



11 DAY - GO EPIC

11 DAY NAMIBIAN SELF-DRIVE ADVENTURE

THIS TOUR IS ALSO AVAILABLE AS A **PRIVATE GUIDED TOUR**

Take eleven days to discover Namibia in an Epic way. Join the Gondwana Collection and Boxed2Go. And what better way than to Go Epic. This trip will take you to the famous Namibian locations that will make you long for the vast open spaces long after you return home. Starting in Windhoek you will head south and into the Kalahari Desert for two days. From there head over into the silence of the Namib Desert where the highest dunes in the world reign supreme at Sossusvlei and follow their lead all the way to Swakopmund where delightful moments await you.

From here on out you will head northeast, into Damaraland. Watch the sunset over the Petrified Forrest and be awed by the San artistry that fills Twyfelfontein before you move on to the Etosha Safari Camp. Embrace the wildlife by day at the Etosha National Park and enjoy the authentic Shebeen culture by night where our Etosha Boys will keep you entertained.

Have the Epic experience that Namibia is uniquely suited to offer you. Enjoy every moment at your own pace through this self-drive touring experience.

11 DAY – GO EPIC ROUTE – DISTANCE & TIME

GO EPIC (+/- 2400km)			
Day	Destination	Accommodation	Distance/Time +/-
1	Kalahari Desert	Kalahari Anib Lodge	285km/3h
2	Kalahari Desert	Kalahari Anib Lodge	
3	Namib Desert, Sossusvlei	Namib Desert Lodge	330km/4.5h
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5	Swakopmund, Atlantic Coast	The Delight Swakopmund	320km/4.5h
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7	Damaraland, Twyfelfontein	Damara Mopane Lodge	330km/5h
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9	Etosha National Park	Etosha Safari Camp	200km/2h
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11	Windhoek	Depart	405km/5h



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SELF-DRIVE TOUR

* Per person sharing

		SUZUKI 4X4 JIMNEY	TOYOTA 4X4 FORTUNER / DCAB
Low Season	01.11.22 - 30.06.23	24,830.00 *	30,040.00 *
High Season	01.07.23 - 31.10.23	25,790.00 *	32,020.00 *
Single Supplement	01.11.22 - 31.10.23	4,670.00	4,670.00

- All rates are quoted in Namibia Dollars.
- Rates are per person sharing based on 2 people travelling in one vehicle.
- The rates include airport transfers, accommodation on Bed & Breakfast basis, Premium Cover insured vehicle rental.
- All itineraries start and end in Windhoek, Namibia.
- Daily Departures.
- Pre & Post tour services can be added as extras.
- Tailor-made itineraries on request.

This Self-Drive Tour Package does not include:

- Meals other than breakfast
- National Park entrance fees
- Porterage and Gratuities
- Travel/Medical Insurances
- International/National Flights and Airport Taxes
- All items of a personal nature
- Fuel costs for duration of tour
- Vehicle Hire deposit



11 DAY – GO EPIC SELF-DRIVE INFORMATION

Emergency Services	Emergency evacuation services are included.
Drivers	A valid and unendorsed license must be produced by all drivers. The minimum age for authorised drivers is 23 years.
Fuel	The client will receive the vehicle with a full tank of fuel. Upon the return of the vehicle/termination of the vehicle hire, the vehicle will be refilled at the client's expense.
Insurances	The rental vehicle includes Premium Cover.
Rental Agreement	Upon hiring the vehicle, the client and additional drivers will be required to complete a standard rental agreement with the car hire company. A valid credit card is required for the rental deposit.
Health	It is the client's own responsibility to ensure that he/she is medically fit and able to embark on the tour.
Force Majeure	Please note that we do our utmost to conduct the tour as described in the programme, however unforeseeable events such as unfavourable weather conditions, rivers in flood or other factors may force us to adjust the course of the tour.



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	PAX	LOW SEASON (01.11.2022-31.06.2023)	HIGH SEASON (01.07.2023-31.10.2023)
Toyota – 4x4 Double Cab	1	111,730.00*	115,740.00*
Toyota – 4x4 Double Cab	2	67,020.00**	69,030.00**
Toyota – 4x4 Double Cab	3	53,490.00**	54,830.00**
VW Transporter	4	48,830.00**	50,310.00**
VW Transporter	5	44,350.00**	45,530.00**
VW Transporter	6	41,360.00**	42,340.00**
VW Transporter	7	39,220.00**	40,070.00**
Single Supplement		4,110.00	4,110.00

- Accommodation
- Dinner & Breakfast (excl. dinners in Swakopmund)
- Vehicle & Tour Guide
- Fuel
- Activities:
 - Sossusvlei Excursion
 - Namib Desert Dune Drive
 - Twyfelfontein Excursion
 - Damara Museum
 - Himba Village Visit
 - Full Day Etosha National Park Game Drive
- Park entrance fees for the above mentioned activities.



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This 11-day Epic safari takes you through two of Africa's great deserts – the Kalahari and the Namib, and their dramatic desert scenery. Midway through your travels, the intriguing town of Swakopmund, nestled between desert and sea, guarantees to delight with its charming curiosities, restaurants and not to be missed excursions for both the adventurer and more gentle nature lover alike. Rock engravings at Twyfelfontein and the wildlife haven of Etosha National Park complete this epic journey with ancient discoveries and unforgettable wildlife sightings to enjoy.

DAY 1:

Start by heading south through the hills of Windhoek towards Mariental. An optional gravel route at Kalkrand, via the backroads and gentle hills, gives you a sample of the Kalahari. Travellers opting for the tar can continue southwards, turning off to the east towards Stampriet and the easy 30km drive to Kalahari Anib Lodge. The lodge celebrates the natural elements of earth, wood, and fire in an elegantly stylish display.

DAY 2:

After a leisurely morning, enjoy a drive to Kalahari Farmhouse to visit the Self-Sufficiency Centre, which supplies Gondwana's lodges with 70% of its fresh produce, all cultivated in the unusually lush setting. Treat yourself to a wholesome and delicious lunch in the Farmhouse's peaceful garden. A highlight of a stay at Kalahari Anib is a wonderfully relaxing afternoon nature drive into the Kalahari. Later, toast life from the top of a dune as the sand turns a fiery red.

DAY 3:

To the Namib Desert. Cut across the width of the country from east to west via Maltahöhe and Büllsport (or take the more scenic route from Maltahöhe via the Tsaris Pass), and make your way to Namib Desert Lodge at the foot of a range of impressive 20-million-year-old fossilised dunes. Don't miss the afternoon drive to a pristine spot on the crest of a fossilised dune for a view of the awe-inspiring desert landscape.



DAY 4:

This relaxed lodge is the perfect base from which to explore the area around Sesriem, 60km to the south. Leave early, to be at the Sesriem gate at sunrise to catch the cooler weather and magnificent morning light. Entrance fees can be paid at the office. Sesriem is the gateway to the famed star dunes of Sossusvlei, a further 60km into the desert. The road crosses over the Tsauchab riverbed, marked by lush camelthorn trees, and continues through a corridor of majestic dunes to the parking area. Park your car and catch a ride on the shuttle. A short walk leads to the vlei, where ancient skeletons of camelthorn trees reach heavenwards from the chalky pan. Dead Vlei is one of the most striking sites in Namibia and a photographer's dream. Be sure to wear closed shoes and take a small bottle of water with you – for your own comfort on this incredible walk through the dunes. Sossusvlei is best appreciated from a height, so take a stroll a few paces up the dune. If you're feeling energetic, climb the adjacent Big Mama dune to best appreciate the beauty of the incredible otherworldly surroundings.

DAY 5:

The first stop after you leave Namib Desert Lodge is Solitaire to fill up with fuel and sample a slice of their popular apple pie. Then it's a desert drive through the fascinating scenery of the Gaub and Kuiseb canyons before you reach the palm trees of Walvis Bay. Once back on the tar, the 30km drive to Swakopmund takes you on a mesmerizing journey between the icy Atlantic Ocean and the Namib Desert dunes. Unwind and refresh at the end of the day in the warm and uplifting atmosphere of the Delight hotel.

DAY 6:

The Delight's mouth-watering breakfast feast is the very best way to start your day in Swakopmund. Stroll through the town, visit the museum, pop into coffee shops and browse the selection of African curios. Or take a scenic flight, join a living desert tour or a dolphin cruise. Swakopmund is the activity playground of Namibia. Activities range from skydiving and sandboarding to more peaceful desert trips. Enquire about your options from the hotel's activity desk on your arrival and select your favourites for the day. Before you go, reserve a table at one of the many restaurants for dinner and if back in time, walk along the wooden jetty to watch the sun sink into the sea.



DAY 7:

Follow the salt road along the coast northwards towards Henties Bay, before heading inland on the gravel to Damaraland via Uis and the Brandberg, Namibia's highest mountain. As you near the Ugab River, look out for the striking Herero women with their colourful stalls. Your overnight stop, Damara Mopane Lodge, is 30km east of Khorixas. Built-in a semi-circular labyrinth design with a turquoise pool at its centre, the lodge is a charming surprise. Each chalet has its very own garden with fresh vegetables, sunflowers and the occasional scarecrow peeking out. Stroll up the koppie in the late afternoon to watch the sunset and appreciate the expansive view over the mopane woodland before the inviting aromas of dinner call you back to the lodge. An alternate tarred route from Swakopmund leads inland from the desert and northwards to Damaraland via Karibib, Otjiwarongo and Outjo.

DAY 8:

This is a day to enjoy the ancient rock engravings at Twyfelfontein and to explore the surroundings. Here, hunter-gatherer, traditional healers spoke to their gods asking for healing, rain, and luck for the hunt. The Organ Pipes and Burnt Mountain are other interesting sites to visit in the area, as is the Damara Living Museum for some local culture. On your return journey, consider a stop at the Petrified Forest to view ancient, fossilised tree trunks. After a full day of memorable discovery, make your way back to the warmth and comfort of Damara Mopane Lodge.

DAY 9:

In the heart of the country, Etosha National Park is reached via Outjo, a convenient place to stop for fuel, coffee, and snacks. Don't linger too long though, Etosha is waiting. After checking in to Etosha Safari Camp, if time allows, drive the 10km into the national park to sit at the large Okaukuejo waterhole, which is often frequented by wildlife, or take a drive to the surrounding waterholes. For those just wanting a siesta, put your feet up and relax with a book at the lodge pool. Etosha Safari Camp's colourful Shebeen restaurant has become a highlight of travellers' itineraries. Modelled on Namibia's 'shebeens' (informal township bars) of old, it's an enjoyable lively venue. The dinner feast is enjoyed outside in the courtyard to the sounds of the musicians strumming their guitars and singing local melodies.



DAY 10:

Explore Etosha at your leisure, visiting the many waterholes throughout the park. After experiencing the incredible and renowned wildlife sightings Etosha has to offer, return home to the easy-going warmth and friendliness of Etosha Safari Camp for your final night's stay. Guaranteed to be the perfect end to a fulfilling trip.

DAY 11:

After a leisurely breakfast, you make your way back to Windhoek where you will return your rental vehicle. You can opt to either spend an additional night in Windhoek or continue to Hosea Kutako International Airport for the departure of your scheduled flight.

Please note that check-in times for departures is at least 2 hours before the flight departure time. Kindly deliver your car to the car rental company beforehand, from where you will be transferred to the airport.