



21-Day Namibia Safari 2027 - Itinerary

Namibia 20 June 2027 to 10 July 2027

Inclusions



All meals except 2 x lunches and 2 x dinners in Swakopmund.



Transport – in a dual-cab 4 x 4



Hotel/lodge accommodation as indicated.



Camping in rooftop tents.



All fuel for the safari vehicles.

Exclusions



All drinks, including your own drinking water.



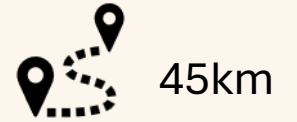
All flights to and from the safari.



Any additional activity not included in the itinerary.



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01

SUNDAY

20 JUNE 2027

Windhoek, Namibia

You arrive in Namibia at Hosea Kutako International Airport, about 45 km east of Windhoek, the capital city. You will be met by your guide once you have cleared immigration and customs.

If you are considering obtaining a local SIM card, then this is the best time to do so by visiting the local service provider at the airport before heading to Windhoek.

Take a taxi or shuttle (at your expense) from the airport to your accommodation for the night (this is where the safari starts). The shuttle journey is roughly 45 minutes via a divided highway into the city.

Once you have checked in and freshened up, you are free to join us for a drink at the 'castle' to enjoy your first African sunset.

At 6 pm, we set off to the legendary Joe's Beerhouse for a welcoming drink and dinner.

After dinner, we return to our accommodation by taxi.

Accommodation:

Hotel

Meals:

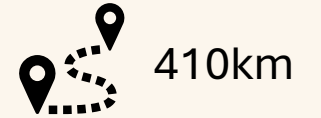
Dinner at Joe's Beerhouse including a welcoming drink.

Additional expenses:

Airport transfer, drinks at the 'castle' and any additional drinks at Joe's Beerhouse.



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02

MONDAY

21 JUNE 2027

Etosha Trading Post, Namibia

This morning, after breakfast, we collect our vehicles and receive instruction on how to operate the equipment. This will take about 1.5 hours.

Thereafter, we depart Windhoek and head north towards Outjo and onwards to the Trading Post just outside of Etosha National Park.

We will enjoy a roadside lunch along the way and stop in Outjo to allow you to do some shopping. Here we suggest you purchase your drinks and any snacks that you may desire for the first part of the safari. Fear not, as there will be other opportunities to purchase drinks, etc.

We arrive in the late afternoon at the Trading Post and set up camp. During dinner, your guide will explain what to expect and look out for in the upcoming days and provide some valuable information about Africa and Namibia.

Accommodation:

Camping

Meals:

Breakfast at the hotel, lunch along the roadside heading towards Etosha and dinner around the campfire.

Additional expenses:

Drinks of your choice. There is a reasonable selection of beers, wine and spirits in Namibia as well as soft drinks. We suggest you purchase drinking water in 5 L containers and decant it into your drink bottle.



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03

TUESDAY

22 JUNE 2027

Halali, Etosha National Park

After breakfast, we pack up camp and head north along the sealed road to the Anderson entry gate at Etosha. After entering, we will drive at about 20–25 km/h, which is a nice speed to spot any animals. Although it is only a short drive today, it will take the best part of the day to cover the distance as there is just so much to experience.

Our first stop is a waterhole or two to just give you a sense of what is to be expected in the next couple of days.

The next stop is at Okaukuejo, the NP HQ, where the guides need to complete some administrative duties. Here you are welcome to wander around but we recommend sitting by the waterhole and observe the animal activity. This waterhole attracts hundreds of animals and there is never a dull moment!

After lunch, we head eastwards towards Halali and reach our camp by mid-afternoon.

Accommodation:

Camping

Meals:
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Breakfast at camp, picnic-style lunch at Okaukuejo
dinner around the campfire.

Additional expenses:

NIL.



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04

WEDNESDAY

23 JUNE 2027

Halali, Etosha National Park

Today we explore the area around Halali to spot animals. We drive along the pans to give you a perspective of the size of the pan but also to spot many animals that congregate along the edge of the pan. The drive is reasonably early as this is the best time to observe animals. We will be back in camp by around mid-morning.

For those who wish to remain in camp, there is a great waterhole at Halali where you can safely sit and observe the animal activity. Halali is renowned for its rhinos so expect a couple to come to the waterhole for a drink.

For those who wish to do a game drive in an open game viewer vehicle, these trips are arranged by the NP and can be booked the day prior.

There is another opportunity this afternoon to do a further game drive before we head back to camp for sunset at the waterhole.

Accommodation:

Camping

Meals:

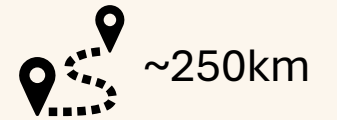
Breakfast and lunch at camp with dinner around the campfire.

Additional expenses:

Optional open game viewer game drive.
~A\$60/person (day) or ~A\$70 (night).



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05

THURSDAY

24 JUNE 2027

Olifantsrus, Etosha National Park

We pack up camp and head back towards Okaukuejo and then further westwards towards Olifantsrus camp which is in the western part of Etosha NP. Expect an animal extravaganza with many zebra, springbok, wildebeest, giraffe, elephants, oryx, kudu, impala, rhino, etc. We may even be lucky and spot some predators such as lion and cheetah or some scavengers such as hyena and jackal!

We enjoy lunch along the way before heading the final distance to our camp.

Olifantsrus has a unique waterhole and we suggest you arm yourself with your camera and head for a seat at this mainly elephant drinking establishment.

For those who are interested in the stars, Namibia has particularly good stargazing due to the low humidity and little light pollution.

The area is also known for its predators and you will no doubt hear their calls during the evening and early morning.

Accommodation:

Camping

Meals:

Breakfast at camp, lunch along the road with dinner around the campfire.

Additional expenses:

NIL



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FRIDAY

25 JUNE 2027

Kamanjab & Hoda

Today we exit Etosha NP at the Galton Gate located on the western boundary and make our way to Kamanjab. At this small town there is a fuel station and a small supermarket where the guides will stock up on supplies for the next section of the safari. We will also top up the vehicles with fuel as there are limited fuel supplies for the next 5 days.

It is also an opportunity for you to supplement your drinks and snack supply.

Once we are all resupplied, we head west on a gravel road towards Erwee and ultimately to our camp at Hoda. We stop for lunch along the roadside.

The terrain changes from flat to undulating with beautiful vistas. You may even spot some animals such as giraffe along the way.

We arrive mid-afternoon at our camp and set up for the night before heading up to the bar to enjoy the sunset.

Accommodation:

Camping

Meals:

Breakfast at camp, lunch along the road with dinner around the campfire.

Additional expenses:

Topping up on snacks and drinks.



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07

SATURDAY

26 JUNE 2027

Hooda

Today is a rest day. We lounge around the camp with options such as playing cards or games, reading a book, refining your photography skills or simply taking a nap. There is also an opportunity to wash (by hand) some clothes and dry these in the warm winter sun.

For those who are still energetic, climb the rocks around camp and explore the surrounding areas on foot.

Hooda also has a small pool for those brave enough to tackle the winter water temperature!

Given that we are in resting mode, your guides will prepare some special treats for lunch.

Sunrise and sunset are also very special here so if this is your thing, perch yourself on a rock and enjoy this wonderful spectacle.

Accommodation:

Camping

Meals:

Breakfast and lunch at camp with dinner around the campfire.

Additional expenses:

Optional guided walk with local tribespeople to a nearby village.



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SUNDAY

27 JUNE 2027

Klein Serengeti

After breakfast, we head down the Grootberg Pass and descend towards Palmwag where we go through a checkpoint before heading north towards Khowarib but today is going to get interesting! We leave the good gravel road and follow a track into the area known as Klein Serengeti. This will be slow driving and may have some challenges from a driving perspective but nothing too onerous!

This is completely off the beaten track and you can enjoy the peaceful surrounds without anyone else around.

We enjoy lunch along the road before making the final stretch to Khowarib Schlucht where we set up camp in the dry riverbed. This is wild camping at its extreme. There are no facilities, but this will be a memorable campsite regardless.

Even though we are not in a national park, elephants and other animals wander through this area so keep your guard up as the campsite is simply under a beautiful tree in a dry riverbed.

Accommodation:

Camping

Meals:

Breakfast at camp, lunch on the road with dinner around the campfire.

Additional expenses:

NIL.



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MONDAY

28 JUNE 2027

Khowarib

After a gentle start to the day, we deflate our tyres and set out downstream of the Khowarib Schlucht. This is a spectacular drive and not to be rushed. Despite deflating the tyres, there may be an unscheduled stop to dig the vehicle out along the way. The travel distance is short but big on scenery and adventure.

The drive is down the riverbed and goes through the 'canyon' and although it is generally dry, there may be small sections of shallowish water to negotiate.

Along the way the scenery is breathtaking, and we will no doubt stop often for photos. We stop for lunch in the 'canyon' before making the final stretch to Khowarib Lodge.

Tonight you will not camp as we are booked into safari-style tents with beds and an ensuite bathroom.

The lodge has a pool (for the brave) and also a very nice bar area where we shall enjoy the sunset and drinks before sitting down to a lodge dinner.

Accommodation:

Lodge

Meals:

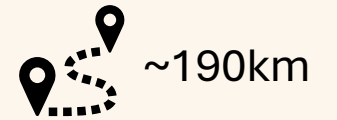
Breakfast at camp, lunch on the road with dinner at the lodge.

Additional expenses:

Any drinks purchased from the bar.



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TUESDAY

29 JUNE 2027

Mowani

We have an earlyish breakfast and take off southwards towards Palmwag. The reason for the early start is to catch the early morning sun on the landscapes as this is a very beautiful drive.

At Palmwag we go through a checkpoint and then continue southwards towards Bergsig and Twyfelfontein. We enjoy lunch along the way before heading to our camp for the next two nights.

This area is known for the desert elephants. These gentle giants traverse the riverbeds where there is sufficient food and water. Be on the lookout when we cross riverbeds as you may be lucky and spot a couple of these giants!

Mowani campsite is in a very spectacular area with large rock formations. Our campsite is nestled amongst the large boulders and has its own quirky facilities. Needless to say, the sunrises and sunsets are spectacular around here.

Accommodation:

Camping

Meals:

Breakfast at camp, lunch on the road with dinner around the fire.

Additional expenses:

NIL.



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WEDNESDAY
30 JUNE 2027
Mowani

Today we are having a slow start around the camp and a slower day in general. We enjoy a hearty breakfast and simply enjoy the early morning sun and the spectacular setting.

Around mid-morning we take a drive (optional) towards Twyfelfontein for those who are interested in rock art. The site hosts around 2,500 individual motifs and is a designated UNESCO World Heritage Site.

There is a small museum and they offer a 1-hour walking tour to view the art. This is an optional activity but highly recommended if you are interested in history given these San engravings date back 2,000 to 10,000 years!

We also visit the Twyfelfontein Lodge for a drink at the bar to enjoy the vista from the lodge.

We return mid-afternoon to Mowani.

Accommodation:

Camping

Meals:

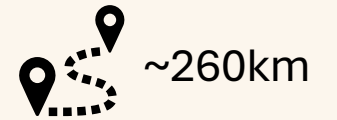
Breakfast at camp, lunch along the road with dinner around the fire.

Additional expenses:

NIL.



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THURSDAY

1 JULY 2027

Omandumba

We pack up camp and head off in a south-easterly direction on partly sealed and gravel roads towards Omaruru. The road meanders through some interesting landscapes with the omnipresent Brandberg Mountain in the background.

Brandberg Mountain is the highest mountain in Namibia at 2,573 m above sea level and is a beacon around this area. Brandberg will remain in the background for the next couple of days as we skirt around it to our various locations.

At Omaruru we enjoy a nice café lunch. After lunch our guides will replenish supplies and get fuel whilst you are free to explore Omaruru. Of particular interest is the gemstone shop across from the supermarket where you can view or purchase semi-precious stones mined from the local area. On our way out of town, we stop at a local curio store where craftsmen carve wonderful creations out of wood and stone.

We then complete our journey by heading westwards to Omandumba and set up camp. Our camp is quite quirky and an outdoor shower is highly recommended if not mandatory!

Accommodation:

Camping

Meals:

Breakfast at camp, lunch at a café at Omaruru with dinner around the fire.

Additional expenses:

Replenishment of snacks and drinks.



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FRIDAY

2 JULY 2027

Omandumba

Today we visit the San people, whose culture is among the world's oldest continuous indigenous cultures. This visit is optional and an additional expense should you wish to participate.

The village is a short 30-minute drive from our camp. Here the local San tribe offers a 1-hour walking tour where they demonstrate several skills such as fire starting with sticks, hunting techniques and jewellery making. The San people are no longer hunter-gatherers and now live a very different lifestyle. However, the village is showcasing their traditional culture and passing it on to the younger San generations. Of particular interest is the unique San language, which uses a series of clicks.

We return to camp for lunch and the afternoon is spent walking in the beautiful valley adjacent to our camp. You can explore several short walks or simply sit and enjoy the activity in the valley. Baboons are present on the rocky hills around the camp and their calls will certainly draw your interest.

Accommodation:

Camping

Meals:

Breakfast and lunch at camp, with dinner around the fire.

Additional expenses:

Optional San Village visit. ~A\$30/person



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SATURDAY
3 JULY 2027
Spitzkoppe

After breakfast we pack up camp and head westwards to Spitzkoppe – the Matterhorn of Namibia. Spitzkoppe is a striking group of ancient, bald granite peaks rising dramatically from the flat plains of the Namib Desert in Namibia with the main peak 1,728 m above sea level or ~700 m above the surrounding ground level.

Spitzkoppe is one of the most visited places in Namibia and for very good reason. It provides some spectacular scenery and is a photographer's paradise especially around sunrise and sunset or even at night!

The journey from Omandumba is relatively short so we will be in camp by midday where we will enjoy lunch. For those who wish to explore the rock formations, it is a short walk to the arch, a very popular 'selfie' location! So be warned.

In the afternoon, you are free to explore around Spitzkoppe and enjoy sunset. For those who really enjoy a challenge, hike up to the saddle on Spitzkoppe peak which is about a 3-hour challenge.

Accommodation:

Camping

Meals:

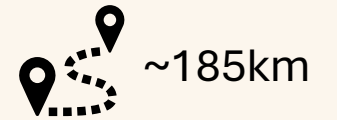
Breakfast and lunch at camp, with dinner around the fire.

Additional expenses:

NIL



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SUNDAY
4 JULY 2027
Swakopmund

We leave Spitzkoppe around 9am and head west towards the Atlantic Ocean. Our journey takes us to Henties Bay via a good road and then we head south along the coast to Swakopmund. Swakopmund is a scenic coastal resort town on the Atlantic coast, famed for its distinct 19th-century German colonial architecture, cool Atlantic climate, and positioning right where the Namib Desert meets the ocean.

In Swakopmund we head to our hotel and check in. You are free to explore the town and enjoy lunch (at your expense) at one of the many restaurants/café's. There is nothing planned for the afternoon so you are free to continue your exploration of the town with its boutiques, café's and galleries. Swakopmund is very touristy so be careful of the tourist traps!

Dinner, as with lunch, is at your expense and there are numerous great restaurants within walking distance. Your guides can provide more information on the various eateries.

Accommodation:

Hotel

Meals:

Breakfast at camp, lunch and dinner in Swakopmund.

Additional expenses:

Lunch - ~A\$20/person and dinner - ~A\$40/person



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MONDAY

5 JULY 2027

Swakopmund

Today is completely yours. You are free to enjoy breakfast at the hotel whenever it suits and then continue to explore Swakopmund. Or you can take part in one of the many adventure activities on offer in the desert right beside the town.

Activities include the Living Desert Tour, cycling the dunes on fat bikes, sandboarding the dunes or a guided self-drive buggy experience! Another popular activity is a 2-hour scenic flight over the Namib Desert.

Some of these activities can be booked the day prior but for the scenic flight, you will need to book in advance. For prices, details and contact information, go to <https://www.info-namibia.com/activities-and-places-of-interest/swakopmund>

Dinner, as with lunch, is at your expense and there are numerous great restaurants within walking distance. Your guides can provide more information on the various eateries.

You can also get your laundry done by the hotel should you need clean clothing.

Accommodation:

Hotel

Meals:

Breakfast included in room rate, lunch and dinner in Swakopmund.

Additional expenses:

Lunch - ~A\$20/person and dinner - ~A\$40/person
Any adventure activity booked by you for today.



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TUESDAY

6 JULY 2027

Valley of 1,000 Hills

After breakfast we head for Walvis Bay to view the flamingos which inhabit the shallow estuary south of the harbour. The ~50,000 flamingos feed on the brine wetland/lagoon. These elegant ballerina-like creatures are renowned for their striking appearance and graceful demeanour both in flight and while wading through shallow waters. In terms of size, flamingos typically range from 92 to 152 cm tall, with wingspans that can extend up to a metre or more. Basically, they are huge!

After visiting the flamingos, we leave the coast and head eastwards towards the Valley of 1,000 Hills. The gravel road is reasonably good but depending on when it was last graded, it can be corrugated. However, we slowly enter the scenic desert scenery which will soon make any road worth it!

We enjoy lunch along the road and make our way to our campsite.

Accommodation:

Camping

Meals:

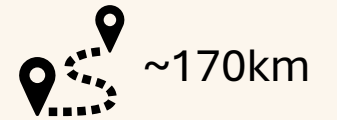
Breakfast included in your room rate, lunch along the roadside and dinner around the campfire.

Additional expenses:

NIL.



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WEDNESDAY
7 JULY 2027
Sesriem

We enjoy breakfast in the stunning hills, after which we pack up camp and head for the famous Sesriem.

Along the way we stop for coffee at Rooi Dak and make a quick stop at the small 'village' of Solitaire before we head down to Sesriem and our campsite at Sesriem Oasis. Sesriem is a small desert settlement in Namibia that serves as the main entrance gate to the Namib-Naukluft National Park and the gateway to the famous red sand dunes of Sossusvlei.

There are many photo opportunities along the way so take your time as there is no need to rush our journey. The very beautiful oryx antelope inhabits this area and there will be some great opportunities for a 'money shot'.

We set up camp and enjoy yet another beautiful sunset.

A hot air balloon flight over the desert is a once-in-a-lifetime experience and can only be completed on day 19. You will need to book months in advance if this is of interest to you. Go to <https://balloon-safaris.com/> to book.

Accommodation:

Camping

Meals:

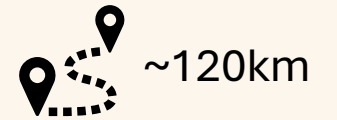
Breakfast at camp, lunch along the roadside and dinner around the campfire.

Additional expenses:

NIL.



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THURSDAY
8 JULY 2027
Sossusvlei

Today we enter the Namib-Naukluft National Park. If anyone in our group is doing a hot air balloon flight, then we shall wait for them to finish this before we head to Sossusvlei.

Whilst we wait, we shall visit the Sesriem canyon and do a short walk down into the canyon. The canyon is neither deep nor very long in distance, but we shall spend at least an hour here observing this peculiar natural creation.

Once our group is complete again, we then set out driving into the Namib-Naukluft National Park. The road is sealed and easy to navigate.

We enjoy lunch at Dune 45 and then make the final stretch to Sossusvlei. The last part of the road changes from tar to thick sand and we may need 4 x 4 and deflated tyres to navigate this. At Sossusvlei there are a couple of options: walk into Deadvlei and enjoy the magnificent scenery or climb Big Daddy. The latter involves a 1- to 1.5-hour climb up the sand dune to enjoy the stunning landscape from the top. The ~3-minute descent is quick and full of sand! Enjoy!

At around 4pm we return to camp for our final desert sunset.

Accommodation:

Camping

Meals:

Breakfast at camp, lunch along the roadside and dinner around the campfire.

Additional expenses:

Optional balloon flight.



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FRIDAY
9 JULY 2027
Windhoek

We rise early, have breakfast and pack up camp. Today we take the long road back to Windhoek by heading south for about 20 km before turning through the mountain northwards to Windhoek.

The road is mostly gravel but reasonably good with little traffic so our progress should be good.

We enjoy our last roadside lunch along the way before heading into Windhoek by mid-afternoon. We head for our hotel, check in and offload all personal belongings from the vehicles before returning the vehicles to the depot.

At about 6pm we set out for Joe's Beerhouse or perhaps an alternative restaurant for our last dinner together. We enjoy celebratory drinks and a scrumptious meal together before heading back to our hotel.

Accommodation:

Hotel

Meals:

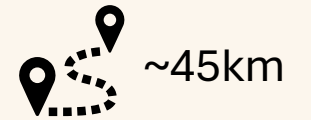
Breakfast at camp, lunch along the roadside and dinner at Joe's Beerhouse.

Additional expenses:

NIL.



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SATURDAY
10 JULY 2027
Departure

We enjoy breakfast at a local restaurant before we say our goodbyes and you head to the airport or transfer to your next destination.

“Africa changes you forever, like nowhere on Earth. Once you have been there, your life will never be the same.” — Brian Jackman