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NAMIBIA: DUNES & DESERT SAFARI – A LUXURY SMALL GROUP JOURNEY (2025)

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desolate beauty and surprising vitality.

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Namibia, Africa



11 days from AU\$25,340 pp



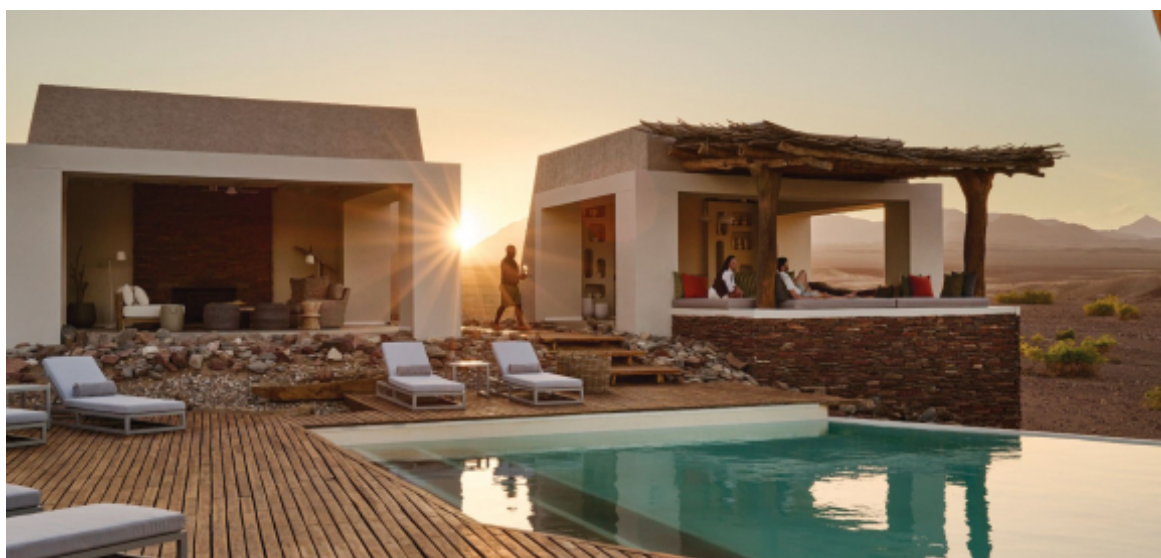
14 Guests

Journey Overview

Venture into a unique desert wilderness of desolate beauty and surprising vitality, discovering Namibia at its most compelling. Encounter iconic safari wildlife in Etosha National Park and marvel at otherworldly landscapes including the extraordinary dunes of Sossusvlei on a journey that also introduces you to the indigenous Himba tribe and redefines the meaning of “off the beaten path.”

Journey Highlights

- Stay in African desert camps and lodges set in four genuinely remote locations, accessing them with ease on chartered flights
- Walk among the spectacular dunes of Sossusvlei, a salt-and-clay pan surrounded by towering dunes
- Revel in the incomparably dynamic setting of Walvis Bay, where desert dunes meet ocean waves, enjoy a marine safari cruise and explore historic Swakopmund by e-bike
- Explore the Purros Conservancy, a rarely glimpsed realm of desert-adapted elephants, giraffes and springbok
- Experience authentic interactions with residents of a Himba village for in-depth, personal insights into Namibia’s last traditional tribe
- Track diverse, desert-adapted wildlife in the Onguma Private Game Reserve as well as Etosha National Park, Namibia’s premier game-viewing destination



Itinerary

Day 1: Arrive Windhoek, Namibia

Arrive in Windhoek, Namibia and transfer to your luxury permanent camp set on a private wildlife reserve in the countryside surrounding Windhoek. Later, enjoy a sunset safari drive followed by a Scenic Sundowner cocktail and welcome dinner.

Habitas Namibia | Meals: D

Day 2: Sossusvlei | Under the Desert Sky

Board a charter flight to Sossusvlei. Upon arrival, continue overland to your luxurious camp nestled on a private concession of the NamibRand Nature Reserve, where you enjoy lunch. This afternoon, take a scenic drive through the reserve, observing the area’s unique desert-adapted plants and wildlife, and learning about efforts to conserve its distinctive ecology.

Kwessi Dunes | Meals: BLD

Day 3: Sossusvlei | Climbing “Big Daddy”

Explore Sossusvlei, a place of stark yet undeniable beauty. The salt-and-clay pan is surrounded by towering dunes that, together with the sky, comprise the palette of burnt oranges and vivid blues so distinctive to the region. After an opportunity to climb “Big Daddy” — the tallest of the dunes — return to your lodge for an afternoon at leisure.

Kwessi Dunes | Meals: BLD

Day 4: Swakopmund | Coastal Colonial Enclave

Rise early for a morning of exploring, with your choice of a guided nature walk, ATV trail ride or scenic drive of the NamibRand Nature Reserve. Then, board your charter flight for city of Swakopmund, a former German colonial enclave of seaside promenades, half-timbered homes and windswept beaches. Upon landing, transfer to your hotel for lunch, and then enjoy time to unwind, with your afternoon at leisure. This evening, enjoy dinner at a local restaurant.

Strand Hotel Swakopmund | Meals: BLD

Day 5: Walvis Bay | Where the Desert and Ocean Meet

Journey to Walvis Bay for a full day of private touring that takes in stunning tableaux of sand and surf. Gaze upon the captivating dune landscape of Sandwich Harbour, where you witness the meeting of sand and sea, with the Atlantic Ocean at your feet. Then, embark on a private cruise of Walvis Bay, keeping an eye out for pelicans, seals, dolphins and whales. Come ashore for a Chef's Table experience, savouring a private traditional barbecue set on the sands of a local beach. Later, return to your hotel for the rest of the day at leisure.

Strand Hotel Swakopmund | Meals: BL

Day 6: Purros Conservancy | Into the Beyond

This morning, ride an e-bike through Swakopmund's Old City. Cycle past historic buildings and surroundings that showcase the city's rich heritage. Afterward, fly by private charter to Purros Conservancy and settle into your luxury lodge. Often described as one of the last truly wild areas in northwestern Namibia, the conservancy is roamed by desert-dwelling elephants. Later, enjoy dinner at your magnificent lodge, which serves as your hub for your next day's adventures.

Okahirongo Elephant Lodge | Meals: BLD

Day 7: Purros Conservancy | Meet the Himba

Head out on an early morning drive through a stunning wilderness secluded far off the beaten track, keeping an eye out for distinctive plant life, strange rock formations and rare desert-adapted elephants. This afternoon, head out to meet members of the last nomadic tribe of Namibia, the Himba. Revel in this authentic opportunity to learn about their customs and traditions, mingling with tribal members sporting ochre-red braided hair and costumes of hides and beads, and gain insight into their beliefs, way of life and everyday routine.

Okahirongo Elephant Lodge | Meals: BLD

Day 8: Onguma Private Game Reserve | Wildlife Riches

Board a private aircraft for a flight to the 84,000-acre Onguma Game Reserve. Upon arrival, settle into your luxury camp before setting out on an afternoon game drive around the private reserve. Watch for any of the hundreds of species of birds in the region as well as an astonishing variety of game, including lions, black and white rhinos, elephants and giraffes.

Onguma Tented Camp | Meals: BLD

Day 9: Onguma Private Game Reserve | Etosha’s Gems

Today, experience a guided morning game drive into the Etosha National Park to view more of the wide variety of game and bird species roaming terrain that includes grasslands and salt pan. Return to your lodge for lunch followed by time to relax at the refreshing infinity edge swimming pool. Then, head out again for a sunset drive, perhaps sighting cheetahs, gemsbok or a flock of flamingos.

Onguma Tented Camp | Meals: BLD

Day 10: Windhoek | Morning Game Drive or Bush Walk

Enjoy a choice of activities for the final morning at this spectacular private reserve. Set out on a game drive or a bush walk to learn about animal trails, and seek out the smaller creatures of the bush. After lunch, fly to Windhoek and transfer to your hotel. The remainder of the evening is at your leisure.

The Weinberg Hotel | Meals: BL

Day 11: Depart Windhoek

After breakfast, privately transfer to the airport for your departing flight.

Meals: B

Journey Details

Internal Air Included: Windhoek/Sossusvlei/Swakopmund/Purros
Conservancy/Onguma/Windhoek

Travel in this remote region entails active elements such as walking over steep, uneven terrain.

Minimum age is 12 years.

Each guest on this journey will receive an A&K Safari Duffel.

First group event: welcome dinner at 7:00 p.m. on Day 1.

Last group event: hotel transfer at 5:00 p.m. on Day 10.

Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

Included with every Luxury Small Group Journey

- English-Speaking Resident Tour Director® and Local Guides
- Hand-Selected Luxury Accommodations
- Airport Meet and Greet with Private Transfers
- Travelling Bell Boy® Luggage Handling
- Full Breakfast Daily; Select Lunches and Dinners
- Traveller's Valet® Laundry Service
- Internet Access
- Entrance Fees, Taxes and All Gratuities Except Resident Tour Director
- 24/7 A&K On-Call Support
- Guaranteed Departures with Just Two Guests

Customise this Journey

Talk to one of our expert Journey Designers or your travel agent about booking this tour as a private journey for your own small group with family or friends. Or, if you would prefer to travel privately, find out more about creating the perfect bespoke Tailor-Made Journey based on this itinerary.

Map



Accommodation

Okahirongo Elephant Lodge



Immersed in the great wilderness of Kaokoland, Okahirongo Elephant Lodge has reopened its doors following an extensive refurbishment. With seven suites, a two bedroom private villa and a spectacular infinity pool, this extraordinary lodge may be one of the most unique places you will ever visit. Located in a remote, untouched region of Namibia, few visitors will have witnessed the surreal vistas that await you with rugged mountains, shifting sand dunes and curious rock formations.

This oasis is rendered in an organic architectural style that echoes the topography of the desertscape, with a striking dome reflecting the indigenous Himba culture. The open plan, main areas dazzle guests with stunning views of the vast mountainous landscape. Watch the sun rise over the glistening turquoise infinity pool above the rising hills beyond. With 360 degree views of the breathtaking landscape, take a moment to soak in the stillness.

Each of the seven spacious suites and the two-bedroom private villa has been designed as a sanctuary from the harsh desert environment with soothing tones to inspire relaxation. Find solace on the private shaded terrace and keep an eye on the horizon to spot giraffes, springbok and ostrich strolling by. The serene ambience continues to the ensuite bathrooms where an indoor shower is rendered in bleached-white plaster.

In the private villa, large free-standing baths encourage rest and relaxation after a day in the desert.

Welcoming communal spaces blend chic style with relaxed open-air living. In the main lounge, chunky recessed shelves are dressed with white, clay amphorae, curios and inspiring books, whilst the expansive and numerous social spaces offer panoramic views of the untouched wilderness. With open sides allowing the outside in, immerse yourself in the otherworldly landscape and experience a strong connection of place. After an action packed day in one of the world's oldest desert landscapes, unwind in comfort on the shaded patio.

Dates & Pricing

Prices are in AUD, per person, based on double occupancy

Apr 7, 2025 - Apr 17, 2025

Price	Single Supplement	Internal Air (From)	Availability
AU\$25,340 pp	AU\$9,635	Included	Call for Availability

Jun 5, 2025 - Jun 15, 2025

Price	Single Supplement	Internal Air (From)	Availability
AU\$25,340 pp	AU\$9,635	Included	Call for Availability

Jul 3, 2025 - Jul 13, 2025

Price	Single Supplement	Internal Air (From)	Availability
AU\$26,900 pp	AU\$10,705	Included	Call for Availability

Jul 24, 2025 - Aug 3, 2025

Price	Single Supplement	Internal Air (From)	Availability
AU\$26,900 pp	AU\$10,705	Included	Call for Availability

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