

NEW AFRICAN FRONTIERS
NAMIBIA

Day 1

Windhoek - Tsumeb

You will depart from Windhoek 07:45 to Tsumeb. At Okahandja, a former mission station and the tribal centre of the Herero people, visit some Herero graves, the cemetery of the German "Schutztruppe" and the Kavango woodcarvers market. Via Otjiwarongo and Otavi continue to Tsumeb. At the "Cultural village", an open-air museum, visitors get an insight into the rural life of the Namibian people. The display depicts the life, history and culture of the different population groups and includes an exhibition of the different arts and crafts. A visit to the Tsumeb mine museum concludes the day.

Accommodation: Makalani Hotel, including Dinner and Breakfast

Day 2

Tsumeb – Etosha National Park

After breakfast depart for the "Treesleeper Camp" near Tsintsabis. It is home to Hei//omn Bushmen, the former inhabitants of Etosha and surroundings, and the !Kung Bushmen. Until recently the Bushmen practiced a lifestyle of hunting and gathering. They will show you their traditional way of life in a "historic living village". After a light lunch or lunch packs (not included) proceed to Farm Hedwigslust, home of the Ombili foundation. The aim of the foundation is to teach the 350 Bushmen living on the farm to become self-sufficient as farmers, to sow, produce and harvest crops as an alternative to hunting game, which has become extinct. The Ombili Foundation relies on donations to finance this project. A gratuity of approximately N\$ 50.00 is much appreciated.

Accommodation: Kempinski Mokuti Lodge, Dinner and Breakfast

Day 3

Etosha National Park - Ovamboland

Continue further north to 4-O region, the most densely populated region of Namibia (approximately 600 000 people). The Ovambo consist of 8 sub-tribes. The Nakambale Museum at Olukondo is the first stop, depicting the past and present role of the Finnish Mission, the church and the local cultures. Visit the Ngonga homestead and observe the different demonstrations on wheat crushing, basket weaving, hair braiding, traditional dancing and music etc. A traditional lunch will be served. Proceed to Oshakati via Ondangwa.

Accommodation: Oshakati Country Hotel, Dinner and Breakfast

Day 4

Ovamboland - Damaraland

Travel through the Omusati region. Flat, sandy plains dotted with Makalani palms, savannah and Mopane woodlands characterize the landscape. Stop at different attractions.

Continue to Opuwo via Ruacana.

Accommodation: Opuwo Country Hotel, including Dinner and Breakfast

Day 5

Opuwo – Kaokoland

This morning demands an early departure in Direction of Epupa Falls. The Epupa Falls (also known as Monte Negro Falls in Angola) are created by the Kunene River on the border of Angola and Namibia, in the Kaokoland area of the Kunene Region. The river is 0.5 km wide and drops in a series of waterfalls spread over 1.5 km, with the greatest single drop being 37 m. The name "Epupa" is a Herero word for "foam", in reference to the foam created by the falling water.

The falls are a major visitor attraction in Namibia, because of the largely unspoiled environment, with fig trees, baobabs, makalani palms, and colour rock walls framing the falls. Lunch packs en route.

Accommodation: Omarunga Lodge, including Dinner and Breakfast

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Day 6

Kaokoland

After breakfast we visit a typical Himba settlement. The Himba are a sub-tribe of the Herero people. They are the only tribe still practicing their ancient tradition and culture. They are nomads who roam the area in search of grazing for their cattle. A number of deserted settlements will be seen along the way. A local guide will accompany the group in order to negotiate a visit to a "Kraal" with the headman of the tribe and will explain the lifestyle and the culture of the Himba people. Return to the Lodge. In the afternoon take part on a guided excursion to the Epupa Falls. Enjoy a nice sundowner afterwards.

Accommodation: Omarunga Lodge, including Dinner and Breakfast

Day 7

Kaokoland – Etosha National Park

Very early in the morning we are heading southwards. Via Opuwo the journey takes us on the western side of Etosha National Park. Lunch packs en route.

Accommodation: Dolomite Camp, including Dinner and Breakfast

Day 8

Etosha National Park

Travel through the western part of the Etosha National Park. Oryx and other antelopes favour this region. West of Okaukuejo is the well-known "Sprokieswoud", Phantom or Fairy Forest, the only place where the African Moringa tree grows in a flat area. Game viewing continues till late afternoon. At the floodlit waterhole wildlife can be viewed throughout the day and night

Accommodation: Okaukuejo Camp, including Dinner and Breakfast

Day 9

Etosha National Park - Windhoek

Leave the Etosha National Park after a short game drive in the morning. Return to Windhoek via Outjo, Otjiwarongo and Okahandja. Arrive in Windhoek during the afternoon.

Services included:

- * Overland trips and all sightseeing as per itinerary.
- * Overnight in double rooms with private shower/bath and toilet in hotels and camp
- * Breakfast and dinner throughout the tour and 1 lunch. 2 x Lunch packs.
- * English speaking tour guide. (Other languages can be spoken on tour)

Not included:

- * Expenses for personal belongings e.g. lunches, drinks and telephone calls as well as tips in the restaurants and for the tour guide.

Departure Dates

2011	
Nov	Dec
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