

Deserts, Rivers & Wildlife Adventure -Northbound

14 days Windhoek to Victoria Falls (3-4 star accommodated)

THE HIGHLIGHTS:

- Walking in the giant dunes of **Sossusvlei** and the **Namib Desert**
- Optional activities in **Swakopmund**
- Game drives in **Etosha National Park**
- Game walks, mokoros ride & boat trips in the Okavango Delta
- The Okavango River
- Sunset game viewing cruise on the Chobe River
- Victoria Falls

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DAY 1: WINDHOEK

The afternoon in Windhoek is free to explore the capital city of Namibia. Overnight Safari Court Hotel (or similar accommodation). (Accommodated – dinner own account)

DAY 2/3: SESRIEM

Our journey takes us north through ever changing scenery to our accommodation located on the edge of the Namib Desert. The following morning is an early departure for Sossusvlei, stopping in the dune belt to witnessthe changing colours of the world's highest sand dunes. We undertake a 5km walk to Sossusvlei and Deadvlei. In the afternoon we enjoy a short hike through the Sesriem Canyon. Overnight Desert Quiver Camp (or similar accommodation). (Accommodated – B & D)

DAY 4: SWAKOPMUND

We reach the coast at Walvis Bay and enjoy lunch while viewing the many flamingos feeding. We arrive in Swakopmund and spend the afternoon and following morning exploring this German colonial town or booking one of the numerous optional excursions (own expense). Activities available include dolphin cruises or scenic flights over the vast Namib Desert. Overnight Zum Kaizer Hotel (or similar accommodation). (Accommodated

- B. Dinners own account)

DAY 5: DAMARALAND

Departing at lunchtime we drive inland through the Damaraland region with its vast and rugged terrain. Its mountain ranges are intercepted by wide gravel plains, which run into sandy, vegetated riverbeds and hot, dry valleys. Our lodge is located on top of a mountain with spectacular views of the surrounding area. Spend the late afternoon taking in the incredible setting. Overnight Ugab Terrace Lodge (or similar accommodation). (Accommodated – B & D)

DAY 6: ETOSHA NATIONAL PARK

Today we proceed to Etosha National Park where we enjoy our first game drive in **open 4x4 vehicles** from our lodge located just outside the park entrance. The park's main characteristic is a salt pan so large it can be seen from space. Yet there is abundant wildlife that congregates around the waterholes. Overnight **Etosha Village** (or similar accommodation). **(Accommodated – B & D)**

DAY 7: ETOSHA NATIONAL PARK

This Park is one of the most important reserves and game sanctuaries in Africa with thousands of wild animals such as blue wildebeest, springbok, zebra, kudu, giraffe, cheetah, leopard, lion and elephant making this area their home. The day is spent on game drive through the Park from the Western to the Eastern side of the Park. Overnight **Mokuti Lodge** (or similar accommodation). **(Accommodated – B & D)**

DAY 8: OKAVANGO RIVER

We depart Etosha and enter the Caprivi Strip where we spend the night set amongst the lush vegetation overlooking the Okavango River and Angola. An optional afternoon boat cruise on the river is available (own account). Overnight Hakusembe River Lodge (or similar accommodation). (Accommodated – B & D) DAY 9/10: OKAVANGO DELTA

Continuing into the Caprivi we cross into Botswana and travel by road to our lodge on the edge of the Okavango Delta. The following day we travel by boat 30 minutes into the delta. We do mokoro & boat excursions in the back channels of the Nxamasire area of the delta. Game walks are also done on the smallerislands in the area subject to the water levels of the delta.

Overnight Swampstop chalets. (Accommodated – B, L, D)

DAY 11/ 12: CHOBE RIVER

Travel through the Caprivi Strip in Namibia and cross back into Botswana via the Chobe National Park, we overnight on the banks of the Chobe River. Chobe is famous for its beautiful scenery, magnificent sunsets and abundance of wildlife and birdlife. Day 12 we relax on a morning game drive & a sunset game-viewing cruise on the Chobe River.

Overnight Chobe Safari Lodge (or similar accommodation). (Accommodated – B & D)

DAY 13: VICTORIA FALLS

We travel across the Zimbabwean border to Victoria Falls - without doubt one of the greatest and most spectacular sights in Africa. The afternoon and following morning is spent at leisure to browse the local markets, to experience the many optional activities on offer in the adrenalin capital of Africa including helicopter flights over the Falls and to visit the Falls (own expense). Overnight **Cresta Sprayview hotel** (or similar accommodation). **(Accommodated – B. Dinner own account)**

DAY 14: VICTORIA FALLS

Tour ends after breakfast. (B)

This itinerary will depend on local conditions.

ACCOMMODATED SAFARI (3-4 STAR)

Accommodation: 13 nights lodge, chalet and small hotel all with en-suite facilities.

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