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15 Day Romantic Escape Private Guided Tour

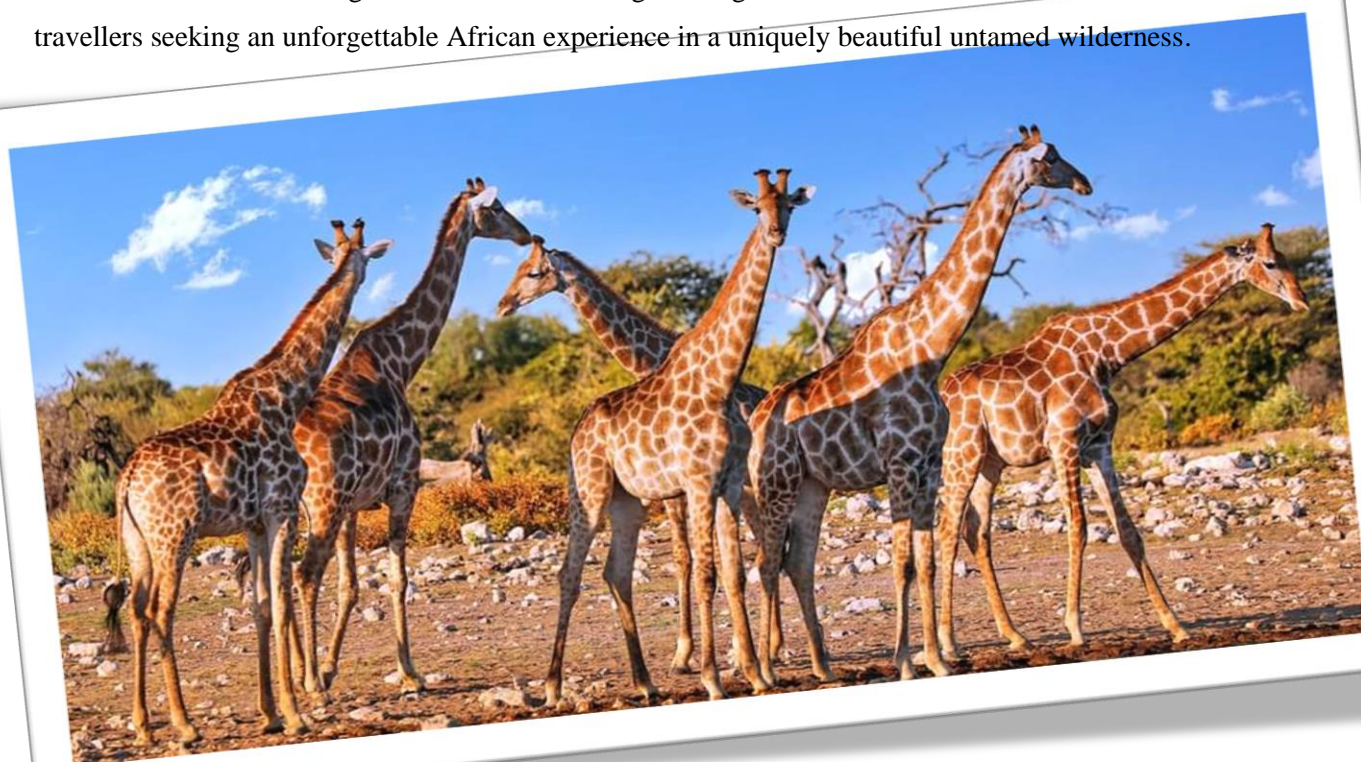
Sossusvlei - Swakopmund - Walvis Bay - Twyfelfontein - Palmwag - Ongava Private Game Reserve - Etosha National Park - Etosha South - Onguma Game Reserve - Etosha East - Otjiwarongo - Windhoek - Okahandja

16 Days / 15 Nights

2 Persons



Located in southwestern Africa, Namibia boasts a well-developed infrastructure, some of the best tourist facilities in Africa, and an impressive list of breath-taking natural wonders. Visitors can explore the capital of Windhoek and discover the lovely coastal town of Swakopmund boasting remnants of the country's German influence, reflected in the architecture, culture, cuisine and the annual Oktoberfest celebrations. To properly appreciate this extraordinary country, you will have to venture out of the cities to explore the remarkable natural landscapes Namibia has to offer. These include: the impressive Fish River Canyon; the vast Etosha National Park teeming with abundant wildlife, such as lions, desert-adapted elephants and the Hartmann's Mountain Zebra; the hauntingly beautiful Kalahari Desert; and of course the Namib Desert stretching for over 2000 km along the magnificent Atlantic Coast. Namibia is an ideal destination for travellers seeking an unforgettable African experience in a uniquely beautiful untamed wilderness.



Additional Information

It is strongly recommended that you purchase comprehensive personal travel insurance before you start your safari. Travel insurance is for your own protection and we consider it to be an essential part of modern international travel. Maximum group size is 10 people, with a minimum of 4 participants. Transport for up to 5 people will be in a minibus and for 6 people and more in a specialised vehicle.

The style of safari is limited participation, you can pitch in to give the guide a hand with pitching and striking down your own tent. There will be a camp assistant who will accompany the guide depending on how big the group is to help with the other campsite chores. Your tour guide will do all the shopping, cooking, and day-to-day organization of the safari. Unless otherwise specified, all safaris will be conducted in English.

Our tents are canvas dome type, which are easy to assemble. The mattress we use are approximately 5 cm thick with its own mattress cover and each client has a camp chair with backrest.

Clients are limited to one soft, barrel type bag per person with maximum weight of 15kg, one medium sized hand luggage bag, one medium sized camera bag and a sleeping bag.

We suggest a sleeping bag range of “3 – 4 season”. Sleeping bags can be hired by prior arrangement for a cost of N\$ 50.00 per 3 day trip. When selecting your clothing please be aware that Namibian summer temperatures (December - March) can reach 45°C and winter temperatures (June - September) can be as low as -5°C. The rainy season is between December and April.

All evening meals on camping safaris (unless stipulated) are cooked by your guide on an open fire. Salads and fresh vegetables will be served daily where readily available. Fresh fruit will also be supplied when possible. **We cater for vegetarians**, but please notify us prior to departure. Namibia is a low risk malarial destination, but we recommend seeking professional medical advice, enabling you to make informed decisions on personal malaria protection.

All tap water in Namibia has been purified or comes directly from boreholes and is safe to drink. In some areas the water can be brackish, your guide will advise you daily on this and where to purchase bottled mineral water.

Electrical plugs are 220 V and are 3 pin (round pin as opposed to square pin, the same as in South Africa). Adaptors can be purchased in Windhoek. It is possible to re-charge batteries at some campsites. The Namibian Dollar (N\$) has a fixed 1-1 exchange rate to the South African Rand (ZAR). ZAR notes and coins are legal tender in Namibia.

Airport transfers and pre-and-post safari accommodation can be arranged on request at an additional cost.

It is customary in Namibia to tip 10% at restaurants. Your guide and assistant can be tipped at your own discretion, but we ask that the guide be tipped separately from your assistant.

Introduction

Start	Accommodation	Destination	Basis	Room Type	Duration
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Day 1	The Desert Grace Gondwana Collection Namibia	Sossusvlei	FB	1x Twin Room	2 Nights
Day 3	Strand Hotel Swakopmund	Swakopmund	B&B	1x Twin Room	2 Nights
Day 5	Mowani Mountain Camp	Twyfelfontein	FB	1x Twin Room	2 Nights
Day 7	Etendeka Mountain Camp	Palmwag	FB	1x Twin Room	2 Nights
Day 9	Ongava Lodge	Ongava Private Game Reserve	FB	1x Twin Room	2 Nights
Day 11	Onguma Bush Camp	Onguma Game Reserve	FB	1x Twin Room	2 Nights
Day 13	Frans Indongo Lodge	Otjiwarongo	FB	1x Twin Room	2 Nights
Day 15	Am Weinberg Estate's Boutique Hotel	Windhoek	FB	1x Twin Room	1 Night

Key

FB: Full Board - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast and Lunch

Price

July 2021 – 31st October 2022

N\$ 160,800.00 per person sharing

Vehicle quoted is a 4x4 Fortuner

Included

1. Pick up & drop off from accommodation in Windhoek
2. Three meals a day (unless differently specified)
3. Complimentary Champagne breakfast (Lodge TBA)
4. Accommodation as per itinerary
5. Park entrance fees
6. Professional guide
7. Personalized information pack

Excluded

1. Alcoholic beverages
2. Soft drinks & bottled water
3. Personal travel insurance

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Day 1

The Desert Grace Gondwana Collection Namibia, Sossusvlei



Located in the scenic Namib-Naukluft National Park, Sossusvlei is where you will find the iconic red sand dunes of the Namib. The clear blue skies contrast with the giant red dunes to make this one of the most scenic natural wonders of Africa and a photographer's heaven. This awe-inspiring destination is possibly Namibia's premier attraction, with its unique dunes rising to almost 400 metres-some of the highest in the world. These iconic dunes come alive in morning and evening light and draw photography enthusiasts from around the globe. Sossusvlei is home to a variety desert wildlife including oryx, springbok, ostrich and a variety of reptiles. Visitors can climb 'Big Daddy', one of Sossusvlei's tallest dunes; explore Deadvlei, a white, salt, claypan dotted with ancient trees; or for the more extravagant, scenic flights and hot air ballooning are on offer, followed by a once-in-a-lifetime champagne breakfast amidst these majestic dunes.

Day Itinerary

Windhoek – Sesriem (321km)

This morning your guide will pick you up between 08:00-08:30 to start your romantic relaxing journey to the Namib Desert of Namibia. On route you will pass through the small towns of Rehoboth and Kalkrand, you will notice the scenery change as you head deeper in the south. Upon arrival at the lodge, you will be welcomed by the friendly lodge staff and referred to your room.

Since its a Romantic Adventure, you are booked for a Scorpion Night Walk, Romance without adventure could NEVER be Romantic.

Activities

Scorpion Night Walk

Optional

Walking Trails

Scorpion Night Walk

Ready for a thrilling but safe experience? Join our guided night walk (3km) with UV light after dinner. May only be booked directly at the lodge.

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Walking Trails

Experience the Namib Desert on foot on our self-guided walks of 3km, 5km and 7km. Please enquire at the reception.



Overnight: The Desert Grace Gondwana Collection Namibia

Graceful spaces and gracious hospitality imbue this modern lodge with its elegance of yesteryear, spirited character and refreshingly stylish interior. Sip on a pink gin while appreciating the expansive desert scenery from one of the 24 bungalows, each with its own plunge pool.



Basis

Lunch and Dinner

Day 2

The Desert Grace Gondwana Collection Namibia, Sossusvlei

Day Itinerary

Sossusvlei Full Day

Today we have an early start to the beautiful and breath-taking Sossusvlei, with our 1st visit at the Dune 45. Our guide will prepare a beautiful breakfast and photo session at the Dune 45. After breakfast we will take a desert walk in the cool of the morning, with the chance of seeing gemsbok, springbok, black-backed jackal and ostrich. We visit the picturesque Dead Vlei, this white clay pan lies between towering orange dunes and is dotted with the skeletal remains of hundreds of dead camelthorn trees, making it a striking vista and photographer's dream. We will return to our Lodge for lunch.

Activities

Dune 45

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Dead Vlei
Big Daddy 250m
Guided E-Bike Trail

Optional

Hot Air Balloon Safaris

Dune 45

Named for its location 45 kilometres past the town of Sesriem, Dune 45 is renowned for its elegant shape, which – along with its position close to the road – have earned it the distinction of ‘most photographed dune in the world’. If you’re not keen for the strenuous hike to the top of Big Daddy, Dune 45 is a more forgiving alternative, standing at only 80 metres and featuring a much gentler gradient.



Dead Vlei

This ancient clay pan was once an oasis, studded with acacias and fed by a river that suddenly changed course, leaving the earth to dry up along with the trees it previously supported. So dry were the climatic conditions that the trees never decomposed – instead they were entirely leached of moisture so that today, 900 years later, they remain as desiccated, blackened sentinels dotting the pan’s cracked surface. Surrounded by the red-pink dunes of the Namibia Desert, they create a surreal spectacle that is a photographer's dream.



Big Daddy 250m

Big Daddy is the tallest dune in the Sossusvlei area. This magnificent dune is situated between Sossusvlei and Deadvlei and at 325 meters it dwarfs the other dunes. Should you want the ultimate bragging rights, take a lot of water and trek to the top of Big Daddy where you can look down onto Deadvlei.

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At 325 meters, Big Daddy may be the highest dune in the Sossusvlei area, however it is not the highest in the Namib Desert. This honour is given to Dune 7, which has been measured at 388m. Dune 7 earned its name by being the 7th dune along the Tsauchab River.

Guided E-Bike Trail

Enjoy the wonders of the Namib Desert on an e-bike tour in the morning or afternoon. May only be booked directly at the lodge.



Hot Air Balloon Safaris

At sunrise, in the world's oldest desert, witness a spectacular hot air balloon inflation, and set out on the flight of a lifetime. From the best platform, in the most romantic way, soar with the winds for an hour, over the oceans of sand and mountains, endless vistas of shadows and lights. Your destination? The Sossusvlei dunes or the splendour of the desert.

At landing, you come back to earth with an “Out Of Africa” style Champagne breakfast set up in the middle of nowhere. Your pilot will present you with a flight certificate before you take a leisurely nature drive back to the pick-up point. It is an experience like no other, the experience of a lifetime.

Dream it or live it!

Basis

Lunch and Dinner

Day 3

Strand Hotel Swakopmund, Swakopmund

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Set along Namibia's spectacularly scenic coast, the seaside town of Swakopmund is known for its wide-open avenues, colonial architecture, and its surrounding otherworldly desert terrain. Founded in 1892 as the main harbour for German South West Africa, Swakopmund is often described as being more German than Germany. Now a seaside resort town, Swakopmund is the capital of the Skeleton Coast tourism area and has plenty to keep visitors happy. The quirky mix of German and Namibian influences, adventure options, laid-back atmosphere and cool sea breeze make it a very popular Namibian destination. Visitors can look forward to a number of exciting activities including: quad biking, horse riding, paragliding, fishing, sightseeing and fascinating desert tours.

Day Itinerary

Sesriem - Swakopmund (344 km)

This morning we are headed to Swakopmund our coastal town to the German culture. On route we make a quick stop at Solitaire for their famous Apple pie to sweeten our route and thoughts to Swakopmund.

Dinner is not included in the price of the safari and will be for the client's own account.

Recommended

Walvis Bay Lagoon

Walvis Bay

Situated along Namibia's spectacular coastline, just south of Swakopmund, Walvis Bay (Whale Bay) is a thriving town, Namibia's principal harbour and one of the country's most popular tourist centres. It is known for its natural lagoon, striking orange sand dunes and wealth of outdoor activities, including fishing, bird-watching, sailing, sandboarding, swimming, surfing and golf. Located just outside town is Dune 7, one of the largest sand dunes in the world, offering fantastic views from the crest for those with the energy to climb it. Visitors can look forward to a number of activities including: visiting the expansive green and pink salt pans dotted with flocks of flamingoes, and jumping on a boat trip to view seals colonies, dolphins and friendly pelicans, while enjoying champagne and oysters.



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Walvis Bay Lagoon

Walvis Bay's calm natural lagoon is a twitcher's paradise, teeming with roughly 50 species of seabirds, including vivid flocks of flamingos, bulky-billed pelicans and glossy black cormorants. It's also a popular spot for windsurfing, kitesurfing and kayaking, while the promenade stretching for three kilometres along the water's edge is a great place for a scenic stroll.



Overnight: Strand Hotel Swakopmund

With its extensive, unique and creatively entertaining Restaurants, Bars, Deli, Lobby-Lounge, Sea Facing Terraces, Beach Kiosk and state of the art Conference & Banqueting Center, all set on the Mole, a historic and iconic site surrounded by Ocean on three sides, the Strand Hotel Swakopmund is a social epicenter and destination in itself for all visitors to and residents of Swakopmund.

Its architectural inspiration finds its roots deep in Namibian-German history and reflects this in a tasteful contemporary manner. The interiors are residential in nature, and the brief to all designers involved was to create a non-hotel, hotel. One as charming and welcoming as the town it is located in. Simply very warm and comfortable, and as they say in German: "gemütlich" providing a genuine "sense-of-place" atmosphere adding to any Namibian visit.

Arriving at the Strand is a dramatic experience as one passes through its 13m high and 9m wide Ocean View Atrium which travels right through the Hotel offering sea views at either end. Off this Atrium Lobby is Reception, consisting of three individual desks and an inviting open fireplace which rounds off the residential feel and warm welcome.



Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 4

Strand Hotel Swakopmund, Swakopmund

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Day Itinerary

Swakopmund (B)

Today is a free day. The idea is to allow time for everybody to do their own thing. Swakopmund is a very pleasant seaside town with lots of shops, a good stretch of beach (although the Atlantic here is quite cold) and an open-air curio market. There is also a very good museum and the Namibian National Marine Aquarium is located in Swakopmund.

Alternatively, there are various optional activities that can be arranged. These include aeroplane and microlight flights over the desert, scenic drives, fishing trips (both from the beach or in a boat), four-wheel motorcycle (quad bike) trips into the desert and over the sand dunes around Swakopmund, sand boarding trips (also in the dunes), skydiving, surfing, bird-watching and many other activities are available.

Your tour guide will discuss all the possible options with you before you reach Swakopmund and will offer to make bookings in advance of your arrival. (N.B. All extra activities and excursions in Swakopmund are subject to availability and are made at the clients' own risk and expense).

Dinner and lunch are not included in the price of the safari and will be for the client's own account.

Recommended

Catamaran Charters
Living Desert Tours
Ground Rush Adventures Skydive Swakopmund

Farmhouse Deli

A Delicatessen Retail Shop and Bistro style Restaurant, Coffee Shop, Bakery and sea-facing terrace. An all-day a la carte Restaurant menu - Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner, Cakes, Pastries, Sandwiches, Brotchen, Teas and Coffees.



Catamaran Charters

The Catamaran Charters Team invites you aboard the 45ft Royal Cape Sailing Catamaran Silverwind, or the 60ft Simon Sailing Catamaran Silversand, or the 40ft Admiral Motorised Catamaran Silvermoon, to enjoy an adventure packed tour to Pelican Point and Walvis Bay's beautiful bay area.

The chances of encountering dolphins, whales, turtles, seals and Mola Mola (sunfish) make the search for the marine big 5 and adventurous tour by enjoying sparkling wine, fresh oysters and other mouth-watering snacks aboard the spacious and comfortable catamarans.

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Living Desert Tours

The Living Desert Tour is a unique 4x4 adventure which specializes in bringing the desert to life while sharing the awesome beauty of the Namib Desert with travellers from all over the world. The coastal dune belt may seem barren and lifeless to many people, but in fact it is alive with a fascinating variety of little desert adapted animals, which are able to survive on the life-giving fog which consistently rolls in from the cold Atlantic Ocean.

Come see the Dancing White Lady Spider (*Carparachne aureoflava*) cartwheel 44 turns per second down a dune to escape the enemy. Admire the transparent Namib Dune Gecko (*Pachydactylus rangei*) with webbed feet that are equivalent to snow shoes. Learn about the different beetles and insects and how they survive in the dune desert. Follow in the tracks of a legless Lizard (Fitsimmon's Burrowing Skink), observe Sand Diving Lizards (*Meroles Anchieta*) dancing on the hot sand, Sidewinder Snakes (Perinquey's Adder), Desert Chameleons and many more fascinating creatures. Learn about the geology, structure and formation of the desert, and admire the vast and beautiful landscapes while enjoying a scenic dune drive combined with fun and adrenalin.



Ground Rush Adventures Skydive Swakopmund

The Ground Rush Adventure / Skydive Swakopmund team has worked together since 1997 and most of their skydiving instructors have over 4000 jumps. Tandem jumps are available for prospective skydivers with no experience. At the drop zone, training is given and jumpers are dressed in appropriate gear before being taken up in the aircraft with their tandem master.

Clients can choose between two video options - the first being a video made by the tandem master with a camera attached to his wrist, and the second is made by a cameraman who jumps and flies with the tandem pair and takes both video footage and photos. Ground Rush Adventures also offer accelerated freefall courses and static line courses.



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Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 5

Mowani Mountain Camp, Twyfelfontein



Set in the Kunene Region of northwestern Namibia, Twyfelfontein is a spectacularly scenic area, featuring one of the largest and most important concentrations of rock art in Africa. The name 'Twyfelfontein' translates to 'Fountain of Doubt', which refers to the perennial spring situated in the impressive Huab valley flanked by the slopes of a sandstone table mountain. It was this spring that attracted Stone Age hunters over six thousand years ago, and it was during this time that the extensive group of rock engravings and paintings were produced. Visitors can look forward to basing themselves at some wonderfully shady campsites along the Aba-Huab riverbed, while exploring over thirty different sites of these sacred records of ritual practices relating to traditional hunter-gatherer communities.

Day Itinerary

Swakopmund - Mowani (327 km)

This morning you can leisurely depart to the breath-taking Damaraland!!!The lodge and its view are amazing! Along the way you will be passing small towns, with a quick stop at the Cape fur seals.

Activities

Cape Cross Seal Colony

Cape Cross Seal Colony

This colony of Cape Fur Seals is one of the largest in the world, home to approximately 80 000 to 100 000 of these so-called 'seals', which are in fact a species of sea lion. Day trips to the colony are offered and the seals can be viewed from a walkway at a distance of roughly 200 metres.

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Overnight: Mowani Mountain Camp

Mowani Mountain Camp offers luxury tented accommodation with magnificent desert views. Open air en-suite bathrooms and private decks give you great views of Damaraland and the reliability of nearby Twyfelfontein with its San engravings and paintings is contrasted by the elusive desert adapted elephants.

The Twyfelfontein conservancy has been protecting the southern most roaming ground of the black rhino and elusive desert elephant. Sustainable eco-tourism and community upliftment is of the utmost importance at Mowani. Guides from the local tribes compliment day-time game drives to track mountain zebra, kudu, springbok, klipspringer and if you are fortunate enough... the leopard! The adventurer in me took over at Mowani. Days were filled with game drives, hot air balloon trips over the Aba-Huab Valley, champagne breakfasts and al fresco meals amidst the dusky landscape beneath Mopani trees.



Basis

Half Board - Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

Day 6

Mowani Mountain Camp, Twyfelfontein

Day Itinerary (Full day Nature awaits)

Today you have yet another day in Damaraland with opportunity to do optional activities as well as the scheduled Rock engraving activity with your guide. All optional activities can be booked with the lodge, alternatively you can prebook it.

Activities

Twyfelfontein Rock Art

Organ Pipes

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Optional

Mowani Mountain Camp Elephant and Dune Drives

Twyfelfontein Rock Art

Twyfelfontein is a World Heritage Site boasting one of the richest rock art concentrations in Africa. Thousands of tourists come to this site each year to view some 2,500 Stone Age rock engravings. The area is home to 17 rock art sites, which collectively encompass 212 engraved stone slabs. There are an additional 13 sites displaying rock paintings.



Organ Pipes

The Organ Pipes are located near Twyfelfontein and a few kilometres to the Burnt Mountain in Damaraland, Namibia. It is a 100m long feature of unusual dolomite columns; these rocks were formed by volcanic activity and after erosion, the rocks have remained in the form of organ pipes.

Mowani Mountain Camp Elephant and Dune Drives

The Mowani Mountain Camp, situated in Twyfelfontein, Namibia, offers guests elephant and dune drives. Guests can climb into an open-air vehicle and experience the rush of Africa. Local guides share with guests an intimate knowledge and respect for the land that they have built up over a lifetime. With new insight into local traditions, guests will come to fully appreciate the geology, botany, and wildlife of the area. The local villagers are welcoming and are eager to share their experiences.



Basis

Half Board - Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

Day 7

Etendeka Mountain Camp, Palmwag

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Palmwag is a nature reserve idyllically located along a palm-lined tributary of the Uniab River. Water is scarce in this area, so the river's presence often lures elephants closer to the camps. Palmwag is situated halfway between Swakopmund and Etosha, and is the ideal base from which to see the sights of the Kunene region or embark on one of the many local hiking trails. The reserve is notable for its unusual species of palm tree, the *hyphaena pertesiana*, and for being home to the largest population of south-western black rhinos in Africa. Animal lovers can also get a peek at leopard, lion, cheetah, mountain zebra, Angolan giraffe, springbok, kudu, and African bush elephant.

Day Itinerary

Mowani – Etendeka Mountain Camp (106km)

Today you can leisurely depart further north into Damaraland. You can do a quick optional activity this morning.

Activities

Stargazing

Stargazing

After dinner your hosts, Dennis and Bonnie, will point out some of the more interesting constellations, stars and planets with the aid of a 'star pointer' and a telescope. With minimal light and air pollution in this area, star gazing is a treat to the eye.

Overnight: Etendeka Mountain Camp

In the foothills of the Grootberg massif, set amidst magnificent scenery and the ancient Etendeka lavas of northern Damaraland, the ten en-suite Meru tents have been refitted with luxury mattresses and 100% cotton linen. Necessary comforts have not been overlooked with the bathrooms also benefiting from a makeover, while the traditional, open-air bucket shower still holds pride of place.

Simple, fresh, wholesome meals are prepared, either in solar ovens or on open fires, and enjoyed under African skies. Extensive use is made of solar power throughout the camp. Etendeka is one of only two establishments that have been awarded the highest rank in the Namibian Eco-awards.

At Etendeka, wildlife has acclimatized to a precarious existence amongst the towering basalt mountains and dry mopane-shaded river courses of the Kunene Region. A strong focus is on walking activities.

"The feel at Etendeka is rustic; we wanted to bring back that rugged element of the traditional tented camp that most have unfortunately lost." Manager and co-owner of Etendeka Mountain Camp, Dennis Liebenberg has been running the property for the past 20 years and knows the area like the back of his hand. He loves to share his knowledge with guests.

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Basis

Full Board - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast and Lunch

Day 8

Etendeka Mountain Camp, Palmwag

Day Itinerary

Full day of Nature awaits

Today you have another relaxing day in Damaraland, enjoy the breath-taking scenery, your guide will take you for a Himba excursion right after breakfast. You have the rest of the afternoon to relax or do an optional Afternoon scenic drive with the lodge.

Activities

Otjikandero Himba Orphanage Village

Optional

Afternoon Scenic- & Game Drive

Otjikandero Himba Orphanage Village

Otjikandero Himba Orphanage Village is located close to the local Kamanjab cattle farm in Himba Village. The village is inhabited by Himba kids, who are taken care of by volunteer mothers. All the children are raised in the traditional way, although a few of them have been slightly westernised because of the school they attend. Otjikandero Himba Orphanage Village is funded by the money received from tours to the village. Funds are used for medical purposes, food and other basic needs. Tourists will have the opportunity to see the Himba people in their natural environment as well as observe their culture. Excellent photo opportunities are also available.



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Afternoon Scenic- & Game Drive

The scenic drive in the afternoon allows guests to travel to other parts of the concession and to have a better opportunity to see the wide variety of animals that have adapted to this harsh environment. All activities are accompanied by a guide; vehicles are restricted to the regular tracks and walks follow routine paths.



Basis

Full Board - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast and Lunch

Day 9

Ongava Lodge, Ongava Private Game Reserve



Sharing the southern boundary with Etosha National Park, the prolific 30 000-hectare private Ongava Game Reserve is considered one of the top private game reserves in the region, enjoying global recognition for exceptional conservation, groundbreaking research and exciting safari experiences. The landscape is characterised by vast open plains dotted with salt pans and abundant wildlife. Visitors can easily access Etosha through Andersson's Gate in the south.

Known for its luxury lodges made out of natural materials, Ongava is a popular destination for those looking to immerse themselves in nature. The reserve offers visitors the perfect combination of wildlife safari experiences within and around the Etosha National Park. One of Ongava's top attractions is its rhino population and guests can experience the thrill of getting close to these majestic creatures. Popular activities include: night game drives, guided nature walks, bird watching and 4x4 guided game drives.

Day Itinerary

Etendeka Mountain Camp - Ongava (265km)

Today, you leave behind the remarkable Damaraland with its amazing view, you are headed this morning to Etosha National Park Vicinity. Ongava Private Game Reserve is situated on the Southern side of Etosha and can easily access

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Etosha through Andersson's Gate in the south. Our accommodation for the next 2 nights will be at Ongava Game Reserve. Upon arrival you can settle in and later that afternoon visit the Ongava Lodge Camp Hide.

Activities

Ongava Lodge - Camp Hide

Ongava Information System and Visitor Centre

Guests can interface with science and research across the Ongava Game Reserve and part of this experience is an immersion into the world of natural history and science at the new Ongava Visitor Centre. With dozens of in-depth displays that feature information on the geology, animals, plants and ecological functioning of this fascinating region, guests are encouraged to meander through the self-guided exhibition area.



Ongava Lodge - Camp Hide

The hide is a fantastic place to relax and while the hours away up close and personal with wildlife slaking its thirst at the camp waterhole. This arid environment where little water occurs makes this a popular drinking spot for game.

Overnight: Ongava Lodge

Ongava Lodge is one of Namibia's premier lodges on one of the country's most important private game reserves.

The well-established Ongava Lodge is situated in the privately owned Ongava Game Reserve along the southern boundary of Etosha National Park. Placed as it is close to the top of a hill in the foothills of the Ondundozonanandana range, the vantage point is beautiful and overlooks a well-frequented waterhole and the plains beyond. Ongava Lodge offers luxury accommodation in 14 rock-and-thatch en-suite chalets. There are impressive views over the camp's waterhole from the main lounge and dining areas and there is also an inviting pool to cool off in the heat of the day. Meals are either served in the main dining area under thatch or on the dining deck under the stars.

Activities include game drives into Etosha, spending time in the camp hide, and nature drives and walks on the reserve. Ongava has resident white and black rhino, giving guests staying at Ongava the opportunity to see both species.



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Basis

Half Board - Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

Day 10

Ongava Lodge, Ongava Private Game Reserve

Day Itinerary

Full day Game Driving Adventure

This morning you have a full day filled with adventure! You have a full day game drive with your guide to the Southern side of Okaukuejo visiting the various waterholes.

Activities

Etosha Game Drive

Okaukuejo Water Hole

Optional

Ongava Lodge - Guided Nature Walks

Etosha Game Drive

Game drive through Etosha National Park searching for predators, plains game, reptiles & birds. Game drives are conducted in custom built safari vehicles with a pop-up roof and large opening windows to maximize photographic opportunities.

Depending on the time of year, these game drives take many different routes, but most often focus around the waterholes where you are most likely to see a variety of wildlife taking the chance to get a drink and swim.



Ongava Lodge - Guided Nature Walks

Offered seasonally and subject to an available walking guide, nature walks through the area take in the abundant array of life, small and large; with a chance of potentially approaching white rhino.

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Day 11

Onguma Bush Camp, Onguma Game Reserve



Situated east of Etosha, bordering Fisher's Pan, Onguma Game Reserve is one of Namibia's best-kept secrets. The reserve offers visitors the opportunity to experience Africa in all her beauty and diversity. Onguma Game Reserve features over 34000 hectares of protected land scattered with a variety of wildlife including plains game, black rhino, kudu, giraffe, zebra, lion, cheetah, leopard and more than 300 bird species. The seasonal rains attract thousands of migrating birds to the Fisher's Pan wetland area. The neighbouring Etosha National Park is home to a rich array of wildlife, including four of the Big 5. Visitors can enjoy game drives, guided walks and rhino research drives within the private reserve as well as wildlife safaris into Etosha National Park to view abundant game in the largest national park in Namibia.

Day Itinerary

Wildlife adventure!

Taking Game viewing to another level, this morning you have yet another day filled with adventure. Your game driving starts right after breakfast as you guide takes you in to the National Park stopping at various waterholes and popular Wildlife spots. With a quick lunch stop at Halali, our middle resort before continuing to Onguma on the Eastern side of the park just right at the gate of the Von Lindquist Gate.

Activities

Onkolo Hide

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Etosha Pan

Optional

Massage Therapy

Halali Resort

Strategically located halfway between Okaukuejo and Namutoni, Halali is situated at the base of a dolomite hill, amongst shady Mopane trees. A flood-lit waterhole which is viewed from an elevated vantage point provides exceptional wildlife viewing throughout the day and into the night.

Accommodation is provided in family chalets, two and four bed bush chalets and double rooms - all converted with large sliding doors to the outside, to allow visitors to experience and benefit from the peace and tranquility of the natural surroundings. Other facilities include a restaurant, bar, shop, swimming pool, kiosk and camping facilities.



Onkolo Hide

Onguma's fabulous new water-level hide affords guests a great opportunity to calmly sit and enjoy nature unobserved. Amateur and professional photographers alike love the angles and light from this equipped hide.

There is a small ablution facility nearby, benches from which to view the surroundings and lots of windows and vantage points for creative camera angles.



Etosha Pan

Aeons ago, Etosha Pan was the bed of a vast lake; today what remains is a glittering, silvery-green salt pan that stretches across roughly 5000 square kilometres. Etosha is protected by the Etosha Pan National Park surrounded by savannah plains and woodlands supporting large herds of elephants. When dry, the pan sustains little life except for the algae that gives it its distinctive colour, and migratory birds that use it as a pit stop, but with heavy rain it becomes a shallow lake where flamingos breed, pelicans wade and feed, and a variety of mammal species come to quench their thirst, including leopards, lions, white rhinos, hunting dogs and antelopes.

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Massage Therapy

Johan, our resident therapist, is a professional massage therapist with over 15 years experience, having lived and worked at renowned Wellness Centres in Asia and Africa. His passion for and dedication to massage therapy originated in the East, where he was trained and educated from the best teachers in their respective fields. Having the opportunity to spend considerable time with monks in Thailand, has also led him to incorporate focused awareness into his massage therapies.



Overnight: Onguma Bush Camp

Onguma Bush Camp is ideal for families who would like to have a base from which they can explore Etosha National Park. Upon your return, relax and cool off around the swimming pool while watching a spectacular sunset... and the children can run around on the lawns as this is an enclosed camp.

Dinner is served in the dinning area overlooking a large waterhole. Here you will be treated to an excellent combination of European and traditional African cuisine while watching the game coming to drink.

The new water-level hide will provide hours of game viewing opportunities for guests.

Onguma Nature Reserve now offers an opportunity to start a safari from the moment guests touch down at the private airstrip!



Basis

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Day 12

Onguma Bush Camp, Onguma Game Reserve

Day Itinerary

Game Drive and Relaxation

Today you have another day of Game driving in the National Park. Game driving today will be on the Eastern side of the park, with possibility of seeing game that was not seen on the Southern side of the park.

Optional activities with lodge are available to enhance possibilities of seeing more game, this can be either in the Onguma Reserve or in Etosha National Park.

Activities

Fort Namutoni
Etosha East

Optional

Onguma Sundowner Drive
Bush Walks

Etosha East

Located in Northwestern Namibia, Etosha East is a protected sanctuary in the eastern part of the world-renowned Etosha National Park, known as one of the most accessible game reserves in Southern Africa. Etosha East boasts vast open plains scattered with semi-arid savannah grasslands dotted with watering holes and secluded bush camps. An impressive 5000-square-kilometre Etosha salt pan makes up a large area of the eastern side of the park and can even be seen from space. This remote area teems with abundant wildlife such as lions, elephants, black rhinos and giraffes, as well as a variety of birdlife featuring flamingos, ostriches, eagles, hornbills, and owls.



Onguma Sundowner Drive

Onguma Nature Reserve consists of 34 000 hectares of Namibian wilderness & is home to numerous plains game, more than 300 bird species and even 4 of the Big 5. The Reserve boasts over thirty different animal species. Plains game roam freely on the Reserve and predators although not always easy to spot, are nevertheless common residents of the area. Lions and Cheetahs are frequently seen and often heard. There is a healthy black rhino and leopard population and hyenas are also often seen and heard.

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Bush Walks

Africa takes on a new perspective when you experience it on foot as the first explorers did. A bush walk is a unique physical, mental and spiritual adventure through nature. Experience the sights, smells and sounds of the Namibian bush by conducting an early morning leisurely walk accompanied by one of our experienced armed rangers.



Basis

Half Board - Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

Day 13

Frans Indongo Lodge, Otjiwarongo



Otjiwarongo – meaning ‘the place of fat cattle’ – is a tranquil, German-influenced town with numerous lodging options, shops and other amenities, making it ideal for a stopover en route to Windhoek, Etosha National Park and the Waterberg Plateau. Points of interest include a good craft market, the Cheetah Conservation Fund and the Crocodile Ranch, where visitors can view these fascinating reptiles and, if they fancy, sample a selection of crocodile meat dishes at the ranch restaurant.

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Day Itinerary

Onguma – Frans Indongo (272km)

Today you leave behind Etosha with its immensely beautiful and lively Game views. Frans Indongo lodge is our overnight accommodation for tonight. Passing through the small towns of Tsumeb, Otavi and Otjiwarongo. You can use this day to relax and enjoy the breath-taking scenery.

Activities

Otjiwarongo Crocodile Park

Otjiwarongo

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Overnight: Frans Indongo Lodge

WELCOME TO FRANS INDONGO LODGE

Is your heart yearning for Africa? For the savannah and the scent of grasses and acacias? For silence and wide horizons? And at the same time you want to enjoy all modern comforts? Then Frans Indongo Lodge warmly welcomes you. You can truly relax with us. Let us pamper you – after all, you are on holiday. Relax on the sundeck at the swimming pool and watch a succession of Sable Antelope, Black Springbok and Nyala quench their thirst at the nearby water hole. Relish the special African atmosphere: the lodge and the interior decoration feature stylish traditional elements from the Ovambo culture in northern Namibia – the birthplace of Frans Indongo.

You can't afford to miss this! Watch cheetahs sprinting and learn more about the fastest terrestrial animal on the planet at the nearby Cheetah Conservation Fund or explore Waterberg Plateau Park, where water is plentiful.

While staying with us you will also experience purest nature, of course. The 170 km² farm boasts an extraordinary abundance of game, including White and Black Rhino, Black Wildebeest and Hartebeest. We take you game-viewing on sundowner drives. For active holidaymakers we have laid out trails which meander through the bush savannah and lead onto a hill with a magnificent look-out point.

One little hint: take your time. Our guests keep complaining that they would have liked to stay longer...

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Basis

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Day 14

Frans Indongo Lodge, Otjiwarongo

Day Itinerary

Embrace Nature

This morning after a relaxing breakfast, you are scheduled for a Game drive with the lodge not to forget the beautiful Scenery!

Activities

Frans Indongo Lodge Game Drive

Frans Indongo Lodge Game Drive

One can enjoy a serene game drive excursion in an open off road vehicle at Frans Indongo Lodge, situated in the heart of the bush savannah in Namibia. The drive is about two hours long offering plenty opportunities to observe the animals and take pictures. Animal species that can often be spotted include rare types of birds and Ruppell's parrots, Gemsbok, Zebra, Kudu and Springbok, Eland, Sable and Roan Antelope, Impala and Black Wildebeest, as well as White and Black Rhinos found in the area around the lodge.



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Day 15

Am Weinberg Estate's Boutique Hotel, Windhoek



Situated in Central Namibia, the cosmopolitan city of Windhoek serves as the capital of the country. It is home to an international airport and a plethora of restaurants, shops, entertainment venues and accommodation options. The city is clean, safe and well-organised, with a colonial legacy that is reflected in its many German eateries and shops, and the widespread use of the German language. Windhoek has an interesting mix of historical architecture and modern buildings, many of which are worth a look, including the Alte Feste an old fort, the 1896 Christuskirche Christ Church, and the more contemporary Supreme Court.

Day Itinerary

Frans Indongo - Windhoek (294km)

And yes, we are headed back to Civilisation! As we are headed back to Windhoek passing through the small town of Okahandja, home of Namibia's biggest Craft market (with a quick stop there). Our guide will drop you off at your guest house for the night.

Compliments from Dream Holiday Tours & Safaris a surprise awaits at the guesthouse!

Activities

Okahandja Craft Market - South

Recommended

Sky Lounge

Okahandja

Located just north of Windhoek, in the central Namibian Otjozondjupa region, the bustling city of Okahandja serves as the main commercial centre of the area, as well as a prominent cultural centre for the local Herero people. The name

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‘Okahandja’, means ‘The place where two rivers flow into each other to form one wide one.’ These two seasonal rivers are the Okamita and the Okakango. Known as the ‘Garden Town of Namibia’, Okahandja boasts a rich cultural heritage, numerous historical sites and excellent bird watching in the surrounding areas. Visitors can look forward to a variety of interesting activities including: browsing the colourful arts and crafts market, visiting the nearby Gross Barmen Hot springs for a soak in the rejuvenating thermal waters and enjoying an array of watersports at the nearby Von Bach Dam.



Okahandja Craft Market - South

This craft market is Okahandja’s best known tourist attraction. Woodcarvers from all over, and as far as the Kavango Region of north-eastern Namibia, who practice their ancient skills come here to sell their goods. Since wood is not resistant to the wear and tear of time, wood sculptures survive less well than other forms of art and are therefore an important hidden element in the art history of many cultures. The wood-and-thatch market is situated next to the main road at the town’s entrance and exit. Choose from a wide variety of hand-carved wooden artifacts such as animals, bowls or jewelry boxes.



Sky Lounge

For sundowners and Tapas dinner with a view, why not book a table at the panoramic Sky Lounge? End your day over cocktails with friends, family or business associates – the views will take your breath away.



Overnight: Am Weinberg Estate’s Boutique Hotel

The Am Weinberg Estate’s Boutique Hotel provides all of the exclusivity and privacy you might expect from this prestigious Estate – making it the perfect retreat when travelling on vacation or business. The elegant 41-bedroom hotel wraps around a heritage building, creating an inviting courtyard. This design complements its historic character, while modern amenities ensure the utmost comfort. Aside from the location and spectacular views, hotel guests also have

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access to facilities including the Estate's Soulstice Day Spa, Be Hair Salon, five upmarket restaurants and the Conference Centre.



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Day 16

End of Itinerary

Day Itinerary

Today our guide will transfer you to the airport.

Thank you for entrusting us with planning your Romantic Adventure 😊

End of Safari

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