



Desert Dream

Windhoek / Swakopmund - Namib Desert - Sossusvlei – NamNau Habitat –
Windhoek / Swakopmund

Short Version of itinerary:

Day by day

Duration of safari:	4 days / 3 nights
Departure:	daily (ex Windhoek / Swakopmund / Walvis Bay and vv.)
Min / max participants:	Windhoek to Windhoek: 1/8, all others: 2/8
Vehicle:	VW Microbus, 4x4 Landcruiser, 4x4 Double Cabin
	All with air-condition
Language:	English
Options:	standard and superior version
Rate per person:	as per current pricelist

Day:	Destination / Establishment:	Meals included:	Excursions included:
1	Windhoek / Swakopmund Namib Desert,	Dinner	13:00 / 14:00 Departure. Drive: Windhoek – Namib Desert (Route via Spreetshoogte Pass) or Swakopmund – Namib Desert (Route via Gaub and Kuiseb Pass) (Driving time: ca 3,5 to 4 hours)
			Standard Version: Overnight at the Soft Adventure Camp Superior Version: Overnight at Namib Naukluft Lodge
2	Namib Desert	Picnic - Breakfast Lunch Dinner	AM: Early morning Sossusvlei excursion (incl. Dune 45, 'Dead Vlei' & Sesriem) PM: Sunset drive within the NamNau Habitat to the natural marble mountains
			Standard Version: Overnight at the Soft Adventure Camp Superior Version: Overnight at Namib Naukluft Lodge
3	Namib Desert	Breakfast Lunch Dinner	AM: Early morning walk in the mountains of the reserve: NamNau Habitat (Duration app. 2 hours – easy walking) PM: Afternoon nature drive on the reserve: Tsondab river bed & Moringa forest
			Standard Version: Overnight at the Soft Adventure Camp Superior Version: Overnight at Namib Naukluft Lodge
4	Namib Desert Windhoek / Swakopmund	Breakfast	Depart at 08:00 / 09:00: Drive: Namib Desert - Windhoek (Route via Remhoogte Pass) or Drive: Namib Desert – Coastal Towns (Route via Gaub & Kuiseb Pass) (Driving time: ca 3.5 to 4 hours) Arrival at around 12:00 / 13:00.

End of Tour: Desert Dream

Soft Adventure Camp



Namib Naukluft Lodge





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Daily Departures: 4 days / 3 nights

Day 1: Windhoek – Namib Desert.

(app. 240 km on gravel road – ca 3.5 - 4 hours driving time)

You will be met at your establishment in the capital just before 14h00 (during Namibian wintertime – 13h00). Depart from Windhoek and we'll first pass the Kupferberg Pass. We drive along cattle farm land and see a few farmhouses along the way. The landscape is hilly and we can enjoy some nice views over fertile valleys. As we continue, the vegetation changes and the farmland is used for sheep and goat farming. We take the turn via the scenic and steep Spreetshoogte Pass. Enjoy an undisturbed view on top of one of the steepest passes in Namibia! We will stop at the small settlement Solitaire and continue to the beautifully set Namib Naukluft Lodge & Soft Adventure Camp. Both establishments are located on the private nature reserve: NamNau Habitat, which hosts a variety of desert adapted game like Springbok, ostrich, earth wolf, bat-eared fox and many more.

Standard Version: Overnight with dinner, bed and breakfast at the Soft Adventure Camp.

Superior Version: Overnight on a dinner, bed and breakfast basis at Namib Naukluft Lodge.

Or

Day 1: Swakopmund – Namib Desert.

(app. 270 km on gravel road – ca 4 hours driving time)

You will be met at your establishment in the coastal town just before 14h00 (during Namibian wintertime – 13h00). Depart from Swakopmund and we'll first pass Namibia's harbour town Walvis Bay. We might pick-up more clients at the Walvis Bay lagoon and continue through the National Park: Namib Naukluft Park, which is the largest conservation area in Namibia. We pass the Vogelfederberg and drive through the Kuiseb Pass as well as the Gaub Pass before we stop at Solitaire, a small settlement. We shall arrive at the beautifully set Namib Naukluft Lodge & Soft Adventure Camp during the late afternoon. Both establishments are located on the private nature reserve: NamNau Habitat, which hosts a variety of desert adapted game like Springbok, ostrich, earth wolf, bat-eared fox and many more.

Standard Version: Overnight with dinner, bed and breakfast at the Soft Adventure Camp.

Superior Version: Overnight on a dinner, bed and breakfast basis at Namib Naukluft Lodge.

Day 2: Namib Desert. (Total km for excursion: app. 240 km – duration app. 7 hours)

An early morning rise with a snack before leaving enables you to arrive at Sesriem, the Park's gate at around sunrise. The route leads along and also across the Tsauchab dry riverbed, which has found a way through the dunes until it reaches the clay pan – the Sossusvlei. After a good rainy season – about every 7 to 10 years – the Tsauchab River runs in full flood and fills the Vlei with water. For months it remains here and offers sensational scenery with a prolific birdlife.

The early morning sun offers spectacular pastel colours in the star-shaped dunes. This is the highlight for the keen photographer. Your first stop will be at Dune 45 before we continue to the Sossusvlei. Climb one of the dunes – there are plenty – and you might be overwhelmed by the sight of the dynamic and living desert!

Breakfast will be served in form of a picnic under one of the shady camelthorn trees, before you continue to the base of the 'Dead Vlei'. It is quite a walk over patches of dunes that are crossing your way. When you arrive you will be paid off for your efforts – the scenery is awesome!

We will visit the Sesriem Canyon, a 30 metre deep rift, before we return to our base Namib Naukluft Lodge and the Soft Adventure Camp for a late lunch.

During the late afternoon a sundowner-drive to the natural marble mountains on this 25,000 ha private nature reserve is included.

Standard Version: Overnight with full board at the Soft Adventure Camp.

Superior Version: Overnight with full board at Namib Naukluft Lodge.

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Day 3: Namib Desert.

This morning – around 07:00 o'clock - you may participate in a guided walk in the Naukluft Mountains, which are part of the private nature reserve: NamNau Habitat. The walk takes approximately 1.5 to 2 hours. Upon return enjoy your full breakfast. The rest of the morning is at leisure and you may want to relax at the pool-side with a great view over the open plains. Lunch will be served at the Lodge / Camp.

During the afternoon you will do an extensive desert drive: This is undisturbed nature! We cross the dry riverbed of the Tsondeb and visit the Moringa Forest – a hidden treasure – until we get to a spot, where you can feel the solitude of the Namib: a 360° degrees view! Enjoy the scenery and return to the lodge on a scenic route, where depending on the season herds of springbok and oryx antelope can be seen.

Standard Version: Overnight with full board at the Soft Adventure Camp.

Superior Version: Overnight with full board basis at Namib Naukluft Lodge.

Day 4: Namib Desert – Windhoek.

(app. 260 km on gravel road – ca 3.5 - 4 hours driving time)

09:00 Departure (during Namibia's wintertime – departure from the lodge / camp at 08:00) and return to Windhoek via the Remhoogte Pass, which boasts with a variety of vegetation (it is possible – to return via Sreetshoogte Pass – depending on weather and road conditions) and arrive at around 12:30.

Or

Day 4: Namib Desert – Swakopmund.

(app. 270 km on gravel road – ca 4 hours driving time)

09:00 Departure (during Namibia's wintertime – departure from the lodge / camp at 08:00) and return to Swakopmund via Gaub & Kuiseb Pass. You will pass Namibia's largest Nature Reserve, the Namib Naukluft Park. An internationally renowned desert research station is located at Gobabeb (not accessible to the public). We pass the Vogelfederberg and shall drive through Namibia's harbor town Walvis Bay, before we arrive in Swakopmund at around 12:30.

End of Tour: Desert Dream

The Desert Dream can be booked as follows:

Windhoek – Namib Desert - Windhoek
Swakopmund/Walvis Bay – Namib Desert – Walvis Bay/Swakopmund
Windhoek – Namib Desert – Walvis Bay/Swakopmund
Walvis Bay/Swakopmund – Namib Desert - Windhoek

Rates as per current rate sheet

Included:

Tour in a small group (1 to 8 passengers) with an English speaking driver – guide in a 4x4 Landcruiser or Double Cab, Landrover or a VW Microbus – all with air-condition.

Accommodation and meals: 3x overnight, 3x breakfast, 2x lunch, 3x dinner.

Excursions: Sossusvlei Excursion, sunset drive to the marble-mountains, guided walking trail, desert drive.

Extras: Park-entrance-fees, portorage, still and sparkling water on board the vehicle.

Excluded:

Any additional excursions or activities, beverages, tips, personal insurances and other personal items are excluded.

Please note: If clients would like to participate in a ballooning safari, this can be arranged instead of the guided hiking trail on day 3 – subject to additional costs.