

13 day

Extraordinary Namibia

Highlights

- Kalahari Desert
- Namib Desert – highest dunes
- Adventure town of Swakopmund
- Etosha National Park – 4 of ‘Big 5’



Day 1 | 50 km WINDHOEK

Having arrived at the international airport, you collect your vehicle at the relevant car rental company kiosk and travel a short distance to Windhoek. Check into your guest house and enjoy the day at leisure or explore the city centre with its colonial-style buildings, street cafes and craft markets.

Overnight at The Elegant Guesthouse.

Day 2-3 | 250 km KALAHARI DESERT

Travel into the largest sand mass on earth, the Kalahari Desert. The bushman refer to it as the “Soul of the World”, an emotive description for this area! With its deep red dunes and endless grass plains interspersed with acacia’s and shrubs. Enjoy the opportunity to experience the fauna and flora that has survived this desert environment for thousands of years on an optional guided nature drive in the late afternoon, ending the day with a sundowner drink on one of the dunes.

The following day, you will take part in a walk guided by a bushman, taking you over the dunes of the Kalahari.

Overnight at Intu Africa Camelthorn Lodge - Breakfast and dinner, free walk guided by a bushman.

Day 4 | 360 km NAMIB DESERT

This morning you travel via endless plains and along stunning mountain ranges into the Namib Desert. Your lodge is situated near the gate to

two of Namibia’s most celebrated attractions: Sossusvlei, with some of the highest dunes on Earth, and Sesriem Canyon. Both are visited the next day.

Overnight at The Elegant Desert Lodge - Breakfast and dinner.

Day 5 | 250 km SOSSUSVLEI

Before sunrise, you travel to the gate of the Namib Naukluft Park. The best time to experience the Sossusvlei area is at sunrise when the light paints the dunes and desert palette into deep red, apricot and purple. From Sossusvlei visit Deadvlei, a surreal white clay pan surrounded by great dunes and dotted with age-old camelthorn trees. Travelling back, visit the Sesriem Canyon, after returning to your lodge, cool off in the sparkling pool or take a refreshing drink while overlooking the desert plains.

Overnight at The Elegant Desert Lodge - Breakfast and dinner, and a mountain drive.

Day 6 | 370 km SWAKOPMUND

Today you travel via the Namib Naukluft Park to Swakopmund, a tranquil coastal town situated between the Namib Desert and the Atlantic Ocean. Visit the Welwitschia plains and the aptly named Moonlandscape (permit required), two of the attractions during this scenic drive. With palm-lined streets and seaside promenades, Swakopmund is a popular holiday destination in Namibia.

Overnight at Organic Stay Guest House - Breakfast.

Day 7 SWAKOPMUND

Swakopmund is often fondly referred to as the “playground of Namibia”, it has numerous activities ranging from, adventure to exploring the fascinating features of the Namib Desert and the animals and plants that occur and survive here.

Embrace the relaxed pace of this idyllic coastal town while enjoying coffee and freshly baked pastries in one of the many cafés. Alternatively explore the one of the many activities the town has to offer.

Overnight at Organic Stay Guest House - Breakfast.

Day 8-9 | 230 km DAMARALAND

Continue through Uis past the Brandberg, Namibia’s highest mountain (2 579m), into the Damaraland. We arrive at our lodge in the afternoon, where we have the remaining day at leisure.

The next day, take a scenic nature drive through, untouched wilderness areas of the Otjimboyo Concession, head towards the Brandberg. Continue into the dry Ugab riverbed, in which we might encounter the elusive desert elephant (optional).

Overnight at Ondjamba Hills – Breakfast, dinner and a sundowner drive.

Day 10 | 330 km ETOSHA NATIONAL PARK

Your destination today is the wildlife heaven of

Namibia - the Etosha National Park arriving at your lodge, located on the border of the Etosha National Park. Here you can already enter the park in the afternoon for your first game viewing excursion.

Overnight at Etosha Village - Breakfast and dinner.

Day 11-12 | 200 km ETOSHA NATIONAL PARK

You have the entire 2 days available for extensive game viewing experiences. The Etosha National Park surrounds a parched salt desert known as the Etosha Pan and is home to 4 of the Big Five - elephant, lion, leopard and rhino.

The park’s waterholes support a diversity of mammals and birds, including species such as black-faced impala, cheetah, and Namibia’s smallest antelope, the Damara dik-dik. Shortly before sunset, you travel back to your lodge.

Etosha Village - Breakfast and dinner (1 night free of charge).

Day 13 | 450 km DEPARTURE

After a hearty breakfast, you travel back to Windhoek or the international airport, where your tour ends.

Breakfast.

Live this!

Let yourself be captivated by the surreal dunes at Sossusvlei and Deadvlei. Discover UNESCO and RAMSAR World Heritage sites and the ancient Damara culture. Great Wildlife encounters in the Etosha National Park.

Classification:
Comfort

- Gratuities

Vehicle recommendation:
SUV or 4WD Double Cab

Optional extras:
Excursions / Activities on request

Inclusions:

Accommodation: As specified
Meals: As specified in the itinerary
Deluxe Travel Planner
General: Tourism levy and government taxes where applicable
Green Seat: Bishop Kameeta Kindergarten; Otjimboyo Conservancy

Added value:

- Guided walk with a bushman
- Mountain drive at Elegant Desert Camp
- One night free of charge at Etosha Village
- Sundowner drive at Ondjamba Hills

Exclusions:

- All International / Domestic Flights and taxes
- Rental Vehicle
- Visas
- Travel and Personal accident insurance
- Personal Expenses
- Excursions / Activities not specified