

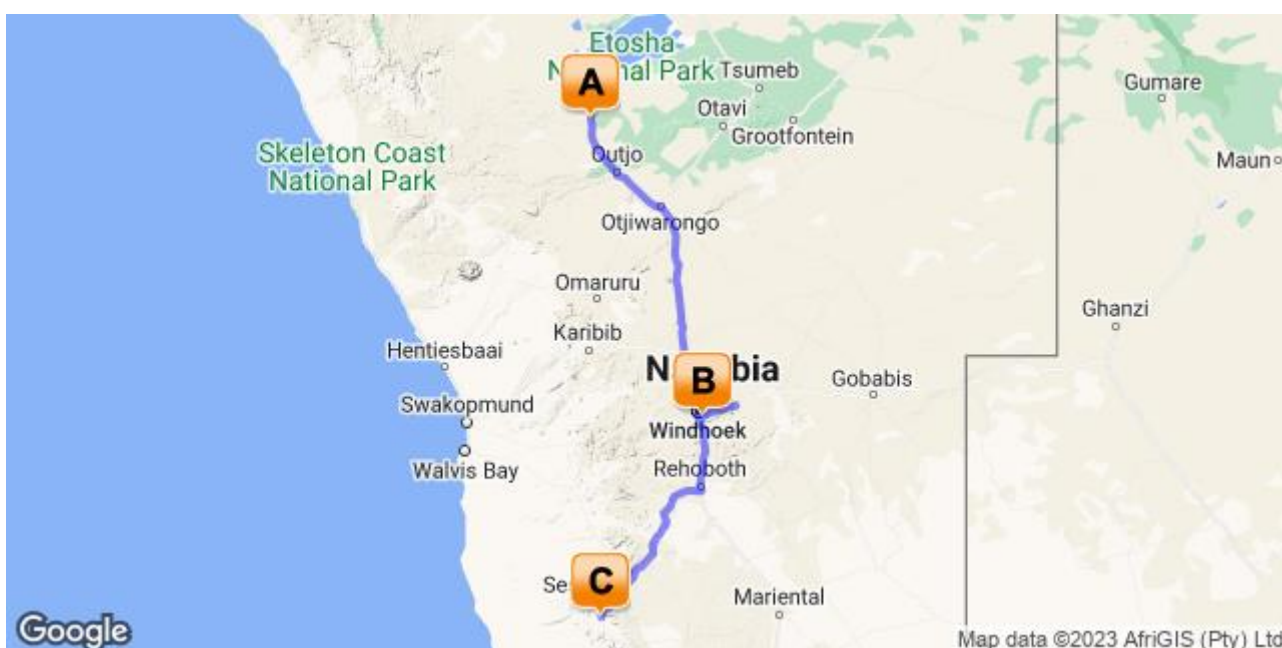


06 DAYS ETOSHA NATIONAL PARK AND SOSSUSVLEI EXPERIENCE | Guided Tour

Etosha South - Windhoek - Sossusvlei - Solitaire

6 Days / 5 Nights

Reference: MTA-6DES



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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

Unleash Your Adventurous Spirit - Visit Etosha National Park and Sossusvlei!

The two most visited site in Namibia.

Are you ready to embark on a journey that will leave you awestruck and inspired? Look no further than the breathtaking beauty of Namibia's iconic destinations - Etosha National Park and Sossusvlei. Get ready to experience nature at its most captivating and diverse.

Etosha National Park - Where Wildlife Roams Free: Imagine a vast expanse of shimmering salt pans, savannah grasslands, and picturesque waterholes teeming with wildlife. Etosha National Park is a true African safari haven, offering you a front-row seat to some of the continent's most remarkable wildlife encounters.

Reasons to Visit Etosha National Par are:

1. **Unforgettable Wildlife Sightings:** Etosha is home to an incredible array of wildlife, including majestic elephants, graceful giraffes, powerful lions, and rare black rhinos. The thrill of witnessing these magnificent creatures up close is beyond compare.
2. **Unique Landscape:** The Etosha Pan, a massive salt flat visible from space, creates a surreal and otherworldly landscape. This striking contrast between the stark white pan and the golden grasslands is a photographer's dream.
3. **Waterhole Magic:** Etosha's numerous waterholes serve as natural oases, attracting a mesmerizing parade of animals throughout the day. Witness the drama of predator-prey interactions and the heartwarming scenes of nurturing elephant herds.

Sossusvlei - Nature's Sculptural Masterpiece: Prepare to be humbled by the sheer magnificence of Sossusvlei, a place where giant red sand dunes tower over the desert, shaped by the wind into extraordinary sculptural forms. This is nature's canvas at its most breathtaking.

Reasons to Visit Sossusvlei:

1. **Dune 45 at Sunrise:** Ascend the legendary Dune 45 before sunrise and witness a spellbinding spectacle as the first rays of light paint the dunes in hues of gold and orange. It's an unforgettable moment that will be etched in your memory forever.
2. **Deadvlei - An Ancient Wonderland:** Step into a surreal world of dead camel thorn trees surrounded by towering dunes at Deadvlei. The contrasts of the dark tree skeletons against the vivid white clay pan and red dunes create an otherworldly landscape.
3. **Stargazing Extravaganza:** As night falls over the desert, Sossusvlei's remote location offers an incredible opportunity for stargazing. Immerse yourself in a blanket of stars, and witness the Milky Way like you've never seen it before.

Your Adventure Awaits: The wonders of Etosha National Park and Sossusvlei await your arrival. Let the raw beauty of Namibia's natural wonders ignite your sense of wonder and awaken your adventurous spirit. Discover the magic of these iconic destinations and create memories that will stay with you for a lifetime.

Don't miss this chance to connect with nature on a profound level. Contact us now to plan your unforgettable journey to Etosha National Park and Sossusvlei. Let's make your dream African adventure a reality!

Embrace the extraordinary, embrace Namibia!

Start	Accommodation	Destination	Basis	Duration
Day 1	Toshari Lodge (Etosha Gateway)	Etosha South	D,B&B	2 Nights
Day 3	Town Lodge Windhoek	Windhoek	D,B&B	1 Night
Day 4	Elegant Desert Lodge	Sossusvlei	D,B&B	2 Nights

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: Toshari Lodge (Etosha Gateway), Etosha South



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.



Located just south of the boundary of Etosha National Park in northwestern Namibia, Etosha South makes up the southern region of this wild paradise. The area is comprised of a collection of world class private game reserves. The national park can be accessed via the southern entrance at Andersson's Gate. Visitors can catch a glimpse of a variety of wildlife including: lion, giraffe, elephant, white and black rhino, and a multitude of plains game. Popular activities include: enjoying an open 4x4 safari with an expert guide, half day or full day drives with the option of a picnic lunch with wine on the full day game drive.

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 Etosha National Park, with a Quick Stop at the Craft Market.

Etosha National Park is a national park in northwestern Namibia and one of the largest national parks in Africa. It was proclaimed a game reserve in March 1907 in Ordinance 88 by the Governor of German South West Africa, Friedrich von Lindequist.

Depending on the time of arrival, a first Safari will be done on arrival in the afternoon.

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: Toshari Lodge (Etosha Gateway) [View iBrochure](#)

Nestled on an outcrop of dolomite rocks, under a forest of Mopane and white Seringa trees, Toshari Lodge offers affordable but enchanting accommodation close to Etosha National Park. A warm welcome awaits you complimented by a refreshing cold drink on arrival. Absorb the peace and tranquility of the natural African bush as you amble through a blend of manicured lawns and rustic bush gardens to your private room. Take a refreshing dip in the sparkling pools and enjoy wholesome Namibian cuisine, complimented with herbs and vegetables from the garden and fresh home baked bread, in the tranquility of the striking African Lapa with its stunning photographs of local Etosha wildlife. Campsites are also available; each pitch having a private shower room with hot and cold water, 220v power point, herb garden and braai place. Situated just off the C38 between Outjo and Okaukuejo, Toshari Lodge is ideally positioned for day visits into Etosha National Park; on your own or on the expertly guided tours.



Activities

Okahandja Craft Market - South

Afternoon Game Drive in Etosha National Park (Own

Okahandja Craft Market - South

This craft market is Okahandja's best known tourist attraction. Woodcarvers from all over, and as far as the Kavango Region of north-eastern Namibia, who practice their ancient skills come here to sell their goods. Since wood is not resistant to the wear and tear of time, wood sculptures survive less well than other forms of art and are therefore an important hidden element in the art history of many cultures. The wood-and-thatch market is situated next to the main road at the town's entrance and exit. Choose from a wide variety of hand-carved wooden artifacts such as animals, bowls or jewelry boxes.

Basis

Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

Day 2: Toshari Lodge (Etosha Gateway), Etosha South

Day Itinerary

After breakfast, it is in Etosha Animal Park that you will wander. We offer you time to observe the animals! If you happen to be a photo enthusiast, bring along your equipment and patience to capture the unusual encounters of wildlife.

You will be able to observe the groups of springboks, zebras, etc., but also the rarer species such as the black-faced impala (endemic to Namibia) or the dik-diks, the smallest African antelope.

The interaction between the animals around the waterholes is often very magical in the Etosha, where you might just come across the path of a leopard or a group of lionesses hunting!

After a lunch break, it is in the animal park of Etosha that we will continue our day.

You will discover abundant wildlife that you can observe on the "pan" or around the many water points of the reserve.

Your guide will give you information on the species encountered.

You will take on the animal safari with your guide in your own vehicle around the park. Etosha was established in 1907, Etosha is home to 114 mammal species and more than 340 bird species.

This park is one of the largest game reserves in the world. Take full advantage of this moment to make sure that you make the most out of this safari and do not forget your binoculars too long: we never tire of scanning the horizon for having flushed a cat under an acacia or a troop of elephants strolling nonchalantly through the huge Salt Lake that gave his name at the park.

Activities

Full Day Game Drive in Etosha National Park

Basis

Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

Day 3: Town Lodge Windhoek, 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.

Day Itinerary

Quiet breakfast at the lodge, and then drive to Windhoek, where you will arrive in the late morning or early afternoons. If time permits you will visit the city with your guide or do some shopping.

Overnight: Town Lodge Windhoek

The hotel is located in The Steps Development which is situated in Frankie Fredericks Street in the Kleine Kuppe area of Windhoek. Situated in Grove Street next to the Lady Pohamba Hospital and adjacent to the Grove Mall, it comprises 147 stylish bedrooms, each with en-suite bathrooms featuring maxi showers. The hotel is within easy access of Windhoek's international and domestic airports, as well as the CBD and entertainment facilities.

Town Lodge Windhoek provides free and secure basement parking as well as a swimming pool and fast, reliable wireless internet. Interleading family rooms are available and one in 50 rooms has been specially designed to cater for the needs of physically disabled guests.

Full English and continental breakfast options and a sun downer bar service make this hotel the perfect place to start and end each day of your stay in Windhoek.



Activities

City Tour

Basis

Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

Day 4: Elegant Desert Lodge, 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.

Day Itinerary

After breakfast, today will be all about forms and colors. 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.

Overnight: Elegant Desert Lodge [View iBrochure](#)

The Elegant Desert Lodge

Soulful, liberating and elegant

Situated on the border of the World Heritage site of the Namib Desert and only 37 kilometers from the gate to Sossusvlei, the Elegant Desert Lodge offers accommodation in 29 tastefully furnished, air conditioned rooms. All en-suite, the stylish and comfortable rooms invite you to recline in the soulful yet liberating atmosphere of the world's oldest desert.

A beautiful and tranquil garden offering various, innovative seating arrangements inspire an image of an oasis nestled in the Namib Desert. Alternatively, enjoy the vistas of the desert plains from the veranda of your room. We suggest you treat yourself to a casual lunch with a bottle of fine South African Wine, each handpicked by the owners. In the afternoon you can relax in one of our chic lounges in the gardens or at the sparkling pool, or you can participate in the Scenic drive with spectacular views overlooking the Namib Desert.



Activities

Spreetshoogte Pass

Solitaire

Spreetshoogte Pass

One of Namibia's most spectacular views is that from the top of the Spreetshoogte Pass, where the land drops off by roughly 2000 metres, creating a natural vantage point overlooking the vast, semi-desert plains and the arid mountains beyond.

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.

Basis

Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

Day 5: Elegant Desert Lodge, Sossusvlei

Day Itinerary

After breakfast, today will be all about forms and colors.

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.

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Activities

Dune 45
Sossusvlei
Sesriem Canyon
Namib Naukluft

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.

Basis

Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

Day 6: End of Itinerary

Day Itinerary

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

If time permits you will visit the city with your guide or do some shopping, before being transferred to the international airport if your flight is due.

Basis

Bed and Breakfast

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.

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