

# Namibia Discovery Safari

Min 2 passengers / Max 14 passengers | 10 nights' comfortable camping / 3 nights' accommodation

Combining classic Namibian highlights with seldom-seen areas of the north, this is an excellent comfortable camping safari for free-spirited adventurers. You'll experience the spectacular scenery of the Namib-Naukluft National Park and the remarkable wildlife of Etosha, and have the chance to explore remote corners of Namibia to see the stunning Epupa Falls and desolate desert landscapes. Scattered throughout are sensitive, insightful introductions to people in a cross-section of Namibia's traditional communities: the Owambo, Himba and Damara. It's a trip to get you involved; one where you can really get to grips with Namibia and its cultures and people.



## Price guide 2010

### Prices

Regular departures throughout 2010  
Prices are per person, departing and returning UK and start from  
£2,257 in January  
£2,146 in April  
£2,236 in November  
£115 single traveller supplement

### Includes

International overnight flights with South African Airways; airport taxes; transfers; accommodation; camping equipment; park entrance fees; most meals; and transport in a safari vehicle with a knowledgeable guide and camp team.

### Day 1 Flight to Namibia

An overnight flight takes you from London to Windhoek, via Johannesburg, with *South African Airways*.

### Day 2 Windhoek

After settling into your guesthouse you have the afternoon to spend at leisure. Your guide will meet with you during the early evening to discuss your camping safari and to answer any queries you have.

### Days 3 - 5 Etosha Park

It's a long but easy drive north to Etosha National Park, one of Africa's best safari reserves. You will stay at two campsites here and spend your time following the rhythm of the animals: rise at dawn to watch them feed; relax during the midday heat and

venture out again on safari in the cool of the late afternoon.

### Day 6 Owamboland

Travel into the little-visited Owamboland region, where the majority of Namibia's population lives. It's a lively, well-watered corner of the country and totally different from areas you've seen so far. Stop to see the famous hollow baobab tree in the Ombalantu community, used in the past as a house, a prison and a church.

### Day 7 Epupa Falls

It's a long and scenic drive to the remote Kunene River and Namibia's northern border, where you will spend the night camping under lush palm forest on its banks. Nearby, the impressive Epupa Falls are a series of cascades where the Kunene River drops 60m over 1,500m forming a multitude of channels and rock pools.

### Day 8 Kaokoland

Take a fascinating nature walk along the Kunene River to a local Himba Village this morning. The Himba in this area of Namibia still retain many of their traditional nomadic ways. After lunch you drive south to Opuwo and your comfortable lodge.

### Day 9 Damaraland

Your destination today is the Palmwag, a picturesque area of Damaraland. Camp on the banks of a dry riverbed shaded by huge palm trees. There is time to enjoy an afternoon walk to learn a little of the ecosystems that make up this rocky desert area.

### Day 10 Brandberg

Continuing south, you stop for lunch at Twyfelfontein before a local guide leads you around the amazing gallery of ancient Bushman rock art found here. After a pause to see the interesting 'Organ Pipe' rock formations and the surreal Burnt Mountain you continue to your campsite by Brandberg Mountain.

### Day 11 Swakopmund

Cross a forbidding stretch of amazingly flat and empty desert before reaching the Atlantic and the Skeleton Coast. Stop at Cape Cross seal colony and walk to within metres of these gregarious creatures. From here it's an interesting drive along the coast to the town of Swakopmund.

### Day 12 Gobabeb Centre

Swakopmund is Namibia's epicentre of adventure activities from dune-boarding, quad-biking, sky-diving and dolphin cruises to scenic flights over the desert; and you have the morning to experience some of these. Leaving after lunch you drive into the barren desert landscapes to the fascinating Gobabeb Research Centre.

### Days 13 & 14 Namib-Naukluft

Drive through deeply incised canyons and up onto the flat plains on the way to your campsite on the edge of the desert. Rising well before the sun the following morning, you drive and walk into the dunes with your guide, who shows you the best spots to take photos and explore in and around Sossusvlei and Dead Vlei.

### Day 15 Flight to London

Head back to Windhoek through yet more stunning scenery, arriving in time for your scheduled flight to London.

### Day 16 Arrive in London