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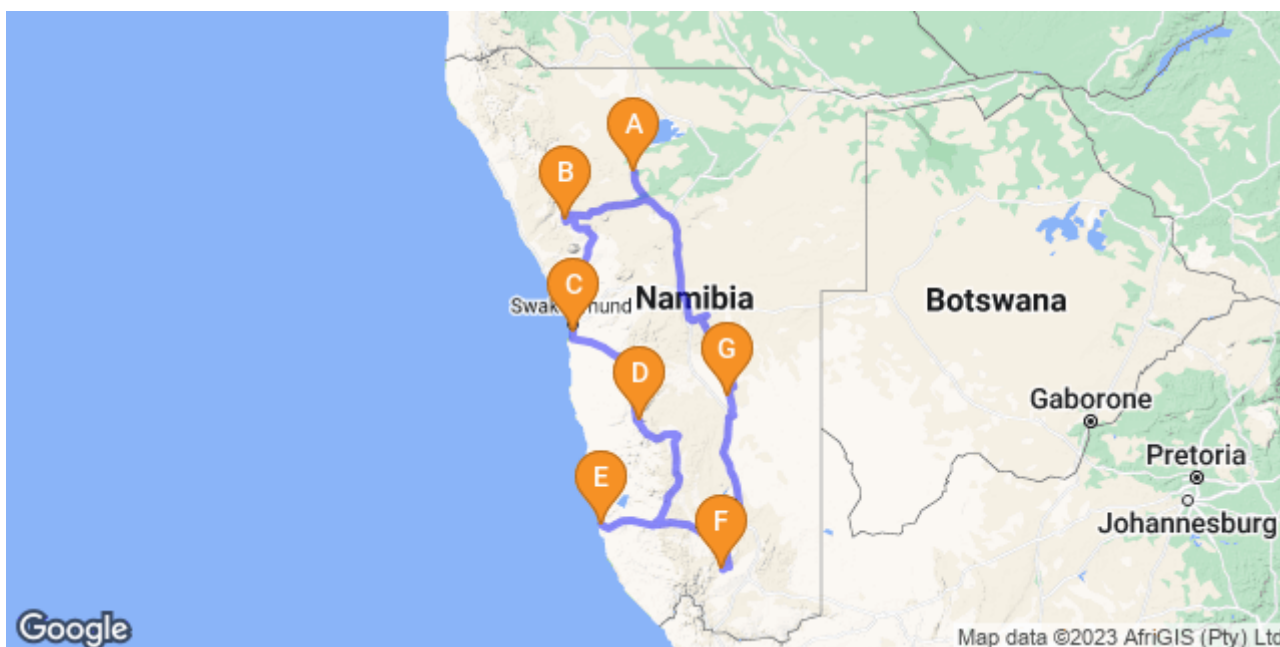
## 12 DAYS NAMIBIA IN PLUS | Guided Tour

*Etosha National Park - Twyfelfontein - Swakopmund - Brandberg - Walvis Bay - Namib - Sossusvlei - Solitaire - Luderitz - Fish River Canyon - Intu Afrika Kalahari Game Reserve - Southern Namibia*

*12 Days / 11 Nights*

*Reference: MTA-12DNP*

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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

### The Ultimate Namibian Odyssey - A Grand Journey Through Diverse Landscapes and Rich Cultures

Welcome to an epic adventure that encompasses the best of Namibia's natural wonders and cultural treasures. Prepare to be spellbound as you embark on a thrilling journey through Etosha, encounter the Himba people, explore the ancient rock art at Twyfelfontein, savor the coastal charm of Swakopmund, embark on a boat cruise in Walvis Bay, cross the Tropic of Capricorn, and venture into the ethereal beauty of the Namib Desert. You'll also witness the enigmatic Wild Horses of Garub, explore the haunting Kolmanskop Ghost Town, stand in awe at Fish River Canyon, and marvel at the Quiver Tree Forest and Kalahari Desert. Brace yourself for an unforgettable experience!

**Etosha National Park - Wildlife Extravaganza:** Immerse yourself in the untamed beauty of Etosha, where the African savannah teems with a rich diversity of wildlife. Witness majestic elephants, regal lions, and graceful giraffes, as well as elusive leopards and cheetahs, while enjoying thrilling game drives and captivating waterhole observations.

**Himba Cultural Encounter:** Engage with the Himba people, known for their distinctive traditions and striking appearance. Gain insights into their way of life, learn about their intricate hairstyles and traditional attire, and experience the warmth of their hospitality.

**Twyfelfontein - Ancient Art and Heritage:** Explore the UNESCO-listed Twyfelfontein, a treasure trove of ancient rock art. Admire the engravings and paintings created by the San people, offering a window into Africa's ancient past. The cultural significance of this site will leave you in awe.

**Swakopmund - Coastal Bliss and Desert Adventures:** Discover the delightful coastal town of Swakopmund, where German colonial architecture meets the desert dunes. Enjoy delicious seafood, indulge in desert activities like quad biking and sandboarding, and embark on a breathtaking boat cruise in Walvis Bay, encountering playful dolphins and majestic pelicans.

**Tropic of Capricorn - Latitude Crossing:** Commence a symbolic crossing of the Tropic of Capricorn, marking a latitude where the sun's rays are especially intense. Capture this momentous occasion as you venture deeper into the heart of Namibia.

**Namib Desert - Awe-Inspiring Beauty:** Experience the timeless allure of the Namib Desert, where iconic red dunes rise like fiery giants. Visit the surreal Sossusvlei, where sunrises and sunsets paint the landscape in an ever-changing palette of colors.

**Wild Horses of Garub - Enigmatic Grace:** Encounter the enigmatic Wild Horses of Garub, descendants of horses brought here during World War I. Witness these free-roaming equines galloping through the vast desert, creating an ethereal spectacle that will stay with you forever.

**Kolmanskop Ghost Town - Deserted Dreams:** Unravel the haunting beauty of Kolmanskop, an abandoned diamond mining town slowly being reclaimed by the desert. Wander through sand-filled houses and ballrooms, capturing the essence of a town frozen in time.

**Fish River Canyon - Nature's Grandeur:** Stand in awe at Fish River Canyon, one of the largest canyons in the world. Let its immense dimensions humble your soul as you gaze upon the meandering Fish River winding through the rocky landscape below.

**Quiver Tree Forest - Timeless Legacy:** Marvel at the ancient Quiver Tree Forest, where the iconic Aloe dichotoma stands as a living legacy. Witness these age-old trees under the Namibian sky, creating an otherworldly atmosphere.

**Kalahari Desert - Vast Serenity:** Venture into the serene embrace of the Kalahari Desert, a vast wilderness inhabited by unique wildlife. Connect with the San people, learning about their ancient traditions and resilience in this challenging environment.

**Your Namibian Odyssey Awaits:** Embark on an extraordinary expedition that unveils the treasures of Etosha, the Himba, Twyfelfontein, Swakopmund, Walvis Bay, the Tropic of Capricorn, the Namib Desert, the Wild Horses, Kolmanskop, Fish River Canyon, the Quiver Tree Forest, and the Kalahari Desert. Let us tailor an itinerary that weaves together these diverse marvels, promising an adventure that will leave you with cherished memories and a profound connection to Namibia's awe-inspiring landscapes and rich cultural heritage.

Contact us now to begin your unforgettable Namibian odyssey - a journey that promises a symphony of unforgettable experiences and soul-stirring moments.

*Unravel the wonders of Namibia - a grand quest into nature's embrace and cultural treasures!*

Start	Accommodation	Destination	Basis	Duration
Day 1	<a href="#">Toshari Lodge (Etosha Gateway)</a>	Etosha National Park	D,B&B	<b>2 Nights</b>
Day 3	<a href="#">Twyfelfontein Country Lodge</a>	Twyfelfontein	D,B&B	<b>2 Nights</b>
Day 5	<a href="#">Bay View Resort Namibia</a>	Swakopmund	B&B	<b>2 Nights</b>
Day 7	<a href="#">Elegant Desert Lodge</a>	Sossusvlei	D,B&B	<b>2 Nights</b>
Day 9	<a href="#">Luderitz Nest Hotel</a>	Luderitz	D,B&B	<b>1 Night</b>
Day 10	<a href="#">Canyon Roadhouse Gondwana Collection Namibia</a>	Fish River Canyon	B&B	<b>1 Night</b>
Day 11	Camelthorn Kalahari Lodge	Intu Afrika Kalahari Game Reserve	D,B&B	<b>1 Night</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: Toshari Lodge (Etosha Gateway), Etosha National Park



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.



Situated in northwestern 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 kilometres. 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.

### 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**

Morning	Okahandja Craft Market - North
Afternoon	Etosha Game Drive

***Etosha Game Drive***

Game drive through Etosha National Park searching for predators, plains game, reptiles & birds.

Game drives are conducted in custom built safari vehicles with a pop-up roof and large opening windows to maximize photographic opportunities.

Depending on the time of year, these game drives take many different routes, but most often focus around the waterholes where you are most likely to see a variety of wildlife taking the chance to get a drink and swim.

**Basis**

Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

**Day 2: Toshari Lodge (Etosha Gateway), Etosha National Park****Day Itinerary****After Breakfast; Embark on an Extraordinary Etosha National Park Adventure - Where Wildlife Roams Free.**

Enter a world where wildlife roams free, and nature reigns supreme. In Etosha, you'll have the opportunity to witness Africa's iconic animals up close - from mighty elephants and graceful giraffes to regal lions and elusive leopards. Keep your camera ready as you capture these magnificent creatures in their natural habitat.

Etosha is dotted with numerous waterholes that serve as natural oases in the vast wilderness. Sit quietly at the water's edge, and be rewarded with the sight of a fascinating array of animals quenching their thirst - a spectacle you won't want to miss.

Etosha's diverse landscapes are a photographer's dream. From shimmering salt pans that stretch as far as the eye can see to vast grasslands and mopane woodlands, each corner of the park offers breathtaking vistas that evoke a sense of awe. Etosha is a haven for bird enthusiasts, with over 340 bird species gracing its skies. From striking raptors to vibrant flamingos and elegant ostriches, the park's avian diversity promises an unforgettable birdwatching experience.

Our experienced guides will lead you on thrilling game drives, sharing their wealth of knowledge about the wildlife, plant life, and the delicate ecosystems that make Etosha so extraordinary.

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

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### Basis

Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

## Day 3: Twyfelfontein Country Lodge, Twyfelfontein



Set in the Kunene Region of northwestern Namibia, Twyfelfontein is a spectacularly scenic area, featuring one of the largest and most important concentrations of rock art in Africa. The name 'Twyfelfontein' translates to 'Fountain of Doubt', which refers to the perennial spring situated in the impressive Huab Valley flanked by the slopes of a sandstone table mountain. It was this spring that attracted Stone Age hunters over six thousand years ago, and it was during this time that the extensive group of rock engravings and paintings were produced. Visitors can look forward to basing themselves at some wonderfully shady campsites along the Aba-Huab riverbed, while exploring over thirty different sacred ritual sites of the traditional hunter-gatherer communities.

## Day Itinerary

### **Today after breakfast you will embrace the Soulful Beauty of Himba Culture - A moment to Namibia's Heart.**

Prepare to fall in love with the enchanting spirit of the Himba people, as you embark on a transformative journey to the heart of Namibia.

The Himba people live in harmony with nature and each other, forming close-knit communities that value unity and support. You'll be captivated by their genuine warmth and the deep bonds they share with their families and neighbors.

The Himba cherish their ancestors' teachings and rituals, passing down their rich cultural heritage from one generation to the next. Witness their reverence for the past and experience the wisdom that guides their present.

You will immerse yourself in the heart of Himba culture, learning their customs, traditions, and daily rituals. Participate in traditional dances, engage in storytelling sessions, and discover the true essence of what it means to be Himba. As you immerse yourself in Himba culture, be prepared for a profound transformation within. Discover a newfound appreciation for simplicity, community, and the beauty of living in harmony with the land.

### **In the Afternoon, you will Visit Twyfelfontein**

**Twyfelfontein** is a UNESCO World Heritage Site located in the Kunene region of northwest Namibia. It is renowned for its exceptional concentration of rock engravings and rock paintings, making it a significant cultural and historical site in Southern Africa. The name "Twyfelfontein" translates to "Doubtful Fountain" in Afrikaans, referring to the unreliable water source in the area.

The main attraction of Twyfelfontein is its extensive collection of rock engravings, which are estimated to be between 2,000 and 6,000 years old. These engravings depict a variety of subjects, including animals such as giraffes, elephants, rhinoceroses, and lions, as well as human figures, footprints, and abstract patterns.

In addition to the rock engravings, Twyfelfontein is also home to some rock paintings, created using a red ochre pigment. These paintings add to the site's cultural significance and provide further insights into the lives of the ancient San people who once inhabited the area.

Twyfelfontein holds immense cultural importance for the indigenous communities of Namibia, particularly the Damara and the San (also known as the Bushmen). The engravings and paintings serve as a link to their ancestors and are considered sacred sites.

Twyfelfontein is set in a stunning landscape of rugged mountains, deep valleys, and flat plains. The contrasting red sandstone rocks and the surrounding desert scenery create a surreal and beautiful setting for the rock art. Besides the rock art, visitors to Twyfelfontein can explore nearby geological formations such as the Burnt Mountain and the Organ Pipes, which add to the area's unique charm and natural wonders.

Twyfelfontein is not just a historical site; it is a living testament to the enduring culture and traditions of Namibia's ancient inhabitants. A visit to this extraordinary place is an opportunity to connect with the past, gain cultural insights, and marvel at the artistic achievements of our human ancestors.

### **Overnight: Twyfelfontein Country Lodge** [View iBrochure](#)

Welcome to Twyfelfontein Country Lodge. A true landmark situated in the heart of one of the world's most magnificent wilderness regions. Declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site, Twyfelfontein in Damaraland is home to one of the largest collections of rock-art engravings found in Southern Africa. Not only did the Khoi-San and tribes of ancient years leave us with a true cultural heritage, but the whole area is characterised by natural wonders such as



Doros Crater, Burnt Mountain, Organ Pipes, Petrified Forest and desert-adapted animals – of which the desert-adapted elephant is probably the most well-known species.

Nestled along the mountainside, the lodge beautifully blends in with its surrounding environment. Using natural stone, carefully selected paint colours and thatched roofs, its design compliments the sandstone rock formations with minimum visual impact on this picturesque landscape. Magnificent views from the deck over the Huab Valley, desert plains and distant mountains provide for hours of relaxed comfort, peace and tranquillity.

Twyfelfontein is much more than just accommodation; it is a destination in itself.



### Activities

	Otjikandero Himba Orphanage Village
Morning	Twyfelfontein

### *Otjikandero Himba Orphanage Village*

Otjikandero Himba Orphanage Village is located close to the local Kamanjab cattle farm in Himba Village. The village is inhabited by Himba kids, who are taken care of by volunteer mothers. All the children are raised in the traditional way, although a few of them have been slightly westernised because of the school they attend. Otjikandero Himba Orphanage Village is funded by the money received from tours to the village. Funds are used for medical purposes, food and other basic needs. Tourists will have the opportunity to see the Himba people in their natural environment as well as observe their culture. Excellent photo opportunities are also available.

### Basis

Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

## Day 4: Twyfelfontein Country Lodge, Twyfelfontein

### Day Itinerary

Today is a day of relaxation and leisure, a chance to soak in the natural beauty of the lodge's surroundings and enjoy optional activities at your own pace. Take this opportunity to unwind, immerse yourself in the tranquil ambiance, and make the most of the amenities and experiences available.

Enjoy the comforts of your lodge, whether it's a luxurious room, a cozy chalet, or a charming tented camp. Take in the breathtaking views of the surrounding landscapes, listen to the sounds of nature, and allow yourself to be rejuvenated by the serenity of the environment.

Indulge in optional lodge activities designed to enhance your experience and offer unique insights into the local culture and environment. Some possible activities may include:

1. **Nature Walk:** Join a guided nature walk around the lodge's premises, discovering the smaller wonders of the flora and fauna that thrive in the area.
2. **Cultural Demonstrations:** Engage in cultural demonstrations by local artisans or community members, showcasing traditional crafts, dance, or storytelling.
3. **Birdwatching:** If the lodge is situated in a bird-rich area, grab your binoculars and embark on a birdwatching expedition to spot the region's unique avian species.
4. **Swimming and Relaxation:** If the lodge has a pool or access to a natural water source, take a refreshing dip or simply lounge by the water, soaking up the sun.

**Connect with Your Guide:** Use this free day to have meaningful conversations with your guide, who can share more about the region's history, culture, and wildlife. Ask questions, learn about local traditions, and gain deeper insights into the places you've visited and the ones still on the itinerary.

**Capture Memories:** Take this opportunity to review your photos and journal, capturing the highlights of your journey thus far. Reflect on the experiences, the beauty of the landscapes, and the encounters with wildlife, allowing these memories to become cherished souvenirs of your adventure.

**Enjoy the Moment:** Above all, savor the freedom of a leisurely day. Take in the sights, sounds, and scents of the lodge's surroundings, and relish in the joy of being fully present in this remarkable place.

**Your Journey Awaits:** Tomorrow will bring new adventures and explorations, but for now, embrace the tranquility of this free day. Use it to recharge, to connect with the essence of the wilderness, and to appreciate the wonders of nature that surround you.

*Embrace the freedom of today and prepare for the wonders that tomorrow will bring!*

## Optional

Ephemeral (Dry) River Drive
The Living Museum of the Damara
Guided Hiking Trails

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### ***Ephemeral (Dry) River Drive***

Marvel at the rich vegetation with the possibility to encounter desert adapted elephants in the dry Aba-Huab River valley. Our experienced field guides will take you on an exciting nature drive, filled with interesting facts pertaining to the area, its history and wildlife. Be on the lookout to spot birds of prey, antelope, fairy circles, Welwitschia Mirabilis and many other interesting geological formations. Our guides have an excellent record for tracking down herds of free roaming desert adapted elephants and will do their best to meet up with these magnificent giants. Ample time is allowed to take pictures and exchange information about endemic fauna and flora.

The nature drive returns over valleys of savannah, small dunes, the dry river bed and interesting geological formations. A stop at Welwitchia Hill allows guests to disembark the vehicle and enjoy a lovely sundowner in an unspoilt nature setting. Take as many pictures as you like of the sun setting across the desert-like savannah plains and distant mountains. This is Africa at its best.

After the sundowner, guests return to the lodge to freshen up and enjoy a delicious buffet dinner.

Guests are required to meet their guide at Reception 15 minutes prior to departure time for a meet and greet session. The guide will give a general introduction of the tour and highlight specific safety and environmental regulations that need to be adhered to. Guests are encouraged to make use of this opportunity to inform their guide of specific fields of interest such as photography, birding, animal behaviour, etc. The guide will structure the tour to focus on these areas of interest.

Departure time: 15h00

Included: Mineral water, soft drinks, beers and sparkling wine.

Duration: 3.5 – 4.0 hours

Guests are advised to have sufficient protection against the sun and to take warm clothes along during winter times.

Bookings can be made in advance, or at reception.

### ***The Living Museum of the Damara***

#### 1. Traditional Life in the village:

Experience the daily routine in a traditional museum, including traditional blacksmith (making of weapons and tools), tanning of leather (production of traditional clothes), jewellery and crafts, dancing, singing and traditional games, Holy Fire and fire making and more.

#### 2. Bushwalk:

Follow us on a bushwalk where the women collect plants from the bush for food, perfume and medicine and where the men show you how to set up traps, snares and how they used to hunt in the old times.

#### 3. Traditional Life & Bushwalk:

Combines programs 1 & 2 for the complete traditional Damara experience.

#### Children policy

0 - 2 yrs free of charge

3 - 12 yrs half price

### ***Guided Hiking Trails***

Guided morning and afternoon hiking trails are available. During these trails you can encounter fascinating plants in the area, including the Welwitschia mirabilis, the Moringa and a variety of Commiphora species.

Morning trails will start 30 minutes before sunrise. Afternoon trails start approximately 1 hour before sunset to allow guests time to get back to the Lodge before dark. The duration of the walk will be determined by the guide, considering the speed and capabilities of each guest.

A minimum 2 guests & maximum 10 guests per guide.

## Day 5: Bay View Resort Namibia, Swakopmund

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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

#### Today you will drive to Swakopmund.

Swakopmund, a coastal gem nestled between the rolling dunes of the Namib Desert and the mighty Atlantic Ocean, is a captivating destination that exudes a unique charm and beauty. As you explore this enchanting town in Namibia, you'll be spellbound by its picturesque landscapes, rich history, and a vibrant mix of cultures. Here's a glimpse of the beauty that awaits you in Swakopmund:

The town's coastline is a mesmerizing fusion of dramatic desert dunes meeting the crashing waves of the Atlantic Ocean. The endless stretches of sandy beaches and the sea's calming rhythm create a serene and picturesque setting, perfect for tranquil walks and breathtaking sunsets.

Swakopmund's architecture reflects its colonial past, with well-preserved German-style buildings adding an old-world charm to the streets. Stroll through the town's avenues lined with historic structures, evoking a sense of nostalgia and cultural richness.

Just beyond Swakopmund lies the magnificent Namib Desert, where thrilling desert adventures await. Explore the surreal landscapes of the nearby dune fields, such as Dune 7, and experience the exhilaration of sandboarding or quad biking amidst the vast sea of golden dunes.

For the thrill-seekers, Swakopmund offers a plethora of activities, including skydiving over the desert, deep-sea fishing, hot air ballooning, and dolphin and seal cruises. The town's adventure-filled atmosphere will leave you with memories of adrenaline-fueled excitement.

Swakopmund's vibrant craft markets and boutique stores offer an array of locally crafted souvenirs, including exquisite handcrafted jewelry, traditional Himba crafts, and striking desert-inspired artworks, allowing you to take a piece of Swakopmund's beauty home with you.

Swakopmund's beauty lies not only in its natural wonders but also in the warm hospitality of its people and the sense of adventure that permeates the air. Whether you seek relaxation on the beaches, cultural immersion, or thrilling escapades, Swakopmund is a destination that promises a one-of-a-kind experience that will remain etched in your heart forever.

### Free afternoon

**Possibility to have a optional activities.**

### 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.



### Activities

	Brandberg
	Zeila Shipwreck
Lunch	Swakopmund City Tour

#### ***Brandberg***

Situated in northwestern Namibia, the Brandberg, meaning 'Fire Mountain', Massif is Namibia's highest peak, at its zenith, the Königstein (King's Stone), standing at a whopping 2573 metres above sea level. Named for the vivid shade of orange it sometimes turns at sunset, this is undoubtedly the main highlight of the region. The Brandberg has been sacred to the San people for centuries. The Tsisab Ravine at its base is permeated with over 45 000 ancient San rock paintings, including the famous 'White Lady'. Visitors flock here to view this unique bushman painting, said to be over 2000 years old. Other popular drawcards include its untouched natural beauty and its free-roaming wildlife such as mountain zebra, kudu, springbok, and desert elephant.

#### ***Zeila Shipwreck***

Situated on Namibia's Skeleton Coast, the Zeila Shipwreck was a fishing trawler that was sold as scrap metal to an Indian company. Unfortunately, the ship



**Swakopmund City Tour**

Better known as Namibia's playground, this idyllic town is wedged between the sweltering Namib Desert and cold Atlantic Ocean. This desert town is a rhapsody of adventure, fun, exploration and relaxation. Graced with many beautiful, old buildings in a colonial, Bavarian style, the best way to experience this small town is on foot.

**Basis**

Bed and Breakfast

**Day 6: Bay View Resort Namibia, Swakopmund****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

Optional Activities: Flight over the Namib Desert, 4X4 in the Dunes Sandwich harbor, QuadBiking ...  
We can make the reservation for you for these activities and you can pay on the spot.

**Activities**

Morning	Walvis Bay Boat Cruises
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**Recommended**

Afternoon	Sandwich Harbour
	Desert Explorers Quad Biking 2 Hour Explorer Tour
	Sossusfly Scenic Flight
	Swakopmund Tandem Skydiving Tour

**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.

***Sandwich Harbour***

Sandwich Harbour is an important wetland and ecosystem on the Atlantic coast of Namibia, located between Walvis Bay and Swakopmund. It is an important wildlife habitat for fish, shorebirds, and other seabirds, as well as a variety of migratory species. The area includes a bay in the north and a lagoon at the southern end, providing a tranquil environment for various aquatic creatures. The lagoon is home to several endangered species and is an important breeding ground for thousands of migratory birds, making it a unique and important area to be protected. The area also provides necessary resources for local communities, including a fishing industry and sea salt production.

***Desert Explorers Quad Biking 2 Hour Explorer Tour***

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.

***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.

***Swakopmund Tandem Skydiving Tour***

Swakopmund Skydiving Club offers a tandem jump from 10 000 ft for those with no previous sky-diving experience. This includes a briefing before the jump, a scenic flight over the famous Namib Dune Fields, a 35 second free fall, a 5 minute canopy ride, and a safe landing back at the club house.

**Basis**

Bed and Breakfast

**Day 7:      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.

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## Day Itinerary

### Embrace the Eternal Beauty of the Namib Desert - A Journey into Timelessness

Welcome to the Namib Desert, where ancient dunes, golden vistas, and ethereal landscapes come together to form a realm of enchantment. Prepare to be captivated by the desert's timeless beauty, as you embark on an extraordinary journey into the heart of one of the world's oldest and most majestic deserts.

Experience the unparalleled tranquility of the Namib Desert as you immerse yourself in the vastness of its open spaces. Embrace the profound stillness that brings a sense of peace and reflection, rejuvenating your soul like an ancient desert breeze.

As night falls, be enchanted by the mesmerizing dance of stars overhead. The desert's remoteness provides an unpolluted canvas for stargazing, unveiling the brilliance of constellations and the Milky Way in a spectacle that leaves you humbled by the universe's mysteries.

In the Namib Desert, you'll find a place where time seems to stand still, offering a unique opportunity for introspection and a broader perspective on life. The desert's vastness and ageless beauty invite contemplation and a reconnection with nature's eternal rhythms.

### Your Adventure Awaits:

Embrace the captivating allure of the Namib Desert, where ancient sands whisper tales of timelessness and untamed beauty. Allow us to curate an unforgettable journey into the heart of this extraordinary desert, where the landscapes are painted with the hues of dreams and the echoes of eternity.

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.

You will pass by the Kuiseb Canyon, Tropic of Capricorn and enjoy the beautiful landscape.

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: **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

Morning	Kuiseb Pass
	Guab Pass
Morning	Tropic of Capricorn
Lunch	Solitaire

#### *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.

### Basis

Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

## Day 8:      Elegant Desert Lodge, Sossusvlei

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### 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.

### The Namib Desert - A Land of Wonders:

**Endless Dunes:** Witness the awe-inspiring grandeur of the Namib's towering sand dunes, gracefully sculpted by the gentle caress of the wind over millennia. Their ever-changing shapes and shades of gold create a surreal canvas that inspires wonder and awe.

**Deadvlei - A Desert Masterpiece:** Step into the realm of Deadvlei, an ancient clay pan adorned with hauntingly beautiful, dead camel thorn trees. Surrounded by some of the tallest dunes on Earth, this striking contrast between lifeless trees and fiery red sands creates a surreal landscape that has to be seen to be believed.

**Sossusvlei - A Desert Oasis:** Discover the magic of Sossusvlei, an ephemeral pan where rare rains bring life to the desert, transforming the stark landscape into a vibrant oasis. Here, the white clay floor contrasts vividly with the towering red dunes, offering a spectacle that is both captivating and humbling.

### Embracing the Spirit of Sesriem Canyon:

**Ancient Echoes:** As you walk in the footsteps of time, allow the canyon's ancient echoes to whisper their secrets to you. Reflect on the significance of this natural wonder, and connect with the timeless essence of the Namib Desert.

**Natural Serenity:** In the heart of Sesriem Canyon, find a tranquil oasis of peace amid the desert's harshness. The canyon's quiet serenity invites moments of self-reflection and an opportunity to recharge your spirit in the embrace of nature.

**Photographer's Paradise:** Capture the canyon's captivating beauty with your camera, as the interplay of light and shadow creates an ever-changing spectacle. The intricate patterns and textures of the rocks offer a photographer's dream come true.

### Activities

Morning	Dune 45
Morning	Sossusvlei
Morning	Deadvlei
Lunch	Sesriem Canyon

### *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*

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### *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 9: Luderitz Nest Hotel, Luderitz**



Sandwiched between the rugged and stark Atlantic Coast and the arid desert of Namibia, the town of Luderitz is located in an incredible unique geographical setting. This seaside town is something of an anomaly frozen in time – a piece of 19th-century Bavaria bordering the pinkish sand dunes of the Namib Desert. Lutheran churches, German bakeries, and colonial buildings boasting German art nouveau architecture are dotted about the settlement, while its windswept beaches are home to flamingos, ostriches, seals, and penguins. The nearby ghost town of Kolmanskop, which has been taken over by the desert dunes, is another fascinating must-see attraction, located approximately 10 kilometres from Luderitz central, along with the herd of wild desert-adapted horses near the small town of Aus.

## Day Itinerary

### Unveiling the Mysteries of Route D707 and the Wild Horses of the Namib Desert - A Journey to Lüderitz Awaits!

Prepare to embark on a thrilling expedition along Route D707, a road that winds through the captivating landscapes of the Namib Desert. This scenic route will lead you to encounter the enigmatic Wild Horses of the Namib Desert, and finally, to the historic town of Lüderitz, where the charm of a bygone era still lingers.

As you travel along Route D707, be mesmerized by the ever-changing scenery of the Namib Desert. Towering red dunes, expansive salt pans, and vast gravel plains will paint an awe-inspiring canvas around you.

Journey to the outskirts of the Namib Desert near the town of Aus, where the legendary Wild Horses roam freely. These majestic creatures have thrived in the desert for over a century, their origins shrouded in mystery and folklore. Witness the Wild Horses galloping across the vast desert plains, an unforgettable encounter with a living piece of Namibia's history. Learn about the captivating tales and theories that surround these free-roaming equines.

Arrive in Lüderitz, a town frozen in time, where German colonial architecture blends with the rugged coastal landscape. Explore the colorful buildings, capturing the essence of a bygone era that still permeates the streets.

*Unveil the secrets of the Namib Desert and Lüderitz - a quest into the heart of Namibia's enchanting past!*

### Overnight: Lüderitz Nest Hotel [View iBrochure](#)

Lüderitz Nest Hotel is one of Namibia's most reputable four-star hotels. The hotel enjoys one of the best natural locations in NAMIBIA - directly on the rocks and sea with its own private tidal beach with walk-on jetty – unique in Namibia.

All renovated COMFORT and DELUXE rooms and SUITES, offer superb and direct sea views. All rooms are fitted with electronic cardkey, climate-controlled air-conditioning/heating, large HD TV, and laptop safe. The outdoor sparkling residents' pool with sun-loungers and parasols is surrounded by verdant gardens.

The hotel's locally acclaimed PENGUIN RESTAURANT offers delicious menus including the world-famous Lüderitz oyster. A full breakfast is served here and is included in the highly competitive rates.

Additional facilities include Bar and Lounge (both with sea views), free Wi-Fi, on-site secure parking, wheelchair access throughout and accessible rooms, elevator to all three floors, sauna, and outdoor adventure playground.

Since 1998, management and staff have hosted guests from around the world and very much look forward to welcoming you. The hotel has been awarded the 2019, 2020 and 2021 Trip Advisor Excellence Awards.



**Activities**

Afternoon

Wild Horses of the Namib

***Wild Horses of the Namib***

Fighting for a life in freedom they hold an irresistible fascination: the Wild Horses of the Namib in south-western Namibia. For centuries their origin was shrouded in mystery. Their habitat, the barren plains around Garub on the eastern fringe of the Namib Desert, is no paradise; nevertheless they have managed to adapt to the harsh conditions. Their forebears, once in the service of man, gained freedom for themselves: a life in the vastness of the Namib, away from human civilization, according to the rules of their own horse society. Perhaps this is the reason for the fascination of thousands of visitors every year. Plans for moving the herd to farms have been discarded by now: it has been decided that also in future the horses' place is in Namib Naukluft Park.

**Basis**

Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

**Day 10: Canyon Roadhouse Gondwana Collection Namibia, Fish River Canyon**

Carving out an epic rocky wonderland in the south of Namibia, the Fish River has created Africa's largest and the world's second-largest canyon. Hot, dry and stony, the Fish River Canyon measures a whopping 160 kilometres in length, at times 27 kilometres in width and 550 metres in depth. The awe-inspiring natural beauty of this ancient geological marvel draws visitors from around the globe. For those looking for adventure, the intense 85 kilometre Fish River Hiking Trail through 1.5 billion years of geological history will definitely thrill avid adventure enthusiasts, and for visitors looking to relax, head over to the canyon's southern end to enjoy a soak in the mineral waters of the renowned hot springs of Ai-Ais, or take in the spectacularly scenic views from Hobas Restcamp as well as numerous other viewpoints along its rim. Other popular activities include: scenic chartered flights, horse riding, nature drives and seasonal kayaking.

**Day Itinerary****Discover Namibia's Dual Treasures - Kolmanskop Ghost Town and Fish River Canyon**

Prepare for an extraordinary journey through the stark contrasts of Namibia's landscapes. From the haunting beauty of the abandoned Kolmanskop Ghost Town to the awe-inspiring grandeur of Fish River Canyon, Namibia offers an expedition of diverse wonders and unforgettable experiences.

Step back in time as you enter Kolmanskop, a once-thriving diamond mining town now surrendered to the relentless Namib Desert. Explore the sand-filled houses and ballrooms, where furniture lies half-buried under the dunes, leaving behind an eerie ambiance of a town frozen in time.

Capture the surreal beauty of Kolmanskop with your camera, as the interplay of light and shadow paints an evocative canvas against the weathered walls and sunlit sand. Your lens will be enchanted by the haunting allure of this photographer's paradise.

Join a guided tour to uncover the captivating history of Kolmanskop, from its diamond rush days to the gradual abandonment that led to its current ghostly state. Delve into the lives of the settlers who once called this town home and the dreams they sought in the Namib Desert.

### **Fish River Canyon - A Natural Wonder:**

Discover the awe-inspiring majesty of Fish River Canyon, one of the largest canyons in the world. Stand on the canyon's edge and let its immense dimensions humble your soul as the Fish River winds its way through the rocky landscape below.

Witness the captivating spectacle of sunrise and sunset at Fish River Canyon, as the golden rays paint the rocky landscape in hues of amber and crimson. These magical moments will etch themselves into your heart.

*Unravel the dual treasures of Kolmanskop and Fish River Canyon - an extraordinary Namibian quest!*

Fish River Canyon is the largest river in Namibia, which has its source in the mountains of Naukluft and joins the Orange River on the South African border after a journey of 650 km. The river usually flows between January and April to become a trickle of water between April and June and a succession of small basins the rest of the year. Enjoy the view of the summit on the Fish River Canyon, a geological wonder, one of the largest canyons in the world after Colorado. These rocks of 300 million years offer you a majestic spectacle.

### **Overnight: Canyon Roadhouse Gondwana Collection Namibia**    [View iBrochure](#)

Fill up with smiles at this innovative lodge that celebrates the good old days of the automobile. It offers peaceful slumber in 24 spacious rooms and boasts a pool, a campsite, a fuel station, an inviting terrace and the most extraordinary restaurant in southern Namibia.

Location: approximately 20 km east of the Fish River Canyon on the C 37





## Activities

Morning	Kolmanskop
Afternoon	Fish River Canyon

### *Kolmanskop*

Amongst the sands of the Namib, the crumbling buildings of a small, once-luxurious town emerge from the drifting dunes. This ghost town is Kolmanskop, a reminder of the wealth of a time when diamonds could be picked by hand from the desert, and a remarkable photographic opportunity with few equals anywhere on earth.

### *Fish River Canyon*

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## Basis

Bed and Breakfast

## Day 11: Camelthorn Kalahari Lodge, Intu Afrika Kalahari Game Reserve



Set just 250 kilometres from the bustling capital of Namibia, the 10,000-hectare Intu Afrika Kalahari Game Reserve presents a landscape of unparalleled natural splendour. Deep red and clay-coloured dunes fan into the distance, decorated with areas of grasslands, shrubs, and trees. The park is home to an impressive array of wildlife, including black wildebeest, springbok, oryx, giraffe, and a large population of meerkats. This is the perfect place to learn about the ancient way of life; visitors can follow a !Kung guide through the desert and learn survival techniques. Make sure to take a look at the exquisite handmade crafts in the village. Hiking, 4x4 excursions, and quad-biking will appeal to adrenaline seekers.



## Day Itinerary

Welcome to a land of dual delights, where the ancient Quiver Tree Forest and the boundless Kalahari Desert converge to create a mesmerizing tapestry of nature's wonders. Prepare to embark on an extraordinary journey through these unique landscapes, where age-old trees and vast wilderness await your exploration.

Stand in awe before the Quiver Tree Forest, home to the iconic *Aloe dichotoma*, known for its striking silhouette and historical significance. These ancient trees have stood sentinel for centuries, earning their name from the San people, who used their branches to make quivers for their arrows.

Experience the magical aura of the Quiver Tree Forest as the sun's rays filter through the trees, creating an ethereal glow. The unique shapes and patterns of these desert giants offer a mesmerizing sight, perfect for photography and moments of reflection.

As night falls, the Quiver Tree Forest transforms into a stargazer's paradise. With minimal light pollution, the skies above become a canvas of twinkling stars, beckoning you to gaze upon the wonders of the universe.

Witness nature's daily masterpiece as the Kalahari's skies erupt into a breathtaking display of colors during sunrise and sunset. The desert's vast horizons provide the perfect canvas for these magical moments.

As night falls, the Kalahari unveils a celestial show of stars and constellations. With minimal light pollution, the desert's night skies are a stargazer's dream, revealing the wonders of the universe in all their brilliance.

## Overnight: Camelthorn Kalahari Lodge

Camelthorn Kalahari Lodge is situated between two sand dunes and Camelthorn trees in Namibia. The accommodation offers African hospitality in hut-inspired thatched bungalows with smaller cosy rooms built around the lodge's main area. Each is equipped with en-suite bathrooms, air-conditioning and tea/coffee-making facilities. During their stay, guests can enjoy delicious meals and refreshing drinks at the on-site restaurant and bar. Other facilities include a swimming pool and a lounge area.



## Activities

Morning	Quiver Tree Forest
Afternoon	Sundowner in Kalahari Desert

**Quiver Tree Forest**

Some 14 kilometres from Keetmanshoop is a striking natural phenomenon that is well worth a visit: a natural forest of roughly 200 quiver trees, set on a large outcrop of blackish dolerite rocks. Named for the pliable bark that was once used by bushmen to craft quivers for their arrows, quiver trees are in fact not trees at all, but unusually large succulents with scaly bark and twisted branches topped with spiky, fleshy leaves. The most mature specimens here are between 200 and 300 years old, and some measure as high as nine metres. The forest, which was declared a national monument in 1955, is best viewed at sunrise or sunset, when the soft, warm light further enhances this already captivating sight.

**Basis**

Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

**Day 12: 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.

**Activities**

Afternoon	Windhoek City Tour
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**Windhoek City Tour**

City Tour of Windhoek's historical buildings & monuments as well as the suburbs of Khomasdal, Katutura & Ludwigsdorf.

**Basis**

Bed and Breakfast

## Terms and Conditions

### Motema Tours and Safaris 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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