

#### ONGAVA GAME RESERVE ANDERSSONS AT ONGAVA

#### RATE SEASON

Low Season: 01 December to 30 June High Season: 01 July to 30 November

#### RATE BASIS

Fully Inclusive (FI) - includes accommodation, all meals, twice daily scheduled camp activities, park fees, all local drinks and laundry. Excluded from the rate are premium imported brands and champagne, gratuities, curio purchases and any other items of a personal nature.

Dinner, Bed & Breakfast (DBB) - includes accommodation, dinner, bed and breakfast. Excluded from the rate are all extras to be settled direct.

Request more information about the Ongava Visitor Centre whilst in camp.

#### LOCATION

The 30 000 hectare private Ongava Game Reserve is situated in northern Namibia along the southern boundary of the Etosha National Park, south of Okaukuejo with Ombika Gate being the closest access to Etosha. The ORC is at the same site as the Anderssons At Ongava, with walking distance access from the main area.

#### ACCESS

Self-Drive Basis: Guests with their own vehicle can access the VC by road from Little Ongava, Ongava Lodge and Ongava Tented Camp. During check in, the dedicated camp manager will provide information on best timing and scheduling to visit the VC.

Scheduled and shared camp activities: The activities can take 6 guests per vehicle. Guests with private vehicle have the flexibility to arrange a visit with their guide to fit their personal desired timing.

#### Anderssons at Ongava Coordinates:

19.20.37.0S Latitude 15.53.55.7E Longitude

## Fly-In Basis

Airstrip Name:	Ongava Airstrip
Duration to Camp:	Approximately 15-minute road transfer (depending on wildlife
	sightings, scenery and photographic opportunities along the way)
Airstrip Coordinates:	S19 19 44 Latitude E15 54 05 Longitude
	These GPS coordinates are for the purposes of locating and plotting
	our airstrips on Google Earth only.
Altitude/Elevation:	3 774 feet
Runway Length:	1 700 metres
Runway Heading:	07/25
Airstrip Surface:	Calcrete



Airstrip Services:

Anderssons At Ongava, Ongava Lodge, Little Ongava, Ongava Tented Camp

Aircraft Type: Our airstrip is restricted to "At Owner/Operator/Pilot in Command discretion" to operations for aircraft types having maximum certified take-off weight (MTOW) of 5700kg or less. For more detailed information, please contact your travel consultant.

The Owner/Operator/Pilot in Command needs to sign our Indemnity, Waiver and Disclaimer policy for authorization to land at our airstrip. In addition, the Owner/Operator/Pilot in Command is required to acknowledge the preferred supplier and self-fly-in information notice. Please consult your travel consultant, as all procedures need to be finalized in advance.

Ongava Game Reserve makes no representation whatsoever regarding the suitability of the aerodrome, its safety and/or its fitness for purposes of use by any type of aircraft under any conditions. The Company warrants that it will make enquiries with the relevant Aviation Authorities regarding the suitability of any aerodrome for any particular type of aircraft and activity. Any information provided to the Company shall not amount to or imply a representation by Ongava Game Reserve as to suitability or fitness for purpose.

## HABITAT & WILDLIFE

## Etosha Pan

Etosha Pan is the result of a geological shift that dramatically changed the course of the Kunene River. Its 5 000 km2 / 1 930 sq. miles (120 km / 75 miles across and 55 km / 34 miles from north to south) were formerly an ancient lake. Today the Pan is mostly bone dry, the stark, parched white surface giving the Pan its Herero name, "Great White Place." The edges of the Pan give way to a surprising variety of vegetation types: from woodland and broad swathes of mopane, to open acacia-strewn plains and grasslands. Fringing the Pan are several productive waterholes that sustain the high density of large mammal fauna, from elephant and lion to vast herds of springbok, wildebeest, zebra, giraffe and gemsbok.

## **Ongava Game Reserve**

On the southern boundary of Etosha National Park and forming a buffer to the Park lies Ongava Game Reserve, a 30 000-hectare (74 129-acre) private reserve. It is a haven to large concentrations of wildlife: notably lion, wildebeest, springbok, gemsbok, Hartmann's mountain zebra, red hartebeest, giraffe, eland and the largest population of the endemic black-faced impala outside of Etosha. The Reserve is also known for the successful reintroduction of white and black rhino. Ongava also provides easy access to the prime game viewing areas of central Etosha, Namibia's flagship national park.

## **Game Viewing**

Guests at Ongava Game Reserve have the opportunity to view game both on Ongava and in neighboring Etosha National Park. Large herds of plains game concentrate around the waterholes in the dry season, making for exciting wildlife viewing. Most general wildlife species are present on Ongava Reserve as well as within Etosha, including springbok, gemsbok, wildebeest, Burchell's zebra, Hartmann's mountain zebra, waterbuck, red hartebeest, giraffe, eland and the endemic black-faced impala. Lion move between the Park and the reserve and both black and white rhino can be seen.



## Birding

Birdlife is prolific on Ongava with 340 species including Ostrich, Kori Bustard, White-tailed Shrike, Short- toed Rock Thrush, Hartlaub's Francolin, Rüppell's Parrot and raptors, such as Greater Kestrel, in abundance. Local specials include Namaqua Sandgrouse, Double-banded Courser, Yellow-bellied Eremomela, Spike-heeled Lark and Acacia Pied Barbet.

## ACTIVITIES

If booked into camp on a Fully Inclusive (FI) rate basis, the following scheduled camp activities are included in the rate:

- Day and night game drives on Ongava Game Reserve in 4 x 10-seater open 4x4 Land Cruiser accommodating a maximum of 6 guests allowing each guest an outside seat.
- Half day excursions into Etosha National Park and full day excursions with a picnic (on request).
- Guided nature walks on the Ongava Game Reserve (seasonal & subject to qualified walking guide being available)
- White rhino can be approached on foot, guest minimum age 16 years (seasonal & subject to the availability of a qualified walking guide)
- Private activities available on request (subject to availability and additional cost applicable)
- Stargazing
- Hide for viewing and photography
- Photographers corner
- Hot water bottles (during winter and on early morning game drives only) and lined ponchos are provided on game drives

On a dinner, bed and breakfast (DBB) basis, guests may self-drive into the Etosha National Park or book and pay for any of the scheduled camp activities below.

Request more information about the Ongava Visitor Centre whilst in camp.

## CAMP DESIGN & FACILITIES

- Social area comprises an undercover and open-air dining area, a spacious lounge and bar. Open fireplaces in the lounge.
- Infinity edge swimming pool with view of waterhole (communal pool)
- Sunken, water level photography hide at the waterhole at camp
- Curio shop
- Library
- During winter months, a gas heater is stationed in the main area
- Complimentary Wi-Fi
- Connectivity to the research data
- The Ongava Visitor Centre is onsite within the camp bounds

# ACCOMMODATION

## Number Of Tents

This camp can accommodate 18 guests plus 4 guide/pilot/tour leaders. 9 x suites in total comprising:

- 7 x twin-bedded suites with 2 x three quarter beds
- 1 x family unit consists of 2 identical suites, each one king-size bed (alternative 2 x three quarter beds). Both suites each have their own bathroom and entrance.
- A total of 2 mattress converters are available that transforms twin beds into king-



size beds. To be arranged prior to arrival.

- There are 2 extra beds available for children/triples
- Plus, guide/pilot/tour leader accommodation comprising: 4 single units with each 1x three quarter beds and en-suite facilities (not of the same standard as a guest tent).

#### **Unit Description**

- The Anderssons At Ongava guest suites are designed as a direct extension of the landscape itself. The rock and other natural elements are used to reflect the environment and drama of Etosha. The natural stone and spacious solid build with innovative roof structure, offers guests a climate-controlled sanctuary in the bush.
- Design includes a private viewing deck with 180-degree panorama.
- Each suite comprises of en-suite facilities with separate toilet, indoor shower and outdoor shower, double vanity basin, mosquito net, tea & coffee making facilities, hairdryer, electronic safe.
- Air-conditioned bedroom.
- During winter hot water bottles and extra blankets are provided
- Bath robes, liquid soap, body wash, shampoo & conditioner, body lotion, room spray, insect repellents, washing powder (for smalls), sewing kit, shower caps, cotton-tip swabs, cotton balls, tissues dispensers, hair dryer, umbrella and laundry bag are supplied in each chalet.

#### **ELECTRICITY & WATER**

- Power is supplied from the National grid.
- Fans and lights in tents powered by 220V.
- There are 220V electrical plug power points in the rooms. It is therefore possible to charge batteries as well as use appliances such as sleep apnea machines, hairdryers or electric shavers during your stay.
- In major cities all electrical appliances run on 220/240V. Outlets are round 3-pin, 15-amp plugs. While some camps can supply adaptors (3-prong round, 3-prong square, 2-prong round, 2-prong flat), it is advisable that you carry your own.

## EXAMPLE OF A TYPICAL DAY

Morning wake-up and activity times vary according to the seasons, activities on offer and wildlife sightings.

- Early morning wake-up call
- Light breakfast before departing on the morning activity
- Return to camp for a meal and rest period.
- Spend time in the Ongava Visitor Centre (OVC), which is at walking distance from the main area.
- Meet for afternoon tea before departing on the activity.
- Return to camp to freshen up or meet for drinks, followed by dinner and thereafter, perhaps a nightcap.

## **CHILD POLICY**

- Children between 0 to 5 years old must book and pay on sole use of the entire camp / lodge.
- Children from 6 years and older are accommodated at the property
- Children younger than 16 years must share with an adult/s in the same room.
- Triple share accommodation is on a request basis and only allowed for children 16 years and under sharing with adults not for three adults sharing. Guests must accept that there is usually an impact on space and comfort in the case of triple



share accommodation.

- Children 12 years and younger are required to book and pay for private activities (unless the camp is booked and paid for on exclusive use).
- 13 years old & older: No private vehicle booking necessary.
- Providing a copy of the children's passport / identity card or birth certificate or similar that contains name and date of birth is required.
- After sunset, there is no walking between the rooms and main area allowed.

## LAUNDRY FACILITIES

Laundry is provided daily (weather permitting) and included on the FI rate basis, however, it is also available for guests on DBB rate at an extra charge. Laundry slips are provided, which guests must include with their clothes. Although the utmost care is taken with laundry, Ongava Game Reserve cannot accept responsibility for any damage or shrinkage. It is therefore recommended that guests hand wash their own delicate items with the washing powder provided.

## **PAYMENT FOR EXTRAS**

The Namibian Dollar and South African Rand are the only legal tender in Namibia and can be used freely to purchase goods and services. **The Namibian Dollar, however, is not legal tender in South Africa.** Visitors may bring any amount of foreign currency into the country; however, Travelers Cheques and foreign currency can only be exchanged at any of the main commercial banks in the major centers of the country. We recommend that guests make use of cash or credit cards.

Ongava Game Reserve accepts US Dollars, GBP Sterling and Euro as payment for curios, drinks, gratuities, etc. International MasterCard and Visa credit cards are generally accepted throughout Namibia. Holders of other cards are advised to clarify with a commercial bank whether their card is acceptable in Namibia. American Express is now accepted on the Ongava Game Reserve.

## **TIPPING & GRATUITY GUIDELINES**

We would like to emphasise that tipping is not a requirement and should be undertaken only by choice, dependent on the service received. If guests are pleased with the service provided, they may wish to add a nominal amount ranging between US\$ 10.00 to US\$ 30.00 per day for incidentals (subject to personal budget choice)

- Guides & Specialist Guides We recommend US\$ 10.00 per guest per day.
- General Safari Camp or Lodge Staff We recommend about US\$ 10.00 per guest per day for safari camps.
- Transfer Driver We recommend about US\$ 2.00 to US\$ 3.00 per guest per movement.
- **Porterage** We recommend about US\$ 2.00 to US\$ 3.00 per guest per movement.

We recommend tipping your guide directly and making use of the gratuity box in the main area for the general camp staff.