

## **African Travel: Deserts and Dunes of Namibia 2021**

### **Day 1 Arrive Windhoek, Namibia**

Welcome to Windhoek, Namibia's capital! Transfer to your hotel for a relaxing evening before tomorrow's exciting flight to the Namib Nature Reserve, and the start of your journey of discovery through this beautiful country.

Am Weinberg Boutique Hotel

Meals: (D)

### **Day 2 Windhoek / NamibRand Nature Reserve**

After breakfast, transfer to Eros Airport, where you will be met by your pilot for your scheduled light aircraft flight to Kwessi Dunes. The striking NamibRand Nature Reserve with its rolling desert plains and iconic red dunes offers an escape from the modern world and a chance to reconnect with the wild.

Kwessi Dunes

Meals: (BLD)

### **Day 3 NamibRand Nature Reserve**

Try quad biking across the wide-open spaces, or for the ultimate highlight, take an optional hot air balloon flight over the desert. Soak up the beauty of the area, the landscape is just as much of an attraction as the wildlife. Keep a lookout for springbok and oryx, as well as some of the rarer creatures like aardwolf. If you've got a penchant for birdlife, ask your guide to find the endemic dune lark, which is only found in Namibia. Tonight, watch the ultimate celestial show from the comfort of your 'star gazer' room.

Kwessi Dunes

Meals: (BLD)

### **Day 4 NamibRand Nature Reserve / Kaokoland**

After breakfast, hop back on the plane for a scenic flight over the famous Eduard Bohlen shipwreck, Conception Bay and Sandwich Harbor, before touching down in Swakopmund for lunch and to refuel. Continue over the dramatic Skeleton Coast and then inland to the beautiful interior of the country. Remnants of shipwrecks are still visible from the air, a stark reminder of nature's power.

Hoanib Valley Camp

Meals: (BLD)

### **Day 5 Kaokoland**

The area is a mix of towering mountains and huge expanses of desert, scattered with unique wildlife and nomadic Himba settlements. Spend a fascinating morning or afternoon with the local Himba people. Game drive through the sandy terrain in search of desert-adapted giraffe, elephant, lion and rhino. Learn about the giraffe research conducted in the area by the Giraffe Conservation Foundation. Later this evening, retire to your private patio, cocktail in hand, and marvel at the magnitude of your surroundings.

Hoanib Valley Camp

Meals: (BLD)

### **Day 6 Kaokoland / Skeleton Coast**

Get ready to enjoy the best transfer drive on the continent! You'll pass incredible rock formations and desert-elephant digging for water, before arriving at the crashing waves and rolling dunes of the Skeleton Coast.

Shipwreck Lodge

Meals: (BLD)

### **Day 7 Skeleton Coast**

Wake to the ocean fog rolling in over the stark landscape, and a chance to explore this raw and rugged slice of African wilderness. 4×4 drives along the Hoarusib River, provide a chance to spot some of the unique wildlife of the area. Visit Möwe Bay Seal Colony, walk across the lunar landscapes, go quad biking and sand boarding across the dunes, or simply put your feet up and admire the views.

Shipwreck Lodge

Meals: (BLD)

### **Day 8 Skeleton Coast / Ongava Game Reserve**

This morning enjoy a scenic road transfer to Möwe Bay where your pilot and private charter plane will be waiting for you. Fly over the otherworldly Skeleton Coast to the famous Etosha National Park. Arrive in time for lunch. Later this afternoon, set out on your afternoon game drive in the Ongava Private Game Reserve.

Ongava Lodge

Meals: (BLD)

### **Day 9 Ongava Game Reserve**

Enjoy a morning game drive in Etosha National Park, meaning 'Great White Place,' the name refers to the Etosha pan, which makes up a large part of the park. Large mammals in the park include lion, leopard, elephant, rhino, giraffe, wildebeest, cheetah, hyena, zebra, springbok, kudu, gemsbok and eland. Return to the lodge for lunch and a siesta, or spend some time in the camp's photographic hide. In the late afternoon, explore the Ongava Reserve, which has resident white and black rhino.

Ongava Lodge

Meals: (BLD)

### **Day 10 Ongava Game Reserve / Depart**

After a short flight to Windhoek, you'll be transferred to a day room to relax, until your onward arrangements.

Meals: (B)