

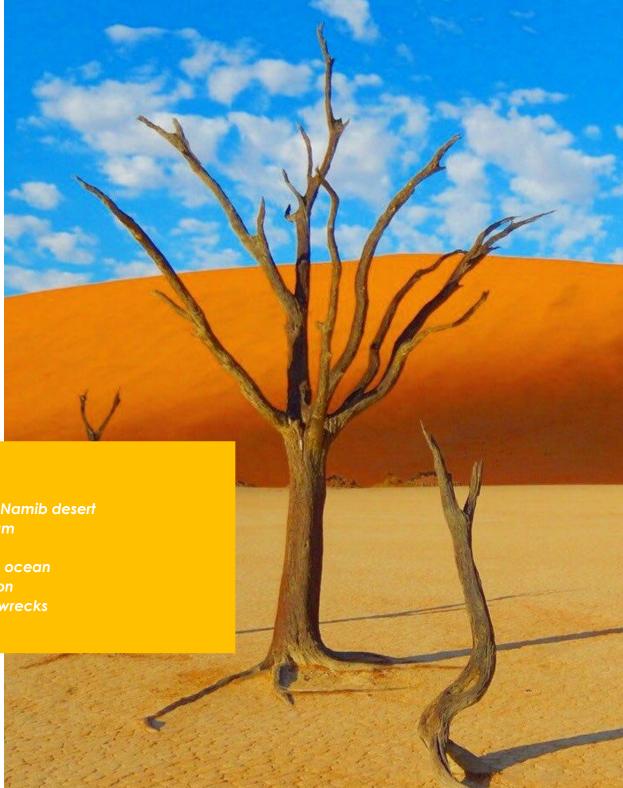


## 13 DAY Namibian Highlights

This <u>13 DAY NAMIBIAN HIGHLIGHTS</u> itinerary has been carefully crafted to take you on one of the most eclectic, exquisite and exciting journeys this stunning country can offer. Such as game drives in Etosha National Park, world renowned for its thriving populations of lion, cheetahs, leopard, as well as elephant, giraffe and rhinoceros. Most of these can be seen at the park's unique Etosha Pan, a salt-crusted, dry lakebed with wildlife packed waterholes



- Carry only your daypack as you hike the enchanting Namib desert
- ✓ Enjoy desert hospitality from our excellent support team
- √ Fire-side dining under a canopy of stars each night
- √ Walk the Langewand, where gigantic dunes meet the ocean
- ✓ View abundant birdlife in the Sandwich Harbour lagoon
- ✓ Stand in awe of the Eduard Bohlen and Shawnee shipwrecks





#### **ROUTE & ITINERARY**

#### **DAY 1: KALAHARI REGION**

Your guide will meet you at the hotel where your Namibia safari commences. You will journey to the south to the vegetated red dunes of the Kalahari Desert which differs from the Namib with the dunes being greener and less stark. A optional afternoon sundowner drive into the dunes can be richly rewarding. Overnight at the Bagatelle. Dinner is included

#### **DAY 2: FISH RIVER CANYON**

Travel south to the picturesque Quiver Tree Forest near Keetmanskop and Giants Playground, which is an impressive jumble of massive boulders. Proceed to the magnificent boulder-studded plains and hills to the east of the great Fish River Canyon. An optional sundowner walk / drive is available. Overnight at Canon Lodge. Breakfast and Dinner included

#### **DAY 3: LUDERITZ**

Start the day with a guided excursion to the majestic Fish River Canyon. The next leg of your journey takes you via the small, historical village of Aus and through the vast barren expanse of the Prohibited Diamond Area, to Luderitz. After a short sightseeing tour of Luderitz, enjoy an afternoon excursion to Diaz Cross. Overnight at Nest Hotel. Breakfast and Dinner included

### DAY 4: KOLMANSKOP / HELMERINGHAUSEN / CENTRAL NAMIB DESERT

After breakfast in your Namibia safari you will travel to the famous ghost town of Kolmanskop and head inland across the impressive

Neisip Plains to Helmeringhausen. Experience the changing landscape from the white gravel plains to the magnificent red dunes. Proceed to the central Namib Desert. Overnight at Sossusvlei Lodge. Dinner and Breakfast is included.

#### DAY 5: SESRIEM / SOSSUSVLEI

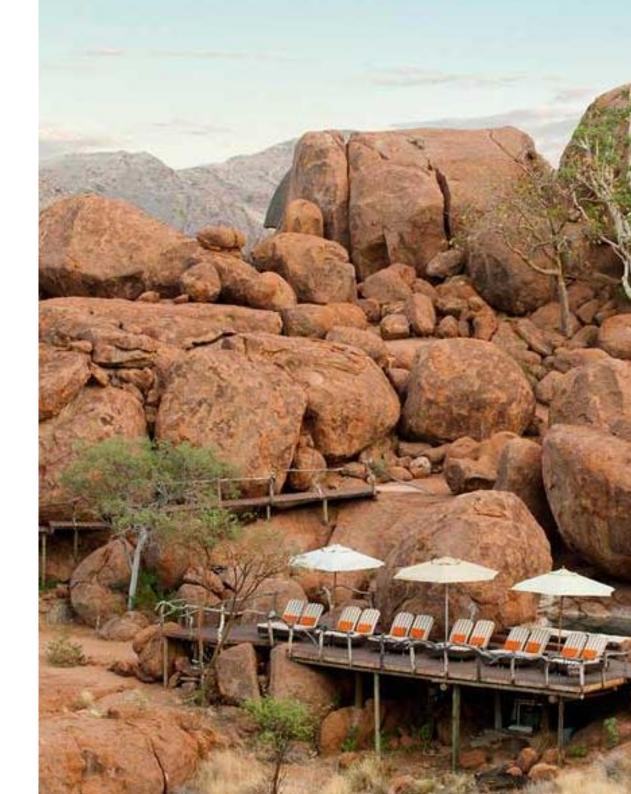
An early start is very important as your journey takes you to the famous Sossusvlei, with its star shaped dunes. This amazing sight provides photographers with a spectacular display of images to capture. You may climb the dunes to admire the endless vistas across a sea of dunes. You will stay at Sossusvlei Lodge. Breakfast and Dinner included

#### **DAY 6-7: SWAKOPMUND**

Your destination is the coastal town of Swakopmund via the Gaub and Kuiseb Canyons. Prior to arrival in Swakopmund you will visit Moon Valley, an unusual view overlooking the landscape formed by the valleys of Swakop River. You will visit the ancient Welwitschia mirabilis which is Nambia's most celebrated plant. Guests have the opportunity to participate in many excursions. You will stay at Hansa Hotel. Day 6: Breakfast and Lunch packs included. Day 7: Breakfast included

#### **DAY 8: DAMARALAND**

Travelling along the coastal road northwards to Henties Bay, you will proceed to the Cape Cross Seal Reserve. Here you will find a small lichen reserve. Return to Henties Bay where you will travel inland past the Brandberg Mountains, which is the highest point in Namibia into timeless Damaraland. Overnight at Twyfelfontein CL. Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner is included.





#### DAY 9: OUTJO / ETOSHA BORDER

Twyfelfontein which means 'doubtful spring' has been occupied for thousands of years by huge herds of game. The slopes of the area are strewn with boulders; all dotted with engravings, some ancient paintings and there is even a virtual air museum. Geological features include the Organ Pipes. In the vicinity of this area is the Petrified Forest where millions of years ago giant tree trunks were deposited which subsequently turned to stone. Overnight at Epacha Lodge & Spa. Breakfast and Dinner included.

#### **DAY 10-11: ETOSHA NATIONAL PARK**

Enter the world famous Etosha National Park which is one of the largest parks in Africa. Etosha owes it unique landscape to the Etosha Pan. During drier seasons it becomes an expanse of white cracked mud, shimmering with mirages. Waterholes along the southern edge frequently offer a rewarding game viewing experience and you can spot several rarer species such as Black and White Rhino. Hundreds of bird species have been recorded, with many migrants during the summer period. You will stay on day 10 at Epacha Lodge & Spa with Breakfast and Dinner included. On day 11 you will be accommodated at Onguma Tented Camp with Breakfast and Dinner included

#### **DAY 12: RETURN TO WINDHOEK**

Travel to the town of Tsumeb, which is dominated by the central mine shaft which mined rich ore pipe for copper, zinc, lead, silver and a variety of unusual crystals for which Tsumeb is famous for. While in the area, you may visit Lake Otjikoto, where in 1915, the retreating German force dumped weapons to prevent them falling into the hands of the South African Union Force. Several of these weapons have been recovered and can be viewed at the Tsumeb Museum. Return to Windhoek via the garden town of Otjiwarongo and Kavango craft markets in in Okahandja. Breakfast is included.

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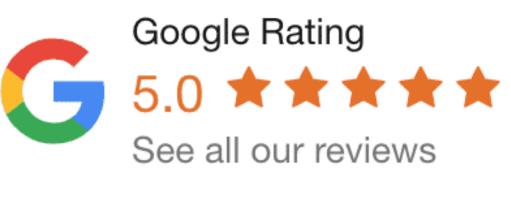
- ✓ Same Day Transfers To And From The Airport
- ✓ Accommodation On A Sharing Basis
- ✓ Transport In Air-Conditioned Vehicles
- ✓ Meals As Stipulated
- ✓ Entrance Fees To National Parks
- ✓ Portage
- ✓ English German Speaking Driver / Guide
- ✓ Soft And Non-Alcoholic Beverages Whilst On Board The Vehicle

#### **EXCLUDED**

- × All extra meals and drinks
- × Visas
- × Full Travel Insurance
- Excursions not related to the safari
- × International Flights
- Airport Departure Taxes
- Gratuities
- Items of a personal nature etc.



# OUR TRAVELLERS SAY





Chisopa - ZM



**Quick and efficient** 

We received prompt response to all our queries and the tour package was excellent



Angelo - DE



Great service - great activities

The activities were great and well organised.

Many thanks also to Christel for the great service and good communication

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