

6 Day Classic Namib Desert



CLIENT: Open

OPERATOR: NatureFriend Safaris

DURATION: 6 Days, 5 Nights

DATE: 2009 & 2010

Itinerary

DAY 1 & 2

DESTINATION: Arrival / Swakopmund

Program: Arrive at the Windhoek International Airport (early morning flight) where you will be met and transferred to the Windhoek Eros Airport for your connecting Air Namibia flight to the WalvisBay Airport. Upon arrival you will be met and transferred to the beautiful little town of Swakopmund.

The Swakopmund Guesthouse has 12 en suite rooms. Centrally located on the corner of Hendrik Witbooi and Rhode Allee it is within 5 minutes walking distance to the centre of town and to the beach. It has a modern design and thus does cater for the discerning traveller. We offer complimentary transfers to and from the Swakopmund Airport. Free Internet connection available.

Spend the next two days at leisure and optionally participate in some of the many activities available in and around Swakopmund such as a dolphin cruise, quad biking, sand boarding, camel rides, horse riding etc, or perhaps a visit to the museum, aquarium or the crystal gallery.

All activities, entrance fees and additional meals are on own account



Accommodation: Swakopmund Guesthouse (Bed & breakfast)

DAY 3

DESTINATION: Swakopmund / Sossusvlei area

Program: Early morning transfer to WalvisBay for your dolphin cruise. Enjoy the sheer thrill of dolphins leaping alongside your boat, seals fed by hand and fresh oysters and sparkling wine being served on the calm waters of the lagoon. You will be transferred back to Swakopmund in order to be there in time for your scheduled Dune Hopper flight to the Sossusvlei area, departing at **14h15**.



The wide grassy valley in which the Desert Homestead Lodge is situated is sheltered by the Nubib, Tsaris and Naukluft Mountains with a view reaching the distant dunes of the Namib Desert in the west. In this exquisite position, the lodge offers simple but stylish accommodation in thatched chalets which were designed with the fragile beauty of this remarkable environment in mind. The Desert Homestead will ensure you an unrivalled respite from the desert extremes. Tranquil surroundings, Alfresco dining, delectably fresh farm cuisine, refreshing dips in the pool, stunning sunsets and sunrises are the basic pleasures at the lodge.

Lunch is on own account

Accommodation: Desert Homestead (Dinner, bed & breakfast)

DAY 4

DESTINATION: Sossusvlei area / NamibRand Nature Reserve

Program: Enjoy an early morning guided excursion to the famous Sossusvlei area. Here you will be able to view and climb some of the highest dunes in the world, some of which measures up to 325 m from its base.

Return to the lodge for lunch after which you will be transferred to the magnificent NamibRand Nature Reserve.

Located on the very edge of a 250-meter high dune in the 185 000 hectare NamibRand Reserve, the Wolwedans Dune Camp sleeps 12 guests in a totally unspoilt setting. Guests stay in comfortable tents pitched on wooden platforms and there are furnished with standard beds, bedside tables and a suitcase rack. Each tent has a spacious veranda and private bathroom fitted with a hot shower, washbasin and flush toilet. Meals are enjoyed at the central lapa. The lounge, dining area and an open-plan kitchen, which allows guests to chat to their chef while he is preparing a three-course dinner, guarantee a cosy ambience. A sun-downer deck with fireplace provides a relaxed atmosphere for brilliant stargazing. Ideally suited for the more adventurous traveller the charm of the camp lies in its tranquil and intimate atmosphere, capturing the romance of a bygone era.

Accommodation: Wolwedans Dunes Camp (Full board + activities)

DAY 5

DESTINATION: NamibRand Nature Reserve

Program: Absorb the unique NamibRand Nature Reserve landscape during a morning and afternoon excursion by Landrover through the dunes, endless grassy plains and along mystical mountain formations. You could encounter large and small desert animals learn about their unique habits and explore the ancient hunting spots of the Bushmen. Revel in the incredible landscape around you and Wolwedans' commitment to care for guest and nature alike. Here in this land of stretching blue skies, endless plains and countless creatures enacting nature's savagely exciting passion play, you will find beauty feeding your soul, tranquillity to clear your mind and space for your imagination to fly!



Accommodation: Wolwedans Dunes Camp (Full board + activities)

DAY 6

DESTINATION: NamibRand Nature Reserve / Windhoek

Program: Awake in the pristine desert dawn and soak in the atmosphere and landscape from your bed whilst enjoying early morning tea. After breakfast at leisure, you are transferred to the airstrip to bid Wolwedans farewell and commence your return Dune Hopper flight at **09h00** to the Windhoek Eros Airport. Upon arrival at **10h15** you will be met and transferred out to the Windhoek International Airport in order to be there in time for your outbound flight.

