per person sharing	ZAR 45,845	ZAR 34,460
	Single supplement	ZAR 9,525	
Bots/Zim Section	Cost per person sharing	US\$ 3,105	US\$ 3,105
	Single supplement	US\$ 1,145	



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
- Charter flights as indicated – on a set seat rate basis
- 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, cross border letter, 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 – Courtyard Fountain Level

- 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 & 3 Namib Desert Desert Homestead Lodge 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: Guided Sossusvlei excursion; Hot air balloon safari; Nature drives





4 & 5 Swakopmund

Swakopmund Luxury Suites

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, 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



6 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
- Visit the Damara Living Museum for a hint of culture





7	Etosha National Park	Etosha Village	DBB
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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



8 & 9	Etosha National Park	Mushara Bush Camp	DBB
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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)





10 & 11 West Caprivi

Shametu River Lodge

DBB

Etosha (east) – West Caprivi 600km - approximately 7 to 8 hours

- Depart Etosha and drive east to Grootfontein, then north to Rundu before making your way east to Bagani, close to the Popa Falls
- A full day is set aside for a drive to the beautiful Mahango and Buffalo Game Parks, not very big but beautiful as you drive along the Okavango River
- Visit to Popa Falls
- Optional extra would be a sunset boat cruise or a Kavango Village visit in the area



12 - 14 Chobe National Park

Chobe Safari Lodge

DBB + activities - Luxury Room

West Caprivi – Chobe

440km - approximately 6 to 7 hours

- Today you drive east through Katima Mulilo and then on to the Ngoma Border Post. Pass through customs and enter Botswana, Kasane, where you spend the next three nights close to the Chobe National Park
 - Activities included:
 - 1 x Game Drive
 - 1 x Boat Cruise
 - 1 x Private Boat Cruise
 - 1 x Guided Victoria Falls Day Trip (including return transfer to Victoria Falls (Zimbabwe) – Unguided (Park fees for 2 days included)
- (Note: The Victoria Falls Day Trip can also be exchanged for 2 other Chobe activities)





15	Makgadikgadi Pans	Planet Baobab	BB
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Chobe – Makgadikgadi Pans 420km - approximately 5 to 6 hours

- From Kasane, drive south to Nata and then east to your lodge for the evening
- If time permits (leaving after breakfast you can reach your destination by lunch), an afternoon drive onto the pans ... or a cattle post visit can be arranged with the lodge (optional extra)



16 & 17	Okavango Delta	Moremi Crossing	FI
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Makgadikgadi Pans - Maun 210km - approximately 2 to 3 hours

- This morning you will have breakfast and depart west to Maun Airport, where you will leave the vehicle and meet with your pilot for your shared charter flight into the Okavango Delta (please take note of luggage restrictions)
- 2 nights makes this a 1.5 day stay and activities here focus on the water channels and the open floodplains of Chief's Island. Enjoy mokoro activities, game walks and boat cruises as included



18 Kalahari Bushveld

Thakadu Bush Camp

DBB

Maun – Kalahari Bushveld 265km - approximately 3 to 4 hours

- Fly back to Maun Airport, where you pick up your vehicle again and then drive south via Sehitwa to your lodge, which is close to Ghanzi
- The turnoff for Thakadu is 3km south of Ghanzi on the road to Gaborone and Namibia. A 3km rocky trail will bring you to Thakadu.
- Optional activities: San walks, San dances or enjoy walking trails and self game drives.



19 Windhoek

END

Kalahari Bushveld - Windhoek 570km - approximately 7 to 8 hours

- Depending on flight time or whether you will add a night in Windhoek, will depend on what time you depart the lodge
- The drive to Windhoek will go via the Mamuno Border Post, through Gobabis to Windhoek ... about 6 hours ... where this holiday will end
- An overnight stop in Windhoek is recommended before flying home otherwise you will drop the vehicle at the Windhoek International Airport on return and fly out





General Flight Conditions

- Arrival and Departure times at the different lodges can vary and will be communicated with the lodges/agents at least the day before departure.
- On a scheduled seat rate flight routing will be planned per the number of passengers booked and their respective destinations. These are not always direct flights.
- Private charter flights mean that you will be travelling alone in the aircraft for the duration of your tour and your flight times are reasonably flexible throughout. You can discuss the flight times with your pilot as you go along. Please note that pilot accommodation has been booked throughout as it is compulsory for private charter flights but keep in mind that you may not have the same pilot throughout and your pilot may not stay at the lodges on all nights, if the aircraft needs to be pulled in an emergency or for maintenance.
- Type of aircraft used and luggage restrictions will be determined by the number of passengers booked and the route they travel. Below is an indication.
- Luggage Detail:

Scheduled Seat Rate Flights:

- STRICTLY not more than 20kg in small soft bags only.
- Inclusive of hand luggage per person.
- Provided that the pax all have an average weight of 80kg each.

Private Charter Flights:

2 Pax: STRICTLY not more than 25kg in small soft bags only.

- Inclusive of hand luggage per person.
- Provided that the pax all have an average weight of 80kg each.

3 Pax: STRICTLY not more than 15kg in small soft bags only.

- Inclusive of hand luggage per person.
- Provided that the pax all have an average weight of 80kg each.

4 Pax: STRICTLY not more than 10kg in small soft bags only.

- Inclusive of hand luggage per person.
- Provided that the pax all have an average weight of 80kg each.



- Ideal bag as indicated - Dimensions: 700mm x 300mm x 360mm
- Flights only operate during daylight hours. All flights take place between sunrise & sunset.
- Fuel is a major component of the cost of these services. As such we will be unable to honor these rates should the fuel price increase substantially. Should this happen we will adjust our rates and update you.
- Should the Namibian currency weaken substantially against the US\$ aircraft companies reserve the right to adjust their rates. You will be advised accordingly.
- Flight companies only fly in fair weather. Whilst every effort will be made to get you to your destination at the agreed time, flight companies will not jeopardize your safety. We are blessed with 300 days of sunshine per year in Namibia. Rarely does weather either delay, or at worse force us



to cancel a flight. Should either of these scenarios occur, you will be advised immediately. Costs incurred due to or caused by these diversions/cancellations e.g. Extra accommodation, transfers, meals, missed flights, will be for the clients' account. Should the flight company have incurred any costs, we will charge full cancellation fees or only refund partially. Weather is an act of God and not at the behest of the flight company. The crew will check en-route weather and weather at the destination carefully before embarking on the flight, but these conditions change very rapidly in Namibia.

- Flight companies can only operate into & out of airfields which are serviceable. Airfields are not owned, operated or maintained by the flight companies. This places the control over, as well as the condition of these airfields beyond the flight company's control. The flight companies will not jeopardize the safety or its operations by flying into unsafe airfields. The flight companies will be obliged to cancel a flight at short notice if it is discovered that the destination airfield is unsafe to operate into. Every effort will be sought to find an alternate airfield to fly into. However, this might not always be possible & as such the flight company may not be held liable for any inconvenience or additional costs in this regard.
- The aircraft company reserves the right to load the aircraft & seat the passengers in an arrangement of its choosing to comply with safety considerations.
- If for any reason clients missed their international connecting flights and they are delayed or not arriving on the time as originally planned (short notice cancellations / changes) we will charge full cancellation fees.
- Please inform us of passengers with a medical condition e.g. respiratory problems, diabetes, heart conditions that might require special attention and/or medication. We also need to be informed of female passengers that are pregnant at the time of travel. Namibian Law requires a medical certificate for passengers that are past their 2nd trimester of pregnancy. Most flights are done in non-pressurized small aircraft. We would require the medical certificate to state that passengers are cleared to fly in these types of aircraft.

Please inform us of passenger weights (in kilograms) soonest to determine final luggage allowances

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