

## Namibian Sands Luxury Safari Sossusvlei - Swakopmund - Damaraland - Skeleton Coast - Kaokoveld - Ongava Private Game Reserve - Windhoek 15 Days / 14 Nights













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Accommodation	Destination	Nights	Basis
Little Kulala	Sossusvlei	3	FI
Beach Hotel Swakopmund	Swakopmund	2	B&B
Desert Rhino Camp	Damaraland	2	FI
Hoanib Skeleton Coast Camp	Skeleton Coast	2	FI
Serra Cafema Camp	Kaokoveld	2	FI
Little Ongava	Ongava Private Game Reserve	2	FI
The Olive Exclusive All-Suite Hotel	Windhoek	1	B&B

**Key** B&B: Bed and breakfast FI: Fully inclusive

## Day 1-4: Little Kulala, Sossusvlei

#### Sossusvlei

Sossusvlei is where you will find the iconic red sand dunes of the Namib. The clear blue skies contrast with the giant red sand dunes to make this one of the natural wonders of Africa and a photographers heaven. Aside from the attractions at Sossusvlei - Dune 45, Hiddenvlei, Big Daddy and Deadvlei - other attractions in the area include the Sesriem Canyon and Namib-Naukluft National Park, where the mountains of the Namib meet its plains.

## Overnight: Little Kulala View iBrochure

Little Kulala is the closest luxury desert retreat to the famous, seen-from-space Sossusvlei dunes. Guests enjoy exclusive private concession access, and the camp's location makes early morning dune visits (to see Sossusvlei at its best) very easy.

Eleven climate-controlled thatched 'kulalas' each have a private plunge pool, rooftop 'star bed' and luxury fittings including indoor and outdoor showers. In terms of colour and form, Little Kulala blends seamlessly into the desert landscape. Activities make the most of the solitude and stark beauty of the Namib Desert, with nature drives and guided walks revealing the majesty and mystery of the sand sea.

#### - INSIDER TIP -

Experience the desert from new heights... A hot air balloon ride provides awe-inspiring views of the dramatic scenery below.



#### Included

Charter Flight from Windhoek Airport to Geluk Airstrip.

Road transfer in an open 4 x 4 Safari vehicle from Geluk Airstrip to Little Kulala.

THREE Nights Accommodation on a Fully Inclusive basis including all meals, twice daily scheduled camp activities, park fees, laundry, Namibian VAT & Tourism Levy, and local drinks excludes premium imported brands and champagne.

## Excluded

Scheduled Commercial Flight into Windhoek Airport.

## Day 4-6: Beach Hotel Swakopmund, Swakopmund

#### 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.

#### **Overnight: Beach Hotel Swakopmund**

Whether you are on a business trip, visiting our charming town Swakopmund, having a conference, a romantic weekend or holiday trip, Beach Hotel Swakopmund is a perfect place to stay and to feel comfortable.

The ideal location of Beach Hotel Swakopmund, just 50 m from the Atlantic Ocean and within walking distance to the centre of Swakopmund, allows you to experience the flavour of our charming town, while providing you the opportunity to explore the surrounding areas.

Beach Hotel Swakopmund offers the larges ranges of categories at the Namibian coast. From an upper market luxury apartment to an economically family unit! All rooms have a balcony and only 4 without sea views.

Facilities on site include our Restaurant, "Anchor Point" which is open all year round as well as a lounge with Sundowner bar, a roof terrace with panoramic view and where you can enjoy some Sundowners or relax in the swimming pool. After a long day out you can enjoy a professional massage or head to the gym for the fitness enthusiasts.



#### Included

Road transfer in a 4 x 4 open safari vehicle from Little Kulala to Geluk Airstrip.

Charter flight from Geluk Airstrip to Swaopmund Airport.

Road transfer from Swakopmund Airport to the Beach Hotel Swakopmund.

TWO Nights Accommodation on a Bed & Breakfast basis.

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## Day 6-8: Desert Rhino Camp, Damaraland

#### 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.

## Overnight: Desert Rhino Camp View iBrochure

Desert Rhino Camp offers an original, exclusive wilderness experience and the possibility of seeing some of the largest free-ranging population of desert-adapted black rhino in Africa. The desert plains – transformed overnight by summer rains – are starkly scenic, and home to other unique species, from Hartmann's zebra, lion and giraffe to the bizarre welwitschia plant.

The camp consists of eight comfortable Meru-style tents with en-suite bathrooms, and shady main area with refreshing plunge pool. Run in conjunction with Save the Rhino Trust, Desert Rhino Camp offers rhino tracking by vehicle and on foot with experts from this conservation NGO.

#### - INSIDER TIP -

Explore this extraordinary landscape in search of desert-adapted wildlife and gain amazing insight into the ecology and conservation of this area. A picnic lunch is the perfect complement to your day's outing!

#### - OR -

Just by staying here, a portion of your revenue goes to the Save the Rhino Trust and its conservation operations.



#### Included

Road transfer from the Beach Hotel Swakopmund to Swakopmund Airport.

Charter flight from Swakopmund Airport to Desert Rhino Airstrip via Doro Nawas Airstrip.

Road transfer in a 4 x 4 open safari vehicle from Desert Rhino Airstrip to Desert Rhino Camp.

TWO Nights Accommodation on a Fully Inclusive basis including all meals, twice daily scheduled camp activities, park fees, laundry, Namibian VAT & Tourism Levy, and local drinks excludes premium imported brands and champagne.

## Day 8-10: Hoanib Skeleton Coast Camp, Skeleton Coast

#### **Skeleton Coast**

Known by the Bushmen as the "land God made in anger" the Skeleton Coast is remoteness at its best. Thousands of miles of sandy desert dotted with shipwrecks meet with the cold waters on the Atlantic and somehow an amazing array of wildlife and flora manages to survive in this harsh but beautiful environment.

#### **Overnight: Hoanib Skeleton Coast Camp View iBrochure**

The name "Skeleton Coast" conjures up romantic images of desolate beauty, and proudly remote Hoanib in the Kaokoveld does not disappoint. The dry bed of the Hoanib River supports a thin green ribbon of vegetation and the wild beaches of the Atlantic coast are within reach, with their noisy seal colonies and eerily quiet shipwreck remnants.

Eight large en-suite tents (including one family unit) and the main area provide shady viewpoints, while nature drives into the surrounding area reveal a wealth of desert-adapted wildlife. Desert-adapted lion and brown hyaena may also be glimpsed in this vast but far from lifeless landscape.

#### - INSIDER TIP -

Take a drive down to the Skeleton Coast and a scenic flight back to camp to see such a diverse area both on the ground and in the air.



#### Included

Road transfer in a 4 x 4 open safari vehicle from Serra Cafema Airstrip to Serra Cafema Camp.

Charter flight from Serra Cafema Airstrip to Ongava Airstrip.

Road transfer in a 4 x 4 open safari vehicle from Ongava Airstrip to Little Ongava.

TWO Nights Accommodation on a Fully Inclusive basis including all meals, twice daily scheduled camp activities, park fees, laundry, Namibian VAT & Tourism Levy, and local drinks excludes premium imported brands and champagne.

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## Day 10-12: Serra Cafema Camp, Kaokoveld

#### Kaokoveld

The Kaokoveld is a dry, mountainous and relatively undeveloped region that takes in the harsh beauty of the Skeleton Coast and the coppery sands of the northern Namib Desert. The area is inhabited by three main ethnic groups – the Damara, Herero and Himba people – each with their unique customs, traditions and rituals.

#### Overnight: Serra Cafema Camp View iBrochure

Set amongst shady trees on the banks of the Kunene River, Serra Cafema is one of the most remote camps in southern Africa, its Portuguese name originating from the mountains that dominate the northern skyline. Guests fall asleep to the sound of rushing water, while by day they explore one of the driest deserts in the world.

The camp's eight unique canvas and thatched chalets, each with its own en-suite bathroom, show great attention to detail; the elevated decks and simple structures of wood, canvas and thatch create a camp that is at one with its surroundings. The dining room and pool look out over the Kunene River.

Activities here are varied, including boating (water levels permitting), walking, viewing breathtaking landscapes, as well as carefully guided quad-bike excursions that tread lightly on the dunes. In this isolated region, the Himba people continue their nomadic, traditional way of life and when in the area, guests have the opportunity to meet them and learn about their lifestyle and traditions.



#### Included

Road transfer in a 4 x 4 open safari vehicle from Little Ongava to Ongava Airstrip.

Charter flight from Ongava Airstrip to Windhoek Airport.

Road transfer from Windhoek Airport to the Olive Exclusive All-Suite Hotel.

ONE Night Accommodation on a Bed & Breakfast basis.

## Day 12: Little Ongava, Ongava Private Game Reserve

#### **Ongava Private Game Reserve**

Sharing a common boundary with Etosha National Park, the prolific 30 000-hectare private Ongava Game Reserve is considered one of the finest private game reserves in the region, enjoying global recognition for exceptional conservation, ground breaking research and exciting safari experiences.

The reserve is home to – among others – lion, eland, black-faced impala, Hartmann's mountain zebra and a variety of other antelope species. Additional, it is one of the few private reserves in Southern Africa where both black and white rhinos can be observed. The recorded bird life has reached over 340 species.

Each Ongava property has its own unique style, layout and atmosphere; but all offer the same wonderful sense of luxurious seclusion. Built from local materials in traditional fashion, they blend tastefully into the surrounding landscape, allowing visitors to feel at one with nature.

Spacious lounge areas, reflecting the colours and textures of the African bush, invite guests to relax, enjoy a drink from the bar, or simply gaze out into the distance and be surprised as Ongava's spectacular wildlife emerges from the bush.

Every guest suite is individually designed for quality and comfort, and our dedicated guides and catering staff are always available ensuring an unforgettable Ongava stay.

## Overnight: Little Ongava View iBrochure

Designed for privacy, luxury and an intimacy with the land, Little Ongava is arguably Namibia's most luxurious accommodation with pristine views across the Ongava plains.

Little Ongava is perched on the crest of a hill commanding magnificent vistas of the plains stretching for miles to the horizon, offering an extraordinary experience as the focal point of an Etosha journey.

This intimate camp has only three spacious suites each with its own plunge pool, en-suite bathroom, "sala", and outdoor shower. The lounge and dining areas have wonderful views of a productive waterhole below the camp, the open deck allowing for relaxed, stylish dining under the African sky. Guests at Little Ongava share a dedicated guide and vehicle, ensuring the best possible nature experience at one of Africa's great wildlife destinations. Day and night wildlife-viewing drives, visiting hides overlooking waterholes, walks and rhino tracking with experienced guides can all be enjoyed exclusively on this reserve. Game drives and day trips into nearby Etosha National Park are also offered.



Included

Fully Inclusive Drinks (Local Brands) Included

## Day 13: Little Ongava, Ongava Private Game Reserve

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Fully Inclusive Drinks (Local Brands) Included

## Day 14: The Olive Exclusive All-Suite Hotel, Windhoek

#### Windhoek

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.

View iBrochure

#### Overnight: The Olive Exclusive All-Suite Hotel

The Olive Exclusive – elegant, inspired, never formal

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.

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.



Included

Bed & Breakfast

## Day 15: Departure

#### Included

Road transfer from the Olive Exclusive All-Suite Hotel to Windhoek Airport.

#### Excluded

Scheduled Commercial flight out of Windhoek Airport.

## **Overview**

What's Included Accommodation Meals and Drinks specified as included Transfers and Activities specified as included Scheduled Charter Flights

#### What's NOT Included

Meals and drinks not specified as included Transfers and Activities not specified as included Scheduled Commercial Flights Tips & Gratuities Shopping Visa Fees Any items of a personal nature Specialist Guide Sid Hayes (Daily Fee TBA)

Suggested Gratuities USD 2.00 per bag porterage at airport and hotels/camps USD 10.00 per guest per day for guiding staff at the camps USD 5.00 per guest per day for housekeeping and porterage at the hotels and camps. USD 25 per guest per day for Specialist Guide

NOTES

- PLEASE NOTE ALL FLIGHTS AND ROUTING ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE DEPENDANT ON DAYS AND DATES OF
  TRAVEL
- ALTERNATIVE LUXURY ACCOMMODATION CAN BE SUBSTITUTED FOR THESE CAMPS AND LODGES WHERE REQUESTED.
- PRICES ARE ON REQUEST AND SUBJECT TO TIME OF TRAVEL (I.E. HIGH, LOW, SHOULDER SEASON)

You can leave Namibia, but it will never leave you! - Unknown



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