

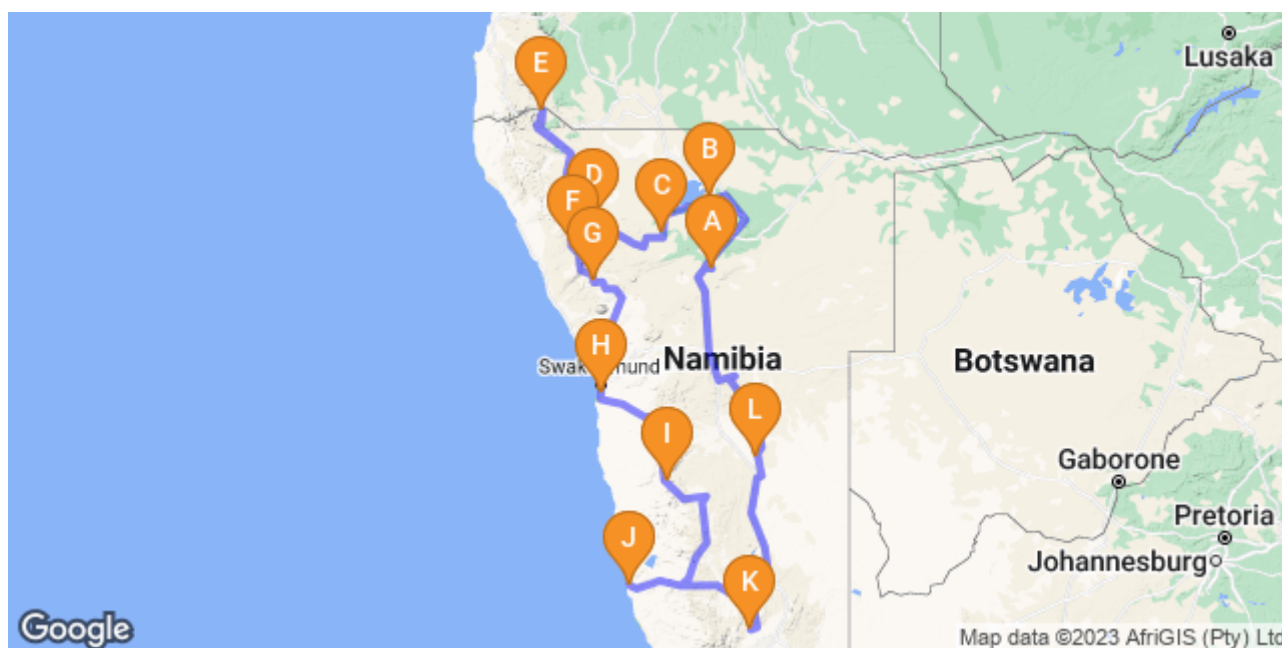


20 DAYS LOVE OF NAMIBIA

Otjiwarongo - Waterberg Region - Etosha East - Etosha National Park - Etosha West - Epupa Falls - Palmwag - Twyfelfontein - Swakopmund - Brandberg - Walvis Bay - Namib - Sossusvlei - Solitaire - Luderitz - Fish River Canyon - Intu Afrika Kalahari Game Reserve - Southern Namibia

20 Days / 19 Nights

Reference: MTA-20DLN



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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.

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Introduction

Namibia's Extraordinary Expedition - A Symphony of Conservation, Culture, and Natural Wonders

Welcome to a grand adventure that promises to be a symphony of diverse experiences and meaningful encounters. From supporting the Cheetah Conservation Fund to exploring the wonders of Etosha, engaging with the Himba people, marveling at Twyfelfontein's rock art, indulging in the coastal charm of Swakopmund, discovering the Zeila Shipwreck, embarking on a boat cruise in Walvis Bay, crossing the Kuiseb Pass and Tropic of Capricorn, and venturing into the ethereal Namib Desert - this journey is a true odyssey.

Cheetah Conservation Fund - A Noble Cause:

1. **Conservation Insights:** Begin your journey with a visit to the Cheetah Conservation Fund, where you'll gain insights into the efforts to protect these magnificent predators and their habitat. Learn about the challenges they face and how you can contribute to their conservation.

Etosha National Park - A Wildlife Spectacle:

1. **Safari Adventures:** Experience the wildlife extravaganza of Etosha, where you'll encounter majestic elephants, graceful giraffes, and the elusive big cats. Game drives and waterhole observations will reveal the abundance of nature's wonders.

Himba Cultural Encounter:

1. **Ancient Traditions:** Connect with the Himba people and immerse yourself in their rich cultural heritage. Learn about their traditional way of life, unique customs, and intricate hairstyles, experiencing the warmth of their hospitality.

Twyfelfontein - Ancient Art and Heritage:

1. **Rock Art Wonder:** Explore Twyfelfontein's UNESCO-listed rock engravings and paintings, a testament to Africa's prehistoric past. Uncover the mysteries of the San people through their captivating artwork.

Swakopmund - Coastal Delights and Desert Adventures:

1. **Desert Meets Ocean:** Discover the charming town of Swakopmund, where German colonial architecture meets the desert dunes. Indulge in desert activities, explore the Zeila Shipwreck, and embark on a breathtaking boat cruise in Walvis Bay.

Kuiseb Pass and Tropic of Capricorn:

1. **Scenic Landscapes:** Traverse the stunning Kuiseb Pass, where dramatic landscapes captivate your senses. Commence a symbolic crossing of the Tropic of Capricorn, marking a latitude where the sun's rays are especially intense.

Namib Desert - Timeless Beauty:

1. **Surreal Dunes:** Experience the timeless allure of the Namib Desert, where the iconic dunes of Sossusvlei rise like fiery giants. Witness sunrise and sunset paint the landscape in an ever-changing palette of colors.

Wild Horses in Garub - Enigmatic Grace:

1. **Ethereal Encounters:** Witness the enigmatic Wild Horses of Garub, free-roaming equines amidst the desert wilderness. Observe their grace and resilience in this arid landscape.

Kolmanskop Ghost Town - Deserted Dreams:

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

Ai-Ais Hotspots and Fish River Canyon - Natural Tranquility:

1. **Healing Waters:** Immerse yourself in the soothing Ai-Ais Hotspots, experiencing the healing power of nature. Stand in awe at Fish River Canyon, one of the largest canyons in the world, and witness its majestic grandeur.

Quiver Tree Forest and Kalahari Desert - Dual Delight:

1. **Ancient Legacy:** Marvel at the ancient Quiver Tree Forest, a living legacy of Namibia's rich natural heritage. Venture into the vast serenity of the Kalahari Desert, connecting with unique wildlife and the resilient San people.

Your Grand Namibian Odyssey Awaits:

Embark on an extraordinary expedition that weaves together conservation, culture, and natural wonders. Let us craft a tailor-made itinerary that showcases the best of Namibia, promising an adventure that will leave you with cherished memories and a profound connection to this captivating country.

Start	Accommodation	Destination	Basis	Duration
Day 1	Frans Indongo Lodge	Otjiwarongo	D,B&B	1 Night
Day 2	Namutoni Resort	Etosha East	D,B&B	2 Nights
Day 4	Toshari Lodge (Etosha Gateway)	Etosha National Park	D,B&B	2 Nights
Day 6	Hobaterere Lodge	Etosha West	D,B&B	1 Night
Day 7	Omarunga Epupa-Falls Camp Gondwana Collection Namibia	Epupa Falls	D,B&B	2 Nights
Day 9	Palmwag Lodge Gondwana Collection Namibia	Palmwag	D,B&B	1 Night
Day 10	Twyfelfontein Country Lodge	Twyfelfontein	D,B&B	2 Nights
Day 12	Bay View Resort Namibia	Swakopmund	B&B	2 Nights
Day 14	Elegant Desert Lodge	Sossusvlei	D,B&B	2 Nights
Day 16	Luderitz Nest Hotel	Luderitz	D,B&B	1 Night
Day 17	Canyon Roadhouse Gondwana Collection Namibia	Fish River Canyon	D,B&B	2 Nights
Day 19	Camelthorn Kalahari Lodge	Intu Afrika Kalahari Game Reserve	D,B&B	1 Night

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: Frans Indongo Lodge, Otjiwarongo



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.



Set on the TransNamib railway in central-north Namibia, near Etosha National Park, Otjiwarongo, meaning 'the place of fat cattle', is an affluent town with a suburban feel and numerous attractions. The town is known for its excellent conservation projects, which include several parks protecting large wild cats, such as the famous Cheetah Conservation Fund, and the Crocodile Ranch, where visitors can view and learn about these fascinating creatures. Hiking, guided nature walks, and safaris are popular activities. The lively, traditional craft market adds appeal. History enthusiasts should make sure to visit the Locomotive No 41 monument, and the culturally significant site of the Battle of Waterberg on the Waterberg Mountain.

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 Cheetah Conservation Funds, with a Quick Stop at the Craft Market.

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: Frans Indongo Lodge

WELCOME TO FRANS INDONGO LODGE

Is your heart yearning for Africa? For the savannah and the scent of grasses and acacias? For silence and wide horizons? And at the same time you want to enjoy all modern comforts? Then Frans Indongo Lodge warmly welcomes you.

You can truly relax with us. Let us pamper you – after all, you are on holiday. Relax on the sundeck at the swimming pool and watch a succession of Sable Antelope, Black Springbok and Nyala quench their thirst at the nearby water hole. Relish the special African atmosphere: the lodge and the interior decoration feature stylish traditional elements from the Ovambo culture in northern Namibia – the birthplace of Frans Indongo.

You can't afford to miss this! Watch cheetahs sprinting and learn more about the fastest terrestrial animal on the planet at the nearby Cheetah Conservation Fund or explore Waterberg Plateau Park, where water is plentiful.

While staying with us you will also experience purest nature, of course. The 170 km² farm boasts an extraordinary abundance of game, including White and Black Rhino, Black Wildebeest and Hartebeest. We take you game-viewing on sundowner drives. For active holidaymakers we have laid out trails which meander through the bush savannah and lead onto a hill with a magnificent look-out point.

We are right on your way. Frans Indongo Lodge is located north-east of Otjiwarongo and north-west of Waterberg Mountain. Thus it is ideally suited as a stop-over on your way from Windhoek to Etosha, the far north, to Bushmanland or the Caprivi. We are close to the tar road but nevertheless in the midst of the African bush savannah. [map]

One little hint: take your time. Our guests keep complaining that they would have liked to stay longer...



Activities

Lunch	Cheetah Conservation Fund
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Cheetah Conservation Fund

The Cheetah Conservation Fund (CCF) was founded in 1990 by Dr. Laurie Marker. CCF's mission is to be an internationally recognized center of excellence in research and education on cheetahs and their eco-systems, working with all stakeholders to achieve best practice in the conservation and management of the world's cheetahs. As Namibia has the largest and healthiest population of cheetahs left in the world, CCF's International Research and Education Center is based in Namibia, near Otjiwarongo. The large modern Education Center houses a museum that provides visitors and students the opportunity to learn more about the behavior and biology of the cheetah, and the Namibian ecosystem that supports Africa's most endangered cat species. The excellent graphics and interactive displays in the center bring the visitor through the history of the cheetah from pre-history to modern times, and explain how their range and numbers have diminished. A small fee for visiting the center is required, the funds go back into the conservation efforts of the CCF. Monday through Sunday from 9.00am to 5.00pm.

Basis

Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

Day 2: Namutoni Resort, Etosha East



Located in Northwestern Namibia, Etosha East is a protected sanctuary in the eastern part of the world-renowned Etosha National Park, known as one of the most accessible game reserves in Southern Africa. Etosha East boasts vast open plains scattered with semi-arid savannah grasslands dotted with watering holes and secluded bush camps. An impressive 5000-square-kilometre Etosha salt pan makes up a large area of the eastern side of the park and can even be seen from space. This remote area teems with abundant wildlife such as lions, elephants, black rhinos and giraffes, as well as a variety of birdlife featuring flamingos, ostriches, eagles, hornbills, and owls.

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.

Overnight: Namutoni Resort

The lodge centres on an old German Fort overlooking the King Nehale waterhole; an elevated decked walkway provides excellent opportunities for enjoying the surrounding scenery, wildlife and the spectacular sunsets. The Fort has been developed into a hub of activity, offering two restaurants, a relaxation lounge, a bar, crafts boutique, curio shop, jewellers and bookstore. Accommodation is provided in comfortable double rooms or bush chalets. Camping is also available.



Activities

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 3: Namutoni Resort, Etosha East

Day Itinerary

Full Day Game Drive

Embark on an amazing Etosha National Park adventure that will ignite your passion for wildlife and leave you with memories to cherish for a lifetime. Let us craft a personalized itinerary that caters to your interests and ensures an unforgettable journey through this wildlife paradise.

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Basis

Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

Day 4: Toshari Lodge (Etosha Gateway), Etosha National Park



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

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Overnight: Toshari Lodge (Etosha Gateway)

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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

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Basis

Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

Day 5: Toshari Lodge (Etosha Gateway), Etosha National Park

Day Itinerary

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Activities

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Basis

Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

Day 6: Hobatere Lodge, Etosha West



Situated in the western part of Etosha National park, a world-famous wildlife sanctuary in the northwestern part of Namibia, Etosha West is the wilder western region accessed through Galton Gate. Visitors to Etosha West can look forward to exploring the magnificent scenery of this remote north Namibian landscape characterised by lush undulating terrain and a reddish-brown soil, which is a stark contrast to the white dusty clay soil of Etosha East's flat expansive plains. This area is home to several species not found in the rest of the park: baboons, Mountain Zebra, and Brown Hyena, as well as several unique plants. The area also boasts numerous waterholes attracting elephant, rhino, leopard, lion, a variety of buck, and around 300 bird species.

Day Itinerary

Full Day Game Drive

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Overnight: Hobatere Lodge [View iBrochure](#)

Hobatere Lodge is strategically located 65 km north of Kamanjab on the western border of the Etosha National Park. The lodge has an airstrip and is situated in a concession area of 8,808 ha which is home to a wide selection of game, including elephant, giraffe, eland, and Hartmann's zebra.

The lodge offers the visitor the opportunity to experience game drives in open vehicles and nature walks with experienced and knowledgeable rangers. Early morning and night drives are part of the activities on offer. Many nocturnal animals, such as aardvark, cape fox, bat-eared fox, aardwolf, genet and many more can be encountered on a night drive. Before your exciting night drive, you will be able to enjoy the night sky at our Boma for dinner.

Activities also include drives into the Etosha National Park.

The lodge belongs to the #Khoadi //Hoas Conservancy. One of the primary objectives of the lodge is to increase the benefits to the local community, reducing human wildlife conflict and also conservation of the area.

The name Hobatere means “Find me”, and once you do, you will enjoy a warm welcome and personalized service.



Activities

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Basis

Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

Day 7: Omarunga Epupa-Falls Camp Gondwana Collection Namibia, Epupa Falls



Situated in the Kaokoland area of Namibia, Epupa Falls lies near the border of Angola. Named by the Herero people after the spray it creates, Epupa means 'water falling'. The falls consist of a series of cascades created by the Kunene River as it drops 60 metres, forming hundreds of natural pools that provide the Himba people and visitors with a fantastic recreation spot. These jaw-dropping beautiful falls create a spectacular contrast to the arid desert and rugged surrounding mountains. Visitors can look forward to discovering the unspoilt environment, the majestic baobabs and wild fig trees dotting the surroundings. Don't miss the opportunity to enjoy world-class birdwatching and spot an array of species including the bee-eaters, hornbills, kingfishers, fish eagles, flycatchers, and herons.

Day Itinerary

Today after breakfast you will be heading to Epupa Falls.

Epupa Falls, nestled along the Kunene River on the border between Namibia and Angola, is a natural wonder that captivates visitors with its breathtaking beauty. These majestic falls cascade down a series of terraced rock formations, creating a mesmerizing spectacle amidst the arid landscapes of the region. The lush surroundings, coupled with the soothing sound of cascading water, offer a tranquil oasis in the remote and rugged terrain. Epupa Falls is not just a sight to behold; it's an immersive experience, inviting travelers to connect with nature's splendor and revel in the serene ambiance of this hidden gem in Southern Africa.

Overnight: Omarunga Epupa-Falls Camp Gondwana Collection Namibia [View iBrochure](#)

The peaceful flow of river and subtle crash of the Epupa Falls, keep you company when staying at the special destination. Tented chalets and charming guest areas allow for a comfortable stay. With the Epupa Falls and Kunene River ensuring spectacular views.

Location: 180 km off the C43 following the D3700



BasisDinner, Bed and Breakfast

Day 8: Omarunga Epupa-Falls Camp Gondwana Collection Namibia, Epupa Falls

Day Itinerary

Epupa Falls, a hidden gem nestled in the heart of rugged landscapes, offers a spellbinding display of nature's power and beauty. The cascading waters of the Kunene River create a mesmerizing tapestry of falls, painting a picturesque scene amidst the arid terrain. Surrounded by lush vegetation and framed by dramatic rock formations, Epupa Falls is a haven of tranquility, inviting travelers to unwind and immerse themselves in the raw, unspoiled beauty of this remote African paradise.

Visit of the Himba Village

Activities

Epupa Falls

Visit to a Himba Village

Epupa Falls

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Visit to a Himba VillageA close up guided experience of the traditional lives of the Himba in the Epupa area. Duration +- 4 hours.

BasisDinner, Bed and Breakfast

Day 9: Palmwag Lodge Gondwana Collection Namibia, Palmwag



Palmwag is a nature reserve idyllically located along a palm-lined tributary of the Uniab River, halfway between Swakopmund and Etosha, providing an ideal base from which to see the sights of the Kunene region or embark on one of the many local hiking trails. Water is scarce in this area, so the river's presence often lures elephants closer to the camps. The reserve is notable for its unusual species of palm tree, the *hyphaene petersiana*, and for being home to the largest population of southwestern black rhinos in Africa. Animal lovers can also get a peek at leopard, lion, cheetah, mountain zebra, Angolan giraffe, springbok, kudu, and African bush elephant.

Day Itinerary

Direction to Palmwag today.

Palmwag, a remote wilderness area in Namibia, boasts an enchanting landscape characterized by vast plains and rugged mountains. Nestled within the surreal beauty of the Kunene Region, Palmwag is a sanctuary for wildlife, including desert-adapted elephants and rare species such as the black rhinoceros. This pristine expanse offers a unique safari experience, combining breathtaking vistas with the chance to encounter some of Africa's most iconic and elusive creatures. With its untouched wilderness and untamed allure, Palmwag promises an unforgettable adventure for nature enthusiasts seeking an authentic African safari experience.

Overnight: Palmwag Lodge Gondwana Collection Namibia

[View iBrochure](#)

A call from the far western wilderness beckons you to the home of the desert adapt world. With the largest predator population outside of Etosha National Park, this destination will not disappoint. With rooms and safari tents on offer, your stay will be most memorable.

Location: 121 km west of Kamanjab off the C43



Day 10: 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.

Twyfelfontein

Twyfelfontein, officially known as |Ui-||Ais, is a UNESCO World Heritage Site in Namibia. This remarkable place is renowned for its ancient rock engravings, showcasing the rich cultural history of the indigenous San people. The site's name, meaning "Fountain of Doubt" in Afrikaans, reflects the unique geological formations and historical significance that make it a fascinating destination for history and nature enthusiasts alike.

Basis

Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

Day 11: 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

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 Welwitschia 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.

Basis

Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

Day 12: Bay View Resort Namibia, Swakopmund



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

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 13: 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 14: 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

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 15: Elegant Desert Lodge, Sossusvlei

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

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 is a captivating natural wonder located in the heart of the Namib Desert in Namibia. Carved over millions of years by the Tsauchab River, this narrow gorge is a testament to the power of erosion. The name Sesriem comes from the Afrikaans and Dutch words for six leather straps, which early pioneers used tied together to draw water from the deep pools within the canyon. Sesriem Canyon is not only a geological marvel but also a haven for unique desert flora and fauna, making it a popular stop for tourists exploring the surreal landscapes of the Namib Desert.

Basis

Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

Day 16: 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: Luderitz 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 heated outdoor sparkling residents' pool with sun-loungers and parasols is surrounded by verdant gardens and a haven for RELAXATION.

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 various Trip Advisor Excellence Awards.



Activities

Afternoon	Wild Horses of the Namib
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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 17: 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

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.

Basis

Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

Day 18: Canyon Roadhouse Gondwana Collection Namibia, Fish River Canyon

Day Itinerary**Ai-Ais Hotsprings and Fish River Canyon - A Journey to Natural Tranquility**

Welcome to a realm of soothing waters and awe-inspiring landscapes. Prepare to be enchanted as you explore the rejuvenating Ai-Ais Hotsprings and stand in awe at the majestic grandeur of the Fish River Canyon. This journey promises a symphony of natural wonders, where tranquility and splendor intertwine.

Immerse yourself in the natural oasis of Ai-Ais Hotsprings, where the soothing thermal waters have flowed for millennia. Let the warm waters envelop you, easing your body and calming your mind, as you experience the healing power of nature.

Stand on the edge of Fish River Canyon and be humbled by its immense grandeur. As one of the largest canyons in the world, this natural wonder stretches over 160 kilometers, revealing a mesmerizing tapestry of rocky cliffs and meandering river below.

Witness the captivating spectacle of sunrise and sunset at Fish River Canyon. The sun's golden rays paint the landscape in a kaleidoscope of colors, creating magical moments that will forever remain in your heart.

Embark on an extraordinary journey that unveils the soothing Ai-Ais Hotsprings and the awe-inspiring grandeur of Fish River Canyon. Let us craft a bespoke itinerary that allows you to immerse yourself in the serenity of these unique landscapes, promising an expedition that will leave you with cherished memories and a profound connection to Namibia's natural wonders.

Unravel the natural tranquility of Ai-Ais Hotsprings and the grandeur of Fish River Canyon - a quest into the heart of Namibia's serene landscapes!

Activities

Ai-Ais Hotsprings

Fish River Canyon

Ai-Ais Hotsprings

Ai-Ais Hot Springs is situated at the end of Fish River Canyon and is a natural hot-spring oasis.

The springs are a famous holiday destination for all holidaymakers travelling to Namibia. The springs form an oasis deep under the riverbed, and the thermal water has an average temperature of 60 °C.

During winter, many hikers take on the challenge of the 85-kilometre hiking trail, which starts at Fish River Canyon and meanders towards the Ai-Ais Hot Springs.

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Basis

Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

Day 19: 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 20: 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

Driving Directions

Directions - Hosea Kutako International Airport [WDH] to Frans Indongo Lodge

Distance: 337.62km **Travel Time:** 3:38 hours

GPS co-ordinates for Frans Indongo Lodge: S 20° 17' 21.478" E 16° 57' 30.635"

- Head southwest (0.3 km)
- Turn left (0.1 km)
- Turn right (0.2 km)
- Turn left (0.7 km)
- At the roundabout, take the 4th exit (1.1 km)
- Turn right onto B6 (40.5 km)
- Turn right onto Nelson Mandela Ave (3.2 km)
- Turn right onto Robert Mugabe Ave (1.7 km)
- At the roundabout, take the 2nd exit (0.2 km)
- Continue straight (0.1 km)
- Continue onto B1 (0.8 km)
- Turn right onto the ramp to B1 (0.1 km)
- Keep right to continue toward B1 (0.3 km)
- Continue onto B1 (69.3 km)
- Turn right to stay on B1 (176 km)
- At the roundabout, take the 1st exit (46 m)
- Turn left onto B1 (26.5 km)
- Turn right onto D2433 (16.3 km)
- Turn right (48 m)

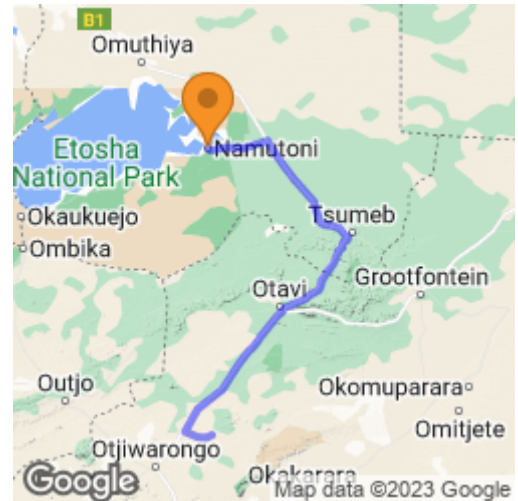


Directions - Frans Indongo Lodge to Namutoni Resort

Distance: 280.25km **Travel Time:** 2:51 hours

GPS co-ordinates for Namutoni Resort: S 18° 48' 25.456" E 16° 56' 23.133"

- Head northwest toward D2433 (48 m)
- Turn left onto D2433 (16.3 km)
- Turn right onto B1 (152 km)
- Turn left (0.2 km)
- Continue onto B1 (75.6 km)
- Turn left onto C38 (35.1 km)
- Continue straight (0.3 km)
- Turn right (0.4 km)
- Turn left. Destination will be on the left (0.1 km)



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Directions - Namutoni Resort to Toshari Lodge (Etosha Gateway)

Distance: 177.34km **Travel Time:** 2:54 hours

GPS co-ordinates for Toshari Lodge (Etosha Gateway): S 19° 33' 21.927" E 15° 52' 37.684"

- Head east (0.1 km)
- Turn right (0.7 km)
- Turn right onto C38. Destination will be on the left (177 km)



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Directions - Toshari Lodge (Etosha Gateway) to Hobatere Lodge

Distance: 234.74km **Travel Time:** 2:56 hours

GPS co-ordinates for Hobatere Lodge: S 19° 19' 56.166" E 14° 22' 13.735"

- Head south on C38 toward D2695 (10.8 km)
- Turn right onto D2710 (41.3 km)
- Turn left onto D2694 (27.2 km)
- Turn right onto C40 (72.0 km)
- Turn right onto C35 (68.5 km)
- Turn left (14.7 km)
- Turn left. Destination will be on the left (0.2 km)



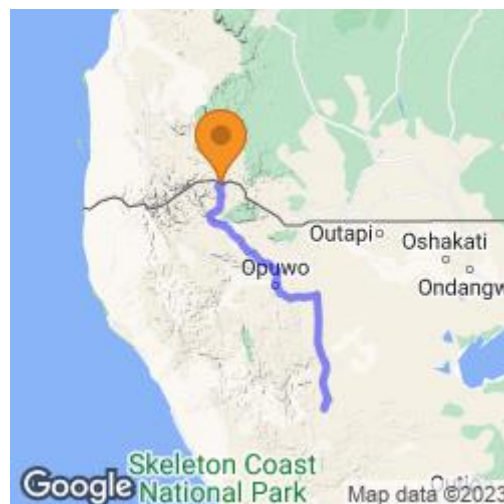
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Directions - Hobatere Lodge to Omarunga Epupa-Falls Camp Gondwana Collection Namibia

Distance: 374.39km **Travel Time:** 4:57 hours

GPS co-ordinates for Omarunga Epupa-Falls Camp Gondwana Collection Namibia: S 17° 00' 7.217" E 13° 14' 46.597"

- Head west (1.0 km)
- Slight right (13.2 km)
- Turn left onto C35 (126 km)
- Turn left onto C41 (56.0 km)
- Turn right onto C43 (178 km)
- Continue onto D3700. Destination will be on the left (0.2 km)



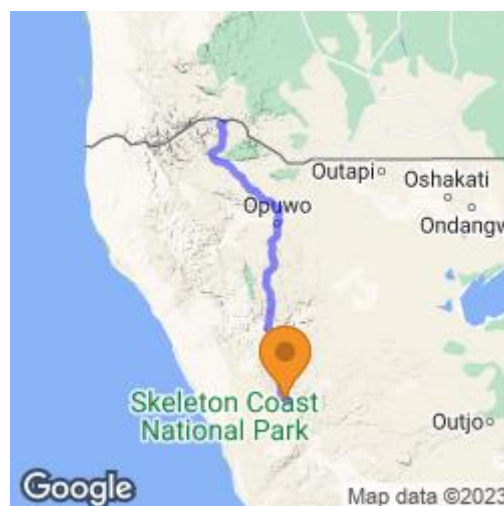
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Directions - Omarunga Epupa-Falls Camp Gondwana Collection Namibia to Palmwag Lodge Gondwana Collection Namibia

Distance: 410.55km **Travel Time:** 6:23 hours

GPS co-ordinates for Palmwag Lodge Gondwana Collection Namibia: S 19° 53' 10.331" E 13° 56' 12.792"

- Head west on D3700 (0.2 km)
- Continue onto C43 (71.0 km)
- Turn left (0.8 km)
- Turn left onto C43 (107 km)
- Turn left to stay on C43 (134 km)
- Turn left to stay on C43 (96.0 km)
- Turn right (0.6 km)



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Directions - Palmwag Lodge Gondwana Collection Namibia to Twyfelfontein Country Lodge

Distance: 113.9km **Travel Time:** 1:43 hours

GPS co-ordinates for Twyfelfontein Country Lodge: S 20° 34' 11.772" E 14° 22' 8.173"

- Head northeast toward C43 (0.6 km)
- Turn right onto C43/D3706/M128 (6.0 km)
- Turn right onto C43 (39.6 km)
- Continue onto C39/M126 (43.3 km)
- Turn right onto D2612 (14.8 km)
- Turn right onto D3254 (3.3 km)
- Turn right (0.8 km)
- Slight right (2.9 km)
- Turn left (2.5 km)
- Turn right. Destination will be on the left (0.3 km)



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Directions - Twyfelfontein Country Lodge to Bay View Resort Namibia

Distance: 353.47km **Travel Time:** 4:23 hours

GPS co-ordinates for Bay View Resort Namibia: S 22° 50' 35.929" E 14° 32' 24.362"

- Head northeast (0.3 km)
- Turn left (2.5 km)
- Turn right (3.0 km)
- Slight left (0.6 km)
- Turn left onto D3254 (3.0 km)
- Turn right onto D2612 (61.8 km)
- Turn right onto C35 (70.1 km)
- Turn right onto C35/M76 (115 km)
- Turn left onto C34/D2301. Continue to follow C34 (66.3 km)
- Continue straight (1.6 km)
- Turn right (0.8 km)



- Slight left onto C34 (7.0 km)
- At the roundabout, take the 2nd exit (76 m)
- Continue onto Henties Bay Rd/Nordring (1.6 km)
- Continue straight onto Moses Garoeb St/Nordring. Continue to follow Moses Garoeb St (0.5 km)
- Continue onto Rhode Allee (0.6 km)
- Turn left onto Nathaniel Maxuilili/B2. Continue to follow B2 (18.1 km)
- Turn right (0.2 km)
- Turn left (0.2 km)
- Turn left (16 m)
- Turn right (18 m)
- Turn left. Destination will be on the right (0.4 km)

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Directions - Bay View Resort Namibia to Elegant Desert Lodge

Distance: 346.94km **Travel Time:** 4:21 hours

GPS co-ordinates for Elegant Desert Lodge: S 24° 37' 9.272" E 15° 59' 27.186"

- Head northwest (0.4 km)
- Turn right (18 m)
- Turn left (16 m)
- Turn right (0.2 km)
- Turn right (0.2 km)
- Turn right onto B2 (13.1 km)
- Continue onto B2 (0.6 km)
- At the roundabout, take the 1st exit onto C14/M36. Continue to follow C14 (230 km)
- Turn right onto C19 (97.3 km)
- Turn left onto D854 (4.7 km)
- Turn left (30 m)



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Directions - Elegant Desert Lodge to Luderitz Nest Hotel

Distance: 466.78km **Travel Time:** 5:30 hours

GPS co-ordinates for Luderitz Nest Hotel: S 26° 39' 10.427" E 15° 08' 58.055"

- Head southeast toward D854 (30 m)
- Turn right onto D854 (4.7 km)
- Turn left onto C19 (101 km)
- Slight right (7.7 km)
- Turn right onto C14 (120 km)
- Continue straight onto C13 (105 km)
- Turn right onto B4/C13. Continue to follow B4 (127 km)
- Continue straight onto Bay Rd (0.1 km)
- Slight left onto Nachtigall St (0.2 km)
- Turn left onto Dias St (0.6 km)
- Slight right to stay on Dias St (0.1 km)



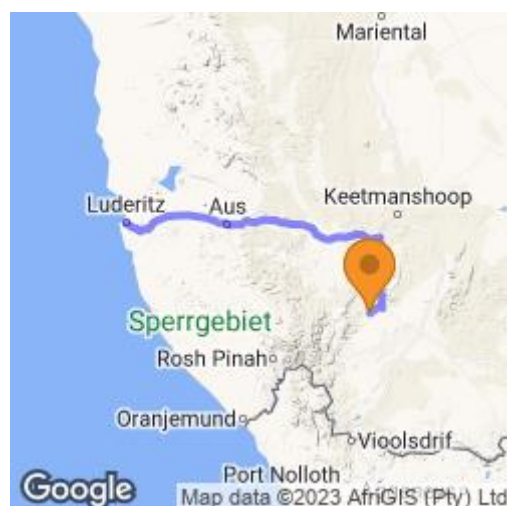
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Directions - Luderitz Nest Hotel to Canyon Roadhouse Gondwana Collection Namibia

Distance: 401.92km **Travel Time:** 4:04 hours

GPS co-ordinates for Canyon Roadhouse Gondwana Collection Namibia: S 27° 31' 27.667" E 17° 48' 50.819"

- Head northeast on Dias St (0.1 km)
- Slight left to stay on Dias St (0.6 km)
- Turn right onto Nachtigall St (0.2 km)
- Continue onto Bay Rd (1.1 km)
- Continue onto B4 (302 km)
- Turn right onto C12/D545 (33.4 km)
- Turn left onto C12/M28 (48.1 km)
- Turn right onto D601. Destination will be on the right (16.4 km)



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Directions - Canyon Roadhouse Gondwana Collection Namibia to Camelthorn Kalahari Lodge

Distance: 427.53km **Travel Time:** 4:38 hours

GPS co-ordinates for Camelthorn Kalahari Lodge: S 24° 06' 49.560" E 17° 56' 29.825"

- Head northeast on D601 toward C12/M28 (16.4 km)
- Turn left onto C12/M28 (48.1 km)
- Turn right onto C12/D545 (33.4 km)
- Turn right onto B4 (31.1 km)
- At the roundabout, take the 2nd exit onto B1 (6.9 km)
- Keep right to stay on B1 (234 km)
- Turn right onto C20 (12.1 km)
- Turn left onto D1268 (45.4 km)



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Directions - Camelthorn Kalahari Lodge to Hosea Kutako International Airport [WDH]

Distance: 234.58km **Travel Time:** 2:42 hours

GPS co-ordinates for Hosea Kutako International Airport [WDH]: S 22° 29' 12.534" E 17° 27' 47.126"

- Head north on D1268 toward C21 (18.3 km)
- Turn right onto C21 (9.9 km)
- Turn left onto C15 (27.2 km)
- Turn right to stay on C15 (101 km)
- Turn left onto C23 (62.2 km)
- Turn right onto B6 (14.4 km)
- Turn left (0.7 km)
- Continue straight (0.3 km)
- At the roundabout, take the 2nd exit (0.3 km)
- Turn left (0.3 km)
- Turn left (0.1 km)
- Turn right. Destination will be on the right (0.3 km)



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Travel Information

General Information

CLIMATE & WEATHER:

Namibia is an all year round destination, but climate and temperatures vary throughout the year according to the different seasons. Here is an indication of the different times of the year and what to expect:

Dry Season – May to October (Winter)

May – Rains have ceased and therefore scenery is lovely and green. During the day temperatures are moderate (24 - 28°C / 75-82°F). Evenings and nights are not that cold yet and are at most times pleasant but cool.

June – Falling just before the winter months, it starts getting colder in the evenings and at night, where temperature can start dropping to 10°C / 50°F. In the southern desert areas it can get very cold. During the day temperatures are still pleasant between 20 - 24°C / 68 - 75°F.

July & August – Usually the coldest of the winter months. Average temperatures during the day are around 21 - 25°C / 70 - 77°F. At night it drops to around 7°C / 45°F and can fall below freezing in the southern desert areas and more northern regions of the country.

September & October – From September, daytime temperatures warm up slightly but it still isn't too hot. The morning and evening chill factor is less and skies are clear as it is still dry. During October it gets even drier throughout the country, due to the longer period without rain, and it slowly starts to get warmer during the days and evenings. Daytime temperatures can during this time get quite hot.

Wet Season – November to April (Summer)

November – It starts to really warm up as we head towards our peak summer months. It can get very hot throughout Namibia during November, but humidity is still low. Daytime temperatures can rise to 30°C / 86°F but can be a lot higher in the southern desert areas and far north of Namibia. Clouds can often be seen in the afternoons but it is not common for rain to fall yet.

December – A hot month overall with the first rains starting to fall throughout the country. When it rains it cools off a bit making for pleasant temperatures. Rains are usually in short bursts and don't last too long.

January & February – The hottest of the summer months. It can get extremely hot and humid with temperatures averaging around 30 - 35°C / 86 - 95°F but often reaching peaks of 40°C / 104°F in the southern and more northern areas of the country. Downpours are common in the afternoons but also not falling every day.

March & April – Rainfall is less throughout March and has usually stopped completely by the end of April. Daytime temperatures are cooler than in the peak of summer and the nights start to get colder. Most days will see temperatures of around 25 - 30°C / 77 - 86°F.

VISAS & PASSPORTS:

Motema Tours & Safaris does not arrange VISAS and therefore this will be your own responsibility and arrangement. If we do so, we will charge you for the services.

You can have a look at the following link for more information regarding visa requirements:

<https://www.visahq.com/>

Please check on the internet or with the Embassy whether you require a VISA to be arranged in advance or whether you can obtain it at point of entry. In some cases, it can take up to 3 months for Visas to be issued so please do not leave this to the last minute. Please note that we cannot arrange Visas from our side as the application requires your signature as well as the actual passport to be endorsed.

NB: Passports need to be valid for at least 6 months from date of departure/ the date you end your holiday.

TRAVELING WITH MINORS:

For parents travelling with children under the age of 18 into or out of South Africa, Namibia or Botswana, you need to have the child's full un-abridged birth certificate with you.

HEALTH:

COVID-19: For the latest information and updates on travel requirements and restrictions with regards to COVID:

Vaccinations:

☑ You should be up to date on routine vaccinations while traveling to any destination.

☑ Namibia does not require any specific vaccinations, however you may need to show that you have been vaccinated against Yellow Fever if you will be travelling from or via a Yellow Fever Risk country.

☑ Namibia is a malaria risk country, however this is mostly in the northern parts of the country, along the rivers and Caprivi strip. Etosha is also a risk area, but this is mostly during and shortly after the rain season. ☑ We recommend that you consult your local physician with regards to vaccinations and precautions to be taken against malaria. Your doctor will be able to advise you regarding suitable malaria prophylaxis.

Some tips against malaria:

- * Wear long sleeves and long pants in the evenings and at night
- * Use mosquito repellents at all times
- * Where mosquito nets are provided, make use of this when sleeping.

Water: Generally throughout Namibia, water is safe to drink, however bottled water is also readily available and can be purchased at all shops and lodges. Make sure you drink enough water, especially during the summer months when it can get very hot. It is a good idea to keep a water bottle filled with fresh water at all times and have this with you, especially when on activities or out and about during the heat of the day.

Water is a scarce commodity throughout Namibia, so please use water sparingly and save water where you can.

Dietary Requirements: If you have any specific dietary requirements, please advise this on booking your tour. This is also requested from you on the booking information form. This information will be given to all the lodges prior to your arrival so that this can be accommodated accordingly.

Medical Conditions: Any medical conditions you may have, needs to be noted. Please ensure that we receive this information prior to your arrival and on booking your tour. This is also requested from you on the booking information form. This includes advising us of health issues and any allergies. If you will be travelling with medication, it is best to have this properly labelled and if necessary, keep this on you at all times.

SAFETY:

Namibia is a safe country for travel with a low crime rate, however we always recommend that you take precautions where necessary and be aware of your surroundings. Some tips:

- * Keep the vehicle locked at all times
- * Do not leave valuables in the vehicle
- * Use the safes supplied at the lodges
- * Always be aware of your surroundings
- * In the streets and when sightseeing, do not carry valuables visibly on your person
- * Do not carry large sums of cash on you

We also do not recommend you travel before sunrise or after sunset, this is due to animal activity at dawn/dusk and when it is dark. Visibility in areas where there are no road lights means inability to see animals on the road and this can be dangerous.

MOBILE NETWORK & COVERAGE:

Roaming is expensive and therefore it is a good idea to make use of a local sim card when travelling in Namibia. Sim cards can be purchased at most shops and fuel stations throughout the country and you can simply recharge with credit as you go along. If your service provider activates your sim card on request, you can also have internet

access on your phone whilst travelling.

MTC has the best coverage throughout Namibia, but it is important to keep in mind that there are areas with little to no reception. Should you wish to rent a satellite phone, this will be additional. We do not include this, due to the call tariffs involved over and above the daily rates, and therefore you can look to contact Sat4Rent for more information and to book a satellite phone, if you prefer to have one with you just in case. <https://www.sat4rent.com/>

The dialling code in Namibia is +264

WIFI:

Throughout Namibia almost all of the lodges offer WIFI connection of some sort. This is generally at the main area/ reception area of the lodge and not necessarily in the rooms. Some connections are still very slow and it is best to remember that WIFI connectivity and access to the internet is not guaranteed.

ELECTRICAL ADAPTORS NEEDED FOR NAMIBIA?

In Namibia the common power plugs and sockets are of type D and M, which have 3 round pins (as in South Africa), however sometimes plug points are also used which have 2 smaller round pins (type C and N) (as shown below). The standard voltage is 220 V.

Image of 3 pin round and two pin. These plugs will work in Namibia.

If you need an adaptor then the best adaptor to get would be a type D adaptor.

This can always be purchased in Windhoek.

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS:

In Namibia, we have set public holidays throughout the year, although some dates change annually. Below is a list of the public holidays for your reference:

01 January New Year's Day

21 March Independence Day

Varies Good Friday

Varies Easter Monday

01 May Worker's Day

04 May Cassinga Day

Varies Ascension Day

25 May Africa Day

26 August Heroes' Day

10 December International Human Rights Day

25 December Christmas Day

26 December Boxing Day

Where a public holiday falls on a Sunday, the Monday will then usually be declared a public holiday. During public holidays and often on weekends, limited shops are open and usually only until 12:00 / 13:00pm in the afternoon.

TIME:

Namibia uses the same offset as Central Africa Time Zone, which is GMT + 2 hours. Since 2018, Namibia no longer uses Daylight Savings Time in the winter months.

LANGUAGE:

The official language in Namibia is English, however German and Afrikaans are also widely used and there are numerous African languages and dialects spoken throughout the country since Namibia can be divided into at least 11 ethnic groups.

INSURANCE:

Personal / holiday insurance is for your own arrangement and we highly recommend that you ensure you have the necessary comprehensive cover before traveling.

CURRENCY:

The currency in Namibia is the Namibian Dollar (N\$). This has a fixed exchange rate to the South African Rand (ZAR) of 1:1.

South African Rand (ZAR) are accepted throughout Namibia, but it is important to keep in mind that the Namibian Dollar (N\$) is not accepted in South Africa.

Foreign currency and traveller's cheques can be exchanged at any bank throughout Namibia. There is no limit with regards to the amount of foreign currency allowed into Namibia.

CREDIT CARDS & CASH ON TOUR:

Credit cards (Visa & MasterCard) are widely accepted throughout Namibia and most lodges will accept credit cards for payments of extras. Most fuel stations accept credit cards. We do however recommend that you have cash with you at all times to pay for extras and fuel should the credit card machines be offline or if credit cards are not accepted.

We do not recommend that you carry large sums of cash with you, but rather that you only keep a limited amount on you and rather that you draw cash from ATMs or banks in the towns/ cities you will be passing through as you go along.

Further information or assistance can be obtained from any of the commercial banks in Namibia.

NB: As an indication we suggest that you have roughly ZAR 500 – ZAR 1000 (per person) on you at all times.

If you will be visiting any of our neighbouring countries it is a good idea to keep the following in mind:

* In Botswana you will have to pay in Botswana Pula (BWP) or American Dollars (US\$) * In Zimbabwe you will pay in American Dollars (US\$)

Make sure you have the local currency with you, especially at the borders to be able to make payment of your cross border fees.

FLIGHT CHECK-IN TIMES & ARRIVALS:

Check-in for international flights will be 2 hours prior to your departure flight time. For domestic flights, this is usually only 1 hour, however we always recommend being there 2 hours in advance.

Please be aware that on arrival at international airports, transfers are usually arranged for 45 minutes after your flight arrival time to allow adequate time for you to disembark the aircraft, to go through customs and immigration and to collect your luggage.

For private charter and scheduled flights, check-in times will be specified, however this will usually be 1 hour in advance of the estimated time of departure.

As you are on holiday, leave yourself ample time for transfers etc. so that your holiday can be relaxed and you can travel without any additional stress. This makes for a good start or end to your tour.

LUGGAGE:***General Flight Conditions:***

- Arrival and Departure times at the different lodges can vary and will be communicated with the lodges/agents at least the day before departure.

- On a scheduled seat rate flight routing will be planned per the number of passengers booked and their respective destinations. These are not always direct flights.

- Private charter flights mean that you will be travelling alone in the aircraft for the duration of your tour and your flight times are reasonably flexible throughout. You can discuss the flight times with your pilot as you go along.

Please note that pilot accommodation has been booked throughout as it is compulsory for private charter flights but

keep in mind that you may not have the same pilot throughout and your pilot may not stay at the lodges on all nights, if the aircraft needs to be pulled in an emergency or for maintenance.

- Type of aircraft used and luggage restrictions will be determined by the number of passengers booked and the route they travel. Below is an indication.

- Luggage Detail:

Scheduled Seat Rate Flights:

- STRICTLY not more than 20kg in small soft bags only.

Inclusive of hand luggage per person.

Provided that the pax all have an average weight of 80kg each.

Private Charter Flights:

- **2 Pax:** STRICTLY not more than 25kg in small soft bags only.

Inclusive of hand luggage per person.

Provided that the pax all have an average weight of 80kg each.

- **3 Pax:** STRICTLY not more than 15kg in small soft bags only.

Inclusive of hand luggage per person.

Provided that the pax all have an average weight of 80kg each.

- **4 Pax:** STRICTLY not more than 10kg in small soft bags only.

Inclusive of hand luggage per person.

Provided that the pax all have an average weight of 80kg each.

- Flights only operate during daylight hours. All flights take place between sunrise & sunset.

- Fuel is a major component of the cost of these services. As such we will be unable to honor these rates should the fuel price increase substantially. Should this happen we will adjust our rates and update you.

- Should the Namibian currency weaken substantially against the US\$ aircraft companies reserve the right to adjust their rates. You will be advised accordingly.

- Flight companies only fly in fair weather. Whilst every effort will be made to get you to your destination at the agreed time, flight companies will not jeopardize your safety. We are blessed with 300 days of sunshine per year in Namibia. Rarely does weather either delay, or at worse force us to cancel a flight. Should either of these scenarios occur, you will be advised immediately. Costs incurred due to or caused by these diversions/cancellations e.g. Extra accommodation, transfers, meals, missed flights, will be for the clients' account. Should the flight company have incurred any costs, we will charge full cancellation fees or only refund partially. Weather is an act of God and not at the behest of the flight company.

The crew will check en-route weather and weather at the destination carefully before embarking on the flight, but these conditions change very rapidly in Namibia.

- Flight companies can only operate into & out of airfields which are serviceable. Airfields are not owned, operated or maintained by the flight companies. This places the control over, as well as the condition of these airfields beyond the flight company's control. The flight companies will not jeopardize the safety or its operations by flying into unsafe airfields. The flight companies will be obliged to cancel a flight at short notice if it is discovered that the destination airfield is unsafe to operate into. Every effort will be sought to find an alternate airfield to fly into. However, this might not always be possible & as such the flight company may not be held liable for any inconvenience or additional costs in this regard.

- The aircraft company reserves the right to load the aircraft & seat the passengers in an arrangement of its choosing to comply with safety considerations.

- If for any reason clients missed their international connecting flights and they are delayed or not arriving on the time as originally planned (short notice cancellations / changes) we will charge full cancellation fees.

- Please inform us of passengers with a medical condition e.g. respiratory problems, diabetes, heart conditions that might require special attention and/or medication. We also need to be informed of female passengers that are

pregnant at the time of travel. Namibian Law requires a medical certificate for passengers that are past their 2nd trimester of pregnancy. Most flights are done in non-pressurized small aircraft. We would require the medical certificate to state that passengers are cleared to fly in these types of aircraft.

NB: Please inform us of passenger weights (in kilograms) soonest to determine final luggage allowances on charter flights

WHAT TO PACK:

Some tips on what to pack:

- * A good quality pair of sunglasses
- * Comfortable walking shoes (closed shoes)
- * Swimming costume
- * Wind breaker / anorak / parka for cold evenings
- * Camera with extra battery and extra card
- * Binoculars
- * A good flashlight
- * Basic medical kit

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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.

This information can be found on the website www.motema-safaris.com as well as the FAQs. You are strongly advised to go through it.

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