

10 DAYS WILDERNESS NAMIBIA

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TOUR DETAILS:

10 Days Wilderness Namibia Safari is designed to visit the main highlights that Namibia has to offer in Africa. In just 9 days 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, 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.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS:

- Main wildlife to be viewed: Birds, elephant, impala, rhino, and zebra
- You have 10 magnificent days to explore, starting in Windhoek.
- Journey over the Namib desert with its splendid red dunes and go on safari in the Etosha National Park.
- Accompanied by one of Namibia's top nature guides
- Go in search of famous desert-adapted elephants.
- Discover the world-famous Etosha National Park on game drive.

TRIP FACTS:

DESTINATIONS	ACCOMMODATION	NIGHTS	MEALS
Sossusvlei	Namib Desert Lodge Gondwana Collection Namibia	2 Nights	D&B
Swakopmund	Pebble Stone House	2 Nights	D, B&B
Brandberg	Brandberg White Lady Lodge	1 Night	D, B&B
Kamanjab	Oppi-Koppi Restcamp	1 Night	SC
Etosha South	Etosha Safari Lodge Gondwana Collection Namibia	2 Nights	D, B&B
Waterberg Plateau National Park	Waterberg Plateau Lodge	2 Nights	B&B

ITINERARY (DAY BY DAY):

DAY 1: WINDHOEK TO SOSSUSVLEI

Time/ Distance: 4 hr 46 min (364.8 km)

You'll be collected from Windhoek International Airport. Setting off in a safari vehicle with your private guide, you'll head southwest through the scenic Khomas Hochland highlands, down the Great Escarpment into the vast Namib Desert, stopping for a picnic lunch along the way. Towards mid-afternoon, you'll arrive at your accommodation for the next two nights. Activities include exploring the Sesriem Canyon and towering red Sossusvlei dunes with your guide, enjoying sunset drives and guided walks, or simply relaxing and enjoying the tranquil desert views from the lodge.

Overnight & Dinner at Namib Desert Lodge Gondwana Collection Namibia



DAY 2: SOSSUVLEI / SESRIEM AREA

Get up early, you'll head for the Namib Naukluft National Park with your guide before sunrise to see the dunes in the soft, shadowy morning light. These are some of the highest free-standing dunes in the world. Our guide will share insights on how this desert was formed and how the incredible variety of curious creatures, plants, and wildlife have adapted to these fierce conditions. You'll enjoy a picnic brunch under a shady camel-thorn tree with the option to explore Dune 45, Elim Dune, Sossusvlei, and Dead Vlei. You'll return to the lodge for a late lunch. If you haven't already managed it, a trip to Sesriem Canyon is on the agenda, or enjoy some leisure time at the lodge.

Overnight & Dinner at Namib Desert Lodge Gondwana Collection Namibia



DAY 3: SOSSUSVLEI TO SWAKOPMUND

Time/ Distance: 4 hr 51 min (402.5 km)

En route to Swakopmund, you'll witness the ever-changing vistas of this captivating land, including the Gaub and Kuiseb Canyons. Passing through coastal Walvis Bay, you'll continue northwards to Swakopmund, a popular German colonial-style seaside resort that enjoys cooler coastal air. You'll have time to explore the town and waterfront before dinner at a popular local seafood restaurant. A centrally-located guesthouse in Swakopmund will be your accommodation for the next two nights.

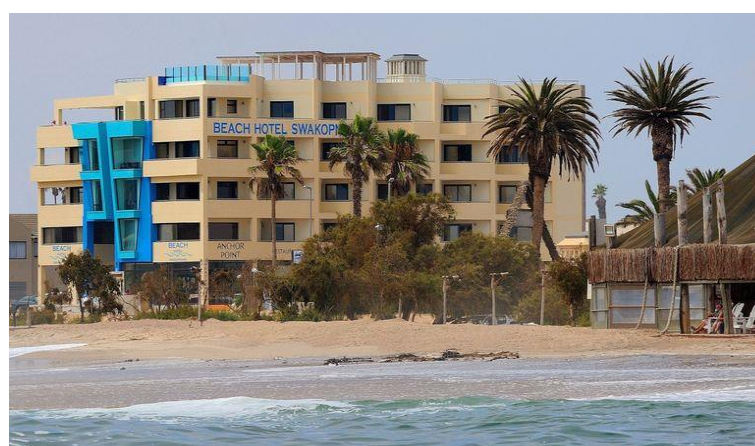
Overnight & Dinner at Pebble Stone House



DAY 4: SWAKOPMUND AREA

After breakfast, your guide will drive back to Walvis Bay for an unforgettable kayaking adventure where you have every chance of seeing Cape fur seals, dolphins, pelicans, flamingos, numerous seabirds – and hopefully, whales, turtles, and sunfish. You'll also take a short drive to Pelican Point and its lighthouse. Light refreshments will be enjoyed on the beach. If you prefer, you may opt for a motorized boat trip instead of kayaking, or savor snacks of fresh oysters washed down with local sparkling wine!

Overnight & Dinner at Pebble Stone House



DAY 5: SWAKOPMUND TO BRANDBERG

Time/ Distance: 2 hr 44 min (233.9 km)

You will travel to Brandberg which is home to Königstein, at 2,573 meters above sea level the highest peak in Namibia. Enjoy the breath-taking sunset, with multicolored rocks that take on various shades of flaming orange in the late afternoon, giving the mountain its name.

Overnight & Dinner at Brandberg White Lady Lodge



DAY 6: BRANDBERG TO KAMANJAB

Time/ Distance: 2 hr 57 min (231.1 km)

This morning we travel to the town of Kamanjab, stopping to see the Petrified Forest - a collection of fossilized trees that turned into stone 260 million years ago. We also view the strange Welwitschia plants, the oldest plants in the world, in this area. In the afternoon we visit a Himba village, to experience the last traditional tribe of Namibia. The Ova-Himba tribe still practices some of its old rituals and wears traditional dress, which makes for an interesting cultural encounter.

Overnight & Dinner at Oppi-Koppi Rest camp



DAY 7: KAMANJAB TO ETOSHA NATIONAL PARK

Time/ Distance: 1 hr 54 min (109.1 km)

Day seven sees us driving to Etosha National Park, Namibia's premier safari destination. Etosha Park incorporates some 22 270 km² of wilderness, dominated by the Etosha Pan which gives the reserve its name. The salt pan spans an area of about 4760 km² creating a vast expanse of arid plains which come to life after the rains. The name Etosha is an apt description translating as 'Great White Place'.

This afternoon we enter Etosha and embark on the first game drive of our Private Namibia Safari. Keep an eye out for the surprising abundance of animals found in Etosha, including elephants, lions, rhinos, and all kinds of antelopes. We overnight at Okaukuejo or Halali camp, both of which have floodlit waterholes for 24-hour game viewing.

Overnight & Dinner at Etosha Safari Lodge Gondwana Collection Namibia



DAY 8: ETOSHA NATIONAL PARK AREA

Game viewing in Etosha National Park is extremely rewarding. Home to 114 mammals and over 340 bird species, you have every chance of seeing elephant, lion, giraffe, wildebeest, eland, kudu, gemsbok (oryx), zebra, cheetah, leopard, hyena, honey badger, and warthog, along with the endangered, endemic black-faced impala. Etosha is perhaps most famous for its salt pan which is so large it is visible from space and its waterholes, each one different from the other, drawing wildlife that varies from season to season.

Overnight & Dinner at Etosha Safari Lodge Gondwana Collection Namibia



DAY 9: ETOSHA NATIONAL PARK TO WATERBERG PLATEAU

Time/ Distance: 2 hr 54 min (278.7 km)

After a warm breakfast, we continue to our last destination. Waterberg Plateau is situated 350km north of Namibia's capital city Windhoek, and the 41,000ha of surrounding land was declared a Nature Reserve in 1972. We will do short hiking up to the top of the plateau with our guide. Most of the plateau is inaccessible and a number of the country's endangered species were introduced to protect them from predators and poaching. This program was a huge success and Waterberg now supplies other Namibian parks with rare animals.

Overnight & Dinner at Waterberg Plateau Lodge



DAY 10: WATERBERG TO WINDHOEK

Time/ Distance: 3 hr 6 min (304.1 km)

On our last morning, we have breakfast and take it easy, before leaving the Waterberg Plateau. On our way back to Windhoek we stop in Okahandja to visit the well-known craft market of the town. Arriving back in Windhoek this afternoon your guide drops you off at the airport or your post-tour accommodation concluding your private tour of Namibia.



INCLUDE:

- Qualified professional driver-guide
- Vehicle / fuel
- Park entrance fees as per itinerary
- Passenger liability 15%
- VAT 2% tourism levy
- Airport transfers
- Accommodation
- Breakfast and Dinner for the Client

EXCLUDE:

- Expenses of personal nature
- Entrance fees not mentioned in the itinerary
- Meals not mentioned
- Drinks at lodges and on road
- Optional excursions and activities
- Tips for tour guides
- International flights and airport taxes
- Items not mentioned in the itinerary

HOW TO BOOK AND HOW TO PAY:

To reserve this tour, a payment of 30% of the total price must be made at the time of reservation. The balance of 70% can be made 30 days before the departure of your tour. Your deposit can either be made through a Bank Transfer, with the addition of a 45 US Dollar fee or by Credit Card which incurs an additional bank charge of 3.5%