

11 Day Budget Namibian Highlight Lodging and Tented Camp Safari











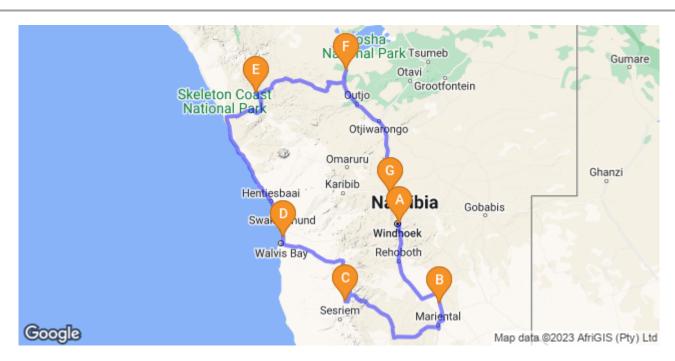








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Introduction

This very affordable 11 Day Budget Namibian Highlight Lodging and Tented Camp Safari takes you to Namibia's top travel destinations, combining the wildlife rich Etosha Park Damaraland and the ancient Namib Desert with its towering red-orange sand dunes and enjoying the pleasures of Swakopmund, Namibia's prime seaside destination which boasts palm-lined streets, great restaurants, seaside walkways, a lovely summer climate, and perfect beaches.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS:

- Explore Swakopmund or enjoy optional adventure activities.
- Walk in the famous Sossusvlei Dunes and Dead Vlei of the Namib.
- Etosha National Park Game drives
- Visit to the Bushman rock art sites at Twyfelfontein and the Brandberg Massif
- Visit the Woodcarvers Craft Market

Review

DEPARTURE: This tour departs from Windhoek

- COUNTRY ('S): Namibia
- DESTINATIONS: Kala-Soss-Swak-Etosha-Damar-okah
- TOUR CODE: 11A-NAM
- RETURN: WINDHOEK
- PASSENGERS: Minimum 1 Traveler and a Maximum of 14 Travelers per group
- STYLE: Tented Camps
- 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
Urban Camp or similar	Windhoek	D,B&B	1 Night
Suricate Kalahari Tented Lodge or similar	Intu Afrika Kalahari Game Reserve	D,B&B	1 Night
Namib Desert Camping2Go Gondwana Collection Namibia or similar	Sossusvlei	D,B&B	2 Nights
Bay View Resort Namibia or similar	Swakopmund	B&B	2 Nights
Palmwag Camping2Go Gondwana Collection Namibia or similar	Palmwag	D,B&B	1 Night
Etosha Safari Camping2Go Gondwana Collection Namibia or similar	Etosha South	D,B&B	2 Nights
Okahandja Country Hotel or similar	Okahandja	D,B&B	1 Night



Key

B&B: Bed and Breakfast

D,B&B: Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

Day 1: Urban Camp, Windhoek (3.5km)

Guest will be picked up at the airport and depart to Windhoek and will be picked up by the tour guide after lunch to go on a Windhoek Township tour if they arrive early In Windhoek and if times permits otherwise they will do the city tour the next morning before departing to the Dunes. Windhoek is 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.

Included activities

• Township Tour, Money Exchange

Overnight: Urban Camp

Windhoek

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Overnight: Urban Camp

Urban Camp is a centrally located comfortable camping ground situated in the heart of Windhoek. It is the perfect get away with all the convenience of being in town. Big shady trees, Wi-Fi internet, nice bathrooms and a sparkling pool - will get you



WINDHOOKED. It is a mere 5 min walk to the legendary Joe's Beerhouse or a good Portuguese restaurant.

For added convenience, you will find a small shopping centre with a bank, ATM, post office, supermarket, pharmacy, 24 hr fuel station, car wash, butchery, café etc. - all just around the corner.

And if you really are in a sightseeing mood - its easy from our grounds, as it is just a stone-throw away from the city centre and most attractions.



Basis

Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

<u>Day 2: Suricate Kalahari Tented Lodge, Intu Afrika Kalahari Game Reserve</u> (260km)

After a hearty breakfast, you will travel south through the Auas Mountains via Rehoboth and Kalkrand to your accommodation. Like so many towns in Namibia, Rehoboth was built around a mission station. It was founded in 1844 by Heinrich Kleinschmidt and abandoned in 1864. When the Basters settled here in 1870 the mission was reopened. The Rehoboth Basters are a crossbreed of the relations between Boers from the Cape Province and Nama women. They moved from the Cape Province to the Orange River in the 19th century. You continue your journey into the Kalahari. The Kalahari Desert forms a large part of eastern Namibia and stretches about 500km from north to south.

Included activities

- Afternoon Game drive
- Hiking



Overnight: Suricate Kalahari Tented Lodge

Intu Afrika Kalahari Game Reserve

Set just 250 kilometres from the bustling capital of Namibia, the 10,000-hectare Intu Afrika Kalahari Game Reserve presents a landscape of unparalleled natural splendour. Deep red and clay-coloured dunes fan into the distance, decorated with areas of grasslands, shrubs, and trees. The park is home to an impressive array of wildlife, including black wildebeest, springbok, oryx, giraffe, and a large population of meerkats. This is the perfect place to learn about the ancient way of life; visitors can follow a !Kung guide through the desert and learn survival techniques. Make sure to take a look at the exquisite handmade crafts in the village. Hiking, 4x4 excursions, and quad-biking will appeal to adrenaline seekers.

Overnight: Suricate Kalahari Tented Lodge

Towering over the pans of the Auob wetlands is the Suricate Tented Lodge which has been built on top of a majestic red dune.

The tents which combine the ultimate African safari experience with the comforts and luxuries of modern day living leave a lasting impression on all our guests.

There are 12 tents complete with mini bars, safes, mosquito nets and all the amenities available at the other lodges with the added benefit of an open-air ensuite bathroom and a deck. One of the tents is a honey-moon suite, which is appropriately distanced from the other tents and has its own plunge pool for the convenience of the romantic couple.

The main lodge area is also intriguing as it boasts a large deck that overlooks the entire shimmering pan and the warbling waters of the infinity pool release any tension. Guests can choose to have their meals in the communal dining room which also has a built in fire place and bean bags for guests to relax on or to enjoy their meal on the deck surveying the pans.

At night guests enjoy the starry skies with drinks by the fire pit with the friendly staff at your beck and call, ready and willing to assist you with planning your day or with facilitating any activities guests may want to enjoy.





Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

<u>Day 3: Namib Desert Camping2Go Gondwana Collection Namibia, Sossusvlei</u> (360.7km)

Today you journey to the Namib Desert. After breakfast, you leave the Kalahari Desert and drive via Maltahöhe towards Sesriem. On the way, the beautiful landscapes give us an idea of what to expect. The unbelievable vastness of the Namib Desert with isolated inselbergs and dune landscapes. Long and narrow, the Namib stretches over 1900 km from the South African Cape Province up to Angola. It is considered one of the oldest deserts on earth. Two year-round water-bearing rivers cut through the Namib. The Kunene forms the northern border and the Orange River the southern border of Namibia. In the driest areas, it extends up to 200 km inland. Perched above the plains of the Namib Desert and tucked away in the rocky Aus Mountains, the small village of Aus is located in the IlKaras Region in southern Namibia.

Included activities

Sundowner Desert Drive

Overnight: Namib Desert Camping2Go



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 Camping2Go Gondwana Collection Namibia View iBrochure

Going back to one's roots has never been easier as with Camping 2Go. After spending an unforgettable day in the desert with the remarkable sights of Sossusvlei and the Sesriem Canyon, it is time to unwind. Relax around a cosy campfire at night with loved ones while listening to the call of the hyena. The sounds of nature will lull you to sleep. Wake up to the most spectacular sunrise setting the fossilised dunes ablaze. A total of eight permanent tents, only a stone's throw away from the Namib Desert Lodge, have been set up for travellers' convenience. The tents located at the foot of the fascinating fossilized dunes are fully equipped, each with four beds and an en-suite bathroom with a shower. With the fully kitted out kitchen that includes a fridge, stove, sink and all the necessary cooking utensils and cutlery on the outside terrace, it is a hassle-free way of being immersed in nature. There is an outside braai, as well as a fire pit that you can place it in the nearby riverbed to fully enjoy nature's music.

Location: Approximately 60km north of Sesriem on the C19





Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

Day 4: Namib Desert Camping2Go Gondwana Collection Namibia, Sossusvlei

Today, you have an early departure to Sossusvlei and the opportunity to climb one of the world's highest sand dunes. The unique colour example of the dune landscape will inarguably impress you, and you will undoubtedly be able to take beautiful photographs here. Sossusvlei is a dune wonderland, with towering dunes up to 300m high encircling a massive dried-up pan. Dunes stretch as far as the eye can see, with rich hues ranging from pale apricot to vivid reds and oranges. The Tsauchab River flows into the pan during a good rainy season, creating a haven for water birds. Oryx, springbok, and ostriches can be seen feeding on the sparse vegetation along the watercourses even during the dry season.

Included activities

 Morning excursion to Sossusvlei and Dead Vlei (Deadvlei, Big Daddy, Dune 45)

Overnight: Namib Desert Camping2Go

Basis

Dinner, Bed and Breakfast



After breakfast, drive through the Namib Desert's endless boulders, passing through Solitaire, the Gaub Pass, and the Kuiseb Pass, until you arrive in Swakopmund. This idyllic town, also known as Namibia's playground, is nestled between the Namib Desert and the frigid Atlantic Ocean.

Included activities

Visit Museum and Aquarium

Optional activities

• boat cruise, air balloon safari, World's Oldest Desert, Sky diving horse riding & paragliding.

Overnight: Bay View Resort

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: Bay View Resort Namibia View iBrochure

Bay View Resort Hotel is a one of a kind, 4-star beach resort located in Dolphin Beach, halfway between Swakopmund and Walvis Bay, Namibia. The property offers 44 luxury rooms and two executive penthouse suites, all sea-facing with private balconies overlooking the Atlantic ocean. Guests can make use of the conference facility, the in-house SALT Restaurant as well as a Sky Bar on the 6th floor to take in views of the dunes and the sea.





Bed and Breakfast

Day 6: Bay View Resort Namibia, Swakopmund

Namibians adore Swakopmund as a welcome respite from the inland heat. It is also popular amongst visitors due to its old-world charm and relaxed atmosphere. It was founded in 1892 during the German colonial period and served as the territory's main harbour for many years. The distinct German colonial character has been well preserved, and many of the old buildings now serve a practical purpose. The Woermann House (1905) is now a gallery. Previously, the Woermann Tower was used to monitor ships entering the harbour. Other historic buildings worth seeing include "Die Alte Kaserne," "Hohenzollern Haus," and the Railway Station Building.

Included activities

• Visit the Desert living museum

Optional activities

Quad biking and Sandboarding

Overnight: Bay View Resort

Basis

Bed and Breakfast



<u>Day 7: Palmwag Camping2Go Gondwana Collection Namibia, Palmwag (456.4km)</u>

After breakfast and drive via Hentiesbaai and Uis to Damaraland. This vast desert landscape is known as one of the most beautiful regions in Namibia. Huge, untamed and ruggedly beautiful, Damaraland is an exceptionally scenic landscape featuring open plains, ancient valleys and spectacular rock formations. The major attractions are the sacred Spitzkoppe, the Brandberg, Twyfelfontein, Vingerklip and the otherworldly Petrified Forest. Visitors can take in the dramatic vistas, 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.

Included activities

Visit Bushman rock art sites at Twyfelfontein and the Brandberg Massif

Overnight: Palmwag Camping2Go

Palmwag

Palmwag is a nature reserve idyllically located along a palm-lined tributary of the Uniab River, halfway between Swakopmund and Etosha, providing an ideal base from which to see the sights of the Kunene region or embark on one of the many local hiking trails. Water is scarce in this area, so the river's presence often lures elephants closer to the camps. The reserve is notable for its unusual species of palm tree, the hyphaene petersiana, and for being home to the largest population of southwestern 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.

Overnight: Palmwag Camping2Go Gondwana Collection Namibia iBrochure

View

Just a stone's throw from the iconic Palmwag Lodge, the new Palmwag Camping2Go looks out onto the beautiful Damaraland landscapes, with the red earth stretching in the far horizons. Enjoy one of the two pools available at the lodge or the peaceful Pool Bar, during your stay.

Location: 121 km west of Kamanjab off the C43





Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

<u>Day 8: Etosha Safari Camping2Go Gondwana Collection Namibia, Etosha South (287.8km)</u>

After breakfast drive via Outjo towards Etosha National Park. Located in a cluster of low hills is the town of Outjo, the southern gateway to the Etosha National Park. The town developed around a spring where a trader, Tom Lambert, settled in 1880. Depicted in the Outjo Museum are the history of the town and its surroundings, with a focus on gemstones and wildlife.

Included activities

Afternoon Game drive

Overnight: Etosha Safari Camping2Go

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 Camping2Go Gondwana Collection Namibia View iBrochure

Etosha Safari Camping2Go is home to eight self-catering tents. Each tent is equipped with four beds, an en-suite bathroom and shower while the campsite facilities include a fully equipped kitchen, veranda, grill and a fire pit. Guests staying at the campsite can enjoy a cosy evening around the fire pit, or experience an evening of live music at the Oshebeena Bar near Etosha Safari Camp or indulge in a delicious meal at Okambashu Restaurant. Guests are invited to partake in activities which includes game drives or simply absorb the African sun while lounging at the swimming pool.

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



Basis

Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

<u>Day 9: Etosha Safari Camping2Go Gondwana Collection Namibia, Etosha</u> South

Rise Early have breakfast and then you drive to Etosha National Park. Full-day game drives and game viewing in Etosha National Park. Etosha National Park in northern Namibia is one of the most beautiful nature reserves in Africa. Already in 1907, Governor von Lindequist had declared Etosha a nature reserve on an area five times larger than today's national park is. The current size of Etosha National Park is 22 270 square kilometers. The national park is home to large herds of springbok, impala, zebra, and wildebeest, as well as elephant, giraffe, lion, leopard, cheetah and black rhino, and several species of birds and various reptiles.



Included activities

Morning Game drive

Overnight: Etosha Safari Camping2Go

Basis

Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

Day 10: Okahandja Country Hotel, Okahandja (331.3km)

Have a leisurely breakfast, then you have a long drive towards Okahandja. Drive via Outjo, Otjiwarongo and Okahandja. Otjiwarongo belonged to the grazing area of the Herero. Otjiwarongo opened a Rhenish mission station in 1891 with the consent of the Herero chief Kambazembi. April 1906 was the inauguration day of the railroad station and is still considered the official foundation day of Otjiwarongo. The railroad line was built to transport copper from Tsumeb to Swakopmund.

Included activies

Visit the Woodcarvers Craft Market

Overnight: Okahandja Country Hotel

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.



Overnight: Okahandja Country Hotel

Okahandja Country Hotel is situated 2 km north of Okahandja, on the main road leading to Etosha, Damaraland, Caprivi and numerous other tourist attractions situated in the north of Namibia, as well as the main road leading to Swakopmund and Walvis Bay at the coast. The hotel offers accommodation in 22 comfortably furnished en-suite twin rooms and 2 family units. All rooms are equipped with air-conditioning/heating, television and satellite TV, bedding, bath towels, soap and coffee making facilities. Other hotel features include a restaurant, beer garden, fish pond, swimming pool and braai facilities.



Basis

Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

Day 11: End of Itinerary (75.5km)

You will get early 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.