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Kalahari Namibia - Fish River Canyon - Aus - Sossusvlei



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Introduction

These 7 days lodging tour give you an opportunity to explore the spectacular natural beauty and main attractions of southern Namibia. Starting off in Windhoek and spending one night in the Kalahari savannah. We will visit Fish River Canyon before heading for Aus, continuing to one of the natural highlights in Namibia, Sossusvlei.

Review

- • DEPARTURE: This tour departs from Windhoek
- • COUNTRY ('S): Namibia
- • TOUR CODE: 7AC-KALA-FIS-AUS-SOSS
- • RETURN: WINDHOEK
- • PASSENGERS: Minimum 1 Traveler and a Maximum of 24 Travelers per group
- • STYLE: Lodging
- • MEALS: BB: Breakfast and 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

Accommodation	Destination	Basis	Duration
Kalahari Anib Lodge Gondwana Collection Namibia or similar	Kalahari Namibia	FB	1 Night

Canyon Lodge Gondwana Collection Namibia or similar	Fish River Canyon	FB	2 Nights
Klein-Aus Vista Desert Horse Inn Gondwana Collection Namibia or similar	Aus	FB	2 Nights
Namib Desert Lodge Gondwana Collection Namibia or similar	Sossusvlei	FB	1 Night

Key

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

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

Day 1: Kalahari Anib Lodge Gondwana Collection Namibia, Kalahari Namibia (281.3km)

After meeting you at Windhoek International Airport, we will depart for the beautiful Kalahari savannah of southern Namibia. We will drive for about 281.3km and arrive at our lodge in time to settle in and enjoy lunch before departing for an afternoon game drive on the private reserve. Animals like springbok, oryx, red hartebeest, black-backed jackal, porcupine, steenbok, ostrich and many more inhabit the acacia and grass savannah that cover the red sand dunes of the Kalahari Desert. This will be the perfect introduction to the beauty of the southern section of Namibia.

Included activities

- Afternoon game drive

Overnight: Kalahari Anib Lodge

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 wide-ranging wildlife including gemsbok, impala, jackals and cheetah.

Overnight: Kalahari Anib Lodge Gondwana Collection Namibia [View](#)

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Savour the Kalahari Desert at this easily accessible lodge. 30 standard rooms flank a shady courtyard, with another 21 comfort overlooking Kalahari savannah. Stretch legs on the walks and join the afternoon drive to experience the red Kalahari sands aglow with an inner fire.

Location: Approximatly 30 km northeast of Mariental on the C 20 (Kalahari).



Basis

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

[Day 2: Canyon Lodge Gondwana Collection Namibia, Fish River Canyon \(416.1km\)](#)

After a relaxing breakfast, we will continue southwards and after visiting the Quiver Tree Forest and Giant's Playground near Keetmanshoop, we will arrive at our lodge in the Gondwana Canyon Park close to the Fish River Canyon. The Quiver Tree (*Aloe dichotoma*) is a symbol of Southern Namibia and several hundred of them can be seen growing together. They live up to 120 years. After a quick lunch and settling in, we will depart for an afternoon sundowner drive within the reserve. Besides looking for game like oryx, springbok, kudu, klipspringer, mountain and Burchell's

zebra that inhabit the park, we will also learn about the geology of this fascinating area. Our lodge is situated just 20km from the Fish River Canyon and horseback rides in the park can be organised on request.

Including activities

- Visit the Quiver Tree Forest, Giant's Playground and sundowner drive

Optional activities

- Horseback rides

Overnight: Canyon Lodge

Fish River Canyon

Carving out an epic rocky wonderland in the south of Namibia, the Fish River has created Africa's largest and the world's second-largest canyon. Hot, dry and stony, the Fish River Canyon measures a whopping 160 kilometres in length, at times 27 kilometres in width and 550 metres in depth. The awe-inspiring natural beauty of this ancient geological marvel draws visitors from around the globe. For those looking for adventure, the intense 85 kilometre Fish River Hiking Trail through 1.5 billion years of geological history will definitely thrill avid adventure enthusiasts, and for visitors looking to relax, head over to the canyon's southern end to enjoy a soak in the mineral waters of the renowned hot springs of Ai-Ais, or take in the spectacularly scenic views from Hobas Restcamp as well as numerous other viewpoints along its rim. Other popular activities include: scenic chartered flights, horse riding, nature drives and seasonal kayaking.

Overnight: Canyon Lodge Gondwana Collection Namibia [View iBrochure](#)

A gem in the rugged environment, Canyon Lodge is a fusion of farmhouse flavour and natural splendour. Walkways lead to 30 natural stone chalets nestled amongst

granite boulders. Celebrate dawn amongst the quiver trees and the aweinspiring adventure of life from the rim of the Fish River Canyon.

Location: approximately 20 km east of the Fish River Canyon on the C 37



Basis

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

Day 3: Canyon Lodge Gondwana Collection Namibia, Fish River Canyon

After enjoying a great night's rest and a big Namibian breakfast, we will use the morning to do a morning walk in the park and explore the fascinating Fish River Canyon. It is the second biggest canyon in the world after the Grand Canyon in the United States and is one of Namibia's biggest attractions. After returning to the lodge for lunch and a short break, we will do an afternoon game drive in the park or alternatively, Visit the canyon in the afternoon and have time for a quick walk to watch the sunset with a sundowner drink in your hand. We will again stay in the same lodge as last night.

Including activities

- Visiting Fish River Canyon, game drive and sundowner walk

Overnight: Canyon Lodge

Basis

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

Day 4: Klein-Aus Vista Desert Horse Inn Gondwana Collection Namibia, Aus (303.4km)

We will be up early today and do a very short drive to a higher location to watch the sunrise with a cup of coffee. Watching an African sunrise is a truly unforgettable experience. We will return to the lodge for breakfast. Shortly thereafter, after checking out and continue with the safari in a westerly direction towards Aus and Luderitz enjoying the ever-changing landscape as we drive. At this point, we will be close to the Orange River which forms the border between Namibia and South Africa as well as the restricted diamond area called the Sperrgebiet. Our lodge for the next two nights is situated in the Sperrgebiet Park and within the Aus Mountains offering great views over the surrounding plains. We will enjoy a late afternoon scenic drive within the reserve.

Included activities

- Afternoon scenic drive

Overnight: Klein-Aus Vista Desert Horse Inn

Aus

Perched above the plains of the Namib Desert in the rocky Aus Mountains, the small village of Aus lies at the heart of phenomenal botanic diversity. Aus serves as an excellent base from which to see the area's major attraction: the feral horses of the Namib Desert, which run wild and free in the sparsely vegetated plains. The best place for viewings is at the water trough at Garub, which lies just twenty kilometres

away from Aus. Visitors can gain insight into the Succulent Karoo by visiting beautiful Gondwana Sperrgebiet Rand Park, home to the most biodiverse desert in the world. Don't miss the opportunity to camp under the famously clear Namibian night sky and experience the desert landscape on horseback.

Overnight: Klein-Aus Vista Desert Horse Inn Gondwana Collection Namibia

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Where the subtle colours of the grassy Pro-Namib merge with Namib sands in a lovers' embrace, you'll find Klein Aus Vista. Surrounded by the rocky Aus hills, Desert Horse Inn is an attractive base for a sojourn in south-western Namibia en route to the famed dunes of Sossusvlei.

Location: 2 km west of Ausm on the B4 (Aus/Wild Horses/Kolmanskuppe/Lüderitz)



Basis

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

[Day 5: Klein-Aus Vista Desert Horse Inn Gondwana Collection Namibia, Aus](#)

Close by to your lodge are the wild horses the area is famous for explore Lüderitz and enjoy a tour around the old mining town of Kolmanskop. This is a great area for photography the houses are the last remaining memory of 'Millionaires Avenue' which is now derelict and filled with sand.

Optional activities

- Hiking, Mountain biking

Overnight: Klein-Aus Vista Desert Horse Inn

Basis

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

Day 6: Namib Desert Lodge Gondwana Collection Namibia, Sossusvlei (434.1km)

We will be up early and after breakfast, we will depart for Sossusvlei, driving through the NamibRand Nature Reserve with its spectacular scenery along the way. We will arrive at our lodge near the entrance gate to Sossusvlei by late afternoon. Later, enjoy a great dinner and early night in preparation for our early start to Sossusvlei tomorrow.

Included activities

- Sundowner Dune Drive

Overnight: Namib 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 - 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](#)
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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



Basis

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

[Day 7: End of Itinerary back to Windhoek \(257.9 km\)](#)

After an early breakfast and coffee, we will depart for a morning excursion to Sossusvlei and Dead Vlei. We will stop at the scenic Dune 45 along the way and spend a couple of hours at both Sossusvlei and Dead Vlei. Some of the dunes in the area are a few hundred meters high but the view from the top for those that dare is one you will never forget. After lunch, we will depart to Windhoek.

Included activities

- Morning excursion to Sossusvlei and Dead Vlei.

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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.

