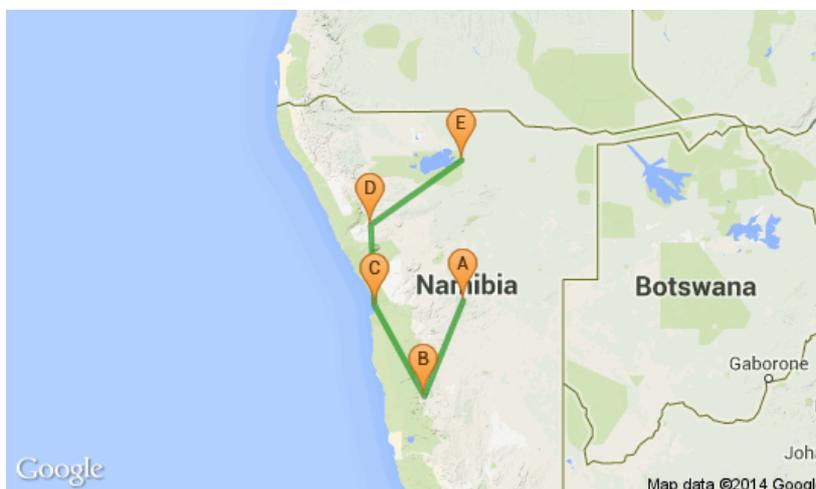


Namibia (Deluxe)



Destination	Accommodation	Nights	Basis
Windhoek	The Olive Exclusive Boutique Hotel	1	D,B&B
Namib	Sossusvlei Desert Lodge	2	FI
Swakopmund	Swakopmund Hotel & Entertainment Centre	2	B&B
Damaraland	Mowani Mountain Camp	2	FBA
Etosha National Park	Onguma The Fort	2	FBA

Key

B&B: Bed and breakfast

D, B&B: Dinner, bed and breakfast

FB+: Dinner, bed, breakfast, lunch and activities daily

FI: Fully inclusive

Day 1: The Olive Exclusive Boutique Hotel, Windhoek D,B&B



Windhoek is Namibia's capital, home to an international airport and a plethora of restaurants, shops, entertainment venues and accommodation options. The city is clean, safe and well-organised, with a colonial legacy that is reflected in its many German eateries and shops, and the widespread use of the German language. Windhoek has an interesting mix of historical architecture and modern buildings, many of which are worth a look, including the Alte Feste (Old Fort), the 1896 Christuskirche (Christ Church), and the more contemporary Supreme Court.

Upon arrival in Windhoek, you will be met and transferred to your hotel.

Overnight: The Olive Exclusive Boutique Hotel

The Olive Exclusive – the first ultra-luxurious sanctuary of its kind in the Namibian capital – is cool, contemporary and stylish but with a warm heart and authentic African soul. Its sleek, modern lines are complemented by organic textures, natural furnishings, an eco-friendly approach and dedicated personal service. Simple elegance is key, from the organic rough-hewn wooden benches and side tables, through the sculpted chunk of granite that serves as a coffee table in the guest lounge, to walls clad in abstract Namibian landscapes by well-known South African photographer Micky Hoyle.

The seven suites are individually decorated so each reflects a different region in Namibia, and each has its own lounge area with fireplace and dining room, for private dining. Wide glass doors open onto spacious decks where you can relax on a shady daybed, enjoy al fresco lunches or, if yours is a premium suite, take a dip in your own private plunge pool.

Such are the creature comforts that you may find it hard to leave: sink into an extra-length bed dressed in crisp, pure-cotton linen, or indulge in a bubble bath in a freestanding tub with sweeping mountain views. Air-conditioning & satellite TV are standard, as is a computer with free WiFi access. Then there's a fully stocked mini bar, complete with a premium wine selection, so you can toast the setting sun in fine style.

The Olive Exclusive boasts a quality restaurant featuring a seasonal menu, with inventive signature dishes. The fully stocked bar also features a classic selection of fine whisky.



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Day 2: and Beyond Sossusvlei Desert Lodge, Namib



The Namib is the world's oldest desert, and although it stretches along the entire length of Namibia's coastline, the Namib commonly refers to the vast sea of sand from Luderitz to Swakopmund. For a big sandy desert the scenery is remarkably varied, with the giant red dunes of Sossusvlei being the most famous part.

Because of how old it is the Namib is home to numerous species that don't occur elsewhere and although no humans live in the desert an amazing array of flora and fauna manages to survive here. Famous species include the Welwitschia – a living fossil plant, endemic chameleons, fur seals along the coast, brown hyenas, jackals and remarkably one of Africa's largest antelope the Gemsbok. The name Namib is of Nama origin and means "vast place" and vast it certainly is.

You will be met in the lobby of your hotel and transferred to Eros airport for your Scenic flight to Sossusvlei



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Overnight: and Beyond Sossusvlei Desert Lodge FI

Take a breather from your hectic schedule and reconnect with yourself and with nature at and Beyond Sossusvlei Desert Lodge.

Nestled deep in the heart of Namibia's ancient Namib Desert in Southern Africa, the lodge is a secluded and serene oasis that overlooks awe-inspiring dunes and stony outcrops. A world of vast spaces, endless horizons and rugged mountain heights, the utter tranquillity and extraordinary clarity of light make this area one of Africa's most compelling landscapes.

In this spectacularly beautiful location, spacious and serene suites envelope guests in pure indulgence, complete with an outdoor shower and a dramatic skylight over the bed for late night star gazing.

If you're up for something more active, quad biking adventures, hikes and walks will let you explore the surrounding scenery and satisfy your sense of adventure.

- 10 air conditioned desert villas
- Star-viewing skylights
- Outdoor showers
- Lodge swimming pool
- Observatory with resident astronomer
- Safari Shop
- Wifi in guest area only
- 180 000 hectare nature reserve
- Oryx, springbok, zebra and ostrich



Day 3: and Beyond Sossusvlei Desert Lodge, Namib FI



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Day 4: Swakopmund Hotel & Entertainment Centre, Swakopmund



Founded in 1892 as the main harbour for German South West Africa, Swakopmund is often described as being more German than Germany. Now a seaside resort, Swakopmund is the capital of the Skeleton Coast tourism area and has plenty to keep visitors happy. The quirky mix of German and Namibian influences, colonial-era buildings and the cool sea breeze make it very popular.

Depart after breakfast for the airstrip. Scenic air flight to Swakopmund (Wolvedans - Sossusvlei (overfly) – Diamond Camps (overfly) – Eduard Bohlen (overfly) – Shawney (overfly) – Sandwich Bay (overfly) – Swakopmund). Upon arrival you will be met and transferred to the hotel.

Overnight: Swakopmund Hotel & Entertainment Centre B&B

From the rugged, desolate beauty of the Namib Desert, to the historical grace of its buildings, a visit to the Skeleton Coast is a unique experience. The Swakopmund Hotel & Entertainment Centre is no exception. Built in and around the old German Station Building, this charming hotel strikes the perfect balance between architectural beauty and first-world class.





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Day 5: Swakopmund Hotel & Entertainment Centre , Swakopmund

Bed & Breakfast & marine dune day

Drive between the dunes and the Atlantic Ocean to reach the neighboring town of Walvis Bay, the only deep water harbor on the Namibian coastline. Board ski boats and spend the morning exploring the bay area which is home to a great variety of bird life, turtles, seals and dolphins. Enjoy fresh Namibian oysters and sparkling wine while watching Cape Fur seals and dolphins frolic around the boats. The curious seals even jump onto the boats for a better view of their visitors! Disembark at Pelican Point and board 4x4 vehicles for the journey to Sandwich Harbor. Picnic lunch en route. This remote part of the coastline is only accessible in 4x4 vehicles and even then it is not always possible for the vehicles to get all the way in. Towering dunes, quick sand and rising tides create challenges along the way. The last few kilometers are only passable at low tide when a small strip of beach appears at the foot of the dunes allowing passage into the harbor. If the tide is high the only way to reach Sandwich is to walk along the crest of the dunes as the waves break right at the foot of the dune wall! The Sandwich lagoon is fed by fresh water seeping from an inland aquifer and, apart from being a sanctuary for a variety of birds, is scenically one of the most beautiful spots in Namibia.

Day 6 & 7: Mowani Mountain Camp, Damaraland



Huge, untamed and ruggedly beautiful Damaraland is an exceptionally scenic landscape of open plains and spectacular rock formations. The major attractions are Spitzkoppe, the Brandberg, Twyfelfontein, Vingerklip and the Petrified Forest.

Depart for the airstrip and your scenic flight to Damaraland. Upon arrival you will be transferred to the lodge.

Overnight: Mowani Mountain Camp

Mowani Mountain Camp offers luxury tented accommodation with magnificent desert views. Open air en-suite bathrooms and private decks give you great views of Damaraland and the reliability of nearby Twyfelfontein with its San engravings and paintings is contrasted by the elusive desert adapted elephants.

The Twyfelfontein conservancy has been protecting the southern most roaming ground of the black rhino and elusive desert elephant.

Sustainable eco-tourism and community upliftment is of the utmost importance at Mowani. Guides from the local tribes compliment day-time game drives to track mountain zebra, kudu, springbok, klipspringer and if you are fortunate enough... the leopard! The adventurer in me took over at Mowani. Days were filled with game drives, hot air balloon trips over the Aba-Huab Valley, champagne breakfasts and al fresco meals amidst the dusky landscape beneath Mopani trees.



Includes

Full board and activities



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Desert-Adapted Elephant

Spend between 4-6 hrs on a morning drive exploring the region in search of the elusive desert-adapted elephants. Usually they travel up to 60kms over inhospitable terrain between feeding areas and known waterholes. In times of drought they will dig holes in dry river beds until water seeps up. This also supplies other desert dwelling creatures.

Twyfelfontein

A 2hr safari to visit some of Damaraland's most famous attractions including the Burnt Mountain, the Organ Pipes and the highlight of your trip over 2,500 rock engravings at Twyfelfontein, a World Heritage Site.

Day 8 & 9: Onguma The Fort, Etosha National Park



The Etosha National Park is Namibia's premiere game viewing experience, situated in the northwest of Namibia and is an area well known for its wildlife. Vegetation ranges from dense bush to open plains attracting a diversity of wildlife. In the heart of the Park is The Etosha Pan - a shallow depression that covers an area of 5000sq kilometres. Dry and shimmering for most of the year, the pans fill up with water after good rains to a depth which is seldom deeper than 1m. In the dry season wildlife is attracted to perennial springs and waterholes that makes for excellent game viewing.

Depart for the airstrip and your flight to Etosha National park. Upon arrival you will be met and transferred to the lodge.

Overnight: Onguma The Fort

Onguma - The Fort is unlike any other, the only one of its kind in Namibia.

It is built in exactly the right spot to give guests probably one of the best sunset views in the whole of Namibia - overlooking the beautiful scarceness of the Etosha Pans, decorated only with its wild animals and hundreds of Camel Thorn trees.



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Upon arriving at The Fort, you will be received by not only our friendly staff, but also massive raw walls, stunning stone cladded features and a huge tower with the views toward Etosha and Fisher's Pan. The Fort will surprise you at every corner; a classical African feel combined with a touch of Moroccan and Indian flavours, characterised by a selection of the most beautiful antique windows and doors.



Includes Full Board and activities

Game Drives Etosha National Park

Although Onguma Reserve boasts its own wildlife, organized safaris into the park can be arranged on a daily basis from here. There are many waterholes close to Namutoni Restcamp including Chudop, a favourite resting place for lion. Hyena and eland are often seen here as well.

Game Drives Onguma Reserve

Participate in a traditional early morning or late afternoon safari on the reserve. The resident black rhino enjoy browsing in bush and thickets and lion & leopard also roam freely around Onguma Reserve.

Night Drives Onguma Reserve

An opportunity for an after dark experience as mammals and birds scurry around the undergrowth should be included in your trip. (Weather permitting).



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Bush Walks

If you are reasonably fit and fancy an early morning walk around the reserve for around 2.5hrs, then enjoy the tranquillity and mood of the bush on a guided bush walk. An experienced armed ranger will accompany you. All kinds of animal activity are happening at this time including nocturnal animals scurry to their daytime retreats and predators finishing off a night time kill.

Rhino Research Drives

Visit specific waterholes of the reserve to participate in camera data collection and also track black rhino. Learn of the difficulty of black rhino conservation on your late afternoon game drive.

Please Note

As Onguma Tented Camp is unfenced, no children under the age of 12 years are permitted. All game drives are conducted on open 4x4 vehicles.

Day 10: Departure

Includes Breakfast

Depart after breakfast for the airstrip. Scenic air flight to Windhoek International airport.

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