EXPLORER

SELF-DRIVE

19 days EXPERIENCE NAMIBIA

Travel with a Purpose

Experience Namibia's entirety from the world's largest sand mass in the Kalahari Desert to the second largest canyon in the world. Let yourself be captivated by the surreal dunes at Sossusvlei and Dead Vlei. Discover UNESCO and RAMSAR World Heritage Sites and the ancient San and Damara cultures. Encounter the abundant and diverse wildlife of the Etosha National Park.

Day 1 | 50 km
WINDHOEK
After arriving at the international airport, proceed via mountainous terrain to Windhoek, the capital city of Namibia. Your guesthouse is situated close to the city centre. In the evening, enjoy typical Namibian cuisine in one of the numerous restaurants in the city.
Overnight at The Elegant Guesthouse.

Day 2 | 280 km
KALAHARI DESERT
Travelling south after breakfast, you will soon see the red sand of the Kalahari interspersed with yellow grasses, shepherds trees and acacias. In the late afternoon experience the Kalahari and its symbiotic components on a sundowner/nature drive (optional).
Overnight at Jansen Kalahari Guestfarm - Breakfast.

Day 3-4 | 550 km
KGALAGADI TRANSFRONTIER PARK
Continue with your journey further east to Mata Mata on the Border of Botswana. Your Lodge is a mere 20km from the Mata Mata Gate to the Kgalagadi Transfrontier Park, making this an ideal day-trip excursion. You can choose to drive yourself or have a guided day tour of the Park.
Overnight at Torgos Safari Lodge - Tented Chalet - Breakfast and dinner.

Day 5-6 | 510 km
FISH RIVER CANYON
An early morning departure takes you further south across endless plains dotted with dolerite hills and desert-adapted vegetation. On your way to the magnificent Fish River Canyon, you can visit Mesosaurus Fossil site, which is probably one of the most convincing examples to prove the drifting of continents, as the fossils you witness here are also present in Southern America! Further points of interest on your journey south are the quiver tree forest and the Giant's Playground. The next morning, after breakfast you travel south to the Fish River Canyon Viewpoint at Hobas. The Fish River Canyon is the second largest of its kind on Earth, with its awesome splendour and adapted fauna and flora on a scenic walk along the ridge of the canyon.
Overnight at Canyon Roadhouse - Breakfast.

Day 7 | 460 km
SOUTHERN NAMIB
Travelling the more scenic and road less traveled, takes you along the Orange River and western side of the Fish River Canyon towards your accommodation for the night. Arriving at an authentically unique place to stay. The lodge is well known for its fascinating collection of Lithops (Cole Lithoparium), also known as "Flowering Stones".
Overnight at Alte Kalkofen Lodge - Breakfast.

Day 8-9 | 500 km
NAMIB DESERT
After breakfast, you travel along stretches of grass plains interspersed with huge mountain ranges into the area of Sossusvlei, where your camp is situated close to Sesriem the gateway to Sossusvlei and Deadvlei. These highlights are to be visited early the next morning to experience the sunrise capturing this inspirational natural play of light and shadow. After taking a walk along or even up some of the majestic dunes, visit the spectacular Dead Vlei. Travel back to your camp, where the rest of the day is spent at leisure, enjoying the endless vistas from the rock pool.
Overnight at The Elegant Desert Camp - Breakfast and dinner.

Day 10-11 | 350 km
SWAKOPMUND
Travel through two rugged passes and via the Welwitschia plains and the Moon landscape to Swakopmund. Better known as Namibia's playground, this idyllic town is wedged between the sweltering Namib Desert and the cold Atlantic Ocean. Swakopmund has numerous activities to offer, some of which include scenic flights, boat trips, desert tours and quad biking adventures.
Overnight at Organic Stay Guest House - Breakfast.

Day 12 | 180 km
ERONGO
Today we head east into the Erongo Mountain range to stretch our legs on a optional short and informative bush walk with local Bushmen.

Departures:
Classification: Explorer
Vehicle recommendation: SUV or 4WD Double Cab

Inclusions:
Accommodation: As specified
Meals: As specified in the itinerary
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 for days 2, 5-7
Excursions / Activities on request

Returning from the walk we reach our cozy Farm Cottage looking onto the surrounding boulders of the Erongo Mountain range. We can further explore this beautiful are on foot or in our own vehicle, following the well-marked routing to some amazing viewpoints. **Erongo Rocks -Farmhouse or Cottage - Breakfast.**

Day 13 – 14
DAMARALAND
Continue through Uis past the Brandberg, Namibia's highest mountain (2.579m), into the Damaraland. We arrive at our lodge in the afternoon, where we have the remaining day at leisure.The next day, take a scenic nature drive through, untouched wilderness areas of the Otjimboyo Concession, head towards the Brandberg. Continue into the dry Ugab riverbed, in which we might encounter the elusive desert elephant. En route, stop under one of the majestic camelthorn trees where we will enjoy a light picnic lunch.
Classic: Overnight at Ondjamba Hills - Breakfast.

Day 15-16 | 720 km
ETOSHA NATIONAL PARK
On your way to Etosha you can visit Twyfelfontein, the Living Museum of the Damara and the Petrified Forest before travelling through Outjo to the border of the Etosha National Park. Here you can already explore the rich wildlife on an afternoon safari in your vehicle or an optional open vehicle game safari offered by the lodge.
Overnight at Mondjila Safari Camp - Breakfast and dinner.

Day 17 | 250 km
ETOSHA NATIONAL PARK
After sunrise, you have the entire day for excellent game drives in the park.
Overnight at Mushara Bush Camp - Breakfast and dinner.

Day 18 | 420 km
OKAHANDJA
Travelling south past the Waterberg and Etjo Mountain ranges, open bush and grass plains and cattle ranches you reach your lodge just north of Okahandja. Here you have the some time to relax on a typical Namibian farm and reflect on the past day's adventures and experiences before leaving Namibia with unforgettable memories.
Overnight at Omatozu Safari Camp - Breakfast and dinner.

Day 19 | 150 km
DEPARTURE
In time for your outbound flight, travel the short distance to the international airport, where you return your rental vehicle and where your tour ends.
Breakfast.

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

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