

14 day

Namibia Eco Trails

Highlights

- Namib Desert – highest dunes and visit to Deadvlei
- Adventure town of Swakopmund
- Damaraland – home to elusive desert elephant
- Etosha National Park – 4 of ‘Big 5’



Day 1 | 50 km WINDHOEK

After arriving, you proceed via mountainous terrain to Windhoek. Your accommodation is situated in a quiet suburb and close to the city centre with its Afro-European flair and peaceful atmosphere. In the evening enjoy typical Namibian cuisine in one of the numerous restaurants in the capital city.

The Elegant Guesthouse.

Day 2 | 360 km NAMIB DESERT

Travel south into the heart of the Namib Desert, an area with awe-inspiring landscapes and majestic dunes. Arriving at your lodge, the rest of the day can be spent at leisure. Enjoy a late afternoon walk or take part in optional activities.

Overnight at The Elegant Desert Camp
Breakfast and dinner.

Day 3 | 210 km SOSSUSVLEI

This day calls for an early rise, as you will forever remember the picture of a sunrise over the mighty dunes of the Namib Desert. From Sossusvlei visit Deadvlei, a surreal white clay pan surrounded by great dunes and dotted with age-old camelthorn trees.

Travelling back, visit the Sesriem Canyon, an 18 million-year-old gorge eroded into the conglomerate floor. Afternoon at leisure part in an optional guided afternoon walk.

Overnight at The Elegant Desert Camp
Breakfast and dinner.

Day 4 | 160 km NAMIB DESERT

After breakfast, depart to your next lodge situated at the heart of some of the best walking trails Namibia has to offer. Relax in over 12 000 hectares of pristine scenery. Enjoy far reaching views into the Namib Desert from the pool or stretch your legs on one of the many demarcated hiking trails.

Overnight at Rostock Ritz Desert Lodge
Breakfast.

Day 5 | 230 km SWAKOPMUND

The onward trip to Swakopmund offers you the opportunity to stop at Solitaire before continuing on along the gravel road, which leads us through two geologically fascinating canyons into another section of the Namib Naukluft National Park.

Soon we reach a point where the Kuiseb River acts as a natural boundary between the Namib Dune belt and the gravel plains of the Namib Desert. Leaving the desert behind we arrive at the Atlantic Coastline of Swakopmund. Day is spent at leisure.

Overnight at Swakopmund Guesthouse
Breakfast.

Day 6 SWAKOPMUND

After breakfast, you will have the option of participating in some of the adventurous activities on offer or explore the town.

Overnight at Swakopmund Guesthouse
Breakfast.

Day 7 | 250 km DAMARALAND

Today our journey continues through Uis past the Brandberg, Namibia's highest mountain (2 579m), into the Damaraland, one of the least populated and most geologically diverse areas in Africa. We arrive at our lodge in the afternoon, where we have the remaining day at leisure.

Overnight at Ondjamba Hills – Breakfast.

Day 8 | 200 km DAMARALAND

Today we head further into Damaraland. This harsh, rocky environment is home to the elusive desert elephant, the black rhino and free-roaming antelope species. En route we visit the UNESCO Heritage site – Twyfelfontein and Living Museum of the Damara.

Overnight at Etendeka Mountain Camp
Breakfast and dinner.

Day 9 DAMARALAND

Today is spent exploring the area on foot and in open game drive vehicles with the exceptionally knowledgeable guides.

Overnight at Etendeka Mountain Camp
Fullboard and activities.

Day 10 | 300 km ETOSHA NATIONAL PARK (WEST)

After breakfast, you continue travelling through the small settlement of Fransfontein towards the town of Kamanjab before traveling along the western border of the Etosha National park to our lodge located in the Hobatere Concession, well known for its giraffe, elephant and lion populations.

Overnight at Hobatere Tree House - Breakfast and dinner.

Day 11 | 300 km ETOSHA NATIONAL PARK

Entering the Etosha National Park in the early morning through the Galton Gate, your time will be devoted purely to the abundant wildlife found here.

Overnight at Etosha Village - Breakfast and dinner.

Day 12 | 200 km ETOSHA NATIONAL PARK

You have the entire day available for extensive game viewing experiences. No game drive is the same; all waterholes hold new surprises and attract different animal species that you may not have seen on previous game drives.

Overnight at Etosha Village - Breakfast and dinner.

Day 13 | 300 km GREATER WATERBERG AREA

Departing the Etosha National Park, you travel through the main agricultural and cattle farming region of Namibia. Arriving at your lodge close to the Waterberg you have time to explore the diverse wildlife and typical farm life on an optional guided farm or nature drive or follow one of the numerous scenic walking trails.

Overnight at Ouhave Country Home
Breakfast.

Day 14 | 280 km DEPARTURE

After breakfast, depart your lodge and travel the last short stretch towards the international airport, where your tour ends.

Breakfast.

Live this!

Discover Namibia, ecological friendly tourism operations. Let yourself be captivated by the surreal dunes at Sossusvlei and Deadvlei. Discover UNESCO and RAMSAR World Heritage sites and interact with Damara cultures. Explore remote and nearly untouched concession areas in Damaraland. Encounter the rich and diverse wildlife of the Etosha National Park.

Classification:
Comfort

Vehicle recommendation:
SUV or 4WD Double Cab

Inclusions:
Accommodation: As specified
Meals: All meals as specified in the itinerary
Deluxe Travel Planner
General: Tourism levy and government taxes where applicable
Green Seat: Bishop Kameeta Kindergarden; Otjimboyo Conservancy

Exclusions:

- All International / Domestic Flights and taxes
- Rental Vehicle
- Visas
- Travel and Personal accident insurance
- Personal Expenses
- Excursions / Activities not specified
- Gratuities

Optional extras:
Additional excursions / activities on request.

All lodges on this tour have received an Namibian Eco-Award or independently work on an extensive environmental and sustainable basis.