



African Extravaganza

Classic Safari: Quick Tip Namibia

Windhoek – Etosha National Park – Swakopmund – Walvis Bay - Namib Desert - Windhoek

Short version of itinerary

Day by day

Duration of safari: 7 days / 6 nights			
Departure: Saturdays / weekly (pick-up & drop-off: Windhoek)			
Min / max participants: 2 / 7			
Vehicle: 4x4 Safari Vehicle			
Language: English, German with experienced safari guide			
Day:	Destination/Establishment:	Meals incl.:	Excursions & activities included:
1	Windhoek		08:30 Departure. Drive: Windhoek – Etosha National Park (via Otjiwarongo and Oujto) (Driving time: app. 5 hours)
	Etosha National Park	Dinner	
	Overnight with half board at Okaukuejo Resort (subject to availability)		
2	Etosha National Park	Breakfast Dinner	AM & PM: Game-drive inside the Etosha Park
	Overnight with half board at Okaukuejo Resort (subject to availability)		
3	Etosha National Park	Breakfast	AM: Last game-drive inside the Park Drive: Etosha National Park – Swakopmund (via Omaruru – stop at Kristall Kellerei) (Driving time: app. 6 hours)
		Lunch	Arrival during the course of the afternoon.
	Swakopmund		
	Overnight with bed and breakfast at the Hansa Hotel or similar		
4	Swakopmund	Breakfast Snacks	AM: Catamaran boat cruise in Walvis Bay included PM: Welwitschia Drive: See 'Moonlandscape' Welwitschia Plants, lichen fields
	Overnight with bed and breakfast at the Hansa Hotel or similar		
5	Swakopmund	Breakfast	AM: Enjoy the morning at leisure (optional excursions available) 14:00 Departure. PM: Drive Swakopmund – Namib Desert (Route via Kuiseb & Gaub Pass)
	Namib Desert	Dinner	
	Overnight with half board at Namib Naukluft Lodge		
6	Namib Desert	Breakfast	AM: Early morning Sossusvlei excursion (incl. Dúne 45, Sossusvlei, 'Dead Vlei' & Sesriem Canyon)
		Lunch Dinner	PM: Sunset drive to the marble mountains
	Overnight with full board at Namib Naukluft Lodge		
7	Namib Desert	Breakfast	AM: Drive: Namib Desert - Windhoek (Route via Remhoogte or Spreetshoogte Pass) (Driving time: app. 3.5 hours)
	Windhoek		Arrival at around 13:00
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*Windhoek – Etosha National Park – Omaruru –
Swakopmund – Walvis Bay – Namib Desert – Sossusvlei – Windhoek*

Departure: Saturday - 7 days / 6 nights

Day 1: Windhoek – Etosha National Park

(app. 450 km on tarred road – ca 5 – 6 hours driving time)

Depart at around 08:30 towards Okahandja, Otjiwarongo and Outjo to the famous Etosha National Park, where we'll undertake our first game drive. The Park is well known for its huge herds of antelope and zebra. We shall try and stay inside the Etosha National Park: Okaukuejo or Halali. If this is not possible we shall stay in a lodge right outside the Andersson's Gate.

Overnight with half board at Okaukuejo Resort (subject to availability).

Day 2: Etosha National Park

(driving time – depends on game-drives inside the Park)

A full day in the Park lies ahead of us. Except for the rainy season, Etosha's animals are depending on artificial waterholes and natural springs. Explore the various waterholes along this enormous saltpan, which is called the "great white place of dry water" in a local language. More than 114 mammal species are found in the Park. With a bit of luck we have the chance to encounter some big mammals like elephant and rhino as well as the fearsome predators like lion and cheetah.

Overnight with half board at Okaukuejo Resort (subject to availability).

Day 3: Etosha National Park - Swakopmund

(app. 520 km on tarred road – ca 6 - 7 hours driving time)

After breakfast and a brief game-drive in the early morning hours, we'll leave the Park and head towards Omaruru, where we'll visit the Kristall Kellerei for a wine tour and lunch (included). Onward drive to the premier coastal holiday resort: Swakopmund. The rest of the afternoon is at leisure. You might want to go for a walk in the city or at the beach. Swakopmund has plenty of excellent restaurants – the choice is yours. Dinner in Swakopmund is on your own account.

Superior Version: Overnight on a bed and breakfast basis at the Hansa Hotel or similar.

Day 4: Swakopmund

This morning we shall drive along the coastline to the harbor town Walvis Bay. We will participate in a catamaran boat trip on the beautiful lagoon in Walvis Bay. Often these cruises are accompanied by dolphins and seals. Enjoy the prolific birdlife with pelicans and flamingos! Snacks and a variety of beverages are offered and included on board the boat.

During the afternoon your guide will take you to the highlights of the Namib Desert: the 'moonlandscape', the Swakop river bed, the ancient and endemic plant Welwitschia Mirabilis and the lichen fields.

Overnight on a bed and breakfast basis at the Hansa Hotel or similar.

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Day 5: Swakopmund – Namib Desert.

(app. 270 km on gravel road – ca 4 hours driving time)

The whole morning in Swakopmund is at leisure. You may want to join one of the activities, like quad-biking or sand-boarding in the dunes just outside Swakopmund. (These activities are excluded – but you can book them in advance or your guide will assist you to do the reservation).

We depart at around 14:00 from Swakopmund, drive through the Namib Desert, the Kuiseb and the Gaub Pass and arrive at the beautifully set Namib Naukluft Lodge during the late afternoon.

Overnight on a dinner, bed and breakfast basis at Namib Naukluft Lodge.

Day 6: Namib Desert.

(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 claypan – 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 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 camelthorn 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 for a late lunch. During the late afternoon a sunset-drive to the natural marble mountains on this 25,000 ha private nature reserve is included.

Overnight on a full board basis at Namib Naukluft Lodge.

Day 7: Namib Desert – Windhoek.

(app. 240 km on gravel road – ca 3.5 - 4 hours driving time)

08:30 Departure and return to Windhoek via the Remhoogte Pass or Spreetshoogte Pass. Arrive at around 12:30 in Windhoek.

End of Safari: Quick Tip Namibia

Rates as per current rate sheet

Included:

Tour in a private group (2 to 7 passengers) with a qualified English and German speaking safari – guide in a 4x4 Safari Vehicle.

Accommodation and meals: 6x overnight, 6x breakfast, 2x lunch, 1x snacks, 4x dinner.

Excursions: Game-drives in Etosha with African Extravaganza vehicle & guide, Welwitschia excursion, Catamaran boat cruise, Sossusvlei excursion, sunset drive to the marble-mountains.

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

Excluded:

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