

# CUSTOMIZED AFRICAN PHOTO SAFARIS

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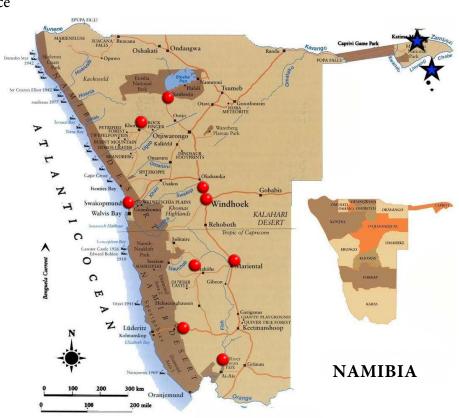


### **INCLUDES:**

Meet & greet at airports
Drop off at airports
Accommodation
All meals/drinks
Activities except where
noted different in red.
Entrance fees except
where noted in red.
Private tour guide
Namibia
Global Rescue insurance

### **EXCLUDED**

Gratuities Personal items Some alcoholic drinks Visas





# WHAT YOU NEED TO GO TO NAMIBIA

#### VISA

- » Canadians do not require a tourist visa to enter Namibia.
- » All travellers will need a passport valid for at least 90 days following your departure date from Namibia. We strongly recommend traveling with 6 months validity on your passport at all times.
- » Citizens of Canada can refer to **www.passport.gc.ca** for forms and instructions for new passport applications and Canadian passport renewals.
- » Make sure your passport has blank VISA pages. Most destinations, including Namibia, require that you have adequate un-used pages in your passport, allowing for any neccessary stamps upon arrival and departure. We recommend that you have at least six free pages in the Visas section of your passport before any international travel. Canadian citizens can get extra passport pages added to their passports at www.passport.gc.ca.

#### HEALTH

» We recommend that our guests take anti-malaria tablets prescribed by their physician or health clinic. The tablets are advisable all year round. The lodges provide mosquito repellent spray and mosquito nets.

#### CLIMATE

» The classic period to visit Namibia is April, May, August, September, October dry season, when safari conditions tend to be at their best. However, the coastal desert areas, which are generally of most interest, have a completely different climate and are good year round. The climate in Namibia varies considerably across the country and a basic understanding of these differences can be critical to the trip building process. The temperature can vary from 0-40 degrees celcius.

#### **ELECTRICITY**

» Socket outlets are largely the South African three round pin varieties, although you may also encounter European two pin sockets and British three rectangular pin sockets, of which all are 230V/50Hz. Most good lodges provide universal adaptors, although we recommend to bring your own.



Day 1: (98km)

You will fly into Windhoek International Airport in Namibia. Your tour guide will meet you at the airport and transport you to Okapuka Safari Lodge. Experience Africa's wild side at the doorstep of Namibia's capital Windhoek, just a 30 minute drive from the center of town. Surrounded by a 7300 ha living escape of prime African savannah, Okapuka Safari Lodge is an oasis of lush green lawns under ancient camel thorn trees against the backdrop of a towering mountain range. Go on a game drive in the afternoon and just relax upon return so you can get over your jetlag en continue your journey in the morning.

**ACTIVITIES:** Game drives

Includes: All meals, accommodation, activities,

Excluded: All drinks





Day 2,3: (407km)

After an early breakfast, you will depart to Etosha Safari Lodge. This is the place to open doors to the mystery and magic of Etosha, the 'Place of Legends'.

Eat lunch at the bakery in Outjo before continuing to the lodge. You can explore some of Etosha National park with your guide in the afternoon. Make sure to exit the gates before they close.

The next morning after breakfast you will do a full day game drive with a packed lunchbox into Etosha National park on an open game drive vehicle. The photo opportunities in this park is amazing.

**ACTIVITIES:** Game drives

Includes: All meals, accommodation, activities





Day 4,5: (195km)

After breakfast, you will depart to Damara Mopane Lodge. As if an African kingdom of old, Damara Mopane Lodge is constructed in a semi-circle of interlinking pathways leading to a lavish swimming pool at its center. You will spend two nights here. After arriving, get settled and have lunch. After lunch, relax by the pool before you go on a sunset guided bird walk.

After an early breakfast the next day, depart at 7 am to go on a full day Damaraland Elephant Exploration. You will have snacks and drinks available and also have a light lunch provided. The duration of the magnificent drive will take 8-9 hours.

ACTIVITIES: Afternoon Bird walk, damaraland elephant explorer drive

Includes: All meals, accommodation, activities





Day 6,7: (327km)

After breakfast, depart to The Delight in Swakopmund, Namibia. This place is a fresh breeze in the desert.

During the next two days feel free to do activities of your choice. Just make sure to tell you tour guide in the beginning of trip so he can book you in advance. Choose from many activities like skydiving, Sandboarding, Fat biking, Quad biking, Living desert tour, Scenic flights, Hot Air ballooning, Horseback ridingh, Kayaking and paddle boarding, surfing, cultural activities, museums, snake park, Walking tours, Camel Farm. I would suggest doing the Sandwich Harbour tour where the ocean meets the desert. Eat at the many seafood restaurants in town.

ACTIVITIES: Your choice (your tour guide will be available to take you where ever you want to go)

Included: Accommodation, all meals

Excluded: Activities, drinks





Day 8, 9: (304km)

After breakfast, you will depart to The Desert Grace. The Desert Grace is located 30 kilometres south of Solitaire and 60 kilometres north of Sesriem, the gateway to the world's highest dunes at Sossusvlei and the iconic Deadvlei. Back at the lodge, nature drives bring you closer to timeless desert, and an exciting night walk brings hidden treasures to life. The Desert Grace offers a unique experience you should not miss.

You will spend two nights here. After arriving, relax at the pools or on the deck. After dinner, you will go on a guided desert night walk. Prepare to be amazed by the sight of nocturnal desert creatures.

Leave before sunrise the next morning to go on the Sossusvlei excursion to the highest dunes on Earth at Sossusvlei. Brunch will be provided since the duration is about 6 hours.

Includes: All meals, accommodation, activities





Day 10,11:(439km)

Leave after a early breakfast for Klein-Aus Vista Desert Horse Inn. Just east of Aus, Klein Aus Vista is nestled in the granite-gneiss hills with magnificent views of the landscape. This is the area where the Namib Desert begins to merge with golden grasses, where wild horses roam free and people once gathered with diamond dreams.

You will spend two days here. Pack a lunchbox so you do not have to rush. Be in time for dinner and relaxing. Here you will discover old WWI ramparts, an old Hudson motorcar riddled with bullet holes from an almost-forgotten shoot-out with diamond smugglers, and viewpoints with extraordinary vistas.

After breakfast the next morning, go on the half-day guided desert tour. Discover the delights and impressive scenery of the Succulent Karoo Desert on this half day trip to Kubub and Gondwana Sperrgebiet Rand Park.

Includes: All meals, accommodation, activities





Day 12: (281km)

After breakfast leave for the Canyon Roadhouse. Evoke the nostalgic charm of a vintage roadhouse, this gem is an absolute delight and an essential stop on any journey to Namibia's Fish River Canyon.

Settle in and have lunch before departing at 4pm to go on a guided afternoon Canyon drive. You are taken to the two major lookout points along the Fish River Canyon. Our guide will tell you all about the canyon's fascinating geology. Refreshments, a light snack and all park entry fees are included.

Includes: All meals, accommodation, activities



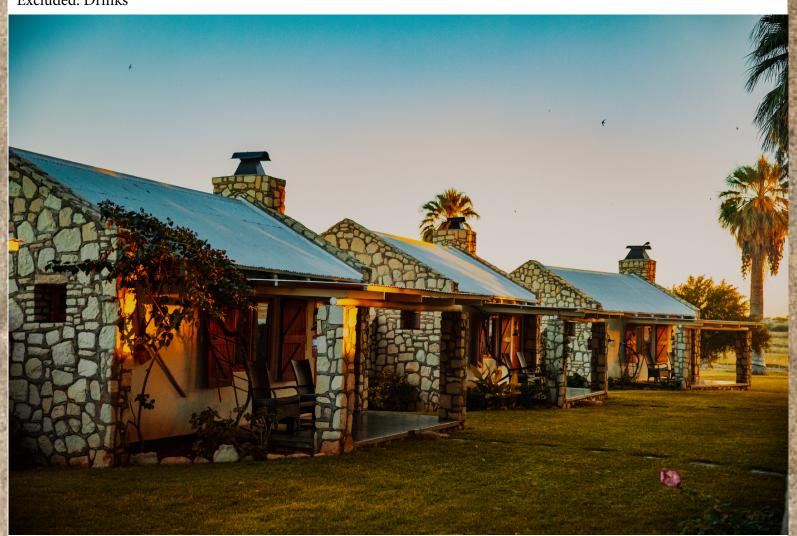


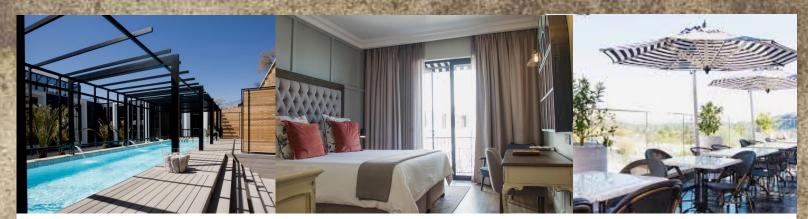
Day 13: (396km)

After breakfast leave for the Kalahari Farmhouse. In the idyllic village of Stampriet in southern Namibia lies Kalahari Farmhouse, a charming lodge amidst greenery and a homely feel. This hidden gem beckons travellers in search of a more relaxing retreat in the timeless fringes of the Kalahari.

Settle in and have lunch. Guests are welcome to visit the butchery and smokery at the Self-Sufficiency Centre, where much of the meat for all the Gondwana Lodges is processed. Two hours before sunset, go on a nature drive with panoramic views across the Kalahari dunes, something to remember forever. Refreshments and a light snack will be provided. The sundowner dune drive includes a  $\pm$  30 - 40 minute sundowner on a dune, where you will enjoy a drink and snacks while watching the sun set. You will make it back in time for dinner.

Includes: All meals, accommodation, activities





Day 14:

After breakfast, depart to The Weinburg in Windhoek. Enjoy the pleasures of city life and the serene atmosphere of Africa in style in The Weinberg hotel in Windhoek. Its iconic styling seamlessly blends old-world splendor with modern lines as well as state of the art amenities.

Take this day and relax. Your tour guide can show you around Windhoek. You can visit the curious shops to buy some memories to take back home with you. Enjoy a sundowner drink in the sky bar before leaving to go back home tomorrow.

Included: Accommodation, meals and activities



"Thank you for choosing African Dreams Photo Safaris to be your guide and friend on this wonderful journey. Have a safe trip back home and we hope to see you again in the future."

- Elaine



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