

# Magic of Namibia Tour

Experience Africa's Desert Jewel











Live your African dream on our 12-day tour of Namibia, where the ocean and spectacular desert come together.



# Highlights of the Tour:

- Join us for an overland adventure like no other!
- Witness the endless horizons and red-orange sands of the world's oldest desert
- Go on safari in Etosha National Park
- Explore Namibia's famous Skeleton Coast
- Climb some of the world's biggest sand dunes
- Awaken in luxury and eco-friendly lodges built into the surrounding natural beauty

## Day 1: Arrival in Windhoek

We begin our Namibian tour in the capital city of Windhoek, where German history mixes with modern Africa. We'll pick you up at the airport and take you to a charming hotel. Then we'll meet for a welcome dinner at a great local restaurant.



Overnight: The Weinberg Hotel





Day 2: Windhoek to Etosha National Park

Before driving north to Etosha National Park, we'll start the day with a local visit to Penduka Village. "Penduka" means "wake up," and this social enterprise and centre helps create jobs and income for less privileged women in Namibia. Visitors can support these women by purchasing any of the beautiful handmade crafts or unique Namibian products. From here we will head to Etosha Safari Camp (about 400 km), with a stop along the way for lunch. We'll have dinner at the restaurant in Etosha.

Overnight: Etosha Safari Camp (Breakfast/Dinner incl.)

#### Day 3: Etosha

Wake up early for a game drive and day of adventure in beautiful Etosha National Park. Set your intentions and cameras for sightings of lions, elephants, zebras, giraffe, springbok, and the iconic oryx. Enjoy a picnic packed lunch before we go out again in search of more rare birds and wild animals. We'll check out of the Camp and move to another extraordinary location, the striking Etosha King Nehale lodge, complete with Namibian design and décor. Here we can relax and have dinner together as a group.

Overnight: Etosha King Nehale Lodge (Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner)







## Day 4: Etosha to Damaraland

After breakfast we head to the wild and granite landscapes of Namibia's Damaraland region. En route we will stop at the highly acclaimed Erongo Mountain Winery for a tour, wine tasting, and lunch. Then we will visit the San/Bushmen Living Museum in Omaruru. After a glorious day of local culture, we will arrive at our unique ecoand architecturally-designed accommodation, the incredible Spitzkoppen Lodge. Here you can rest, relax, or go for a short walk to explore the beautiful natural surroundings before dinner.

Overnight: Spitzkoppen Lodge (Breakfast/Dinner)

## Day 5: Damaraland

After an early breakfast, we depart on an archaeological tour, visiting ancient cave paintings (small Bushman's Paradise, Golden Snake Painting) and the Zebra Pool. Then have a scenic lunch at the famous Rock Arch. The afternoon is free time to read, relax, or enjoy the pool.

Overnight: Spitzkoppen Lodge (Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner)







Day 6: Damaraland to Swakopmund

Today we say farewell to the mountains and rock formations and head to the Atlantic Ocean. We will travel (about 200km) and stop for lunch en route, before arriving at the former German colony and unusual coastal town of Swakopmund. Here we'll check in to the dreamy Desert Breeze Lodge. You have the afternoon free to explore the town, do some shopping, or simply take in the desert breeze and panoramic views of the dunes. Tonight we'll give you some great recommendations for dinner on your own.

Overnight: Desert Breeze Lodge (Breakfast)

# Day 7: Ocean & Desert Tour, Skeleton Coast

We kick off a full day sea and sand adventure, with an early morning marine cruise among dolphins and seals in the Walvis Bay Harbour. Relax with a complimentary glass of sparkling wine served with fresh oysters and snacks before joining the ultimate 4x4 "tour of the dunes," exploring the lower Kuiseb River Delta, Salt Pans, and Namib-Naukluft Park. Here where the desert and ocean meet we'll explore part of Namibia's famous Skeleton Coast, and stop at the Sandwich Harbour Lagoon. The drive across this untamed coastline and pristine dunes is exciting, unforgettable, and filled with stunning photo ops.

Overnight: Desert Breeze Lodge (Breakfast/Lunch)











# Day 8: Swakopmund to Sossusvlei

Today after breakfast, we leave for a fairly long 370km drive, but well worth the trip to the famous Sossusvlei area. Prepare yourself for a day of epic, breathtaking natural beauty. We will get lunch along the way in the quaint, delightful town of Solitaire, known for its famous apple pie. After checking in at the one-of-akind and aptly named Le Mirage Lodge & Spa, a small castle in the desert, there will be time to relax before an afternoon drive to the renowned "Dune 45." Then perhaps time for a sundowner (cocktail), before our 5-course dinner at Le Mirage's elegant restaurant.

Overnight: Le Mirage Lodge & Spa (Breakfast/Dinner)



## Day 9: Sossusvlei

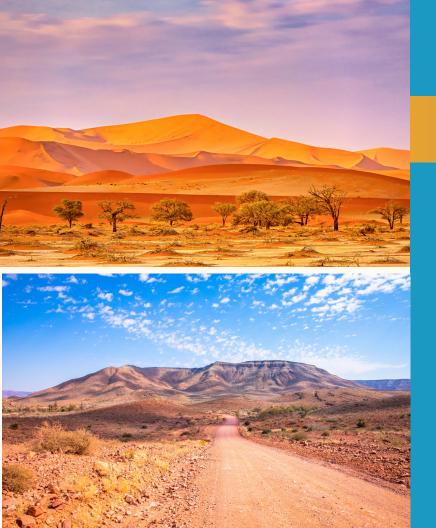
We arise before dawn as a breathtaking desert adventure awaits! We will travel to Sossusvlei before sunrise, to glimpse the desert sun awaken over brilliant red and orange sand dunes that tower over 1000 feet (300 metres) to the sky. Truly awe-inspiring, and there will be opportunities to climb them! So bring good walking shoes and lots of water.

We'll explore the mystic and surreal Dead Vlei with its 900year old blackened, fossilized trees peppered throughout the vast white clay pan that dried out hundreds of years ago. Bring your camera and sense of wonder.

We will take in the impressive Sesriem Canyon on our way back to the lodge. Then you can cool down in the pool or book a spa treatment to wind down from an incredible day.

Overnight: Le Mirage Lodge & Spa (Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner)





# Day 10: Sossusvlei to Windhoek

After a delicious breakfast overlooking the desert, we return to Windhoek (380km), where we'll stay at the award-winning lodge and wildlife sanctuary called N/a'an ku se. Nestled in the stunning African savannah, the lodge offers amazing views and activities such as a carnivore feeding tour and up close encounters with cheetahs. Wind down from the day with a dip in the pool and dinner at the elegant, tranquil dining room with a view.

Overnight: N/a'an ku se Lodge and Sanctuary (Breakfast)

# Day 11: Windhoek - N/a'an ku se & Departure Day

Wrapping up our tour with a delightful surprise, early this morning (before breakfast) we'll spend some time with an adorable meerkat family. After breakfast together, we'll reflect on the magic of Namibia and bid farewell to each other and this beautiful African adventure.

Transfers to the airport provided. (Breakfast)

INVESTMENT: CAD \$6800pp (double occupancy) Single supplement available at additional cost. BOOK NOW! Spaces are limited to 8. Contact: barb@barbaraedie.com www.barbaraedie.com





## What's Included

- Host, private vehicle, and passionate tour guide
- 11 nights / 12 days of luxury & rustic-luxury accommodation, including meals
- 10 breakfasts, 4 lunches, 6 dinners (incl. 2 x 5course dinners)
- Full day 4 x 4 game drive in Etosha National Park
- Sandwaves Desert Tour
- Visit to the San / Bushman Living Museum
- Guided tour of cave paintings at Spitzkoppe
- Guided tour of Sossusvlei
- All conservation fees
- Transportation from and back to Windhoek International Airport

# What's EXCLUDED

- International and/or domestic flights
- Visas
- Travel and medical insurance
- All meals and activities not specified in the itinerary
- All alcoholic & non-alcoholic beverages
- Excursions and transfers not mentioned
- Gratuities for guides, servers etc.
- Laundry & telephone services
- Spa treatments
- Items of a personal nature

## **Travel Essentials**

#### **Entry Visa to Namibia**

No visa is required for this destination for a stay of up to 90 days for Canadian, U.S., and U.K. citizens. However, you must hold a passport valid at least six months on entry with one blank visa page.



A copy of your passport (face page), carried separately is also recommended.

#### Vaccinations

No COVID19 tests or vaccination certificate are required to enter Namibia. Recommended vaccinations or boosters include: Hepatitis A, Diphtheria; Hepatitis A; Tetanus. Check with your physician or a Travel clinic on what is advised for your personal health status.

#### Weather

Namibia is an arid, desert country. September and October is the dry season and best time for wildlife viewing. Temperatures range from 21-29 Celsius daytime highs to 5-7 Celsius at night.

#### What to Bring /What to Wear

- Comfortable, casual clothing for a desert climate (see weather above). Layers for hot days and cool evenings. Something nice to wear for dinner in restaurants.
- Light rain jacket. May or may not be needed.
- Money for alcoholic drinks, personal items and extra activities.
- Water bottle
- Sturdy walking shoes/sandals suitable for rocky terrain, and large sand dunes that will be very hot during the day. Light shoes or running shoes work well. Keep flip-flops for the hotels and pool.
- Eye glasses
- Hat, sunglasses, sunscreen for protection from the sun.
- Bathing suit
- Camera, Smartphone, including batteries and chargers
- A light backpack or day bag

**Recommended Medications** 

- Any prescription medication packed in your carry-on bag (not checked luggage)
- Aspirin or Tylenol for aches, pains, headaches, etc.
- Antibiotic Ointment and Band-Aids for cuts or blisters
- Imodium for moderate diarrhea may be helpful. However, we will be eating in hotels and restaurants with high-quality, safe food, and bottled water.

#### Other:

- A journal to record your intentions, insights, highlights, Ah-ha moments, epiphanies, daily magic and notes to your soul.
- An Open heart, curious nature, and adventurous spirit!

## **Terms & Conditions**

#### **Deposit & Payments:**

Full payment = \$6800 CAD A 10% deposit of \$680 CAD will secure your space on this exclusive, privately guided tour of Namibia. Spaces are limited to 8. Balance of \$6120 CAD is due by June 30, 2023.

You will receive an invoice from RiverRoad Communications Inc. (Barbara Edie's company). Payment can be made by credit card, e-transfer, or direct bank deposit. Contact Barbara for bank details.

Note: Due to the exclusive nature of this tour, accommodations and special activities must be prebooked and paid in advance. Deposits are non-refundable unless the tour is cancelled due to circumstances beyond the company's control. Then deposits will be refunded in full.

#### **Cancellation Policy:**

- Full payment of \$6800 CAD is due by June 30, 2023 (90 days prior to tour date).
- Cancellation after June 30, 2023: No refunds on payment will be made.
- Cancellations must be received in writing.
- Travel cancellation insurance recommended.

#### Changes to Itinerary:

The company reserves the right to change the tour due to unforeseen circumstances (e.g. road conditions, weather, mechanical breakdown, accidents, etc.) beyond our control. We will do our best to provide suitable alternatives.

#### Safety and Security:

Namibia is a modern, safe country to visit. Travelling in a small group with a driver and personal guide familiar with the country will provide added comfort and safety. Important note: Travel and medical insurance for this tour is mandatory. All guests will be required to sign an indemnity form.

#### Information Required Upon Booking

Your full name as it appears on your passport.

Your passport number, date of issue and expiry date. Please ensure your passport is valid for at least 6 months from the date of travel.

Your address, contact email/ phone number, and emergency contact

Any dietary requirements or food allergies.

Any health issues, and any medications you are taking.

Airline and flight information will be requested closer to tour start date.

## BOOK NOW! Spaces for this exclusive African adventure are limited.

## About Barbara Edie Author, Intuitive Guide, Adventurer

Barbara Edie is an intuitive guide, wayshower, and best-selling author of *Creating the Impossible*: *What it takes to bring your vision to life.* She is a passionate global traveler who loves to share her adventures. Having lived on three continents and visited 40 countries, she has seen the transformational power of travel to awaken one's heart and soul to a deeper sense of knowing, possibility, and magic.

Today she curates and guides exquisite, soulful tours in Africa and beyond that inspire others to new ways of being, and living their own "call to adventure." As a powerful intuitive, energy healer, and mentor, Barbara's passion is to guide people on both inner and outer journeys in the greatest adventure of all – a life well-lived.

As a woman who climbed Mt. Kilimanjaro at age 55, has come face-to-face with Silverback Gorillas in Uganda, and meditated within the chambers of the Great Pyramids of Egypt, she believes there is nothing more life-changing, and magical, than following your heart and true nature.





Join Barbara to awaken your heart, and life, In her 11-day "Magic of Namibia" tour and experience the delight, creative inspiration, and new possibilities that unfold where giant sand dunes meet the ocean in Africa's desert jewel.

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