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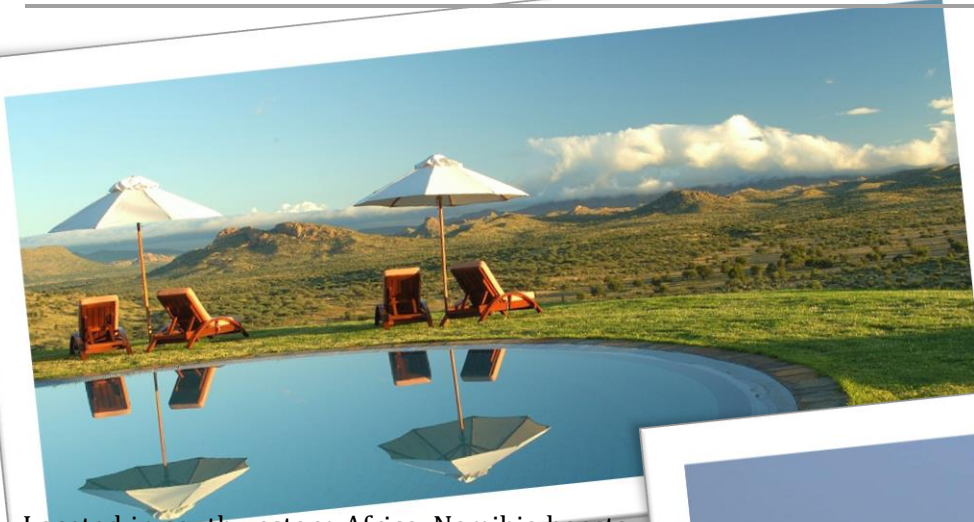
Experience New Adventures

19 Day Serenity Self-drive Tour

Greater Windhoek - Central Namibia - Sossusvlei - Swakopmund - Walvis Bay - Spitzkoppe - Twyfelfontein - Palmwag - Etosha South - Onguma Game Reserve - Etosha National Park - Etosha East - Otjiwarongo - Windhoek - Okahandja

19 Days / 18 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.



Introduction

Start	Accommodation	Destination	Basis	Room Type	Duration
Day 1	Gocheganas Lodge	Greater Windhoek	B&B	1x Twin Room	2 Nights
Day 3	Hoodia Desert Lodge	Sossusvlei	FB	1x Twin Room	2 Nights
Day 5	Desert Breeze Lodge	Swakopmund	B&B	1x Twin Room	2 Nights
Day 7	Spitzkoppen Lodge	Spitzkoppe	B&B	1x Twin Room	2 Nights
Day 9	Mowani Mountain Camp	Twyfelfontein	B&B	1x Twin Room	2 Nights
Day 11	Grootberg Lodge	Palmwag	B&B	1x Twin Room	2 Nights
Day 13	Etosha Oberland Lodge	Etosha South	FB	1x Twin Room	2 Nights
Day 15	Onguma Bush Camp	Onguma Game Reserve	B&B	1x Twin Room	2 Nights
Day 17	Frans Indongo Lodge	Otjiwarongo	B&B	1x Twin Room	1 Night
Day 18	Am Weinberg Estate's Boutique Hotel	Windhoek	B&B	1x Twin Room	1 Night

Key

B&B: Bed and Breakfast

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

Price

July 2021 – 31st December 2023

N\$ 155,500.00 per person sharing

Package includes

- Vehicle collection/drop off at accommodation
- Standard information package with detailed map
- Meet and greet
- Accommodation and meals as per itinerary
- Standard 4x4 double Cab

Vehicle includes:

- Theft and Collision Damage Waiver
- 2ND Additional Driver
- Unlimited mileage
- Airport Surcharge - Tourism Levy
- Value Added Tax at 14%

- Damage due to Sandblasting
- Tyre and rim damage, hubcaps
- Windscreen

Excluded

- Meals other than specified
- Additional activities
- Entrance fees to National parks
- Fuel
- Alcoholic beverages
- Soft drinks & bottled water
- Personal travel insurance and items of a personal nature
- International flights
- Airport taxes

Not included in the vehicle rate:

- Young Driver surcharge per day, per driver
- One way drop off charges
- Document Administration Fee (contact fee)
- Traffic Fine Handling Fee
- Claim Handling Fee
- Assessor's Fee Water and under-carriage damage to vehicles
- Cross border permits

Day 1

Gocheganas Lodge, Greater Windhoek



Windhoek, the capital of Namibia, is encircled by magnificent mountains, expansive valleys, fertile farmlands, lodges and luxury guest farms. The landscape of the Greater Windhoek area surrounding this bustling city is characterised by vast valleys, thick scrub, rocky hills, and covered in golden savannah. Visitors can explore the dry river beds and mountainous scrublands, as well as enjoy birding, leopard-spotting and view large quantities of wildlife in the north; visit the more arid eastern part with its olive, potato and date plantations; explore the rolling hills of the Khomas Hochland Mountains in the west of the Greater Windhoek area and soak up the epic views along a number of scenic passes leading off the high plateau including: Bosua Pass, Gamsberg Pass and Spreetshoogte Pass.

Day Itinerary

Windhoek – Gocheganas (42km)

Upon arrival a representative of the Car Rental Company will meet you at the airport and transfer you to their office in Windhoek, where you will collect and complete your vehicle documents. After collecting your vehicle, you will then be met by a consultant from Dream Holiday Tours & Safaris, that will take you through your program and hand you your information package.

Rehoboth

Located in Hardap, Namibia, about 90 kilometres south of Windhoek, Rehoboth is surrounded by camel thorn, sweet-thorn and candle-pod acacia and dotted with several natural hot springs. The area is known not only for its striking natural beauty but also its rich heritage - the ancient Baster community, who came across the river to settle here in 1870, have a long and interesting history. Plant lovers will be interested to find that some of the Acacia Trees here date back around 2000 years. History enthusiasts will delight in the interesting town museum. Rehoboth makes for a convenient base for reaching popular destinations such as the Fish River Canyon, Sossussvlei, and Hardap Dam.

Overnight: Gocheganas Lodge

GocheGanas offers 16 luxurious chalets, under thatched roof, with uninterrupted views over the Nature Reserve. All rooms are equipped with en suite bathrooms, air conditioning, minibar and TV. A rooftop restaurant is there to spoil you with cuisine and stunning views.



Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 2

Gocheganas Lodge, Greater Windhoek

Day Itinerary

This is Serenity, just what you need, to take your mind away from the chaos of the world.....Calmness! Enjoy the peacefulness of the lodge and to end the day an 'Optional' Nature drive 😊.

Recommended

GocheGanas Nature Reserve & Wellness Village
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"GOCHEGANAS" - a descriptive Damara name, meaning: "Place of Camel Thorns, abounding with Candle-Pod Acacias" is more than just a place, it is an experience.... Located a mere 29km south east from Windhoek, and situated on a hilltop overlooking a spectacular landscape, this luxurious Lodge offers a unique combination of Wildlife, Nature and Wellness experiences.

GocheGanas offers 16 luxurious chalets, under thatched roof, with uninterrupted views over the Nature Reserve. All rooms are equipped with en suite bathrooms, air conditioning, mini bars, TV and DVD/CD players.

Complimenting and enhancing the Lodge, is our Wellness Village, boasting state of the art wellness facilities, as well as heated indoor pool, cave sauna and fitness and gym facilities. A variety of wellness treatments and massages are offered.

Game abound on the GocheGanas Nature Reserve, with 25 different large game species totaling approximately 1,600 animals roaming across the reserve. Our early morning and late afternoon game drives remain a highlight for many of our visitors.



GocheGanas Nature Reserve

The GocheGanas Nature Reserve is located in Windhoek, Namibia. The reserve is spread out over 6,000 hectares and is home to around 25 different wildlife species. Visitors have the opportunity to take a game drive and view animals such as steenbok, klipspringers, duikers, red hartebeest, wildebeest, giraffes, kudu, springbok, warthogs, cheetahs, leopards, and bat-eared foxes.

A luxury lodge is available on the grounds of the reserve where visitors can stay over to extend their GocheGanas Nature Reserve experience.

Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 3

Hoodia Desert Lodge, 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

GocheGanas – Sesriem Area – Hoodia Desert Lodge (286km)

This morning you have an early start to headed out to the beautiful Namib Desert, Hoodia Lodge is Situated on the outside of Sesriem. Enjoy the beautiful peaceful night sky as the stars and the moon are the only light in the desert!

Optional

Hoodia Desert Lodge Sun Downer

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Hoodia Desert Lodge Sun Downer features an experience of the tranquillity and magic of the Namibian sunset with fine wines, traditional sundowner drinks and snacks at a private set up on one of their selected outlook points overlooking the Namib Desert.

Overnight: Hoodia Desert Lodge

We invite you to experience the beauty and tranquillity of Hoodia Desert Lodge, surrounded by majestic mountains on the banks of the Tsauchab River. Only a 20-minute drive will bring you to the Sesriem Gate, the entrance of the world-famous red sand-dunes of Sossusvlei.

You will meet enthusiastic people, keen to share your adventures and the friendliness and personal attention of our staff will make your stay memorable. We love to share our knowledge about the region with its secrets, and our guided tours are an ideal entrance to the magical world of the desert.



Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 4

Hoodia Desert Lodge, Sossusvlei

Day Itinerary

Sossusvlei full day

You have an early start to catch the soft light of sunrise over the desert. You can stop at the famous Dune 45, a beautiful star dune which reaches over 170 metres in height. If you feel fit enough to climb the dune, you surely will be rewarded with breath-taking views of the surrounding Namibian desert.

Optional

Hoodia Desert Lodge Sossusvlei Tour

Recommended

Dead Vlei

Dune 45

Big Daddy 250m

Hoodia Desert Lodge Sossusvlei Tour

Hoodia Desert Lodge Sossusvlei Tour features a professionally guided tour to Sossusvlei. Visitors will discover the world of dunes, the vleis and photographic beauty of the desert. As a highlight of the tour, visitors will enjoy an exclusive dune lunch with fine wines, delicious food and ice cold beverages. The experience ends with a hike to the Sesriem Canyon and back to the Hoodia Desert Lodge in the 4X4 safari vehicle in the late afternoon.



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.



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.



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.

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.

Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 5

Desert Breeze Lodge, Swakopmund



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 (353km)

Today you leisurely depart Swakopmund back on the gravel road, with a quick stop at Solitaire where they sell the most delicious Apple Pie! On route you will also be passing the tropic of Capricorn sign and YES! You can stop for a quick picture!! Walvis bay is our harbour town in which most of the water activities take place, Swakopmund is 30kms from Walvis bay.

Recommended

Walvis Bay Lagoon

Tropic of Capricorn

Located just South of Walvis Bay in Solitaire, is the approximate latitude of the Tropic of Capricorn at 23.5 degrees South. The Tropic of Capricorn is one of the 5 major circles of latitude and the southernmost point of latitude from where the sun can be seen directly overhead. This point of latitude runs through many other countries such as Brazil, Mozambique and Australia to name a few.

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.



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: Desert Breeze Lodge

Staying at Desert Breeze it will feel like you are part of the Namib desert. You will be living “in the view” of the oldest desert in the world. Total peace and silence so close to Swakopmund. Surrounded by colourful and very unique architecture contrasting but yet fitting in with the desert landscape will soothe any soul. Big basalt sculptures stand guard over the desert landscape. The luxury bungalows with the creative feeling and friendly staff will make your stay very special.

Desert Breeze offers 12, all en-suite, luxury bungalows and one exquisite villa, each with a private sun deck to admire the breath-taking view of the dunes.

Expressing sophisticated style and luxury from our accommodation right through to our breakfast facilities, we endeavour to make our guests feel pampered and spoiled.

Each bungalow and the villa are equipped with wireless internet, mini bar, coffee and tea making facilities and digital safes. The breakfast facility serves only the freshest of produce for breakfast. Seating is available indoors or on the deck for guest to enjoy the view and peaceful atmosphere. Secure parking as well as laundry facilities are available.



Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 6

Desert Breeze Lodge, Swakopmund

Day Itinerary

Swakopmund (accommodation)

Today you have a free day to explore and relax before heading out the next day. Walvis Bay is one of the richest and most important wetlands in southern Africa and home to many water birds including Great and Lesser flamingos, Damara terns, pelicans and avocets. You can also visit the salt works before returning to Swakopmund.

You can join in on optional activities offered in Walvis Bay. These various optional activities can also be prearranged or booked on arrival. These include a boat tour (with oysters and champagne), scenic flights and micro-light flights over the desert, fishing trips (either from the beach or a boat), quad-biking in the desert, sandboarding and skydiving.

Note that all extra activities in Swakopmund are subject to availability and are made at the client's own expense.

Optional

Catamaran Charters
Living Desert Tours
Ground Rush Adventures Skydive Swakopmund

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.



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.



Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 7

Spitzkoppen Lodge, Spitzkoppe



Situated in Namibia's spectacularly scenic Namib Desert, between Usakos and Swakopmund. These enormous towering domes provide a paradise for hikers and mountaineers, from beginners interested in guided historic walks to professional climbers eager to ascend some challenging slopes. Other popular activities include exploring the many bushmen rock paintings and camping in some of the area's scenic secluded campsites or rustic tented camps.

Day Itinerary

Swakopmund – Spitzkoppen lodge (146km)

This morning you are headed to Spitzkoppe that are a group of bald granite peaks forming one of Namibia's most recognizable and dramatic landmarks!!! You can take in the dramatic panoramas.

Optional

Sunset Cycling Tour (Guided)
Walking Trails (by self) and Self Drive

Sunset Cycling Tour (Guided)

Includes a sunset drink at a small rock arch.

Cycle with a guide to the Zebra pool, Bushman's Paradise, Golden Snake painting and old miners hole, new paintings. The tour ends with a sunset drink at the small arch close to the lodge.

N\$ 400.00 per Person

A tour to the bushman paintings and various interesting sites and spots. Soft drinks and beer provided with snacks at sunset spot.

N\$ 450.00 per Person

Walking Trails (by self) and Self Drive

Maps available from Guides ask your waiter to radio Guide.

Overnight: Spitzkoppen Lodge

"A sense of place in an archaeological landscape"

The Barnard Family is honored to welcome you to Spitzkoppen Lodge. The same owners and developers of Kalahari Bush Breaks Lodge, have the privilege to share their dream come true of an exclusive destination on the edge of the Namib Desert, which started some 14 years ago. You are invited to indulge in the pleasure and passion for friendly service in a relaxed ambiance.

The lodge is situated on the northern periphery of the Spitzkoppe inselberg, between huge granite boulders, which were created more than 150 million years ago, with breath-taking views onto the Brandberg and Erongo Mountains. The stylish, private accommodation consists of 15 spacious, tastefully furnished chalets, each with a private bathroom and outside viewing deck, which connects the guest with the vast stretches of untouched sand and boulders beyond.

Situated on the inland edge of the Namib Desert, the climate of the Spitzkoppe Conservation Area is arid, with a mean annual rainfall of 50mm and a high evaporation rate of 3200mm per annum. Most rainfall occurs between January and April, and with the granite outcrops being impermeable, rainfall-runoff collects at the foot of the outcrops creating unique micro-habitats for woody plants to grow in an otherwise arid area.



Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 8

Spitzkoppen Lodge, Spitzkoppe

Day Itinerary

This morning you are into not only big boulders but a beautiful Archaeological Site that speaks to you! The beauty of this area will calm you.... Lastly the clear Namibian Skies will do the rest 😊.

Optional

Archaeological Sites

Guided Walks | Drives | Cycling Tours

Recommended

Restaurant

Archaeological Sites

Guided tours to archaeological sites, including but not limited to the following:

Bushman's Paradise (National Monument)

Small Bushman's Paradise

Golden Snake Painting

Other paintings and caves



Guided Walks | Drives | Cycling Tours

A guided walk to the Bushmen's Paradise

A guided tour with our game viewer to the Golden Snake painting, small bushman's paradise paintings and the Zebra Pool as well as the famous Rock Arch at Spitzkoppe.

Driving N\$ 250.00 per Person | Cycling Option N\$ 300.00 per Person

Hike up the 3rd highest mountain at Spitzkoppe.

N\$ 400.00 per Person

Restaurant

The airy dining, lounge and bar area open onto spacious split level pool deck in close proximity of the rock pool, with a 360° view onto the granite boulders which are lit at night. The main areas are designed for relaxation and comfort with a friendly atmosphere and guests can have our famous sundowner platter at the elevated spot with a view onto the west and watch the sun setting behind the Brandberg Mountain.

A creative kitchen under the management of the professional chef will serve a memorable dinner on elegant tables.



Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 9

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

Spitzkoppen Lodge – Mowani Mountain Camp (226km)

This morning you are headed to the beautiful Damaraland. You can take in the dramatic panoramas, catch a glimpse of the rare desert-adapted elephant, and enjoy spectacular stargazing in crystal-clear night skies from one of the many safari camps dotting Damaraland.

Enjoy the beautiful Landscape

Optional

Twyfelfontein Rock Art

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.



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

Bed and Breakfast

Day 10

Mowani Mountain Camp, Twyfelfontein

Day Itinerary

This morning all you need to do is enjoy the view from outside your room! Enjoy the breeze, right after breakfast you can embark on a beautiful scenic view and or you can join the lodge activities.

Recommended

Mowani Mountain Camp Elephant and Dune Drives

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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

Bed and Breakfast

Day 11

Grootberg Lodge, Palmwag



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 Mountain Camp – Grootberg Lodge (126km)

This morning you can leisurely depart to your next destination, Grootberg Lodge. A rich and diverse environment to be explored on foot or on a scenic drive.

Here one is reminded that we are all guests of Mother Nature 😊!

Optional

Sundowner Drive

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Mammals such as zebra, antelope, jackal and occasionally also leopard, lion and hyena inhabit the plains. Springbok, kudu and oryx are a permanent fixture, and even the shy and skittish klipspringers are sometimes seen leaping from ledge to ledge on the steep cliffs of the mountain. Brandberg, Namibia's highest mountain, can be seen in the distance on particularly clear days.

Departure: 18h00 in summer and 17h00 in winter | Minimum 2 guests per excursion – maximum 9 per vehicle
| 50% discount for children under 12 years.



Overnight: Grootberg Lodge

14 Twin and 2 family rock and thatch chalets gaze out over the Klip River Valley, where Black Eagles hunt just below your private deck. Two family units provide enough space for parents and two children to share comfortably.



Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 12

Grootberg Lodge, Palmwag

Day Itinerary

Full day hosted by Mother Nature. Yet another glorious morning in the beauty of Nature!!! Enjoy the fresh breeze of Damaraland and embrace Nature as it welcomes you! You have a free day to partake in optional activities with the Lodge.

Optional

Moringa Guided Walk
Rhino Tracking
Damara Culture tour

Moringa Guided Walk

The guided walk can be arranged either in the morning after a scrumptious breakfast on the veranda of the restaurant, or in the afternoon after enjoying our delicious cakes with tea or coffee. Highlights of the walk include an introduction to the local flora and the medicinal use of specific plants while admiring the amazing rock formations of the Etendeka Mountains, which were formed 180 million years ago when the supercontinent of Gondwana broke up.

Departure: Between 08h30 and 09h00 for the morning walk | Afternoon walk at 16h30 in summer and 15h30 in winter after tea | Duration: about 2 hours | Minimum 2 guests – maximum 9 guests per guide | Not for children under the age of 12.



Rhino Tracking

Once listed as critically endangered, black rhino populations in Namibia have increased dramatically thanks to a conservation partnership between local communities and eco-tourism efforts. Our Grootberg Conservancy has been recognised by the Ministry of Environment and Tourism as a rhino custodian, and huge endeavours to protect this highly poached species continue.

This excursion is a combination of walking and driving amidst the cliffs and the volcanic basalt ridges of the Damaraland Region. At lunchtime we stop near the springs and enjoy refreshments. This almost full-day activity of driving on bumpy roads and walking in rocky terrain is not for the faint-hearted. Rhino sightings are not guaranteed.

Departure: Early morning, varies according to sunrise. Please enquire at reception for applicable departure time. | Duration: ¾ day | Minimum 2 guests per excursion – maximum 8 per vehicle | Not for children under the age of 16.



Damara Culture tour

Guests will be guided through conservancy farms in the surroundings, visiting several authentic Damara homesteads. This tour is an exclusive opportunity to spend time with their hosts and gain insight into their origins, cultures, traditions and their approach to human-wildlife conflict as part of farming in harsh desert conditions.

The tour also includes a visit to the #Khoadi //Hoas Conservancy office to meet the staff and to understand the role of the conservancy in preserving the natural resources of the area, as well as the positive impacts and benefits that the conservancy enjoys as a direct result of owning Grootberg Lodge.

The Cultural Tour starts after an early breakfast.



Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 13

Etosha Oberland Lodge, Etosha South



Located just south of the boundary of Etosha National Park in northwestern Namibia, Etosha South makes up the southern region of this wild paradise. Ongava Private Game Reserve shares the southern boundary with Etosha National Park and offers an array of luxury lodges overlooking picturesque landscapes dotted with abundant wildlife. The national park can be accessed via the southern entrance at Andersson's Gate. Visitors can catch a glimpse of a variety of wildlife including: lion, giraffe, elephant, white and black rhino, and a multitude of plains

game. Popular activities include: game drives, tracking rhinos on foot, guided nature walks, or watch the sunset over this magnificent landscape.

Day Itinerary

Grootberg Lodge – Etosha Oberland Lodge (326km)

This morning you leave behind the beautiful and breath-taking Damaraland, as you are headed to Etosha Oberland Lodge, just situated outside of the Etosha National Park on the Southern Gate, with a quick stop at the Himba Village just outside Kamanjab. On-route to Etosha you will pass through the towns of Kamanjab and Outjo to pick up fresh supplies.

Overnight at Etosha Oberland Lodge situated just outside the park at the Galton Gate, entrance to the National Park

Optional

Otjikandero Himba Orphanage Village

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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.



Overnight: Etosha Oberland Lodge

The Etosha Oberland Lodge, 10km away from the southern gate of Etosha National Park opened in March 2020 and is nestled in a private nature park adjacent to the park. The lodge offers an inviting lobby with restaurant and a bar with adjoining lounge with fire pit. To enhance the experience, guests are invited to enjoy a viewing deck and swimming pool as well as free wifi in communal areas.

The accommodation comprises of 18 beautifully appointed premium chalets that offer comfortable amenities such as an en-suite bathroom, an outdoor shower, private sun terrace, which is equipped with comfortable chairs. Further facilities include air conditioning, a tea and coffee station with fridge, mosquito nets, a hairdryer and a safe.



Day 14

Etosha Oberland Lodge, Etosha South

Day Itinerary

Full Day Game Drive

This morning you have fun filled game drive day; you have the whole day to visit various waterholes on the southwestern side of Etosha.

Recommended

Etosha NP excursion

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Etosha Oberland is conveniently situated a 10km drive from the Andersson Gate, south of Etosha National Park – a good starting point for excursions in the Park with exciting game viewing experiences.

Activity offered by Etosha Oberland

- Drive to the National Park on a safari 4x4 vehicle accompanied by a Guide with in depth knowledge of wildlife in the area. Departure varies seasonally, depending on park opening hours, and return around 14:00-16:00. The trips last for approximately 7-8 hrs. A minimum of 2 guests or single supplement applicable; small groups only (maximum of 9 guests per vehicle) The rate includes guide and entrance fees, an 'early-bird'-breakfast before departure, light refreshments like cool drinks, water and lunch-packs. Available during stays of two nights or more only Children older than 12 years only



Day 15

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

Etosha Oberland Lodge – Onguma Bush Camp (Full day Game Drive)

This morning you leisurely depart to Onguma Game Reserve, through the Etosha National Park. This will be a full day Game drive through the park visiting various waterholes on route to Onguma situated on the eastern gate of Etosha.

On this full day game drive quest, you will be passing through Halali on route to Namutoni, Halali is the middle resort of the park and the right lunch spot for the day. You can use the lodge amenities while lunching there, a quick swim would be delightful.

Onguma Bush Camp just outside the Von Lindequist Gate entrance to Etosha National Park

Recommended

Etosha Pan

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.



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.



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!



Day 16

Onguma Bush Camp, Onguma Game Reserve

Day Itinerary

This morning you have yet another day of full of Game driving Adventure! Visit various waterholes on the Eastern side of the park, you might spot Game that you didn't see on the southern side. Alternatively, you can do optional activities with the Lodge.

Onguma Sundowner Drive - included

Optional

Bush Walks
Massage Therapy

Recommended

Onkolo Hide

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.



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.



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.



Day 17

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.

Day Itinerary

Onguma – Frans Indongo lodge (272km)

Today we leave behind the amazing game viewing experiences and hold on to the memories made! Your drive today will be to the Frans Indongo Lodge.

Optional

Frans Indongo Lodge Game Drive

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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.



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'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...



Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 18

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 (292km)

This morning you are headed back to civilization,

Just before reaching Windhoek, you can stop for handmade Namibian/African craft in the small town of Okahandja home to Namibia's largest wood-carving market.

You are due back in the city late afternoon. Drop the vehicle off at the car rental and they will transfer you to the airport or to your accommodation.

Thank you for trusting us to plan your memorable experience to Namibia ☺.

Recommended

Okahandja Craft Market - South

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 '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.



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



Basis

Bed and Breakfast

End of Safari
