

# **ESSENTIAL NAMIBIA BIRDING 2024**

Windhoek - Sesriem - Swakopmund - Erongo Mountains - Etosha National Park - Waterberg Plateau National Park

14 Days / 13 Nights

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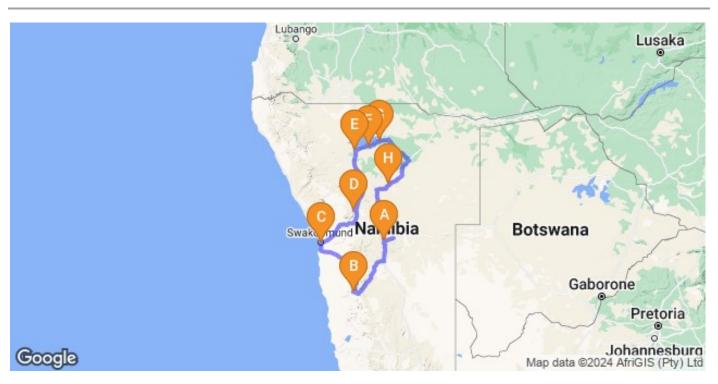












# Introduction

This **Namibia Birding Safari** is a must for any keen birder! Indeed, the birds, other wildlife, landscapes and vast open spaces will touch your soul. Our itinerary covers the best birding and wildlife venues of Central and Northern Namibia. From the great orange sand dunes of Sossusvlei to the plains of Etosha, each day delivers new wonders. And, while Namibia's bird list is not as big as those of more verdant countries, it's packed with near-endemics and specials. In short, it's simply unique in every way. Namibia awaits – let us show it to you!

#### Areas covered

Our **Namibia Birding Safara** begins in Windhoek. After one night there we take a spectacular drive to Sesriem, gateway to the iconic dunes of Sossusvlei. From there we trek across to the Atlantic Coast, overnighting in Swakopmund. Then it's inland to the stunning Erongo Conservancy for birding in some unforgettable scenery. Etosha is then perhaps the highlight of the tour. Indeed, it's one of Africa's great parks, at its best in now at the end of the dry season. We then have a last stop in the Waterberg area before finishing off back at the airport near Windhoek.

#### Accommodation

Your accommodation on this Namibia Birding Safari is of a medium-plus standard. It includes a travel inn, three private lodges, and national park's chalets. Importantly, all accommodations have en-suite facilities, and are clean and comfortable.

#### The birding

The south-west African endemics are the main focus on this Namibia Birding Tour. These are birds that only occur in Namibia and Angola. In addition, we'll also focus on the species that have a slightly wider distribution, occurring in western South Africa as well. Furthermore, there are also more ubiquitous African species to be seen. Our target birds include Dune Lark, Herero Chat, Rüppel's Korhaan, Gray's Lark, Chestnut-banded Plover, Damara Tern, Hartlaub's Spurfowl, Damara Rockrunner, Burchell's Courser, Ludwig's Bustard, Secretarybird, Bare-cheeked Babbler, Violet Wood-Hoopoe, Rüppel's Parrot and many others.

#### The mammals

Africa is synonymous with mammal viewing and Namibia is no exception. There are plenty of mammals and other interesting things to see on this Namibia Birding Safari. In this respect Etosha will be the highlight. In particular, it is famous for its waterhole game viewing. And in fact, the waterhole viewing can be among the best on the continent. Moreover, it's probably the best destination there is for Black Rhino. And the Lion sightings are legendary! Other species to see include African Elephant, Southern Giraffe, Springbok, Black-faced Impala, Oryx, Cheetah, Leopard, Honey Badger, Brown Hyena, Black-backed Jackal and plenty more. In addition, there's a range of reptiles, amphibians, butterflies and other insects to be seen.

#### **Group size**

Maximum of 8 participants; 4 participants per vehicle / guide

#### **Expected weather conditions**

The interior will by hot and mildly humid this time of year, whilst the areas along the coast and in the Namib Desert such as Sossusvlei can be cold in the evening. There is a chance of rain in Etosha and Erongo.

In conclusion, this **Namibia Birding Safari** will touch your soul. Birds, wildlife, scenery and good food combine to create a unique destination. Come, let us show you Namibia! For those who like more of a focus on wildlife, have a look at our Essential Namibia Wildlife safari.

Accommodation	Destination	Start	End	Basis	Duration
Arebbusch Travel Lodge	Windhoek	22 Nov	23 Nov	FB	1 Night
Desert Camp	Sesriem	23 Nov	25 Nov	FB	2 Nights
Swakopmund Guesthouse	Swakopmund	25 Nov	27 Nov	FB	2 Nights
Ondudu Safari Lodge	Erongo Mountains	27 Nov	29 Nov	FB	2 Nights
Okaukuejo Resort	Etosha National Park	29 Nov	1 Dec	FB	2 Nights
Halali Rest Camp	Etosha National Park	1 Dec	2 Dec	FB	1 Night
Namutoni Resort	Etosha National Park	2 Dec	3 Dec	FB	1 Night
Waterberg Wilderness Lodge	Waterberg Plateau National Park	3 Dec	5 Dec	FB	2 Nights

#### Key

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

# **Price**

ZAR 78 650 per person sharing

**ZAR 3 675** single supplement

# Included

- Accommodation
- All meals
- Entrance fees
- Ground transport
- Lawson's reusable water bottle
- Personalised checklists
- Specialist guide fees

#### **Excluded**

- All airfares
- Travel and medical insurance
- All drinks
- Optional excursions where applicable
- Gratuities
- Items of a personal nature

# Day 1: Friday, 22 November Arebbusch Travel Lodge, Windhoek

#### **Day Itinerary**

Your guide will meet you at the airport and we'll make our way through to Arrebusch Travel Lodge in Windhoek, about a 45-minute drive away. We can relax at the lodge after arriving, and perhaps do some casual birding in the grounds, where we may see species such as African Red-eyed Bulbul, White-backed Mousebird, Red-billed Spurfowl, Violet-eared Waxbill and the Shaft-tailed Whydah brood parasite, White-browed Sparrow Weaver, Crimson-breasted Shrike, and others. We can then freshen up before dinner and an early night after the long travel day.

#### Windhoek

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. Windhoek 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: Arebbusch Travel Lodge**

Arebbusch Travel Lodge offers high quality accommodation at affordable rates in a natural setting in Windhoek – a gateway to the many wonders of Namibia's beautiful wide open spaces, its fascinating variety of cultures, nature, wildlife and majestic sunsets. Situated on the banks of the dry Arebbusch River, Arebbusch Travel Lodge nestles in the natural surroundings of the "veld". Far from the hustle and bustle of central city life, yet minutes away from the capital's shopping centres and attractions.







Day 2-4: Saturday, 23 November to Monday, 25 November Desert Camp, Sesriem

#### **Day Itinerary**

Today we'll start with an early breakfast (or possibly a packed breakfast) before departing for the Namib Desert. Our route will take us south-westwards across the incredibly scenic Hakos Mountains, and we'll drop down off the interior plateau via the spectacular Spreetshoogte Pass, where the Namib Desert will unfold below us. Birds we'll be looking out for en-route include Pale Chanting Goshawk, Short-toed Rock-Thrush, Mountain Wheatear, Pririt Batis, Yellow-bellied Eremomela, Barred Wren-Warbler, Crimson-breasted Shrike, Red-billed Spurfowl, Sociable Weaver, Pygmy Falcon and, on the pass itself, Herero Chat, our main target species for the day. Mammals we may see include

Hartmann's Mountain Zebra, Klipspringer and Chacma Baboon. Leaving the plateau behind us the habitat will become progressively more arid and here we'll search for Stark's Lark, Ludwig's Bustard, Rüppell's Korhaan, Namaqua Sandgrouse, Swallow-tailed Bee-eater, Burchell's Courser and Common Ostrich, among others. We'll slowly amble south towards our accommodation near Sossusvlei where we'll have a two night stay, expecting to arrive late the afternoon with enough time to get settled in and relax before dinner.

On our full day we'll have an early start as we take along a packed breakfast for our morning excursion to Sossusvlei. After entering the gate near Sesriem, we'll start the birding, searching for a variety of species such as Ludwig's Bustard, Namaqua Sandgrouse, and Burchell's Courser, with our main target for the day being Namibia's only true endemic, the Dune Lark, an inhabitant of the red dunes along the roadside. Further on we'll explore Sossusvlei, with the dead trees set against the red dunes and white clay pan create some of Namibia's classic scenery. Heading back to the lodge we'll take a breakthrough the heat of the day and in the afternoon visit the nearby Sesriem Canyon and Elim Dune, where Dune Lark also may be found, before heading back as the setting sun lights up the desert in spectacular colours.

#### Sesriem

As there is no accommodation at Sossusvlei, visitors to this desert wilderness are likely to end up staying at Sesriem, 65 kilometres away, where camps and lodges serve as a base from which to explore the dunes. Sesriem Canyon, a deep chasm carved through the rocks by water, is a striking natural feature of the area that is best explored on foot. Stony walls rise up sharply on both sides of the canyon, while birds roost in its crags and lizards dart along the ledges. The canyon's name was coined when early settlers used it as a water source, using six lengths of leather ('ses riem – six thongs) tied together to lower buckets into the water at the base of canyon.)

# Overnight: Desert Camp View iBrochure

Self-catering at its Best amidst unparalleled Desert Beauty...

Desert Camp is situated just 5 km from the entrance gate to Sossusvlei and Sesriem Canyon in the Namib Nauklauft Park. Nestled under centuries old camel thorn trees, Desert Camp offers unsurpassed views over the Desert landscapes and surrounding mountains - An absolute must for the nature lover and photographer!

The 28 affordable self-catering accommodation units are equipped with an en-suite bathroom, shaded veranda with a fitted kitchenette, barbeque, power points and an adjacent parking area. Each air-conditioned room features twin beds and a fold-out sleeper couch to accommodate 2 small children (under 12) free of charge when sharing with 2 full paying adults. Utility boxes with most utensils needed are available at reception and fresh food supplies can be ordered daily.

Facilities at the main building include a fully stocked and serviced bar with big screen television, a sparkling swimming pool and 2 communal bomas with cooking and wash up facilities which are perfect for groups travelling together.

Meals can be enjoyed at the nearby Sossusvlei Lodge restaurant and their Adventure Centre offers a range of exciting Desert activities to explore the area.

A fully stocked shop, fuel and an Internet café is available at the Sossus Oasis Service Station.







Day 4-6: Monday, 25 November to Wednesday, 27 November Swakopmund Guesthouse, Swakopmund

# **Day Itinerary**

Today we'll have an early breakfast before a long but interesting drive across the seemingly barren plains towards the town of Swakopmund on the cold Atlantic coast, where we'll stay for two nights. Nearing the coast the landscape will morph into almost featureless gravel plains, where we may find Gray's Lark seeking shade among the rocks along the roadside, while the temperature may drop as much as 20 degrees as we arrive in Namibia main port of Walvis Bay. We'll stop for some birding and lunch at one of the numerous restaurants overlooking the charming esplanade, where large numbers of both Greater and Lesser Flamingo feed in the bay, before we push on to Swakopmund, arriving in the late afternoon for time to freshen up before dinner.

On our full day we'll head back down to Walvis Bay, stopping off en-route to scan an off-shore guano platform for Bank and Crowned Cormorants in among the throngs of Cape Cormorants crowding the platform. At Walvis Bay we may head down to Rooibank if we missed Dune Lark at Sossusvlei, or alternatively start our birding on the bay, where we can get to grips with species such as Lesser and Greater Flamingos and waders such as Curlew Sandpiper, Red Knot, Sanderling, Little Stint, Common Greenshank, Bar-tailed Godwit, Common Whimbrel and possibly Eurasian Curlew. We'll then visit the Walvis Bay Salt Works, where we may find Red-necked Phalarope, a regular vagrant to Southern Africa, whilst large rafts of Black-necked Grebe are also regularly seen here alongside more regular waders, and occasionally Black Tern. Time permitting we may quickly scan the ocean from the end of the Paaltjies road where Sooty Shearwater, White-chinned Petrel and Parasitic Jaeger may be seen. We'll return to Walvis Bay for lunch along the esplanade, where Damara Tern may be seen alongside the more common Terns and Gulls such as Hartlaub's and Kelp Gull, Common Tern, Swift, Sandwich and Caspian Tern. From here we'll make our way back to Swakopmund, where we'll have some time to relax before doing some birding nearby in the late afternoon to search for any species we may still be missing, and will take a bit of time out before heading out for dinner.

# **Swakopmund**

Set along Namibia's spectacularly scenic coast, the seaside town of Swakopmund is known for its wide-open avenues, colonial architecture, and its surrounding otherworldly desert terrain. Founded in 1892 as the main harbour for German South-West Africa, Swakopmund is often described as being more German than Germany. Now a seaside resort town, Swakopmund is the capital of the Skeleton Coast tourism area and has plenty to keep visitors happy. The quirky mix of German and Namibian influences, adventure options, laid-back atmosphere and cool sea breeze make it a very popular Namibian destination. Visitors can look forward to a number of exciting activities including: quad biking, horse riding, paragliding, fishing, sightseeing and fascinating desert tours.

# Overnight: Swakopmund Guesthouse View iBrochure

Situated in the town centre, a mere five-minute walk from the beach and main shopping area, Swakopmund Guesthouse is owned and run by the Borg family.







Day 6-8: Wednesday, 27 November to Friday, 29 November Ondudu Safari Lodge, Erongo Mountains

#### **Day Itinerary**

Today we'll have an early start as we leave the coast and head back inland. Our main mission this morning will be to get to Spitzkoppe as early as possible for a second shot at finding Herero Chat, if we didn't manage to find it on the Spreetshoogte Pass. We'll spend some time birding around the impressive rock outcrop rising out of the otherwise flat landscape, and have our packed breakfast at some point during the morning. Leaving Spitzkoppe we'll push on to the Erongo region, where we stay at The Erongo Wild in the Erongo Mountain Nature Conservancy. We should arrive in time for lunch and some time to rest through the heat of the day. In the late afternoon we'll take a walk in the area surrounding the camp, where we'll focus on two target species - Damara Rockrunner and Hartlaub's Spurfowl. In the evening we'll dine at the restaurant and complete our day's checklist before calling it a night.

On our full day we'll start with an early birding walk, the mornings offering the best chances of finding Hartlaub's Spurfowl and Damara Rockrunner. Other species we'll be looking out for include Rosy-faced Lovebird, Cape Bunting, Mountain Wheatear, Short-toed Rock Thrush, Black-throated Canary, Pale-winged Starling, Great Sparrow, White-tailed Shrike, Pririt Batis, Dusky Sunbird, Black-chested Snake Eagle, Augur Buzzard and Verreauxs' Eagle, as well as Dassie Rat and the charming Namibian Rock Agamas. From there we may head out in the vehicle for some more birding in the area before a late breakfast. For the more energetic we can then take a walk in the hills surrounding the lodge, though considering the heat of an average day in Namibia we may just want to rest and relax in camp until it cools down in the afternoon and take a late afternoon birding stroll instead before time to freshen up for dinner.

#### **Erongo Mountains**

Conveniently located only a few hour's drive from Namibia's capital city of Windhoek, the Erongo Mountain Range stretches across the plains between the towns of Omaruru and Karibib, and is home to a remarkably rich natural heritage. This expanse of rugged wilderness serves as one of Namibia's most popular tourist drawcards, attracting visitors with its spectacularly scenic landscapes, magnificent caves and rock painting sites, and its impressive array of wildlife species. These include, among others: Rhino, Elephant, Cheetah, Leopard, Giraffe, Wildebeest, Impala, Blesbok, Waterbuck, Kudu, Warthog, Mountain Zebra, Oryx, Eland, Springbok and over 200 species of bird. Visitors can look forward to enjoying a variety of adventurous activities such as hiking, rock climbing, games drives, horse riding safaris and mountain biking.

# Overnight: Ondudu Safari Lodge View iBrochure

Located in Omaruru in Namibia, The Erongo Wild offers luxury accommodation perfect for nature enthusiasts looking for a relaxing getaway surrounded by pristine natural landscapes. The lodge features a selection of luxury tented rooms, two honeymoon suites, and a family room. There is also a self-catering tented unit that comprises two bedrooms, a kitchen, and a living room. During their stay, guests can enjoy delicious meals at the on-site restaurant. Activities in the area include village tours, hiking, and game drives.







Day 8-10: Friday, 29 November to Sunday, 1 December Okaukuejo Resort, Etosha National Park

#### Day Itinerary

Today we can have a relaxed start with an early birding session at the restaurant and perhaps a short walk before breakfast and departure for the world renowned Etosha National Park and Okaukuejo, in the central parts of the park, where we'll be based for the next two nights. After getting settled in we can head down to the camp waterhole to see if there's any activity before an afternoon drive, on which we'll head out to one of the nearby waterholes in the hope of finding some of Etosha's spectacular Lions, as well as other species such as Honey Badger, Black-backed Jackal, South African Ground Squirrel, Elephant, Springbok, Gemsbok and the like. Birds we'll look out for include Northern Black Korhaan, Double-banded Courser, Ludwig's Bustard, Pink-billed and Red-capped Larks Namaqua Sandgrouse and others. Back at camp we'll have time to freshen up before dinner and can end off with a night session at the floodlit waterhole, which offers excellent chances for Black Rhino, and maybe some nocturnal predators such as Lion, Leopard or Brown Hyena, while Double-banded Sandgrouse arrive after sunset to drink, and Rufous-cheeked Nightjars hawk insects around the lights.

On our full day we'll perhaps start off with an early vigil at the waterhole to see what comes down to drink before sunrise, followed by the usual pre-breakfast game and birding drive, breakfast and a rest before lunch and an afternoon drive – a by now familiar routine!

#### **Etosha National Park**

Situated in north-western Namibia, the Etosha National Park offers a premier game viewing experience. The park's diverse vegetation ranges from dense bush to open plains attracting a variety of wildlife. Located in the heart of the park is the Etosha Pan - a shallow depression that covers an area of 5000 square kilometers. Dry and shimmering for most of the year, the pans fill up with water after seasonal rains, making it the perfect habitat for wildlife. In the dry season, the wildlife is attracted to the perennial springs and waterholes that makes for excellent game viewing. Visitors can look forward to world-class game viewing including a variety of large mammals such as Lion, Elephant, Leopard, Rhino, Zebra, Giraffe, a diversity of birdlife such as Flamingoes and Pelicans.

# Overnight: Okaukuejo Resort

Okaukeujo was formerly a military outpost founded in 1901 and the tower was added in 1963. Located in the south of Etosha National Park, Okaukuejo is only 17 km from Anderson Gate. Okaukuejo offers a wide range of accommodation as well as all the necessities such as a petrol station and a shop. The restaurant and bar offer refreshments and delicious meals, while the swimming pool offers relief on hot days. The waterhole, for which Okaukeujo is famous, is a hub of animal activity starting in the early hours of the morning. Especially during winter diversity of game congregate in close proximity to the camp to quench their thirst.

After sunset floodlights illuminate the waterhole. This is the best time and place to see the endangered Black Rhino. This archaic mammal can often be seen drinking alongside Lion and Elephant. The number and interaction of the animals is the major drawcard of Okaukuejo Resort in Namibia.







Day 10: Sunday, 1 December Halali Rest Camp, Etosha National Park

#### Day Itinerary

We'll start off with either a session at the camp waterhole or a short drive before breakfast, returning for breakfast and departure for our next camp, Halali, where we'll spend the evening. The drive there will be an interesting one as we leave the more open areas around Okaukuejo behind and head into areas of Mopani Woodland. We should start seeing Elephant more regularly here, with the habitat being ideal for these gentle giants. We'll aim to reach Halali around mid-day, and after having lunch and getting checked in, we'll have a while to relax in the camp during the hotter time of the day, followed by a birding walk in the camp grounds during which we'll aim to find Violet Woodhoopoe and Bare-cheeked Babbler, another two species on our Namibia hit-list. We'll then have some time to freshen up before dinner.

#### **Etosha National Park**

As previously described

#### **Overnight: Halali Rest Camp**

In an otherwise flat area Halali is perched between a few hills and koppies. Thicker vegetation makes this popular with Leopard, Rhino and Elephant. Situated halfway between Namutoni and Okaukuejo, Halali is centrally located in close proximity of some of the most popular waterholes of the Etosha National Park. A short walk will take you to the camp's floodlit waterhole with excellent day and night game viewing.

'Halali' is the German word for the traditional ending of a hunt. The Resort signifies the end of game hunting and the rise of eco-tourism in Namibia. Halali offers active guests the largest pool in the park and its strategic location between Namutoni and Okaukuejo makes it a great stopover for lunch, ice cream, a cool drink or just petrol.







Day 11: Monday, 2 December Namutoni Resort, Etosha National Park

# **Day Itinerary**

We'll perhaps start off with an early session at the camp waterhole to see what comes down to drink before dawn, followed by some more birding in the camp grounds, before breakfast and departure for Namutoni Camp, situated in the south-eastern sector of the park. The drive there will take a good few hours as we slowly amble along hopefully adding birds such as Meyers Parrot, Cinnamon-breasted Bunting and African Hawk Eagle along the way, and will also spend some time at the numerous waterholes en-route. After checking in we'll have a bit of time to relax before heading out for a short afternoon drive in the vicinity of the camp to get familiar with our new surroundings, with this area often producing large numbers of Kori Bustard along the dry edges of Fischer's Pan, before returning to camp for dinner and a good rest. Other species to look out for include the diminutive Damara Dikdik, as well as an isolated population of Blue Cranes, a species otherwise confined to South Africa

#### **Etosha National Park**

As previously described

#### **Overnight: Namutoni Resort**

Built into an old German Fort Namutoni has a unique atmosphere. Within the fort you will find ample facilities. From the walls of the fort you can enjoy an elevated view of the King Nehale Waterhole allowing for great game viewing without leaving the camp. The walls of the fort are also and excellent spot for sundowners. There is hardly a better way to end a day in the bush and Namibia than to marvel at the colours of the setting sun.

Namutoni is situated in the eastern part of Etosha National Park and is accessible via the Von Lindequist Gate. Its close proximity to Fisher's Pan makes Namutoni a hotspot for birders. A restaurant, craft shop, a pool and a viewing deck overlooking King Nehale Waterhole make the fort a great place to relax at lunchtime or after evening game drives. A superette, curio shop and petrol station allow you to stock up on everything that is necessary and nice.







Day 12-14: Tuesday, 3 December to Thursday, 5 December Waterberg Wilderness Lodge, Waterberg Plateau National Park

# **Day Itinerary**

We'll be up for another early morning drive in the vicinity of camp, hoping to add a few species to our lists before returning for breakfast and packing up our gear for the drive through to the Waterberg for our last two nights. The drive there will take a good few hours and we'll pass through the town of Otjiwarongo along the way, where we'll stop for lunch, after which we'll have a quick visit to the water treatment works where we may locate African Swamphen, White-winged Tern, African Reed-Warbler, Lesser Swamp-Warbler and Black Crake. Afterwards we'll drive through to the Waterberg where we'll spend our last two nights. After arriving we'll get settled in with a bit of time to relax before we head out for a late afternoon drive or walk on the property where we should encounter species such as Black-chested Prinia, Swallow-tailed Bee-eater, Magpie Shrike, Rüppell's Parrot and Violet Wood-Hoopoe, with a stop for sundowner drinks . We'll return for dinner, hopefully encountering some nocturnal species such as Spotted Eagle-Owl and Rufous-cheeked Nightjar along the way, before settling in for a good night's sleep.

#### **Waterberg Plateau National Park**

Situated in north central Namibia and named for the springs that emanate from its foothills, the Waterberg Plateau National Park is a fascinating geological site featuring compressed sandstone crags, 200 million-year-old dinosaur footprints, and petrified sand dunes. The area's natural water sources make it far more fertile than its environs, and the park is blessed with a plethora of plant and animal species, including leopards, rhinoceros, vultures, cheetahs, bush babies, ferns and fig trees. Visitors can enjoy a wide selection of activities including: learning about the local Herero culture on an informative village tour, tracking rhino on a guided safari, exploring the Waterberg's 50-kilometre-long and 16-kilometre-wide sandstone plateau, dubbed 'table mountain', and catching a glimpse of the rare and endangered sable and roan antelope.

#### **Overnight: Waterberg Wilderness Lodge**

Situated in a fairy-tale valley of the Waterberg: Huge trees, mighty bamboo and a spring turn the farmhouse-style lodge into an oasis at the edge of the Kalahari. There are two pools, a garden café and a restaurant and bar. European dishes from the typically Namibian farmhouse kitchen are served for dinner (set menu).

The lodge is part of the private nature reserve Waterberg Wilderness, offering a world of experience at the Kalahari's table mountain. Guests can join guided hikes onto the plateau or enjoy an exclusive guided hike just for themselves ("honeymoon sundowners"). Rhino drives and Rhino tracking tours offer the opportunity to encounter Rhinos and other game at eye-level. There are cultural tours to Hereroland, not to forget five nature trails including a "Botanical garden" and a History Path with information boards reviving and explaining the past.







Day 14: Thursday, 5 December End of Itinerary

# **Day Itinerary**

We'll start the day with an early morning birding walk along a few of the trails in the area, where we'll hopefully find species such as Damara Rockrunner, Hartlaub's Spurfowl, Violet-eared Waxbill, Red-faced Mousebird, Striped Kingfisher and Bennett's Woodpecker, before returning for breakfast and finally making our way back to Windhoek where we'll say our final goodbyes at the end of wonderful journey through the fascinating country of Namibia.

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# **Terms and Conditions**

# **Itinerary Terms and Conditions**

Note that this tour can only run at the listed price with a minimum of two participants.

This itinerary is subject to change due to weather conditions at the time and other factors beyond our control.

The species mentioned in the itinerary represent only some of the possible ones we may see on the tour, however, none of these can be guaranteed even though every effort will be made where possible to locate them. A full list of possibles appears on your checklist.