

## 15 DAYS NAMIBIAN HIGHLIGHTS SAFARI (Lodging) Tour



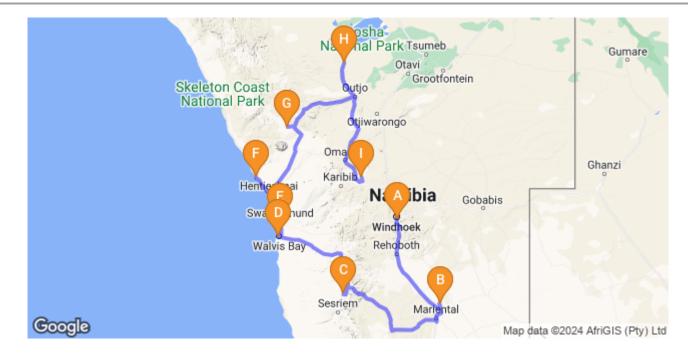








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### **Introduction**

15 Days Namibian Highlights Safari is to visit around the main highlights that Namibia has to offer in Africa, we would never be able to fit in everything you wanted to see but you will see the main most attractions. You will Spend time amongst the ancient dunes in Sossusvlei, Damaraland and from there go back in time with the coastal time of Swakopmund. Experience the vast landscapes of Otjiwarongo and exceptional game viewing at the world-famous Etosha National Park.

## HIGHLIGHTS:

- Cape Cross.
- Full day and afternoon sunset game drive in Etosha National Park.
- Twfylefontein Rock Paintings.
- Visit the Damaraland's world-famous ancient rock art, The Organ Pipes and Burnt Mountain and Damara Living Museum
- cultural village tours, San rock art, guided bush walks

## <u>Review</u>

DEPARTURE: This tour departs from Windhoek

- COUNTRY ('S): Namibia
- DESTINATIONS: Whk khan- Otjiwa Etosh Twyf- Walvis- Swak- Cape- Ses-Kala
- TOUR CODE: 15A-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
Arebbusch Travel Lodge or similar	Windhoek	FB	1 Night
Bagatelle Kalahari Game Ranch or similar	Kalahari Namibia	FB	1 Night
Namib Desert Lodge Gondwana Collection Namibia or similar	Sossusvlei	FB	2 Nights
Protea Hotel by Marriott Walvis Bay Pelican Bay	Walvis Bay	FB	1 Night

Atlantic Villa or similar	Swakopmund	FB	1 Nights
Cape Cross Lodge or similar	Cape Cross	FB	2 Nights
Madisa Camp or similar	Twyfelfontein	FB	2 Nights
Etosha Safari Camp Gondwana Collection Namibia or similar	Etosha South	FB	2 Nights
Khan River Lodge or similar	Erongo Mountains	FB	2 Nights

## Key

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

## Day 1: Arebbusch Travel Lodge, Windhoek (7.6km)

Pick up from the airport. Drive through Windhoek to Arebbusch Travel Lodge. A township tour and dinner will be arranged. We can recommend Joe's Beer House, Cape Town Fish Market or The Stellenbosch.

#### **Included** activities

• City tours

Overnight: Arebbusch Travel Lodge

#### 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.

#### **Overnight: Arebbusch Travel Lodge**

Located in Windhoek, Arebbusch Travel Lodge offers comfortable accommodation in a beautiful natural setting. Accommodation types include luxury accommodation, standard rooms, self-catering accommodation units, luxury tents and caravan/camping facilities. All units have private bathrooms, kitchenettes and barbeque amenities. Breakfast is included for standard rooms and small self-catering chalets. Additional amenities include a swimming pool, a restaurant, a pizzeria, internet access and conference facilities.



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

## Day 2: Bagatelle Kalahari Game Ranch, Kalahari Namibia (253.9km)

You will get morning Breakfast and depart to Mariental which is located close to magnificent the Hardap Dam, which is the largest reservoir in Namibia. The Hardap Irrigation Scheme has breathed life into this arid terrain, which is now fertile with farmlands covered in citrus, melons, lucerne, wine, and maize, and dotted with ostrich farms.

#### Included activities

• Sunset Nature Drive

## **Optional activities**

 guided walk to a community of bushmen where you can learn about tracking and craft making

Overnight: Bagatelle Kalahari Game Ranch

## Kalahari Namibia

Spreading across Botswana, South Africa and Namibia, the Kalahari meaning 'the great thirst' is an exceptionally beautiful living desert. The landscape is characterised by a large semi-arid sandy savannah draped over a gently rolling inland sea of sand covering most of Botswana and large parts of Namibia and South Africa. It is also the last bastion of the indigenous San people with the modern world having enveloped all

the other areas they once roamed. The Namibian portion is made up of red sands covered in thin, wispy, mostly golden grass and dotted with acacia trees and wideranging wildlife including gemsbok, impala, jackals and cheetah.

### Overnight: Bagatelle Kalahari Game Ranch View iBrochure

The lodge lies on the edge of the Southern Kalahari in the mixed tree and shrub Savannah.

The ranch is characterized by huge red sands dunes running parallel, and in a northern-westerly to south-easterly direction. This 'Spirit of Africa' atmosphere, coupled with service, delivered with graciousness and charm, in an unashamedly luxurious setting, will be the hallmarks of this establishment, providing excellent value and unforgettable memories for the discerning traveller.



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## Day 3: Namib Desert Lodge Gondwana Collection Namibia, Sossusvlei (344.8km)

Today after breakfast, you will drive west to the world-famous Namib Desert 210 miles from Mariental. You'll go see the iconic red dunes of Sossusvlei. In the afternoon you will reach your lodge, where you will have to enjoy your dinner.

#### **Included activities**

• Enjoy the sundowner Dune Drive

#### 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 - making them 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 of 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.

## Overnight: Namib Desert Lodge Gondwana Collection Namibia View iBrochure

Set below striking fossilised dunes, the comfortable lodge provides a spectacular experience of ancient desert. 65 rooms, two swimming pools and a waterhole are surrounded by sandy splendour. Breathe in the grandeur on a sunset drive and feel the earth underfoot. Relax in the arms of the Namib.

Location: Approximately 60km north of Sesriem on the C19



## Day 4: Namib Desert Lodge Gondwana Collection Namibia, Sossusvlei

Guest will wake up and have breakfast before going into the park for 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.

## Included activities

• Sossusvlei Excursion (Deadvlei, Big Daddy, Dune 45)

Overnight: Namib Desert Lodge

#### Basis

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

## Day 5: Protea Hotel by Marriott Walvis Bay Pelican Bay, Walvis Bay (270.4km)

After breakfast guest will depart to Walvis Bay, after settling into our perfectly situated accommodation for the evening we will get together for some afternoon birdwatching. We will spend the late afternoon at the famous Walvis Bay lagoon, which hosts several wonderful bird species.

We will return to our lodge to freshen up and then we will have dinner at one of the many good quality establishments in town lastly after dinner return to our lodge for a good night's rest.

## **Included** activities

Visit Walvisbay Lagoon

Overnight: Protea Hotel

## 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: Protea Hotel by Marriott Walvis Bay Pelican Bay**

This hotel may just be your refuge on the Walvis Bay Lagoon when you need it, with breathtaking views and comfortable accommodations. Protea Hotel by Marriott Walvis Bay Pelican Bay overlooks one of the most important wetland areas on the African Coastline, the Walvis Bay Lagoon, declared a Ramsar site to ensure that its protection is guaranteed by the Namibian government. With its temperate climate, Walvis Bay and the hotel offer a safe refuge from the Atlantic Ocean to the abundance of majestic flamingos and gigantic whales that flock to these waters. It's a hotel that complements your travel style. With uninterrupted views of the Walvis Bay Lagoon, where dolphins are often spotted playing in the water, the hotel has comfortable en-suite rooms, a restaurant, bar and coffee shop, secure parking and conference facilities.



#### Day 6: Atlantic Villa, Swakopmund (44.2 km)

Today you have a free day to take on some of Swakopmunds activities, if you fancy something different, visit the local beaches, eat at the local restaurants and enjoy the town's vibrant cafe culture.

#### **Activities Included**

• 2-Hour Quad Biking & Sand-Boarding,

**Overnight:** Atlantic Villa

#### 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: Atlantic Villa View iBrochure

Exceeding your expectations! Situated within sight and sound of the mesmerizing Atlantic Ocean, a few minutes from the town centre in a prime area of Swakopmund, the Atlantic Villa offers elegantly appointed, luxurious accommodation in a quiet and relaxed atmosphere. The guesthouse provides modern conferencing facilities and spacious event venues.

Enjoying a relaxed few days of sun and sea has never been so great. At the Atlantic Villa Boutique Guesthouse, you'll soon feel pampered while relaxing with a mesmerising view of the Atlantic Ocean.



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

## Day 7: Cape Cross Lodge, Cape Cross (119 km)

The next day, enjoy breakfast, and then depart to the Cape Cross Seal Reserve. The reserve is home to one of the world's largest breeding colonies of Cape fur seals and during the breeding season, up to 200 000+ seals can be spotted basking on the beach, certainly a sight and smell to behold.

#### **Included** activities

 Excursions to Cape Cross Seal Colony and Lichen Fields Museum and Art Gallery visits

Overnight: Cape Cross Lodge

#### **Cape Cross**

The small headland of Cape Cross lies on western Namibia's Skeleton Coast, roughly 60 kilometres north of Henties Bay. The historic area was landed on by the Portuguese in 1486, and they erected a stone cross here in honour of the Portuguese King, however, this cross was replaced by the German settlers in the 1800's. Cape Cross best known for its extraordinary breeding colony of Cape fur seals and has been made a reserve. With the abundance of fish swimming in the cold Benguela current, the seals have plenty to snack on, and they also enjoy lying and playing out in the sun. From a 200-metre-long walkway, watch the seals at play and learn about them through the area's information points.

## **Overnight: Cape Cross Lodge**

Situated on the Skeleton Coast in Namibia, Cape Cross Lodge overlooks the Atlantic Ocean and presents a unique and serene stop for travellers. Nearby, rocky outcrops provide a perfect playground for a large colony of Cape Fur Seals. There is a museum situated within the lodge.

The lodge features a mix of Cape Dutch and West Coast fishing village architecture and offers a selection of eighteen sea view standard suites, two sea view semi-suites, and a single self-catering unit. During their stay, guests can enjoy a la carte dining at the on-site restaurant.



#### Basis

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

## Day 8: Cape Cross Lodge, Cape Cross

After breakfast you can further do activities out with the seals or you can visit Excursions to Shipwrecks, Excursions to Messum Volcanic Crater, and excursions to Valley of the Welwitschia and Eco-friendly tours into Namib Desert if you have not gotten time to see it when you arrived

## **Excluded Optional Activities**:

• Messum Crater, seal and saltcristals tours, coastal angling, and boat cruises

Overnight: Cape Cross Lodge

#### Basis

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

## Day 9: Madisa Camp, Twyfelfontein (247.2km)

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: Madisa 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 sacred ritual sites of the traditional hunter-gatherer communities.

#### **Overnight: Madisa Camp**

Madisa Camp is situated on the D2612 road to Twyfelfontein, a very popular route. The camp is hidden between amazing rock formations which are scattered with Bushman Paintings and has privy to an ancient Desert Elephant route that often gets visited by these beautiful giants.

Each spacious campsite has an exquisite view of the Gauntegab River bed and rock formations. The campsites have individual ablution facilities situated on stilts hidden

in the tree tops. The braai facilities also double up as a heater (donkey system) for hot running water at each open air shower.



#### Basis

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## Day 10: Madisa Camp, 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: Madisa Camp

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

# Day 11: Etosha Safari Camp Gondwana Collection Namibia, Etosha South (315.2km)

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**

Game drive

Overnight: Etosha Safari Camp

## **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. The area is comprised of a collection of world class private game reserves. 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: enjoying an open 4x4 safari with an expert guide, half day or full day drives with the option of a picnic lunch with wine on the full day game drive.

## Overnight: Etosha Safari Camp Gondwana Collection Namibia View iBrochure

Tap toes to an African beat in the novel Oshebeena Bar and relax at this friendly Camp, 10 kilometres from Etosha National Park. 50 chalets, shaded by mopane trees, and a grassy campsite provide a comfortable home from which to explore the abundant animal kingdom. Legendary.

Location: 10 km south of Andersson Gate on the C 38 (Etosha National Park).



#### Basis

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

#### Day 12: Etosha Safari Camp Gondwana Collection Namibia, Etosha South

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 Safari Camp

#### Basis

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

#### Day 13: Khan River Lodge, Erongo Mountains (331.6km)

You will grab morning breakfast and depart to Erindi. Erindi Game Reserve is located southeast of Omaruru, the Erindi Game Reserve is a spectacularly scenic protected reserve in north-western Namibia. 'Erindi', meaning the place of water boasts incredible lush scenery. Stretching over 79000 hectares, this natural wonderland features comfortable accommodation options and magnificent landscapes

encompassing grasslands, savannah, and rugged mountains inhabited by an abundance of diverse wildlife.

#### **Included** activities

• Afternoon game drive

Overnight: Khan River Lodge

#### **Erongo Mountains**

Conveniently located only a few hour's drive from Namibia's capital city of Windhoek, the Erongo Mountain Range stretches across the plains between the towns of Omaruru and Karibib, and is home to a remarkably rich natural heritage. This expanse of rugged wilderness serves as one of Namibia's most popular tourist drawcards, attracting visitors with its spectacularly scenic landscapes, magnificent caves and rock painting sites, and its impressive array of wildlife species. These include, among others: rhino, elephant, cheetah, leopard, giraffe, wildebeest, impala, blesbok, waterbuck, kudu, warthog, mountain zebra, oryx, eland, springbok and over 200 species of bird. Visitors can look forward to enjoying a variety of adventurous activities such as hiking, rock climbing, games drives, horse riding safaris and mountain biking.

## **Overnight: Khan River Lodge**

Khan River Lodge offers luxury accommodation and African hunting safaris in true Namibian farm style. The lodge is situated only 2 hours from Windhoek International Airport and between 2 to 3 hours from Swakopmund, Henties Bay and Walvis Bay. Khan River Lodge offers three star accredited en-suite accommodation in true Namibian style which ensures a comfortable stay for guests.

Khan River game lodge is the ideal destination for a Namibian holiday getaway where you can experience many of the beautiful things that Namibia has to offer.

Each room is decorated in true African style and provides a relaxing atmosphere in which you can enjoy your Namibian holiday. The pool area at Khan River game lodge allows you to enjoy the scenery and sounds of the African bush with the comfort of relaxing next to a crystal clear pool. The African sunset is best enjoyed alongside the dancing flames of the fire and with a drink in hand from the bar.



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

#### Day 14: Khan River Lodge, Erongo Mountains

Have breakfast and a full day of enjoying the activities.

#### **Included** activities

• guided bush walks or full day game drive

Overnight: Khan River Lodge

#### Basis

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

## Day 15: End of Itinerary (151.8km)

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.