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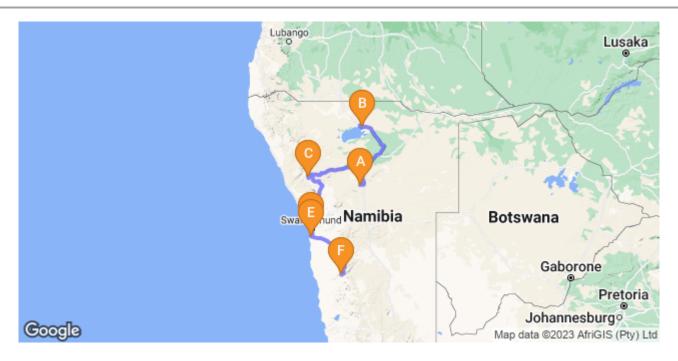






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Okonjima Nature Reserve - Etosha East - Twyfelfontein - Swakopmund - Walvis Bay - Sesriem



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Introduction

This 11 Days Namibian Highlights Luxury (Lodging) is Namibias Best Experience which covers most of the top points of interest in Namibia, including the Sesriem Canyon, the Etosha National Park, Okonjima home to AfriCAT, a carnivore sanctuary, which gives the captive cats a second chance to be released back into the wild and become completely independent hunters in a protected area, Sossusvlei / Namib Nauklift Park, Swakopmund which is the coastal city in Namibia, west of the capital, Windhoek which sandy beaches face the Atlantic Ocean with its breath taking sandy dunes. Lastly Damaraland the Damara tribe and unique rock paintings (white lady painting) in Twyfelfontein.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS:

- Game drives
- Lagoon visits
- Sossusvlei Excursion
- Visit Sesriem Canyon
- Sandwich Harbour and boat cruise
- Visit to Damara living museum

Review

DEPARTURE: This tour departs from Windhoek

- COUNTRY ('S): Namibia
- DESTINATIONS: Okon EtoshE- Twyfel- Swak-Walv-Ses
- TOUR CODE: 11A-NAM
- RETURN: WINDHOEK
- PASSENGERS: Minimum 1 Traveler and a Maximum of 14 Travelers per group
- STYLE: LODGING
- MEALS: BB: Breakfast / L: Lunch / D: Dinner
- VEHICLE: 2-3: Double Cab 4x4/ SUV

- 4 7 guests: Toyota Quantum/Landcruiser with a purpose-built trailer
- 8-14 guests: Toyota Dyna truck (a modified safari vehicle) / Iveco Daily 24-Seater

Included

- Qualified Professional driver guide
- Vehicle and fuel
- Park entrance fees as per itinerary
- Passenger liability 15% VAT 2% tourism levy
- Airport transfers
- All Activities as Mentioned Included on itinerary.
- Accommodation with Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner
- 24/7 assistance locally

Excluded

- Expenses of personal nature
- Entrance fees not mentioned in the itinerary.
- · Meals not mentioned.
- · Drinks at lodges and on road
- Travel- and cancellation insurance
- Visa
- Optional excursions and activities
- Tips for tour guides
- International & National flights and airport taxes
- Items not mentioned in the itinerary

Accommodation	Destination	Basis	Duration
Okonjima Lodge or similar	Okonjima Nature Reserve	FB	2 Nights
Etosha King Nehale Gondwana Collection Namibia or similar	Etosha East	FB	2 Nights
Twyfelfontein Country Lodge or similar	Twyfelfontein	FB	2 Nights
Strand Hotel Swakopmund or similar	Swakopmund	FB	1 Night
Hotel Indongo Walvis Bay or similar	Walvis Bay	FB	1 Night
Sossusvlei Lodge or similar	Sesriem	FB	2 Nights

Key

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

<u>Day 1: Okonjima Lodge, Okonjima Nature Reserve (224.8km)</u>

After breakfast you'll make the drive south to the Okonjima Private Game Reserve (144 miles/232 km). This beautiful area is at the heart of Namibia and surrounded by the sandstone Omboroko Mountains. The landscape is home to an array of indigenous African wildlife and birds, which makes it the perfect place to take photos. Upon arrival at Okonjima, enjoy a relaxing lunch and then choose between guided activities in the game reserve offered by your camp.

Included activities

• Sundowner Game drives in search of elusive leopards

Overnight: Okonjima Lodge

Okonjima Nature Reserve

Midway between the spectacular Etosha National Park and the capital city of Windhoek, lies the well-known Okonjima Nature Reserve. The 22 000 hectare nature reserve is home to AfriCAT, a carnivore sanctuary, which gives the captive cats a second chance to be released back into the wild and become completely independent hunters in a protected area right in the middle of commercial cattle farmland. Visitors can enjoy a stay at a variety of excellent accommodation options including everything from luxury villas to secluded camping. Don't miss the opportunity to enjoy thrilling cat-tracking guided safaris, leopard-spotting, off-road night drives and learn about local San culture along the Bushmen trail.

Overnight: Okonjima Lodge

Situated halfway between Namibia's quaint capital city, Windhoek, and the Etosha National Park, the private Okonjima Nature Reserve, nestled over 200 square kilometres amongst the imposing Omboroko Mountains, boasts some of the most exceptional accommodation in Namibia, but the unequivocal highlights are the cheetah and leopard safaris.

Okonjima offers a wide spectrum of accommodation options, ranging from well-appointed private camp sites to breathtaking safari lodges. The award-winning Villa

and Bush Suite offer an unparalleled luxury safari experience, indulging guests with a private chef, guide, and safari vehicle. Okonjima guarantees a unique African safari to remember.



Basis

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

Day 2: Okonjima Lodge, Okonjima Nature Reserve

Enjoy an early breakfast and continue touring the Okonjima Nature Reserve you have the full day to join some activities of your choice.

Included activities

 Game drives, Excursion on the carnivore sanctuary, guided on foot with bush experience.

Overnight: Okonjima Lodge

Basis

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

<u>Day 3: Etosha King Nehale Gondwana Collection Namibia, Etosha East</u> (425.5km)

You will depart to Etosha National Park and stay 2 nights. The park's main characteristic is a salt pan so large it can be seen from space. Yet there is abundant wildlife that congregates around the waterholes, giving you almost guaranteed game sightings. At the same time, Etosha National Park is one of the most accessible game reserves in Namibia and Southern Africa, the concentration of big games around the waterholes makes game viewing incredibly rewarding. You might not even have to leave your rest camp to see lions, elephants, rhino and any number of antelope and zebra quenching their thirst

Included activities

Afternoon Game drive

Overnight: Etosha King Nehale

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.

Overnight: Etosha King Nehale Gondwana Collection Namibia View iBrochure

Etosha King Nehale has been designed and decorated to pay homage to the rich cultural heritage of the area and the majestic riches of the Etosha animal kingdom. Guests of this new Gondwana lodge are immediately captivated by the fascinating atmosphere and warm cordiality that arises from the great attention to detail, whether in the interior design, the choice of food or the small detailed features that they encounter at every turn.

Etosha King Nehale is situated on the Andoni Plains, just one kilometre from Etosha's northern King Nehale Gate and only 48 kilometres north of Namutoni. At

this welcoming lodge each of the 40 spacious chalets has its own plunge pool and views over the plains.

Etosha King Nehale has private access to a remote waterhole in Etosha National Park where the lodge has established its Ontalelo Outpost. The name says it all: ontalelo meaning "view, sight", "outpost" describes a remote part of a kingdom or empire. Guests can enjoy the fascinating experience of being really close to the wonders of Etosha's animal kingdom.

To the north, the pulsating cultural vibrancy of the communal areas of the Oshikoto, Oshana, Ohangwena and Omusati regions awaits visitors.

Location: 1 km north of the King Nehale Gate outside the Etosha National Park



Basis

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

Day 4: Etosha King Nehale Gondwana Collection Namibia, Etosha East

Clients have breakfast, today will be a full day of safari game viewing allowing plenty of opportunities for good sightings and spectacular photographs. After breakfast at the lodge, we go out on our morning game drive.

Included activities

Full day game drive

Overnight: Etosha King Nehale

Basis

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

Day 5: Twyfelfontein Country Lodge, Twyfelfontein (655.3km)

Today you head into one of the most beautiful desert regions in Namibia, Damaraland. You drive west via the Grootberg Pass and then take a detour to visit the ancient Bushman rock engravings at Twyfelfontein.

Included activities

Twyfelfontein rock engravings

Overnight: Twyfelfontein Country Lodge

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 sacred ritual sites of the traditional huntergatherer communities.

Overnight: Twyfelfontein Country Lodge View iBrochure

Welcome to Twyfelfontein Country Lodge. A true landmark situated in the heart of one of the world's most magnificent wilderness regions. Declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site, Twyfelfontein in Damaraland is home to one of the largest collections of rock-art engravings found in Southern Africa. Not only did the Khoi-San and tribes of ancient years leave us with a true cultural heritage, but the whole area is characterised by natural wonders such as Doros Crater, Burnt Mountain, Organ Pipes, Petrified Forest and desert-adapted animals – of which the desert-adapted elephant is probably the most well-known species.

Nestled along the mountainside, the lodge beautifully blends in with its surrounding environment. Using natural stone, carefully selected paint colours and thatched roofs, its design compliments the sandstone rock formations with minimum visual impact on this picturesque landscape. Magnificent views from the deck over the Huab Valley, desert plains and distant mountains provide for hours of relaxed comfort, peace and tranquillity.

Twyfelfontein is much more than just accommodation; it is a destination in itself.



Basis

Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

Day 6: Twyfelfontein Country Lodge, Twyfelfontein

This morning you will enjoy the Twfelfontein. It is a rocky site situated in the Kunene Region of north-western Namibia. The site contains around 2,000 rock carvings and in 2007, UNESCO approved it as a World Heritage Site. The site is one of the largest and most important concentrations of rock art in Africa and was proclaimed a National Monument in 1952. Experience cultural and ethnic meeting with the Damara tribe at the Living Museum surrounded by fascinating nature, rock formations, and the magnificent landscape of Damaraland.

Included activities

 Visit the Damaraland's world-famous ancient rock art, The Organ Pipes and Burnt Mountain and Damara Living Museum

Overnight: Twyfelfontein Country Lodge

Basis

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

<u>Day 7: Strand Hotel Swakopmund, Swakopmund (331.9km)</u>

Guest depart to Swakopmund early morning at around 09:00 am after breakfast and will be taken by the guide for their activity (Quad biking & Sand boarding) which is about a 2-3 hours activity. After the activity clients will go freshen up for dinner.

Included activities

Sandwich Harbour and Boat Cruise

Optional activities

Horse riding, paragliding, and fascinating desert tours

Overnight: Strand Hotel

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.

Overnight: Strand Hotel Swakopmund View iBrochure

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

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

Day 8: Hotel Indongo Walvis Bay, Walvis Bay (36.3km)

Guest will eat breakfast and depart to Walvis Bay along the beautiful landscape to the coastal side of Namibia. Once clients have arrived in Walvis Bay they can get lunch then visit the Lagoons in Walvis

Included Activities

Dolphin Cruise

Optional Activities

• Skydiving, kayaking,

Overnight: Hotel Indongo Walvis Bay

Walvis Bay

Resting on 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. Visitors can enjoy 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. Other bucket list items include a trip to the expansive green and pink salt pans dotted with flocks of flamingos, and boat trips to see seals colonies, dolphins and friendly pelicans while enjoying champagne and oysters.

Overnight: Hotel Indongo Walvis Bay

Hotel Indongo Walvis Bay is set in breathtaking surroundings in the vibrant fishing town of Walvis Bay, minutes away from activities such as camel rides, quad biking, hiking, hang gliding and golf on desert courses. The guest rooms and suites are bright, modern and well-appointed, each equipped with Wi-Fi, a TV, a mini fridge, a microwave, a hairdryer and a private bathroom. Guests can enjoy dining at the onsite restaurant open for breakfast, lunch and dinner. Additional amenities and services include a meeting space, laundry services, room service, a gift shop and a front desk.



Basis

Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

Day 9: Sossusvlei Lodge, Sesriem (315.9km)

Client will be picked up at 09h00 to start off their luxury tour and depart to Sossusvlei where they will be spending the two nights enjoying the scenery and to explore the world famous Dunes. On the way they will visit Solitaire known for its Moose's Apple Pies and head on to Sesriem to visit the Canyon before or after checking in at Sossusvlei lodge.

Included activities

Visit to Sesriem Canyon

Overnight: Sossusvlei Lodge

Sesriem

As there is no accommodation at Sossusvlei, visitors to this desert wilderness are likely to end up staying at Sesriem, 65 kilometres away, where camps and lodges serve as a base from which to explore the dunes. Sesriem Canyon, a deep chasm carved through the rocks by water, is a striking natural feature of the area that is best explored on foot. Stony walls rise up sharply on both sides of the canyon, while birds roost in its crags and lizards dart along the ledges. The canyon's name was coined when early settlers used it as a water source, using six lengths of leather ('ses riem – six thongs) tied together to lower buckets into the water at the base of canyon.)

Overnight: Sossusvlei Lodge View iBrochure

Luxury right at the entrance gate to Sesriem Canyon and the famous Sossusvlei

Situated at the Entrance Gate to the Namib Naukluft Park, Sossusvlei Lodge offers direct access to the towering red sand dunes, the famous pan of Sossusvlei, the scorched black trees of Dead Vlei and the remarkable depths of the Sesriem Canyon.

The Superior Accommodation units at Sossusvlei Lodge feature a patio to enjoy views over the Desert landscapes, a spacious air-conditioned twin-bedded room and a full en-suite bathroom. The Standard Family Units feature two rooms back to back connected by a lockable inter-leading door between the two private bathrooms. An

elegant Junior Suite boasts a spacious bedroom, living area, patio with a splash pool, large bathroom and inspiring views.

Experience the true art of Hospitality with the thoughtful touch of attentive staff to contribute to a truly memorable experience. Facilities include a sparkling pool, bar, sundowner deck, beer garden and an al fresco terrace where one can enjoy exquisite food, award-winning wines and magnificent views of the floodlit waterhole.

The Sossusvlei Lodge Adventure Centre provides a range of activities including Guided Excursions to Deadvlei and Sossusvlei, Elim dune walks, Sundowner Trips, Hot Air Ballooning, Scenic Flights and much more to explore the area's natural beauty.



Basis

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

Day 10: Sossusvlei Lodge, Sesriem

On this day Guest will wake up early and have breakfast before going into the park for the Sossuvlei Excursion which includes Dune 45, Deadvlei, Hiddenvlei, and Big Daddy. The tour guide will have regular stops to let clients take pictures and have some exposure of the Dunes. They will also be allowed to do hiking on the Dunes if they would like to.

Included activities

- Sossusvlei Excursion (Deadvlei, Big Daddy, Dune 45, Sossusvlei)
- Sundowner Drive

Overnight: Sossusvlei Lodge

Basis

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

Day 11: End of Itinerary

You will have breakfast and depart back to Windhoek

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Travel Information



Located in southwestern Africa, Namibia boasts a well-developed infrastructure, some of the best tourist facilities in Africa, and an impressive list of breathtaking 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.