



Ultimate Namibia Journey

Min 2 passengers / Max 8 passengers | 12 nights' comfortable accommodation

It's not easy to find a comfortable safari that takes in Namibia's many highlights without rushing. We've worked hard to design this itinerary so that it does just that. There's no camping on this trip; you'll stay at a mix of 4* comfortable lodges and lovely permanent camps, then use Etosha's simple camps for their superb location. You'll be guided by a knowledgeable and experienced guide, and have plenty of time to enjoy the stunning scenery of the Namib Desert, Walvis Bay's marine life, the dramatic Skeleton Coast, Damaraland's scenic vistas, exclusive access to the west of Etosha, and the big cats at Okonjima.



Days 3 & 4 Namib-Naukluft Park

Drive over the escarpment and down towards the dune-fields of the Namib Desert and your base for the next two nights, nestled on the banks of the Tsauchab River. An early start the following morning takes you deeper into the desert for a spectacular sunrise. There's much to see by walking around here; Namibia's Namib-Naukluft Park is one of the largest conservation areas in the world, so it covers an amazing diversity of desert landscapes. Visit Sossusvlei and Dead Vlei and climb some of the highest free-standing dunes in the world before returning to camp via impressive Sesriem Canyon.



Days 7 & 8 Damaraland

Travel first along part of the infamous Skeleton Coast before turning inland, across the gravel plains of the Namib Desert and up into the beautiful mountains of Damaraland. You stay in the heart of this region at the relatively new Camp Kipwe, nestled amongst an outcrop of giant granite boulders. The following morning is spent on an exciting 4WD nature drive along the ephemeral Aba Huab river valley. At certain times of year the Aba Huab River valley attracts a variety of desert-adapted wildlife including elephant, giraffe and kudu. Later in the afternoon you may visit the ancient Bushman rock art at Twyfelfontein and the 'Organ Pipe' rock formations.

Day 9 Hobatere

Head off to one of the country's premier game areas: Hobatere, a private reserve of 320km² bordering western Etosha. You explore the reserve on 4WD game drives and night drives. There is a wide variety of big

game found here, from elephant and giraffe to cryx, eland and springbok. The main predators are lion, leopard, cheetah and hyena.

Days 10 & 11 Etosha Park

Today you drive east, through the western gate into Namibia's Etosha National Park. We have a

special permit for this remote side of the park, from which normal tourist traffic is prohibited. Time your next two days here like the predators: rising early to hunt for animals, resting in the middle of the day, and then heading out again in the mid-afternoon.

Day 12 Okonjima

After an early-morning game drive in Etosha, you leave for the luxury lodge accommodation of Okonjima Bush Camp. Okonjima is home to the *AfriCat Foundation*, which has long been involved with the conservation of Namibia's big predators, especially its cheetah.

Day 13 Windhoek

You have time for a morning activity and a tasty brunch at Okonjima before your return journey to Windhoek.

Day 14 Flight to London

After a leisurely morning, you will be transferred to Windhoek Airport in time for your departing flight.

Day 15 Arrive in London

Day 1 Flight to Namibia

Scheduled overnight flight from London, via Johannesburg, to Windhoek.

Day 2 Windhoek

Your first night in Namibia is at a comfortable guesthouse in one of Windhoek's leafy suburbs. Dinner can be enjoyed at one of the city's many great restaurants.

Price guide 2010

Prices

Only seven departures so book early!
Prices are per person, departing and returning UK and start from £3,994 in April
£3,994 in July
£4,084 in October
£365 single traveller supplement

Includes

Overnight flights with *South African Airways*; air taxes; transfers; accommodation in smart guest farms and lovely lodges; park fees; some drinks; most meals; transport in a safari vehicle and services of an expert guide.