

# 19 DAYS - NAMIBIA HIGHLIGHTS

## GUIDED TOUR (SILVER OPTION)

Valid until October 2025  
for 2 - 8 persons



Experience the best of what Namibia has to offer on our 19-day self-drive tour that takes you from the red dunes of the **Kalahari** to the depths of the **Fish River Canyon** and the age-old vistas of the **Namib Desert**, then via the coast to the **Twyfelfontein UNESCO World Heritage Site** and the magnificent wildlife of the **Etosha National Park**. If it's **tranquillity** and the **beauty of nature, varied scenery, friendly people, unique wildlife experiences**, or just the **vastness of the desert** you're after, Namibia has everything you're looking for.



## Itinerary

### Day 1

#### *Arrival in Windhoek*

You'll be picked up at the airport by your tour guide and driven to Windhoek. Your hotel has an outdoor pool and a wellness area, while from the sky bar you have a beautiful panoramic view of the Klein Windhoek district. In the afternoon, you can take a short city tour before enjoying a game roast in the evening.  
(approx. 40 km, travel time approx. 40 min.)

*The Weinberg Hotel, Superior Room*



### Day 2

#### *Drive to the Kalahari semi-desert*

Enjoy your first morning in Namibia and indulge in a sumptuous breakfast before driving via Rehoboth and Kalkrand into the Kalahari Desert to Suricate Camp. The small, tented lodge is built on a majestic red dune on the edge of a huge clay pan, from where you can enjoy a wonderful view. At sunset you take a nature tour through the up to 30m high red, longitudinal dunes, in an open-top off-road vehicle, accompanied by the typical flora and fauna of the Kalahari Desert.  
(approx. 260 km from Windhoek, travel time approx. 3 hours)

*Intu Africa Suricate Camp (incl. sundowner cruise)*



### Day 3

#### *To the Fish River Canyon*

Today you drive through an arid area with many succulents such as quiver trees, whose dead branches were used by the Bushmen as quivers for their arrows. You can take a closer look at this aloe species on the way at the quiver tree forest, while not far away is the "Giant's Playground", where ancient volcanic rock formations transport visitors to a fascinating fantasy world. The bungalows of your destination, Canyon Lodge, built from natural stone, are hidden between huge granite rocks and offer a special overnight atmosphere.

(approx. 450 km, travel time approx. 6 hours)

#### *Canyon Lodge*

### Day 4

#### *Fish River Canyon*

You have the whole day to explore the area, with a visit to the Fish River Canyon a must. At about 160 km long, up to 27 km wide in places, and 550 m deep it is considered the second largest canyon in the world. Like a snake, it winds its way through a grey-brown rocky landscape towards the Orange River, the natural border with South Africa. There are many hiking opportunities both at the lodge and along the canyon.

(approx. 50 km, travel time approx. 1 hour)

#### *Canyon Lodge*



### Day 5

#### *Continue to Aus*

The route on to Aus and Klein-Aus Vista, located west of the town at the foot of the Aus mountains, is impressive in its barrenness and loneliness. Built in the style of an old farmhouse, the lodge radiates incredible tranquillity, and the view over the endless expanses of desert is indescribable. In the afternoon, you can visit the famous and fascinating "Wild Horses of Garub", whose origins have been a mystery for decades.

(approx. 300 km, travel time approx. 3-4 hours)

#### *Klein-Aus Vista, Desert Horse Inn*



### Day 6

#### *Sesriem/Sossusvlei*

You drive north along the edge of the Namib Desert, where the unbelievable vastness, isolated inselbergs, and dune landscapes provide one of the most spectacular landscapes in Namibia. Sossusvlei Lodge, your accommodation today, is situated directly in front of the park entrance to Sossusvlei. The bungalows are comfortably furnished and offer a wonderful view of the dunes and the vast plains of the Namib. In the afternoon you can visit the Sesriem Canyon.

(approx. 350 km, travel time approx. 6 hours)

#### *Sossusvlei Lodge near the park entrance*



### Day 7

#### *Sossusvlei*

Early in the morning, you drive to the highest dunes in the world at Sossusvlei. As the sun is still quite low in the morning, the high dunes shimmer golden, yellow and reddish on one side, but are dark and shadowy on the other, making the dune ridge stand out razor-sharp. A short hike through thick sand takes you to Deadvlei, where trees that died a long time ago provide a fascinating vista with their bizarrely shaped

trunks and branches. Back at the lodge in the afternoon, you have time to think back on the past few days.

(approx. 130 km, travel time approx. 2.5 hours)

*Sossusvlei Lodge near the park entrance*



### **Day 8**

*To Swakopmund*

You continue north to Solitaire, where you can sample the famous apple pie, before passing through the central Namib Desert. On the way you are sure to see ostriches, and perhaps also springboks, zebras, and oryx antelopes. Your destination is the coastal town of Swakopmund, where you'll spend the night in a guesthouse overlooking the ocean. The town center with its numerous cafés and restaurants is within walking distance and dinner is served in a restaurant overlooking the sea.

(approx. 350 km, travel time approx. 6 hours)

*At the Sea Guesthouse, Luxury Room*

### **Day 9**

*Swakopmund*

In the morning you take a very interesting boat trip in the Walvis Bay lagoon, where you'll see seals, dolphins, flamingos, and pelicans.



Many activities are possible in the afternoon (optional), including enjoying the beach, visiting the museum, aquarium or crystal gallery, or quad biking in the dunes, etc. A sightseeing flight along the coast can also be booked (all optional).

(approx. 40 km to Walvis Bay, travel time approx. 30 min.)

*At the Sea Guesthouse + catamaran trip incl.*

### **Day 10**

*Erongo Mountains*

You bid farewell to the sea and drive to the Erongo Mountains, along the way looking north to see the majestic Spitzkoppe, also known as the "Matterhorn of Namibia", which rises 600 meters above the plain. Your lodge is nestled between huge granite boulders in the wildly beautiful landscape at the foot of the Erongo Mountains. From your bungalow you have a magnificent view of the savannah, and you can relax at the pool and enjoy the magnificent panorama. In the afternoon, make sure not to miss the guided sunset walk.

(approx. 190 km, travel time approx. 2.5-3 hours)

*Ai Aiba Lodge (hike included)*



### **Day 11**

*Drive via Uis to Twyfelfontein*

You drive past the 2,573 m high Brandberg massif to the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Twyfelfontein, an Afrikaans name which means "dubious source". The sandstones in the area are the fossilized remains of a primeval desert that covered large areas of present-day Namibia with its masses of sand around 180 million years ago. On a guided tour, you'll get to visit the world-famous rock engravings.

(approx. 240 km, travel time approx. 4 hours)

*Twyfelfontein Adventure Camp*

## Day 12

### *Twyfelfontein*

A very special excursion awaits you today as you take a drive in the lodge's open safari vehicle down the dry riverbed of the Huab and Aba-Huab. Driving between tall camelthorn and ana trees, through the deep river sand, you'll perhaps be lucky enough to encounter the famous desert elephants on this otherwise very scenic tour.

*Twyfelfontein Adventure Camp (incl. Huab River Scenic Drive)*



## Day 13

### *Drive through Damaraland*

You continue, via Khorixas, to Damaraland, stopping on the way to visit the "Petrified Forest", a collection of fossilized tree trunks up to 30 m long, which were formed 280 million years ago and later uncovered by erosion. The small and cozy Huab Lodge is located off the beaten track on the banks of the dry Huab River and has its own thermal spring. The bungalows offer a magnificent and private view of the Huab river valley. (approx. 190 km, travel time approx. 3-4 hours)

*Huab Lodge*

## Day 14

### *To Etosha National Park*

Today you head to the Etosha National Park, which, at almost 23,000 km<sup>2</sup>, is one of the largest game reserves in the world and is considered one of the most outstanding game parks in Africa. Your lodge is located just a few kilometers from the park gate. It is built on a hill and offers a beautiful view of the bush savannah. In the afternoon, you can go on our first game drives in the park with our guide.

(approx. 200 km, travel time approx. 3 hours)

*Etosha Safari Lodge at the southern park gate*



## Day 15

### *Drive through the eastern Etosha National Park*

Exciting animal sightings await you today in the Etosha National Park, home to over 110 species of mammals, including elephants, rhinos, giraffes, zebras, twelve different species of antelope, and lions. You have the whole day to visit the various waterholes with our guide before leaving the park in an easterly direction in the evening. The cozy Onguma Bush Camp is just a few kilometers from Etosha and, with its grass-roofed buildings, offers a real "bush feeling".

(approx. 190 km, travel time approx. 3 hours plus rides in the park)

*Onguma Bush Camp at the eastern park entrance*

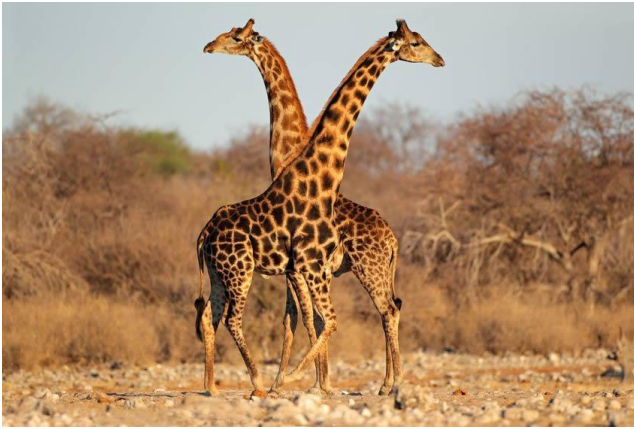


## Day 16

### *Etosha National Park*

You have another chance to enjoy the abundance of animals in Etosha, watching them quenching their thirst at the waterholes. But, you can also choose to relax and enjoy the beautiful camp before sampling the delicacies from the kitchen once again.

*Onguma Bush Camp at the eastern park entrance*



### Day 17

#### *Otjiwarongo / Okonjima*

You leave the wildlife of the Etosha National Park and drive via Tsumeb to Otjiwarongo today, perhaps stopping on the way to visit Lake Otjikoto, where in 1915 the Germans sank their cannons and weapons while fleeing from the South African forces. You then drive to Okonjima, home of the AfriCat Foundation, where projects with leopards and hyenas are carried out, and will be explained during an afternoon game drive.

(approx. 360 km, travel time approx. 4 hours)

*Okonjima Plains Camp (incl. leo tracking)*



### Day 18

#### *Drive towards Windhoek*

Today you drive via Okahandja, where you can visit the local woodcarving market, to a private game reserve just outside Windhoek. You can relax at the pool and reflect on the past few days and, in the afternoon, go on one last game drive where we can see rhinos, eland antelopes, giraffes, kudus, and springboks.

(approx. 200 km, travel time approx. 2.5 hours)

*Okapuka Safari Lodge (incl. sundowner drive)*



### Day 19

#### *Departure*

Your Namibian safari ends today with a drive to Windhoek and, depending on the time of your departure, a chance for one last stroll through the city before driving to the airport in time for your flight back home.

(approx. 80 km, travel time approx. 1.5 hours)

#### **Cost per person:**

Valid until October 2025. The final costs depend on the availability of accommodation.

**For 2 people: ZAR 197,450 per person**

(about CHF 9,705 or about EUR 10,060)

**For 4 people: ZAR 151,000 per person**

(about CHF 7,420 or about EUR 7,695)

**For 6 people: ZAR 136,000 per person**

(about CHF 6,685 or about EUR 6,930)

**For 8 people: ZAR 125,800 per person**

(about CHF 6,180 or about EUR 6,410)

**Single room supplement: ZAR 20,620**

(about CHF 1,015 or about EUR 1,050)

(Exchange rate on 18 July 2024)

#### **Included in the price:**

Full board.

Activities as described.

Accompanied by a professional tour guide in a 4x4 off-road vehicle or VW Crafter/station wagon.

Entrance fees to parks, petrol/diesel.

#### **Not included in the price**

Flight.

Tips, drinks.

#### **Remarks:**

Changes can be made to the program by prior arrangement, and personal wishes can be accommodated.

If certain planned accommodation establishments are already fully booked, small changes to the program are possible.

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