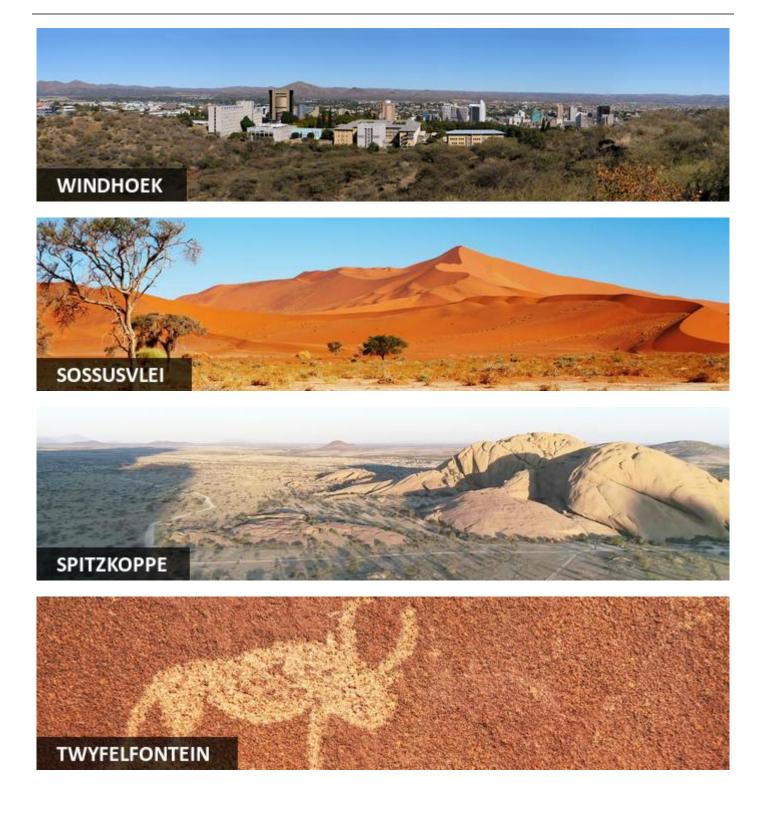


# 14 Days Ultimate Namibia Luxury Safari (Lodging)

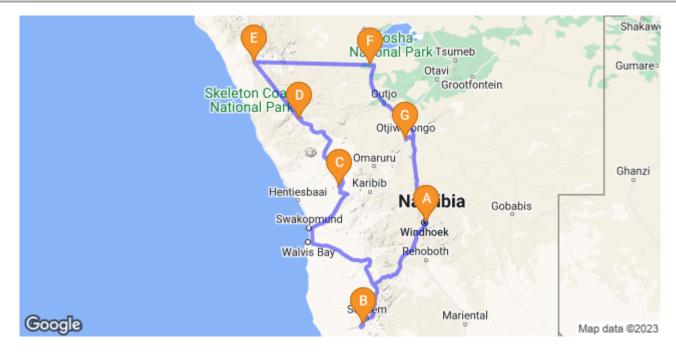








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# Introduction

These 14 day tour will allow you to experience the forbidding deserts, staggering dunes and vleis teeming with wildlife. You then head to experience the grandeur of Damaraland, famous for its rock paintings, extraordinary terrain and desert-adapted animals. Enjoy spectacular bird and game viewing along the riverbed and valleys, before driving off to your luxury lodge in the Ongava Private Reserve which shares a border with the incredible Etosha National Park.

# Highlights

- Township Tour, Money Exchange
- Sundowner Desert Drive
- Sossusvlei Excursion (Deadvlei, Big Daddy, Dune 45, Sossusvlei itself)
- visit the ancient rock paintings
- Guided historic walks to professional climbers seeking an adrenaline boost.
- Nature Drive and Guided Desert Elephant tour
- Guided nature walks
- Himba excursion, tracking elephants
- Bird watching
- Morning and Night game drive
- white rhino tracking
- Sundowner Game drives in search of elusive leopards
- Excursion on the carnivore sanctuary, guided on foot with bush experience.

# Review

- DEPARTURE: This tour departs from Windhoek
- COUNTRY ('S): Namibia
- DESTINATIONS: Whk- Soss Spitz- Twyfel- Hoanib- Ongava Private Okonj- Hoanib
- TOUR CODE: 14A-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

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#### Excluded

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 tickets and airport taxes Items not mentioned in the itinerary

Accommodation	Destination	Basis	Duration
Olive Grove Guesthouse or similar	Windhoek	FB	1 Night
Wilderness Kulala Desert Lodge or similar	Sossusvlei	FB	2 Nights
Spitzkoppen Lodge or similar	Spitzkoppe	FB	2 Nights
Wilderness Doro Nawas or similar	Twyfelfontein	FB	1 Night
Hoanib Valley Camp or similar	Hoanib River	FB	2 Nights

Ongava Lodge or similar	Ongava Private Game Reserve	FB	2 Nights
Okonjima Lodge or similar	Okonjima Nature Reserve	FB	2 Nights
Olive Grove Guesthouse or similar	Windhoek	FB	1 Night

### Key

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

# Day 1: Olive Grove Guesthouse, Windhoek (3.4km)

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: Olive Grove Guesthouse

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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: Olive Grove Guesthouse View iBrochure

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### Basis

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# Day 2: Wilderness Kulala Desert Lodge, Sossusvlei (338.8km)

Your Namibian adventure begins in earnest as you drive off to Sossusvlei – 'a gathering place of water'. Fed by the foothills of the Naukluft and Tsaris Mountains, temporary lakes – like Hidden Vlei and Dead Vlei – are natural attractions for Namibia's wonderfully desert-adapted wildlife. So you can expect to see ostrich, springbok and gemsbok as well as larger predators like spotted and brown hyenas.

### **Included** activities

• Sundowner Desert Drive

# **Optional activities**

• Scenic Flights over the dunes

Overnight: Wilderness Kulala 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: Wilderness Kulala Desert Lodge View iBrochure

Wilderness Kulala Desert Lodge's location at the foot of the majestic Sossusvlei dunes allows for stunning views in every direction, while its private entrance to the Namib Naukluft National Park makes it the closest location to Sossusvlei. The camp is ideal for self-drives and groups.

Twenty-three thatched and canvas tents (including two family units), each built on raised wooden platforms make for airy, comfortable accommodation, with a rooftop area for sleep-outs under the stars. Afternoons around the pool provide relief from the heat, while the wraparound veranda at the main area overlooks a waterhole, and private tours of the dunes provide the ultimate Sossusvlei experience.

INSIDER'S TIP: Try your hand at desert photography – whether capturing the red colour of the dunes in the early morning light or the otherworldly tree skeletons standing starkly across the floor of Dead Vlei.



#### Basis

Full Board - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast and Lunch

### Day 3: Wilderness Kulala Desert Lodge, 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, Sossusvlei

Overnight: Wilderness Kulala Desert Lodge

#### Basis

Full Board - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast and Lunch

### Day 4: Spitzkoppen Lodge, Spitzkoppe (526.5km)

After breakfast client will depart to Spitzkoppe, Spitzkoppe is at 1,800 meters above sea level, is not the highest mountain in Namibia, it is because of its astounding

silhouette that it is the country's most famous mountain. The extreme, barren landscapes and striking rock formations create an excellent setting for photography where the guide will allow you to take pictures.

### **Included** activities

• Guided walks to visit the ancient rock paintings

Overnight: Spitzkoppen Lodge

# Spitzkoppe

Situated in Namibia's desolate, awe-inspiring Namib Desert, between Usakos and Swakopmund and about two hours' drive from Swakopmund, the Spitzkoppe are a group of bald granite peaks forming one of Namibia's most recognizable and dramatic landmarks. These enormous towering domes are a mecca for hikers and mountaineers, from beginners interested in guided historic walks to professional climbers seeking an adrenaline boost. Numerous ancient rock paintings can be visited as part of a guided walking tour. The extreme, barren landscapes and striking rock formations create an excellent setting for photography.

# Overnight: Spitzkoppen Lodge View iBrochure

"A sense of place in an archaeological landscape"

The Barnard Family is honored to welcome you to Spitzkoppen Lodge. The same owners and developers of Kalahari Bush Breaks Lodge, have the privilege to share their dream come true of an exclusive destination on the edge of the Namib Desert, which started some 14 years ago. You are invited to indulge in the pleasure and passion for friendly service in a relaxed ambiance.

The lodge is situated on the northern periphery of the Spitzkoppe inselberg, between huge granite boulders, which were created more than 150 million years ago, with breath-taking views onto the Brandberg and Erongo Mountains. The stylish, private accommodation consists of 15 spacious, tastefully furnished chalets, each with a private bathroom and outside viewing deck, which connects the guest with the vast stretches of untouched sand and boulders beyond.

Situated on the inland edge of the Namib Desert, the climate of the Spitzkoppe Conservation Area is arid, with a mean annual rainfall of 50mm and a high evaporation rate of 3200mm per annum. Most rainfall occurs between January and April, and with the granite outcrops being impermeable, rainfall-runoff collects at the foot of the outcrops creating unique micro-habitats for woody plants to grow in an otherwise arid area.



#### Basis

Full Board - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast and Lunch

### Day 5: Spitzkoppen Lodge, Spitzkoppe

After breakfast client will have a full day to explore the beauty of Spitzkoppe inselberg and rolling Namib Desert. With views stretching out across vast swathes of sand towards the Brandberg and Erongo Mountains, it's a truly peaceful spot to spend a couple of nights.

### **Included** activities

• Guided historic walks to professional climbers seeking an adrenaline boost.

### **Optional activities**

• Guided horseback excursions, cycling tours and hiking

Overnight: Spitzkoppen Lodge

### Basis Full Board - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast and Lunch

Day 6: Wilderness Doro Nawas, Twyfelfontein (246.5km)

Your self-drive now takes you to the Doro! Nawas Conservancy in central Damaraland. Despite its proximity to the Skeleton Coast and the Namib Desert, this seemingly inhospitable region is home to a surprising variety of wildlife, including desert-adapted elephants, Hartman's mountain zebra, southern giraffe, springbok and cheetah. Birders have the opportunity to spot raptors like martial eagles and lappet-faced vultures, as well as endemic varieties like Monteiro's Hornbill and Rüpell's Korhaan. Your camp, which is situated within the Aba-Huab River Valley, offers panoramic views over the landscape, featuring the mighty Etendeka Mountains and the fiery sandstone cliffs of Twyfelfontein. An expedition to this World Heritage site, with its exquisite San art engravings and rock art, is a must.

### **Included** activities

• Nature Drive and Guided Desert Elephant tour

# 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 hunter-gatherer communities.

# Overnight: Wilderness Doro Nawas View iBrochure

From a hillside above the dry Aba-Huab River, Wilderness Doro Nawas provides guests with far-reaching views across rugged Damaraland. The camp is ideally located as base from which to learn more about both the area's ancient inhabitants and the visionary ecotourism partnership with today's communities. The petroglyphs and San rock art of Twyfelfontein are within easy reach.

Sixteen guest units (including a family room) blend in with the scenery, and feature private verandas and outdoor showers. Sleeping out under the stars is also an

option. Nature drives and walks reveal more of the desert's surprising and superblyadapted flora and fauna.

INSIDER'S TIP: Without bright lights and far from pollution the camp is the ideal setting for marvelling at the night sky. Opt for a night in the Star Bed to experience superb stargazing ...



# Basis Full Board - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast and Lunch

# Day 7: Hoanib Valley Camp, Hoanib River (167 km)

Your next stop is Sesfontein in north-western Namibia. Leaving your hire car behind, you'll be collected for a game drive transfer to Hoanib Valley Camp. This remote property will introduce you to the wonders of Kaokoland – a distant wilderness defined by rolling sand dunes and jagged mountain peaks. Game drives along dry riverbeds offer you encounters with desert-adapted lion, giraffe, elephant, kudu, springbok, oryx, hornbills, eagles and the endangered black rhino. Don't miss out on guided nature walks for a chance to experience the smaller aspects of the region. Day trips to Namibia's iconic Skeleton Coast can be arranged, whilst those looking to learn more about the indigenous culture can visit local Himba and Herero communities.a must.

# **Included** activities

Guided nature walks

Overnight: Hoanib Valley Camp

### **Hoanib River**

Where Kaokoland meets the Skeleton Coast, in western Namibia, the 270-kilometrelong Hoanib River is one of the last water oases in the country, providing a haven for numerous animals. Home to 75% of Namibia's endemic species, including the largest numbers of desert-adapted, free-roaming elephants, lions, and rhinos in the world, as well as zebra, kudu, and giraffe, this is a truly exceptional and aweinspiring place. Visitors can enjoy taking a wonderful four-wheel-drive route, going on adventurous hiking trails, running down enormous sand dunes, or climbing massive, strangely shaped rock formations as well as several guided nature walks.

# Overnight: Hoanib Valley Camp View iBrochure

Located in one of the most beautiful areas of Namibia, the camp and its surrounds are truly breathtaking with many visitors feeling time spent here is a life affirming experience. The north western area, Kaokoland, is identified by its vast open desert wilderness, towering dunes and swathes of rocky mountains. Tucked into the backdrop are six guest tents exuding a modern safari style that reflects their surrounds in the furnishing and design.

Your days are spent exploring this spectacular area, understanding its unique geology, wildlife and culture. Home to one of the last great nomadic tribes, the iconic Himba, as well as the identifiable Herero, there is plenty of opportunity for cultural interaction. The Giraffe Conservation Foundation, with whom this is a joint venture, add a wealth of specialist knowledge to your morning and afternoon drives, searching for the desert adapted elephant, giraffe, lion, black rhino and mountain zebra. Alternatively there are few better places to spend restful time contemplating the beauty around you than from the privacy of your veranda before enjoying exceptional hosting and dining.



### Basis

Full Board - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast and Lunch

# Day 8: Hoanib Valley Camp, Hoanib River

Clients have breakfast and be able to explore the area on foot and by vehicle, tracking elephants, giraffes and the endangered black rhino along the ancient, dry riverbeds. Bird watchers will have the opportunity to spot Monterio's hornbills and Verreaux's eagles in the valleys, while visits to nomadic Himba settlements offer a unique insight into life in this isolated region.

# **Included** activities

• Himba excursion, tracking elephants

Overnight: Hoanib Valley Camp

Basis Full Board - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast and Lunch

# Day 9: Ongava Lodge, Ongava Private Game Reserve (537 km)

After being transferred back to Sesfontein, you'll pick up your hire car and drive to the privately-owned Ongava Reserve, a region dominated by woodland and low dolomite hills where you can enjoy guided walks, birding, traditional game drives and white rhino tracking. You'll find yourself on the edge of Etosha National Park, a vast wilderness containing the largest saltpan on the continent; the remains of an ancient super-lake.

# **Included** activities

• Bird watching and Night game drive

Overnight: Ongava Lodge

### **Ongava Private Game Reserve**

Sharing the southern boundary with Etosha National Park, the prolific 30 000hectare private Ongava Game Reserve is considered one of the top private game reserves in the region, enjoying global recognition for exceptional conservation, groundbreaking research and exciting safari experiences. The landscape is characterised by vast open plains dotted with salt plans and abundant wildlife. Visitors can easily access Etosha through Andersson's Gate in the south.

Known for its luxury lodges made out of natural materials, Ogava is a popular destination for those looking to immerse themselves in nature. The reserve offers visitors the perfect combination of wildlife safari experiences within and around the Etosha National Park. One of Ongava's top attractions is its rhino population and guests can experience the thrill of getting close to these majestic creatures. Popular activities include: night game drives, guided nature walks, bird watching and 4x4 guided game drives.

# Overnight: Ongava Lodge View iBrochure

Ongava Lodge is one of Namibia's premier lodges on one of the country's most important private game reserves.

The well-established Ongava Lodge is situated in the privately owned Ongava Game Reserve along the southern boundary of Etosha National Park. Placed as it is close to the top of a hill in the foothills of the Ondundozonanandana range, the vantage point is beautiful and overlooks a well-frequented waterhole and the plains beyond.

Ongava Lodge offers luxury accommodation in 14 rock-and-thatch en-suite chalets. There are impressive views over the camp's waterhole from the main lounge and dining areas and there is also an inviting pool to cool off in the heat of the day. Meals are either served in the main dining area under thatch or on the dining deck under the stars.

Activities include game drives into Etosha, spending time in the camp hide, and nature drives and walks on the reserve. Ongava has resident white and black rhino, giving guests staying at Ongava the opportunity to see both species.



Basis Full Board - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast and Lunch

# Day 10: Ongava Lodge, Ongava Private Game Reserve

As Namibia's premier wildlife destination, Etosha presents you – and your camera – with lions, leopards, elephants, hippos, giraffe, red hartebeest, the endemic black-faced impala, white and black rhinos. You'll also see plains game like wildebeest, zebra, greater kudu and springbok, plus a great diversity of bird species.

# **Included** activities

- Guided walks
- white rhino tracking

Overnight: Ongava Lodge

#### Basis

Full Board - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast and Lunch

# Day 11: Okonjima Lodge, Okonjima Nature Reserve

Your final destination is the Okonjima Nature Reserve in the Omboroko Mountains. Prepare to see big cats up close, because Okonjima is home to the AfriCat Foundation. Dedicated to preserving all species, the foundation is particularly proud of its cheetah and leopard population, although you'll also see various animals and any number of exotic birds. The camp – which has its own education and research centre – is even visited by cheeky warthogs.

### **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 wellappointed 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 Full Board - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast and Lunch

# Day 12: 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

Full Board - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast and Lunch

### Day 13: Olive Grove Guesthouse, Windhoek (243.8km)

Clients have breakfast and depart to Windhoek to spend the night having leisure time.

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# Day 14: End of Itinerary (223.5km)

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.