

SOSSUSVLEI / NAMIB / COAST / TWYFELFONTEIN / ETOSHA TOUR

SOSSUSVLEI-NAMIB-COAST - TWYFELFONTEIN-ETOSHA 01.11.2019 – 31.10.2020



Dates

Oct 2019	02/23
Nov 2019	-
Dec 2019	04
Jan 2020	22/29
Feb 2020	26
Mar 2020	16
Apr 2020	01/15/27
May 2020	06
Jun 2020	03/15/29
Jul 2020	15
Aug 2020	03/19
Sep 2020	02/16/30
Oct 2020	05/21

Fascinating, Classic Namibia

Colourful sunsets, silence and unique landscapes. Cities that are old and modern simultaneously and a fascinating prehistoric history, as well as the life of animals in the wild will turn into a unique experience.

DAY 1: WINDHOEK – NAMIB DESERT

Our journey starts from Windhoek through farmland rich in vegetation. We wind our way down one of the passes, down the Great Escarpment, into the Namib. The vegetation becomes less and less. Our accommodation is located in the magnificent scenery of the Namib. In the afternoon, we enjoy a ride through this beautiful landscape and absorb the earthy colours.

Dinner/Accommodation/Breakfast at the Namib Naukluft Lodge/ Namib Desert Lodge or similar.

DAY 2 : SOSSUSVLEI – SESRIEM CANYON

Early in the morning we start the trip to Sossusvlei and can experience the splendour of the awakening day. The highest dunes on earth can be found here. 300 m high, the apricot-coloured sand dunes rise into the blue sky. After the impressions of the morning we visit the Sesriem Canyon, which suddenly forms a narrow gorge in the conglomerate. It seems almost unreal. Then we return to the lodge and enjoy a free afternoon.

Dinner/Accommodation/Breakfast at the Namib Naukluft Lodge/ Namib Desert Lodge or similar.

DAY 3: NAMIB DESERT – WALVIS BAY

We drive through Solitaire, the Gaub- and the Kuiseb Pass and come across impressive rock formations. The Namib Naukluft Park is the largest game park in Africa and was founded in 1907. We travel through seemingly lifeless gravel plains that are full of interesting plant life and home to a rich world of small animals, we reach the important port of Walvis Bay and continue to Langstrand to your nights accommodation.

Dinner/ Accommodation/ Breakfast at the Bay View Resort.

DAY 4: WALVIS BAY – BOAT CRUISE - SWAKOPMUND

In the morning we all climb aboard for a 3-hour boat or catamaran cruise. We learn all about the rich and cold Benguela Current, which contributes to the economy through its abundant fish population. We meet the large fur seal colony up close on the headland of the large lagoon. Sometimes different types of dolphins appear and play in the water around the boat. Walvis Bay is one of the well-known Ramsar Site, which contributes to the protection of the migratory birds. On board fresh Atlantic Oysters, sandwiches, South African sparkling wine and light drinks are provided. Then we drive to Swakopmund, a colourful, very friendly, old and yet modern small town that serves as a holiday resort. The afternoon is at leisure. Optional sightseeing flights or other activities can be arranged.

Accommodation/ Breakfast at the Driftwood Guesthouse.

DAY 5: SWAKOPMUND - TWYFELFONTEIN

Early departure for Twyfelfontein, a World Heritage site that offers a great variety of rock carvings and rock engravings that we visit and try to decipher. On the way we pass Namibia's highest mountain, the Brandberg, with an altitude of 2500m above sea level. Great rock formations made from granite inspire our view. Other geological highlights for today are the Burnt Mountain and the Organ Pipes.

Dinner/ Accommodation/ Breakfast at the Twyfelfontein Lodge.

DAY 6: TWYFELFONTEIN – ETOSHA NATIONAL PARK

Following the geology trail, we continue with a visit to the Petrified Forest. Here we find up to 30-meter long tree trunks, which were probably washed up. It is a conifer species that grew 200 to 300 million years ago. The next destination is the impressive finger cliff out of limestone conglomerate, standing 36m tall and with a circumference of 44 meters.

Then we continue to the Etosha National Park with a first short game drive.

Dinner/ Accommodation/ Breakfast at the Taleni Etosha Village/ Toshari Lodge or similar.

DAY 7: ETOSHA NATIONAL PARK

Der Etosha National Park may be one of the most important nature conservation parks in Africa. In fact, an almost paradise-like life unfolds here on a total area of 22,270 km². Hundreds of animal species, very rare shrubs and trees, as well as impressive landforms combined to an ensemble of breath taking beauty. The Etosha pan is the centre of the park. It is 129 km long and up to 72 km wide. Every year, rain turns the majestic plain into a meter-deep lake, which attracts numerous water birds for nesting. The best time to visit is during the dry season from May to October: Then Huge herds of animals gather at dawn and dusk at the water holes and show the impressive wildlife in the African bush to the fascinated visitor. This day is all about game viewing.

Dinner/ Accommodation/ Breakfast at the Mokuti Etosha Lodge/ Taleni Etosha Village/ Toshari or similar.

DAY 8: ETOSHA NATIONAL PARK – LODGE EAST OF THE PARK

Game drives in the Etosha National Park are scheduled for the morning and the afternoon. We have enough time to spend at water holes to watch the animals comfortably and to listen to their sounds. It is often a constant coming and going of various game species. Not all types tolerate each other and it is exciting to watch.

Dinner/ Accommodation/ Breakfast at the Mokuti Etosha Lodge/ Gabus Game Ranch or similar.

DAY 9: RETURN TO WINDHOEK

We make our way back to Windhoek via a few small towns, such as Tsumeb, Otavi, Otjiwarongo and Okahandja. Arrival in the afternoon.

