
20 Days Best of Zimbabwe, Botswana and Namibia Guided Safaris

Day 1 (2024)

Arrival at Victoria Falls

Today upon your arrival at Victoria Falls airport - Zimbabwe. Your guide will meet you and transfer you to the Lodge. After check-in you will be at your leisure. You will be advised what time you will meet at the lobby with your guide to visit Victoria Falls if time allows and if not then you will visit the falls next day. If time permits, you will visit the Falls and walk the rainforest until sunset. If not done today then you will visit Vic Falls just after breakfast, before you off to Chobe National Park.

Overnight: Bayete Guesthouse

**Meal Basis: Dinner
+ PM Visit at Victoria Falls**

Day 2 (2024)

Victoria Falls to Chobe National Park

This morning just after the breakfast you depart via border posts to Botswana. You arrive at your lodge during the afternoon. Check-in, relax and do an afternoon game drive into Chobe National Park. elephant, hippo, and many species of wildlife and birds to be seen until sunset. Back to the lodge for dinner and overnight.

Overnight: Chobe Lodge

**Meal Basis: Breakfast, Dinner
+ PM Game Viewing Drive**

Day 3 (2024)

Chobe National Park

This morning just after having a quick cup of coffee/tea and rusk you will be off on an early morning game drive with one of the local operators to see the Cats: Lion, Cheetah, Leopard. You do this early because these operators are radio connected and that they will find the big cats early in the morning. Return to the lodge by about 9 am, have breakfast, and relax. You will also have a chance to visit shopping malls. Go on the afternoon boat cruise on the Chobe River. Depart at 15:00 and return after sunset. Many animals are to be seen on this cruise. There is a cash bar for drinks available on the boat for your own account. Dinner and overnight.

Overnight: Chobe Safari Lodge

**Meal Basis: Breakfast, Dinner
+ AM big cats activity + PM Boat Cruise**

Day 4 (2024)

Chobe National Park to Moremi Game Reserve

This morning just after your Scrumptious breakfast you Fly in from Kasane airport and arrive before noon. For your afternoon is spent on game drive in an open-sided 4x4 vehicle. (we also offer boat cruise optional). The game drives will take you into Moremi via 3rd bridge, to 2nd bridge - you will cross the river streams a few times. Elephant, Lion, Leopard, Cheetah, Giraffe, Buffalo, Wildebeest, Zebra, Impala, etc. can be seen here. Enjoy snacks and drinks in the bush at sunset for great photos. You return to your accommodation and freshen up for your dinner.

Overnight: Camp Moremi

**Meal Basis; Breakfast, Dinner
+ PM Fish Game Viewing Drive**



Day 5 (2024)

Moremi Game Reserve

You will again have the opportunity to do 2 activities into Moremi National Park. You will see variety of animals and have the opportunity to take your time for very good photos of all animals. You can also opt for a day of leisure at the camp and do only one game drive or boat cruise.

Overnight: Camp Moremi

**Meal Basis: Breakfast, Dinner
+ AM Game Viewing Drive + PM Boat Cruise**

Day 6 (2024)

Moremi Game Reserve to Zambezi Region Namibia

After an early morning game drive, you will be transferred to Xakanaxa airstrip to depart to Kasane. The flight will arrive at Kasane airport at about 11:00 where your guide will be waiting for you to continue the road trip to Namibia. You will depart to Ngoma border post and enter Namibia. You will arrive at your lodge at the banks of the river in time for lunch (own cost). After checking in you will be off on one of the activities offered at the lodge either on boat/land at Bwabwata National Park until sunset. Here you will see variety of wildlife. Whilst you enjoying your sundowner snack/drink in the bush and return to the lodge for dinner.

Overnight: Namushasha Lodge

**Meal Basis: Breakfast, Dinner
+ PM Activity on your own cost**

Day 7 (2024)

Zambezi to Mahango Game Reserve

Today you continue and drive through the Bwabwata National Park to Divundu at the Kavango river. You will arrive by noon. After check-in you will be off on an afternoon game viewing drive in the Mahango area in Bwabwata National Park along the Kavango river until sunset. You return and freshen up for your dinner.

Overnight: Mahangu Safari Lodge

**Meal Basis: Breakfast, Dinner
+ PM Game Viewing Drive**

Day 8 (2024)

Mahango Game Reserve

After breathtaking breakfast this morning is spent on game viewing drive in the Buffalo area on the eastern side of the Kavango River. You will visit the Popa Falls and arrive back at the lodge by noon. The rest of the day is spent at your leisure. Afternoon game drive in Mahango area for wildlife viewing or just relax at the swimming pool. Optional you can book (at your own cost) a fishing trip to catch Tiger Fish.

Overnight: Mahangu Safari Lodge

**Meal Basis: Breakfast, Dinner
+ AM + PM Game Viewing Drive**

Day 9 (2024)

Mahango Game Reserve to Eastern Etosha National Park

This morning you continue and depart to Mokuti Lodge via Rundu and make a short stop for refreshments at Kavango River Lodge with a view of the river. En route if time allows you, you will visit the Hoba meteorite, about 20 km from Grootfontein. (Biggest meteorite so far found on earth). You still proceed with your drive via Tsumeb (Copper mines). All en route activities based on the time. Arrive at your lodge which is establish 1 km from the gate Von Liquin outside Etosha National Park. After checking the late afternoon is spent at your leisure after a long day. You freshen up and return to the main area for your dinner and the rest of the night is at your siesta.

Overnight: Mokuti Lodge

Meal Basis: Breakfast, Dinner



Day 10 (2024)

Etosha National Park

You will continue with your safari after breakfast and enter the Etosha National Park. You will visit Fort Namutoni and surrounding waterholes for wildlife viewing. If you are lucky, you might see the predators early catch. You will drive through the park and visit the Etosha Pan — the big white place. Lunch can be had at Halali Resort for your account. After check-in, the afternoon can be spent at your leisure. You will meet with your guide at the lobby for the afternoon game viewing and drive to nearby waterholes where you can see the variety of wildlife. You will return just before sunset since the resort as well as the main gates for the park closed by sunset. After dinner, you can visit the waterhole next to the camp. You'll spend the evening here to see elephants and especially rhinos (white and black) at the waterhole. Also, a good place to see hyena and leopard sometimes.

Etosha National Park:

Etosha National Park covers 22,270 km², of which approximately 5,000 km² is made up of saline depressions or 'pans'. The largest of these pans, the Etosha Pan, can be classified as a saline desert in its own right. The Etosha Pan lies in the Owambo Basin, on the north-western edge of the Namibian Kalahari Desert. Until three million years ago it formed part of huge, shallow lake that was reduced to a complex of salt pans when the major river that fed it, the Kunene, changed course and began to flow to the Atlantic instead. If the lake existed today, it would be the third largest in the world. Etosha is the largest of the pans at 4,760 km² in extent. It is nowadays filled with water only when sufficient rain falls to the north in Angola, inducing floods to flow southward along the Cuvelai drainage system. The Park consists of grassland, woodland and savannah. Game-viewing centers around the numerous springs and waterholes where several different species can often be seen at one time. The Park boasts some 114 mammal and over 340 bird species. Wildlife that one might see includes elephant, lion, giraffe, blue wildebeest, eland, kudu, gemsbok (oryx), zebra, rhino, cheetah, leopard, hyena, honey badger and warthog, as well as the endemic black faced impala.

Overnight: Halali Resort

**Meal Basis: Breakfast, Dinner
+ AM + PM Game Viewing Drive**

Day 11 (2024)

Etosha National Park

This morning after breakfast, you'll be driving from Halali through the park to Okaukuejo and visiting many different waterholes en route. You will have many stops for wildlife viewing as you are driving towards Okaukuejo. You will arrive by noon at Okaukuejo, and check in. Lunch is on your account. After lunch, you can spend the time at the swimming pool to relax. However, you will be off on another afternoon wildlife-viewing drive. You will return and freshen up for dinner. After dinner, you can visit the floodlit waterhole to watch how the game comes and goes to drink water. The rest of the night is spent on your siesta.

Okaukuejo Resort:

At the Southern entrance to the Etosha National Park, Okaukuejo is the park's oldest and most popular resort. A floodlit waterhole visited by plenty of game especially after sunset, gives Okaukuejo its special character and provides guests with hours of entertainment and the opportunity to see animals such as elephant and black rhino from close by. The resorts have luxury and standard bungalows, en-suite rooms, swimming pool, post office, filling station and conference facilities.

Overnight: Okaukuejo Resort

**Meal Basis: Breakfast, Dinner
+ AM + PM Game Viewing Drive**



Day 12 (2024)**Etosha National Park**

Today, you will travel westwards in the park and make many stops on the way to Dolomite Camp. You will arrive at noon at Camp Elephant for lunch. You'll spend time at the hide on Stiltz to see all kinds of animals close up for great pictures. You will drive to your lodge and make more stops at waterholes for wildlife viewing. You'll arrive late afternoon to check in, relax, and enjoy dinner. All chalets overlook the plains and waterholes downhill.

Overnight: Dolomite Resort**Meal Basis: Breakfast, Dinner
+ AM + PM Game Viewing Drive****Day 13 (2024)****Etosha National Park to Grootberg Plateau Area**

This morning just after your scrumptious breakfast, you'll enjoy a short wildlife viewing drive. You'll head the road to Kamanjab and visit Himba village en route. The lodge is situated on top of the "Big Mountain" being part of the Okondeka range. Only 4x4 vehicles can reach the lodge. The late afternoon can be spent on a guided walk on the rim of the mountain and see wildlife in the area. But if there are desert-adapted lions in the area, then you will be taken with the vehicle for your sundowner drive. Your dinner and overnight stay will be at the lodge.

Overnight: Grootberg Lodge**Meal Basis: Breakfast, Dinner
+ PM Himba Village Visit + Late Afternoon Sundowner Drive****Day 14 (2024)****Grootberg Plateau Area to Twyfelfontein (Damaraland)**

You will head the road towards Twyfelfontein with a scenic road through the mountains and the Huab River Valley to Twyfelfontein. You will arrive at the noon. Lunch is had at your own cost. After check-in, you will visit the World Heritage Site and bushmen rock engravings where you will do a short walk on foot to the mountain with one of the community guides to see hundreds of engravings and to hear the history of the bushmen who lived here. You'll visit the Organ Pipe rocks and Burnt Mountain. You'll visit the "Damara Living Museum". The Damara people will entertain you with historic cultural activities and dances. You will return to the lodge and freshen up for your dinner and the rest of the night is at your siesta.

Twyfelfontein:

Strewn over a hillside amongst flat-topped mountains of red sandstone, Twyfelfontein's boulders and slabs of red sandstone hold some 2,500 prehistoric engravings that depict wildlife, animal spoor and abstract motifs. It is perhaps the largest and finest collection of petroglyphs in Africa. The engravings show animals such as elephant, giraffe, kudu, lion, rhinoceros, springbok, zebra and ostrich that once used to drink from a fountain at the bottom of the hill. In some cases, footprints were engraved instead of hooves or paws. The abstract motifs feature mainly circles. Stone tools and other artefacts found at Twyfelfontein suggest that hunter-gatherers occupied the site over a period of perhaps 7,000 years. These days a local guide accompanies visitors to showcase the rock art. The engravings lie along two circular routes, one an hour's climb and the other 40 minutes longer. Twyfelfontein is one of Namibia's key National Monuments and is a UNESCO World Heritage Site.



Twyfelfontein Country Lodge:

The lodge—nestled along the mountainside—blends beautifully with its surroundings. Its design complements the sandstone rock formations with minimal visual impact on this picturesque landscape, utilizing natural stone, carefully selected paint colours, and thatched roofs.

Enjoy the beautiful views of the Huab Valley, desert plains, and distant mountains from the deck provide hours of relaxed comfort, peace, and tranquillity. Twyfelfontein is more than just a place to stay—it is a destination in and of itself.

Overnight: Twyfelfontein Country Lodge**Meal Basis: Breakfast, Dinner****+ AM Organ Pipe and Rock Engraving visit + PM Damara Living Museum visit****Day 15 (2024)****Damaraland to Swakopmund**

You will travel via Uis and past the Brandberg (burning mountain) the highest mountain in Namibia to Henties Bay. You'll enjoy lunch (own account) at Henties Bay at the hotel with a view over the sea. You will depart to Swakopmund and stop at a shipwreck near the main road. You'll arrive in Swakopmund late afternoon to check-in and freshen up and you can explore the town by feet before you off to the one of the famous restaurants to have dinner. The rest of the night is spent at your siesta.

Overnight: Atlantic Garden Boutique Hotel**Meal Basis: Breakfast, Dinner****Day 16 (2024)****Swakopmund**

This morning after a breathtaking breakfast, you will be off to Walvisbay for your morning boat cruise and afternoon Sandwich Harbour Tour. Your morning boat cruise will start at 8:00 in the morning. You might be lucky to spot the humpback whale. You will enjoy oysters, sparkling wine, trademark platters with delicious snacks and locally brewed Namibia beer. After you return, your local guide will be waiting for you and you continue with your activity on the Sandwich Harbour Tour. You will return at 4:00 pm and will be dropped off at the waterfront after having the most awesome sightings of the marine wildlife and the most remarkable sighting of Sandwich Harbour where the sand and the sea meet. Your private guide will be waiting for you at the waterfront. Upon your return, he will drive you back to Swakopmund where you will rest for the day. You will be walking to the nearby restaurant for your dinner and explore the town on foot. The rest of the night is on your siesta.

Overnight: Atlantic Garden Boutique Hotel**Meal Basis: Breakfast, Dinner****+ AM Boat Cruise + PM Sandwich Harbour Tour****Day 17 (2024)****Swakopmund to Sossusvlei (Namib Naukluft Park)**

The attractive drive today takes you southwest through awesome and ever-changing desert landscapes of the Namib Naukluft National Park, including the impressive Ghaub and Kuiseb Canyon via Kuiseb pass. You route you will see how the landscape changes where you can also have some magnificent over view of the Moon landscape. You arrive at the lodge late afternoon. After checking in you will meet with your local guide at the lobby for your sundowner scenic nature drive. You return and freshen up for your dinner. The rest of the day is at your siesta.

Overnight: Sossusvlei Lodge**Meal Basis: Breakfast, Dinner****+ PM Sundowner Drive**

Day 18 (2024)**Sossusvlei (Namib Naukluft Park)**

This morning, after an early wake-up call, you will meet your guide at the camp for a cup of coffee or tea and rusks before you're off to your Sossusvlei excursion in the Namib Naukluft Park. You normally head out before sunrise to enter the park at sunrise and capture Dune 45 whilst the light is soft and shadows highlight the towering shapes and curves. This is also your first stop on your way to the vlei.

The Sossusvlei area has some of the highest free-standing sand dunes in the world. Your guide will give you more information on the Namib Desert and its fascinating creatures and plants that have adapted to survive this environment. Once you have explored Sossusvlei, Deadvlei and the surrounding dunes, you will enjoy your picnic brunch under the shade of camelthorn trees. You will be off on afternoon hiking to Sesriem Canyon if not done the previous day. You return to the lodge and relax before you freshen up for dinner. After dinner, the rest of the night is spent at leisure.

Sossusvlei:

This most frequently visited section of the massive 50,000 km² Namib Naukluft National Park has become known as Sossusvlei, famous for its towering apricot coloured sand dunes which can be reached by following the Tsauchab River valley. Sossusvlei itself is actually a clay pan set amidst these star shaped dunes which stand up to 300 meters above the surrounding plains, ranking them among the tallest dunes on earth. The deathly white clay pan contrasts against the orange sands and forms the endpoint of the ephemeral Tsauchab River, within the interior of the Great Sand Sea. The river course rises south of the Naukluft Mountains in the Great Escarpment. It penetrates the sand sea for some 55 km before it finally peters out at Sossusvlei, about the same distance from the Atlantic Ocean. Until the encroaching dunes blocked its course around 60,000 years ago, the Tsauchab River once reached the sea; as ephemeral rivers still do in the northern half of the Namib.

Sand-locked pans to the west show where the river previously flowed to before dunes shifted its endpoint to where it currently gathers at Sossusvlei. Roughly once a decade rainfall over the catchment area is sufficient to bring the river down in flood and fill the pan. On such occasions the mirror images of dunes and camel thorn trees around the pan are reflected in the water. Sossusvlei is the biggest of four pans in the vicinity. Another, famous for its gnarled and ghostly camel thorn trees, is Deadvlei which can be reached on foot over 1 km of sand. Deadvlei's striking camel thorn trees, dead for want of water, still stand erect as they once grew. They survived until about 900 years ago when the sand sea finally blocked the river from occasionally flooding the pan.

Overnight: Sossusvlei Lodge**Meal Basis: Breakfast, Dinner
+ AM Sossusvlei Excursion + PM Sesriem Canyon Hiking****Day 19 (2024)****Sossusvlei (Namib Naukluft Park) to Windhoek**

You will depart to Windhoek. You'll arrive by noon. You will check-in and do a city tour during the afternoon. You'll visit the Parliament and surrounding buildings like Christus Kirche, War Museum, Alte Feste museum, Old German Castles on the mountain, different suburbs, and markets. You'll have dinner at Joe's Beerhouse with your guide. There are many other restaurants which you can choose from.

Overnight: Atlantic Garden Boutique Hotel**Meal Basis: Breakfast, Dinner
+ PM City Tour**

Day 20 (2024)

Departure

You will check out by 10 am and visit Windhoek City arts and crafts shops and do a short city tour. Your guide will take you to the airport for departure, 2 hours before departure time. Here you going to say your final goodbyes to your guide.

Meal Basis: Breakfast

Bon Voyage

Price valid until 31st October 2024

Total travelling amount per person sharing: NAD/ZAR 284 100.00
Total travelling amount per single person: NAD/ZAR 286 578.00

Price valid until from 01st November 2024 until 31st October 2025

Total travelling amount per person sharing: NAD/ZAR 287 078.00
Total travelling amount per single person: NAD/ZAR 290 278.00

INCLUDED/EXCLUDED

Includes:

- Accommodations
- Vehicle
- Tour Guide
- Activities & Entrance Fees as stated
- Meals as stated

Excludes:

- Local and International flights
- All expenses of a personal nature
- Visa Fees
- Tips and Gratuities
- Personal insurance



Travel Info

Namibia is situated in the South – Western corner of Africa and is a land of remarkable contrasts. Despite its size (four times the size of Great Britain), It is sparsely populated with an estimated population of 2.1 Million people. The small population is largely due to the arid conditions, with a national average rainfall of 270mm per year.

Visa:

It is advisable to double –check visa requirements for your country of origin prior to travelling Visas are valid for up to three months from date of entry.

Time Zone:

GMT+2 in the summer (the first Sunday in September to the first Sunday in April);
GMT+1 in the winter (the first Sunday in April to the first Sunday in September)

Electricity:

220volts AC50hz

Mobile Phones:

Mobile communication system is GSM, roaming agreements exist with most international mobile phone operators. Coverage is limited areas.

Internet:

There are internet cafes situated throughout the country and most hospitality establishments offer an internet service.

Shopping:

Windhoek and Swakopmund offer a selection of stylish shops. Local crafts are sold in specialised, shops, as well as at street markets, most shops are open from Monday to Saturday, with selected shops and street markets open daily.

Money:

The Namibian Dollar (NAD: symbol N\$) is the country's official currency.it is equivalent to the South African Rand which is also legal tender in Namibia.

Currency Exchange:

Traveller's cheques can be exchanged during normal banking hours at any of the commercial banks, or at bureau de change offices.

Credit Cards:

American Express, Diners Club, MasterCard and Visa are accepted. Check with your credit/debit card company for details of merchant acceptability and other services which may be available. Credit cards are not usually accepted at petrol station. ATM's for cash withdrawal are readily available in all towns.

Air Travel:

The National airline is Air Namibia, offering daily flights from Frankfurt to Windhoek. British Airways, South African Airways, Air Berlin and TAAG also fly to Namibia. Flying time from Frankfurt to Windhoek is 11 hours and flying time between Windhoek and Johannesburg/Cape Town is 2 hours. Departure taxes are levied but included in the ticket price.



Air Charter:

Visitors pressed for time may opt to travel from A to B by air. Planes can be chartered from several reputable charter companies.

Travelling by Road:

Namibia has approximately 5 450km of well-maintained tarred roads and 37 000km of gravel roads which differ in condition. Vehicles travel on the left-hand side of road. Self-drive visitors should exercise caution when driving on gravel roads. Do not exceed 80km/h.

Car Hire:

All major international car rentals are represented in Namibia. Vehicles are available at the Airport and Windhoek city centre, as well as some of the other major centres. An International Driving Permit is required.

What to Pack:

Namibia has typical semi-desert climate with hot days and cool nights. It is therefore advisable to include both summer and winter clothing.

Checklist:

A small first aid kit, sunglasses, sun protection cream, a hat, moisturizing lotion and lip balm, comfortable walking shoes, a swimsuit, binoculars, toiletries, a small torch, travel insurance documents, and a telephone list (of family/friends/medical practitioner back home to contact in case of emergency) are recommended.

Health:

Private medical care in major towns and cities is good, especially in Windhoek. There are several private clinics which maintain international standards. Most remote towns have a modest hospital or clinic.

Vaccinations:

Take the usual precautions and consult your doctor. There are no mandatory vaccinations for travelers from Europe. The risk of contracting malaria is restricted mainly to three northern parts of the country and is usually limited to the wet summer months.

Insurance:

It is advisable to take out foreign travel health insurance which includes cover for repatriation. When signing for insurance, ensure that the cost for emergency flights within Namibia is covered, as well as repatriation to your home country. Emergency air evacuation is generally reliable if all paperwork is available and in order. Ensure your contract and passport are easily accessible in case of an emergency.

Weather:

The Namib Desert coastline is usually cool with a thick coastal fog. The country has summer rainfall. Summer temperatures are high while the nights are cool. Winter nights can be very cold, but days are generally pleasant. In summer (September to April) the average interior temperature ranges from 20-34C during the day. Temperatures above 40C are often recorded in the extreme north and south of the country. The coast has a relatively stable range of 15-25C. In Winter (April-September) temperatures in the interior range from 18-25C during the day and can drop to below freezing at night.

