



## 04 DAYS SWAKOPMUND AND SOSSUSVLEI (NAMIB DESERT) | Guided Tour

*Swakopmund - Sossusvlei - Walvis Bay - Namib - Solitaire*

*4 Days / 3 Nights*

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### NOTE:

Please be aware that accommodations mentioned in this itinerary is NOT confirmed.

It will only be CONFIRMED once we received the Tour FULL Payment or the Tour NON-Refundable Deposit of 40% of the Grand Total of the Tour.

Your consultant will advise you which accommodations are confirmed.

## Introduction

This is a Quick Turn to Namibia and Witness the most beautiful thing that Nature has ever created. You will do so with the love of our organisation.

Sossusvlei is a salt and clay pan surrounded by high red dunes, located in the southern part of the Namib Desert, in the Namib-Naukluft National Park of Namibia. The name "Sossusvlei" is often used in an extended meaning to refer to the surrounding area, which is one of the major visitor attractions of Namibia.

Sossusvlei, is the unique place where THE LOVE grow and peace is found.

Start	Accommodation	Destination	Basis	Duration
Day 1	<a href="#">Bay View Resort Namibia</a>	Swakopmund	B&B	<b>1 Night</b>
Day 2	<a href="#">Namib Desert Lodge Gondwana Collection Namibia</a>	Sossusvlei	D,B&B	<b>2 Nights</b>

### Key

B&B: Bed and Breakfast

D,B&B: Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

## Included

- \* Professional Guide / Chauffeur
- \* Accommodation as stated in the program
- \* Meals as stated in the program
- \* The rental vehicle with all risk insured
- \* Fuel for Vehicle
- \* The Activities or Visits as STATED in the Program as INCLUDED
- \* Entry fees to National Parks
- \* Namibian VAT

## Excluded

- \* International flights
- \* Personal Purchases
- \* Entry fees to neighboring countries such as Zimbabwe
- \* Drinks, which are the responsibility of travelers
- \* Tips and gratuities
- \* Personal Medical Insurance and Repatriation (Very Important)
- \* Optional Activities / Additional Activities

## Day 1: Bay View Resort Namibia, Swakopmund

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Located in southwestern Africa, Namibia boasts a well-developed infrastructure, some of the best tourist facilities in Africa, and an impressive list of breathtaking natural wonders. Visitors can explore the capital of Windhoek and discover the lovely coastal town of Swakopmund boasting remnants of the country's German influence, reflected in the architecture, culture, cuisine and the annual Oktoberfest celebrations. To properly appreciate this extraordinary country, you will have to venture out of the cities to explore the remarkable natural landscapes Namibia has to offer. These include: the impressive Fish River Canyon; the vast Etosha National Park teeming with abundant wildlife, such as lions, desert-adapted elephants and the Hartmann's Mountain Zebra; the hauntingly beautiful Kalahari Desert; and of course the Namib Desert stretching for over 2000 km along the magnificent Atlantic Coast. Namibia is an ideal destination for travellers seeking an unforgettable African experience in a uniquely beautiful untamed wilderness.

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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.

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### Day Itinerary

Welcome to **Namibia**! We hope you had a pleasant flight. Your adventure begins here...  
Everything you've been looking forward to is now reality. Let that set in a minute.

At Windhoek Airport or At your Accommodation,  
Discover the caring smile of your guide.

- If arriving from the Airport look out for your name on the welcome board and behind it the smiley face to welcome

you.

- If already in Windhoek, your guide will come collect you from your Accommodation that you have indicated or mentioned to us, of course with a great smile to welcome you.

### **Approximate transfer time to Windhoek from Hosea Kutako International Airport – 45 minutes**

Your guide will handover your travel documents and help you get acquainted with your route and what to expect on your upcoming journey. Feel free to ask any questions. Your guide is flexible, as is your schedule, so plan it day by day as you go along to get the most out of your trip.

Your guide will know where the nearest shops and bank are if you wish to get anything. Grab some cold drinks and some snacks for the road. We recommend you plan to be on the road as early as you can.

### **Today you already heading to the gate of Dorob National Park in Swakopmund**

Swakopmund is a town and seaside resort on Namibia's Atlantic coast. Swakopmund was founded in 1892 by German settlers some 50 km north of the major port of Walvis Bay. It has a population of around 42,000.

In the afternoon, if time permit we suggest you to do the Quad Bike in the oldest desert in the world. This activity is optional, which means you will pay for it directly at the activity center.

As the stars light up the Namibian sky, you gather around a friendly table to listen to your guide's information and discuss the journey ahead - This will happen daily until the end of your tour.

### **Overnight: Bay View Resort Namibia**      [View iBrochure](#)

Bay View Resort Hotel is a one of a kind, 4-star beach resort located in Dolphin Beach, halfway between Swakopmund and Walvis Bay, Namibia. The property offers 44 luxury rooms and two executive penthouse suites, all sea-facing with private balconies overlooking the Atlantic ocean. Guests can make use of the conference facility, the in-house SALT Restaurant as well as a Sky Bar on the 6th floor to take in views of the dunes and the sea.



### **Recommended**

Desert Explorers Quad Biking 2 Hour Explorer Tour

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Located in Swakopmund, Namibia. Desert Explorers Quad Biking 2 Hour Explorer Tour takes visitors on a pleasant guided quad bike tour to explore the different plant and animal life of the Namib Desert. During a variety of stops along the way, visitors can learn a little about the creatures of the desert.



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**Basis**Bed and Breakfast

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**Day 2: Namib Desert Lodge Gondwana Collection Namibia, Sossusvlei**

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**Day Itinerary**

Early departure to Walvis Bay, the main port town of Namibia. A boat trip on the lagoon leads you to search for dolphins and sea lions - NOT Private

Early morning trip on the Atlantic Ocean by boat, looking for sea lions, dolphins, pelicans, cormorants and possibly the rare fish "Mola-Mola". This sea adventure allows you to discover the aquatic life of the coast in the best possible conditions, on a comfortable and spacious boat, usually a catamaran with a maximum capacity of 25 people.

Did you know that the Atlantic in Namibia was home to so many fur seals? You will observe them this morning from a catamaran. In the afternoon, free time in the confusing "Seaside" city of Swakopmund, founded by the German commander Curt Von Francois in 1892. The objective was to create a competing port of the one of Walvis Bay (held by the English) to put into service a naval line between Hamburg and Namibia from 1899. This was to facilitate the supply from Germany and support the colonization of the region.

Light Lunch during the boat trip.

**After the boat cruise, departure to the Naukluft National Park situated inside the Namib Desert.**

The Namib Desert is one of the oldest and driest deserts in the world, covering more than 15% of the country along the Atlantic. It nevertheless extends over 2000 km, along the coast of South Africa and to the Angolan border. Sand accumulation and dune formation range from 40 to 15 million years.

Quick stop at Solitaire for refreshment and nice pictures. Then continue the road to your accommodation. Relax afternoon at the Lodge and enjoy the swimming pool.

**Overnight: Namib Desert Lodge Gondwana Collection Namibia** [View iBrochure](#)

Set below striking fossilised dunes, the comfortable lodge provides a spectacular experience of ancient desert. 65 rooms, two swimming pools and a waterhole are surrounded by sandy splendour. Breathe in the grandeur on a sunset drive and feel the earth underfoot. Relax in the arms of the Namib.

Location: Approximately 60km north of Sesriem on the C19



### Activities

Morning	Walvis Bay Boat Cruises
Afternoon	Kuiseb Pass
	Guab Pass
	Tropic of Capricorn
Afternoon	Solitaire

#### ***Walvis Bay Boat Cruises***

Several operators run boat cruises from Walvis Bay – some geared towards fishing or sightseeing and others towards dolphin and whale watching, but all offer the chance to experience the region's natural beauty and phenomenal marine and bird life.

#### ***Kuiseb Pass***

Kuiseb Pass takes you through the Kuiseb Canyon, the watercourse of which only flows occasionally but often enough to halt the advance of the red sands of the Namib.

#### ***Tropic of Capricorn***

Located just South of Walvis Bay in Solitaire, is the approximate latitude of the Tropic of Capricorn at 23.5 degrees South. The Tropic of Capricorn is one of the 5 major circles of latitude and the southernmost point of latitude from

where the sun can be seen directly overhead. This point of latitude runs through many other countries such as Brazil, Mozambique and Australia to name a few.

### ***Solitaire***

Situated in the Khomas region of Central Namibia, the desert town of Solitaire serves as an oasis in the Namib Desert. The town provides an important stop on the way to the ancient dunes of Sossusvlei, allowing travellers to stock up on essentials as they make their way further into the wilderness. Solitaire also has a small bar and is renowned for its famous apple pie - said to be the best in the country. Enjoy a scenic sundowner with views of the spectacular Namib desert, hike and bike through the unspoilt natural surroundings, or visit the wonderful local Cheetah Sanctuary.

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### **Basis**

Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

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## **Day 3: Namib Desert Lodge Gondwana Collection Namibia, Sossusvlei**

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The Sossusvlei dunes rise more than 375 meters above the Tsauchab River that flows from East to West in the desert, just a few kilometers from the Atlantic Ocean. They are among the highest dunes in the world. These dunes are located above an ancient petrified desert that forms a basement of sandstone.

You will take full advantage of the ocher color palettes and the wavy shapes of the Sossusvlei and Deadvlei dunes. After lunch, you will visit the Sesriem Gorge.

Optional Activities: Air Ballooning, Helicopter, Flight over the Dunes

We can make the reservation for you for these activities and you can pay on the spot.

### **Activities**

Morning	Dune 45
Morning	Sossusvlei
Morning	Deadvlei
Lunch	Sesriem Canyon

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### **Recommended**

Sossusfly Scenic Flight

Namib Sky Balloon Safaris

## Bateleur Helicopters Scenic Flights from Sossusvlei

### ***Dune 45***

Named for its location 45 kilometres past the town of Sesriem, Dune 45 is renowned for its elegant shape, which – along with its position close to the road – have earned it the distinction of ‘most photographed dune in the world’. If you’re not keen for the strenuous hike to the top of Big Daddy, Dune 45 is a more forgiving alternative, standing at only 80 metres and featuring a much gentler gradient.

### ***Sossusvlei***

Located in the scenic Namib-Naukluft National Park, Sossusvlei is where you will find the iconic red sand dunes of the Namib. The clear blue skies contrast with the giant red dunes to make this one of the most scenic natural wonders of Africa and a photographer's heaven. This awe-inspiring destination is possibly Namibia's premier attraction, with its unique dunes rising to almost 400 metres - making them some of the highest in the world. These iconic dunes come alive in morning and evening light and draw photography enthusiasts from around the globe. Sossusvlei is home to a variety of desert wildlife including oryx, springbok, ostrich and a variety of reptiles. Visitors can climb 'Big Daddy', one of Sossusvlei's tallest dunes; explore Deadvlei, a white, salt, claypan dotted with ancient trees; or for the more extravagant, scenic flights and hot air ballooning are on offer, followed by a once-in-a-lifetime champagne breakfast amidst these majestic dunes.

### ***Sesriem Canyon***

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.

### ***Sossusfly Scenic Flight***

The Sossusfly Scenic Flight is a flight that gives visitors the opportunity to experience a birds-eye view of the most spectacular scenery of the Namib Desert. The flight covers the desert and the Southern Skeleton Coast from the air. The flight includes a low-level flight along the green Kuiseb to the Kuiseb Canyon, as well as the coastline. Highlights of the flight include Tsondablei, Sossusvlei area, diamond camps, shipwrecks, Sandwich Harbour, salt works, Walvis Bay, Longbeach, and Swakopmund.

### ***Namib Sky Balloon Safaris***

Situated in the heart of the Namib Naukluft Park, Sossusvlei, one of the most fascinating landscapes in Namibia, is a photographer's dream. Gigantic orange dunes, dramatic shadows, undulating plains and rocky mountains create a magical kaleidoscope of colours and shapes.

To the east, Namib Rand Nature Reserve vast sandy plains are surrounded by towering granite mountains and rolling dunes.

Here, in the oldest desert on the planet, amazingly adapted animals and plants come together to form one of the most visually stunning ecosystems in the world. And truly the best way to experience the heart of the Namib desert is with a hot air balloon safari.

Watching the spectacular sunrise over this magnificent landscape from a silent hot air balloon is the experience of a lifetime, never to be forgotten

At landing, you come back to earth with an “Out Of Africa” style Champagne breakfast set up in the middle of nowhere.



Your pilot will present you with a flight certificate before you take a leisurely nature drive back to the pick-up point.

#### ***Bateleur Helicopters Scenic Flights from Sossusvlei***

The Bateleur Helicopters Scenic Flights from Swakopmund activity is offered by Bateleur Helicopters, a Namibian owned company in the tourism industry. The activity takes off from Sossusvlei Airstrip and flies along the Sesriem Canyon towards the Elim Dune. Visitors will have a chance to see animals roaming the dunes before returning to the Airstrip.

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#### **Basis**

Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

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### **Day 4: End of Itinerary**

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#### **Day Itinerary**

Quiet breakfast at the lodge, and then drive to Windhoek, where you will arrive in the late morning or early afternoons.

Note that you must be at the airport 2 hours before take-off time, and it takes approximately 1 hour to get to the airport.

#### **Basis**

Bed and Breakfast

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## Terms and Conditions

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#### **Travel agreement/contract**

This travel agreement is between the client and Motema Tours and Safaris. In terms of this travel agreement a booking is defined as a reservation which is done by the client or the client's travel agency. The client is defined as the person who accepts the booking on behalf of himself.

Travel agency is defined as any agency that places or accepts a booking for any person or group of persons or company with Motema Tours and Safaris.

#### **Deposits and Payment**

We only confirm a Booking or a quote upon receipt of a non-refundable deposit of 40% of total tour charges, the balance being due and payable 60 days prior to departure date. In the event of bookings being effected less than 60 days before departure the full amount charged will forthwith be payable.

#### **Cancellation**

Cancellation must be made in writing. Upon receipt of the written notification, Motema Tours and Safaris will confirm receipt thereof and this date will determine the following charges. This applies to Tour Guides as well.

- Up to 60 days prior to departure: Credit Note allocated and can be transferred.
- Less than 60 days to departure: 100% of total cost forfeited/lost

It is mandatory for the client to be in possession of a cancellation insurance policy. Please note that if the reason for cancellation falls within the terms of any holiday insurance policy, which the client must hold, then any such charges would normally be refunded to the client by the insurance company, subject to the terms of the insurance.

#### **Passport and visas**

Travel agencies and clients must ensure that passports and visas are valid for the countries visited. Motema Tours and Safaris cannot be held liable or responsible should a passenger be refused entry into any country for any reason.

#### **Changes and delays**

By the company: The company shall reserve the right to change any tour due to unforeseen circumstances (e.g. airlines not running on schedule, road conditions, weather, mechanical breakdown, accidents and political instability) beyond the control of Motema Tours and Safaris. The company will try to provide adequate alternatives, but will accept no liability.

By the client: In case the client changes the itinerary on his own request, the company shall try to accommodate the client, but may charge cancellation fees. This is subject to a new quotation, which will be given by the client in writing.

#### **Authority on Tour**

At all times the decision of the tour guide will be final on all matters likely to endanger the safety and wellbeing of the group. The client must at all times strictly comply with the laws, customs and foreign exchange regulations of all countries visited. Should the client be detected in any contravention of the law, custom or exchange regulations, or should the client be a nuisance to the group, the guide may order the client to leave the tour without the right of refund.

#### **Accidents**

While every precaution is taken to ensure the safety of all persons participating on the tour, the client his/hers,

heirs, dependents, agents, executors or their assignees, hereby irrevocably waive any rights they may have to claim, any form of compensation for any damages which the client may suffer due to injury or death whilst on, or at any time after the tour, from Motema Tours and Safaris. Under no circumstances will Motema Tours and Safaris be responsible for the death or injury or loss, which might occur to such persons sustained from any case whatsoever. The client hereby indemnifies and holds Motema Tours and Safaris harmless against any and all claims whatsoever the nature.

### **Health**

It is the client's obligation to ensure that he is medically fit and able to embark on the tour. We recommend the vaccination against Hepatitis before travelling. Anti-malaria precautions should be commenced prior to departure and clients should bring insect repellents on tour.

### **Photography**

Motema Tours and Safaris reserves the right without giving further notice, to make use of any photographs or films produced during any of their tours for general publicity purposes without payment or permission.

### **Insurance**

It is a condition of travel with Motema Tours and Safaris that all guests must have insurance for medical expenses, baggage loss, cancellation/curtailment, default and personal accident.

### **Liability/Responsibility**

The client should get him/herself acquainted with customary practices. Motema Tours and Safaris as well as co-operating agents do act in the capacity of agents for the clients in all matters and will under no circumstances whatsoever be responsible and be exempt from any liability for accidents, injury, delay, loss or damage to property or any other loss or damage from whatever it may arise. All tours are subject to the conditions of the concerned airlines, hotels, restaurants and all other contractors involved.

This information can be found on the website [www.motema-safaris.com](http://www.motema-safaris.com) as well as the FAQs. You are strongly advised to go through it.

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