

Namibia Deserts and Wildlife Fly-in and Drive Safari

11 Nights/12 Days Fully Inclusive

Price on request



Itinerary

Day 1: Kulala Desert Lodge

Lodge in the Namib Desert near Sossusvlei
We need to arrive in Windhoek no later than 14:30 for our flight to the Namib Desert. We enjoy a late afternoon flight that takes us over the Khomas Hochland and the great escarpment to the dune sea of the Namib Desert. On arrival, we are transferred to our lodge, perfectly located, with views of the huge sand dunes that pave the way to Sossusvlei

Day 2: Wolwedans Dune Lodge

Lodge in the Namib Dune Sea
We depart before sunrise in our safari vehicle to Sossusvlei. The Namib Dune sea is over 100 km wide. Our drive takes us along the Tsauchab River, which has carved out a perfect path, deep into the dune sea. The dunes along the way reach up to 300 metres in height. Our guide takes us to the famous Dead Vlei with its huge clay pan, surrounding red dunes and the eroded tree trunks of long dead Camelthorn trees. We may climb the dune overlooking Sossusvlei before sitting down to a fine brunch under the trees. In the afternoon we will be transferred the relatively short distance to Wolwedans. After a short rest, our personal guide takes us for a drive on the red sand dunes, to enjoy a sundowner, taking in the endless views of the desert plains to the west

Day 3: Wolwedans Dune Lodge

Lodge in the Namib Dune Sea
We have a full programme that takes us to explore the diverse desert landscapes of the Namib Rand nature reserve. We experience life on top of the sand dunes, driving in this secluded world that is surprisingly well vegetated and home to many different animal species. We travel down onto the desert plains, to the far blue mountains and on the way we are able to view some of the wild animals at home here. We may choose to enjoy lunch at the lodge in the dunes or at the "Hard Rock" Café, huge granite boulders that make for a perfect setting. We return to our spacious rooms to relax and enjoy sweeping views over this silent and beautiful landscape

Day 4: Hansa Hotel

Hotel in Swakopmund on the Atlantic Ocean
Our final morning in the Namib Desert. Our guide may take us for an early morning walk to enjoy the sunrise over the Losberg Mountain. We will have the opportunity to learn more about the various dune grasses and the fascinating insects, reptiles and other creatures that are at home in the sands of the Namib Desert. After a late breakfast, we transfer to the air strip for our flight to Swakopmund. If the weather is good we can consider the beach or a later afternoon desert tour (at own expense). Dinner is a real treat and includes fresh fish and some of the finest oysters in the world

Day 5: Hansa Hotel

Hotel in Swakopmund on the Atlantic Ocean
Today we have the opportunity to enjoy a catamaran cruise on the Atlantic Ocean at Walvis Bay. The dunes provide the perfect backdrop to this wild and scenic coastline. The ocean is rich in life and we will experience seals, dolphins, whales and many different bird species. In the afternoon we have the opportunity to explore the historic and attractive coastal town of Swakopmund. Apart from the many fine shops, we may decide to visit the Crystal Gallery or the Museum

Day 6: Mowani Mountain Camp

Amongst the granite boulders fields near Twyfelfontein
The start of our guided safari takes us up the Skeleton Coast, via Namibia's highest mountain the Brandberg, to the sandstone desert landscapes of Twyfelfontein. Our exclusive lodge, hidden amongst the granites, provides us with a special view over the desert mountains to the west. In the afternoon we are taken on a guided walk to discover the interesting geology, fauna and flora of the area

Included in price:

- All safari flights
- All vehicle transfers and Safari vehicle
- Professional Safari Guide for North Tour
- All accommodation and all meals
- Activities as described
- Entrance fees to Parks

Not included in price:

- Tips and alcoholic drinks
- International flights

The exact costs are dependent on the availability of the requested lodges

Day 7: Mowani Mountain Camp

Amongst the granite boulders fields near Twyfelfontein
The area is famous for the desert adapted elephant and the Twyfelfontein engravings, a World Heritage Site. We depart on an early nature-drive into the Huab River valley in search of the elusive desert elephant and other interesting wildlife. We return to the lodge for lunch and a well deserved rest. The late afternoon allows for a visit to the nearby engravings where we have the opportunity to meet some of the local Damara people for an interesting guided walk to view the ancient art

Day 8: Dolomite Camp

Near Otjovasondu in western Etosha
We continue northwards to enter western Etosha at Otjovasondu. An area of dolomite hills, our camp is the only one in this huge nature area. We are taken on a guided game-drive to the waterholes and other interesting places in search of the many animals to be found here. Before dinner, we enjoy a fine sundowner with views over the vast Mopane woodlands

Day 9: Ongava Lodge

Ongava Game Reserve bordering the Etosha National Park
We spend the entire morning on an extended game-drive that takes us 200 km through Etosha to Okaukuejo. Etosha is home to a huge variety of wildlife including many different antelope, elephant, rhino and of course various predators including leopard, lion, cheetah and hyaena. Namibia also boasts over 650 different bird species of which many are found in Etosha. We reach our special lodge in the late afternoon. Ongava is known for its many predators including a number of lion prides which are often heard, if not seen coming to drink at the waterhole at sunset

Day 10: Ongava Lodge

Ongava Game Reserve bordering the Etosha National Park
Today we again have the opportunity to visit Etosha, the "great white place", a park over 22000 sq km in size. We may choose to take a morning and an afternoon game drive into the park. Ongava is home to a good number of black and white rhinoceros and we have the opportunity of viewing them coming to drink at the lodge waterhole, over which our luxury bungalow has great views. The late afternoon can be spent on the view deck overlooking the lodge waterhole, waiting for the inevitable

Day 11: Okonjima Bush Camp

Home to the Africat Foundation
The Big Cats of Africa are in constant conflict with people and there is a need for intense conservation efforts to help them survive. Okonjima is a special wildlife reserve that focuses on protecting leopard, cheetah and lion and other endangered wildlife. Apart from the luxury bush camp, we are invited to visit the rehabilitation centre and also take part in an afternoon cat activity that takes us in search of the elusive and wild leopard. At night we visit the hide to view various night active animals. We fall asleep to the roars of lion in the distance

Day 12: Departure Day

We enjoy a special breakfast before departing to the airport to continue with our safari or our flight home