

Sossusvlei Shuttle Windhoek / Swakopmund - Namib Desert - Sossusvlei – Windhoek / Swakopmund

Short Version of itinerary:

Day by day

| Duration of safari: | 3 days / 2 nights | | |
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| Departure: | daily (ex Windhoek / Swakopmund / Walvis Bay and vv.) | | |
| Min / max participants: 2/8 | | | |
| Vehicle: | 4x4 Safari Vehicle or 4x4 Landcruiser, all with air-condition | | |
| Language: | English | | |
| Options: | standard and superior version | | |
| Rate per person: | as per current pricelist | | |

| Day: | Destination / Establishment: | Meals included: | Excursions included: | |
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| 1 | Windhoek / Swakopmund | | 14:00 Departure. Drive: Windhoek – Namib Desert (Route via Spreetshoogte Pass) or Swakopmund – Namib Desert (Route via Kuiseb Pass) | |
| | Namib Desert, | Dinner | (Driving time: ca 4 hours) | |
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| 2 | Namib Desert | Picnic - Breakfast Lunch | AM: Early morning Sossusvlei excursion (incl. Dűne 45, 'Dead Vlei' & Sesriem) | |
| | | | PM: Sunset drive within the NamNau Habitat to the natural marble mountains | |
| | | Dinner | | |
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| 3 | Namib Desert | Breakfast | Depart at 08:00: Drive: Namib Desert - Windhoek or (Route via Remhoogte Pass) Drive: Namib Desert – Coastal Towns (Route via Gaub & Kuiseb Pass) (Driving time: ca 4 hours) | |
| | Windhoek / Swakopmund | | Arrival at around 12:30. | |
| | End of Tour: Sosssusvlei Shuttle | | | |

Soft Adventure Camp



Namib Naukluft Lodge





<u>Sossusvlei Shuttle</u>

Windhoek / Swakopmund - Namib Desert – Sossusvlei – Windhoek / Swakopmund Daily Departures: 3 days / 2 nights

Day 1: Windhoek – Namib Desert.

(app. 240 km on gravel road – ca 4 hours driving time) You will be met at your establishment in the capital just before 14h00. Depart from Windhoek and we'll first pass the Kupferberg Pass or if road conditions do not allow that route, we drive via small town of Rehoboth. We pass cattle farm land and see a few farmhouses along the way. The landscape is hilly and we can enjoy some nice views over fertile valleys. As we continue, the vegetation changes and the farmland is used for sheep and goat farming. We take the turn via the scenic and steep Spreetshoogte Pass. Enjoy an undisturbed view on top of one of the steepest passes in Namibia! We will stop at the small settlement Solitaire and continue to the beautifully set Namib Naukluft Lodge & Soft Adventure Camp. Both establishments are located on the private nature reserve: NamNau Habitat, which hosts a variety of desert adapted game like Springbok, Oryx, ostrich, aardwolf, bat-eared fox and many more.

Standard Version: Overnight with dinner, bed and breakfast at the Soft Adventure Camp. Superior Version: Overnight on a dinner, bed and breakfast basis at Namib Naukluft Lodge.

<u>Or</u>

Day 1: Swakopmund – Namib Desert.

(app. 270 km on gravel road – ca 4 hours driving time) You will be met at your establishment in the coastal town just before 14h00 (during Namibian wintertime – 13h00). Depart from Swakopmund and we'll first pass Namibia's harbour town Walvis Bay. We might pick-up more clients at the Walvis Bay lagoon and continue through the National Park: Namib Naukluft Park, which is the largest conservation area in Africa. We pass the Vogelfederberg and drive through the Kuiseb Pass as well as the Gaub Pass before we stop at Solitaire, a small settlement. We shall arrive at the beautifully set Namib Naukluft Lodge & Soft Adventure Camp during the late afternoon. Both establishments are located on the private nature reserve: NamNau Habitat, which hosts a variety of desert adapted game like Springbok, Oryx, ostrich, aardwolf, bat-eared fox and many more.

Standard Version: Overnight with dinner, bed and breakfast at the Soft Adventure Camp. Superior Version: Overnight on a dinner, bed and breakfast basis at Namib Naukluft Lodge.

<u>Day 2: Namib Desert.</u> (Total km for excursion: app. 240 km – duration app. 7 hours)

An early morning rise with a snack before leaving enables you to arrive at Sesriem, the Park's gate at around sunrise. The route leads along and also across the Tsauchab dry riverbed, which has found a way through the dunes until it reaches the clay pan – the Sossusvlei. After a good rainy season – about every 7 to 10 years – the Tsauchab River runs in full flood and fills the Vlei with water. For months it remains here and offers a sensational scenery with a prolific birdlife.

The early morning sun offers spectacular pastel colours in the star-shaped dunes. This is the highlight for the keen photographer. Your first stop will be at Dune 45 before we continue to the Sossusvlei. Climb one of the dunes – there are plenty – and you might be overwhelmed by the sight of the dynamic and living desert!

Breakfast will be served in form of a picnic under one of the shady camel thorn trees, before you continue to the base of the 'Dead Vlei'. It is quite a walk over patches of dunes that are crossing your way. When you arrive you will be paid off for your efforts – the scenery is awesome!

We will visit the Sesriem Canyon, a 30 metre deep rift, before we return to our base Namib Naukluft Lodge and the Soft Adventure Camp for a late lunch.

During the late afternoon a sundowner-drive to the natural marble mountains on this 25,000 ha private nature reserve is included.

Standard Version: Overnight with full board at the Soft Adventure Camp. Superior Version: Overnight with full board at Namib Naukluft Lodge.

Day 3: Namib Desert - Windhoek.

(app. 260 km on gravel road – ca 3.5 - 4 hours driving time) 08:00 – 08:30 Departure and return to Windhoek via the Remhoogte Pass, which boasts with a variety of vegetation (it is possible – to return via Spreetshoogte Pass – depending on weather and road conditions) and arrive at around 12:30.

<u>Or</u>

Day 3: Namib Desert - Swakopmund.

(app. 270 km on gravel road – ca 4 hours driving time) 08:00 – 08:30 Departure and return to Swakopmund via Gaub & Kuiseb Pass. You will pass Namibia's largest Nature Reserve, the Namib Naukluft Park. An internationally renowned desert research station is located at Gobabeb. We pass the Vogelfederberg and shall drive through Namibia's harbor town Walvis Bay, before we arrive in Swakopmund at around 12:30.

End of Sossusvlei Shuttle

The Sossusvlei Shuttle can be booked as follows:

Windhoek – Namib Desert - Windhoek Swakopmund/Walvis Bay – Namib Desert – Walvis Bay/Swakopmund Windhoek – Namib Desert – Walvis Bay/Swakopmund Walvis Bay/Swakopmund – Namib Desert - Windhoek

Rates as per current rate sheet

Included:

Tour in a small group (2 to 8 passengers) with an English speaking driver – guide in a 4x4 Safaris vehicle or Landcruiser – all with air-condition.

Accommodation and meals: 2x overnight, 2x breakfast, 1x lunch, 2x dinner.

Excursions: Sossusvlei Excursion, sunset drive to the marble-mountains.

Extras: Park-entrance-fees, porterage, still and sparkling water on board the vehicle.

<u>Excluded:</u>

Any additional excursions or activities, beverages, tips, personal insurances and other personal items are excluded.