

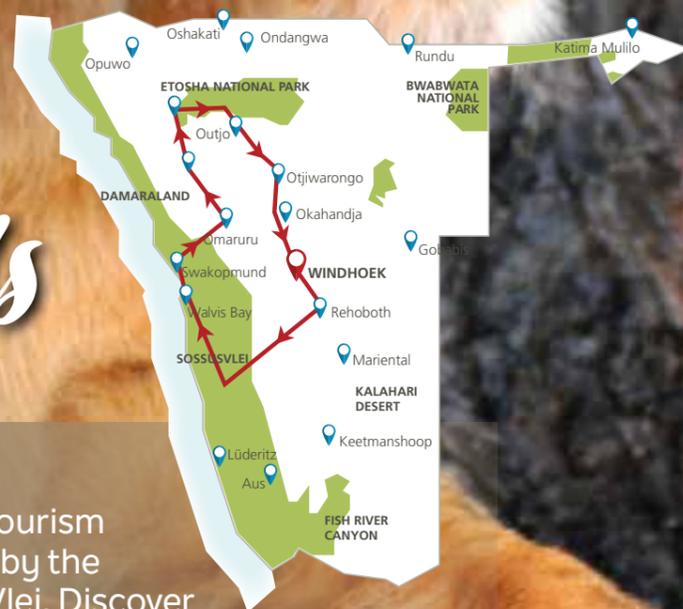


COMFORT



SELF-DRIVE

14 days NAMIBIA Eco Trails



Travel with a Purpose

Discover Namibia, ecological friendly tourism operations. Let yourself be captivated by the surreal dunes at Sossusvlei and Dead Vlei. Discover UNESCO and RAMSAR World Heritage sites and interact with ancient San and Damara cultures. Explore remote and nearly untouched concession areas in Damaraland. Encounter the rich and diverse wildlife of the Etosha National Park.

Day 1 | 50 km WINDHOEK

After arriving, you proceed via mountainous terrain to Windhoek. Your accommodation is situated in a quiet suburb and close to the city centre with its Afro-European flair and peaceful atmosphere. In the evening enjoy typical Namibian cuisine in one of the numerous restaurants in the capital city.

The Elegant Guesthouse

Day 2 | 360 km NAMIB DESERT

You travel south into the heart of the Namib Desert, an area with awe-inspiring landscapes and majestic dunes. Arriving at your lodge, situated near the entrance to Sesriem, the rest of the day can be spent at leisure. Enjoy a late afternoon walk or take part in optional activities offered by your lodge.

Overnight at The Elegant Desert Eco Camp - Breakfast.

Day 3 | 210 km SOSSUSVLEI

This day calls for an early rise, as you will forever remember the picture of a sunrise over the mighty dunes of the Namib Desert. Gaze at the bright splash of sun-baked sand combined with the mighty play of shadows cast onto the lay side of the dunes. From Sossusvlei visit Dead Vlei, a surreal white clay pan surrounded by great dunes and dotted with age-old camelthorn trees. Travelling back, visit the Sesriem Canyon, an 18 million-year-old gorge eroded into the conglomerate floor. After returning to your lodge relax at the poolside to escape the midday heat, before taking part in an optional guided afternoon walk.

Overnight at The Elegant Desert Eco Camp - Breakfast.

Day 4 | 100 km NAMIB DESERT

After breakfast, depart to your next lodge situated on top of the petrified dunes. Here you have the opportunity to explore the Namib Desert on spectacular scenic nature and sundowner drives or relax by the side of the lodge pools. The camp offers the possibility to roll your bed out onto the terrace where you can observe the clear starlit sky's from the comfort of your bed.

Overnight at Namib Dune Star Camp - Breakfast.

Day 5 | 260 km SWAKOPMUND

The onward trip to Swakopmund offers you the opportunity to stop at Solitaire and taste the well-known Apple Pie with a refreshing cup of coffee before continuing on along the gravel road, which leads us through two geologically fascinating canyons into another section of the Namib Naukluft National Park, which shows us abandoned mines, the age-old Welwitschia mirabilis plant and a variety of game species around the Zebra Pans. Soon we reach a point where the ephemeral Kuiseb River acts as a natural boundary between the Namib Dune belt (Namibia's second World Heritage site) and the gravel plains of the Namib Desert. Leaving the blistering desert heat behind we arrive at the Atlantic coastline and Swakopmund, where we spent the following two nights. The rest of the day is spent at leisure.

Overnight at Swakopmund Luxury Suites - Breakfast.

Day 6 SWAKOPMUND

After breakfast, you will have the option of participating in some of the adventurous activities on offer. Take time to get the feel of this quaint town with its historic buildings, museums, shopping arcades and beach bar that has transformed into its own personality by the vibrant use of colour and the bohemian lifestyle.

Overnight at Swakopmund Luxury Suites - Breakfast.

Day 7 | 220 km ERONGO REGION

Departing the coastal town of Swakopmund, you travel east towards the picturesque Spitzkoppe Mountains. At the lodge, you have time to spend at leisure beside the sparkling pool or explore the rocky outcrops surrounding the lodge. Experience the magical sunset while sipping your favourite 'Namibian Sundowner. Nature provides compelling reasons for visiting this unique environment. Many rare, endemic, and unique species of animal, bird, and plant life thrive here, making this one of Namibia's most diverse and wildlife-rich areas. This wealth of untouched nature can be enjoyed on one of the many walking trails amidst the boulders.

Overnight at Spitzkoppen Lodge - Breakfast and dinner.

Day 8 | 250 km DAMARALAND

Today we head further north passing the Brandberg, Namibia's highest mountain (2,579m), into the Damaraland, one of the least populated and most geologically diverse areas in Africa. This harsh, rocky environment is home to the elusive desert elephant, the black rhino and free-roaming antelope species.

En-route we have the possibility to stop at a Himba Village. Your Camp is located directly at the UNESCO Heritage site - Twyfelfontein.

Overnight at Twyfelfontein Country Lodge - Breakfast and dinner.

Departures

Classification: Comfort

Vehicle recommendation: SUV or 4WD Double Cab

Inclusions

Accommodation: As specified

Meals: All meals as specified in the itinerary

13 Breakfasts and 6 dinners

Deluxe Travel Planner

General: Tourism levy and government taxes where applicable

Exclusions

All International / Domestic Flights and taxes, Rental Vehicle, Visas, Travel and Personal accident insurance, Personal Expenses, Excursions / Activities not specified, Gratuities

Optional extras

Dinner supplement (Day 2 - 4, 13)

Additional Excursions / Activities on request

All Lodges on this tour have been/are in the process of receiving Namibian Eco-Awards (Ranging from Min 1- Max 5 flowers) or independently work on an environmental and sustainable basis.

Day 9

DAMARALAND

Today we can visit Twyfelfontein, a World Heritage Site and an "open-air art gallery" that boasts over 2500 different Bushman rock engravings and rock paintings. Close to Twyfelfontein, you can also visit a Living Museum of the Damarara, the original inhabitants of Damaraland. And in the afternoon explore the Aba Huab dry river in search of desert elephants roaming the riverbanks.

Overnight at Twyfelfontein Country Lodge - Breakfast and dinner.

Day 10 | 300 km

ETOSHA NATIONAL PARK

After breakfast, you continue travelling through the small settlement of Fransfontein and onwards through Damaraland towards the town of Kamanjab before traveling along the western border of the Etosha National park to our lodge located in the Hobatere Concession, well known for its giraffe, elephant and lion populations.

Overnight at Hobatere Lodge - Breakfast and dinner.

Day 11 | 200 km

ETOSHA NATIONAL PARK

Entering the Etosha National Park in the early morning through the Galton Gate, your time will be devoted purely to the abundant wildlife found here. The park surrounds a parched salt desert known as the Etosha Pan and is home to 4 of the Big Five - elephant, lion, leopard and rhino. The park's waterholes support a diversity of mammals and birds, including species such as black-faced impala, cheetah, and Namibia's smallest antelope, the Damarara dik-dik.

Overnight at Etosha Village - Breakfast and dinner.

Day 12 | 200 km

ETOSHA NATIONAL PARK

You have the entire day available for extensive game viewing experiences. No game drive is the same; all waterholes hold new surprises and attract different animal species that you may not have seen on previous game drives.

Overnight at Etosha Village - Breakfast and dinner.

Day 13 | 380 km

GREATER WINDHOEK

Departing the Etosha National Park, you travel through the main agricultural and cattle farming region of Namibia. Arriving at your lodge close to Okahandja you have time to explore the diverse wildlife on an optional guided nature drive or numerous scenic walking trails.

Overnight at Midgard Country Estate - Breakfast.

Day 14 | 150 km

DEPARTURE

After Breakfast, depart your lodge and travel the last short stretch towards the international airport, where your tour ends.

Breakfast.

Guests travelling on this tour support **GREEN SEAT** to conserve Namibia's

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