

INTENSIVE SELF-DRIVE TOUR

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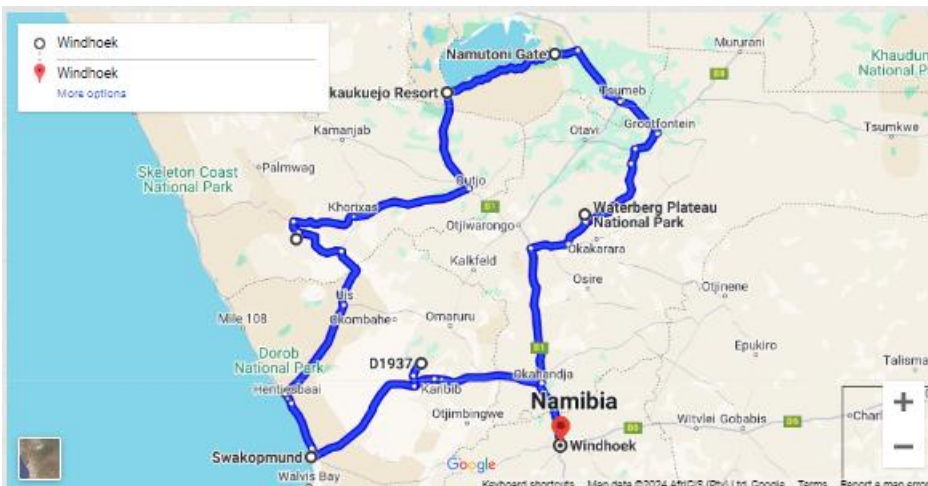
11 Days / 10 Nights

Designed for travellers with a strict budget and not a great deal of travel time but who still want to experience the most of what Namibia has to offer, this tour will take you to seven fascinating destinations within the country. The 10-day self-drive tour itinerary, although short, still manages to offer a decent diversity of Namibia's major tourist attractions and destinations. The tour ranges from Erongo Mountains, Namibia's coast, Etosha to Waterberg Region. The ideal itinerary for a short get-away holiday from home!!

OVERVIEW

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MAP



ITINERARY

DAY 1: ARRIVAL IN NAMIBIA, WINDHOEK



- Est. driving time: +- 45 Minutes
- Est. total km: 50 km

Windhoek

Situated in Central Namibia, the cosmopolitan city of Windhoek functions as the capital of the country. It is home to an international airport and a plethora of restaurants, shops, entertainment venues and accommodation options. The city is clean, safe and well-organised, with a colonial legacy that is reflected in its many German eateries and shops, and the widespread use of the German language. Windhoek has an interesting mix of historical architecture and modern buildings, many of which are worth a look, including the Alte Feste an old fort, the 1896 Christuskirche Christ Church, and the more contemporary Supreme Court.

Day Itinerary

Welcome to Namibia. Upon arrival at Windhoek International Airport, you will find your driver from Melbic Car Rentals there to pick you up and transfer you to the rental office in the Windhoek city. There you will pick up your vehicle as well as all the necessary travel documents that you will need on your tour.

DAY 2: ERONGO MOUNTAINS RANGE



- Est. driving time: +/- 3 Hours
- Est. total km: 245 km

Erongo Mountains

Conveniently located only a few hours' drive from Namibia's capital city of Windhoek; the Erongo Mountain Range stretches across the plains between the towns of Omaruru and Karibib, and is home to a remarkably rich natural heritage. This expanse of rugged wilderness attracting visitors with its spectacularly scenic landscapes, magnificent caves and rock painting sites, and its impressive array of wildlife species. These include, among others: rhino, elephant, cheetah, leopard, giraffe, wildebeest, impala, blesbok, waterbuck, kudu, warthog, mountain zebra, Oryx, eland, springbok and over 200 species of bird.

Day Itinerary

For your first morning in Namibia, enjoy a relaxed morning in Windhoek. Today you will travel to one of Namibia's most popular destinations, the Erongo Mountain region. This majestic region is a result of decades old volcanic activities. Not a sight not to miss.

DAY 3+4: SWAKOPMUND



- Est. driving time: +- 2 Hours
- Est. total km: 170 km

Swakopmund

Set along Namibia's spectacularly scenic coast, the seaside town of Swakopmund is known for its wide-open avenues, colonial architecture, and is surrounded by otherworldly desert terrain. Founded in 1892 as the main harbour for German South West Africa, Swakopmund is often described as being more German like Germany. Now a seaside resort town, Swakopmund is the capital of the Skeleton Coast tourism region and has an abundance to keep visitors happy. The quirky mix of German and Namibian influences, adventure options, laidback atmosphere and cool sea breeze make it very popular Namibian destination for both tourists and locals. Visitors can look forward to a number of exciting activities including: quad biking, horse riding, paragliding, fishing, sightseeing, ocean cruising and fascinating desert tours.

Day Itinerary

You will make your way to the coastal city of Swakopmund. Along the way keep a lookout for the ever changing landscape as you drive from the inland to the coast.

DAY 5: DAMARALAND - TWYFELFONTEIN



- Est. driving time: +- 4 Hours
- Est. total km: 290 km

Twyfelfontein

Set in the Kunene Region of north-western Namibia, Twyfelfontein is a spectacularly scenic area, featuring one of the largest and most important concentrations of rock art in Africa. The name 'Twyfelfontein' translates to 'Fountain of Doubt', which refers to the perennial spring situated in the impressive Huab valley flanked by the slopes of a sandstone table mountain. It was this spring that attracted Stone Age hunters over six thousand years ago, and it was during this time that the extensive group of rock engravings and paintings were produced. Visitors can look forward to exploring over thirty different sites of these sacred records of ritual practices relating to traditional hunter-gatherer communities.

Day Itinerary

After check-out, depart the coast and drive inland towards Damaraland. This area is known for well-known attractions such as: Twyfelfontein Rock Paintings, the Organ Pipes, Burnt Mountain and the Petrified Forest. Also make sure to visit the Damara living museum and be in awe of the traditions and customs of this fascinating local tribe.

DAY 6: ETOSHA NATIONAL PARK – SOUTH



- Est. driving time: +- 3.5-4 Hours
- Est. total km: 310 km

Etosha South

Etosha South makes up the southern region of the Etosha National Park paradise. The national park can be accessed via the southern entrance at Andersson's Gate. Visitors can visit a variety of waterholes and catch a glimpse of a wide range of wildlife such as: lion, giraffe, elephant, white and black rhino, and a gathering of plains game. Popular activities include: guided / self-drive game drives, tracking rhinos on foot, guided nature walks, or watch the sunset over this magnificent landscape.

Day Itinerary

From Damaraland, head to the greatest wildlife sanctuary in Namibia, Etosha National Park. Be prepared for the abundance of wildlife roaming around as they visit the various waterholes in search of water. Best times to view animals are early mornings and later afternoons when the heat is not too intense for you and the animals. Take part in guided game drives or alternatively, you are welcome to do your own self-drive around the park at your own pace and viewing pleasure.

DAY 7+8: ETOSHA NATIONAL PARK – EAST



- Est. driving time: +- 3.5-6 Hours (depending on stops enroute)
- Est. total km: 160 km

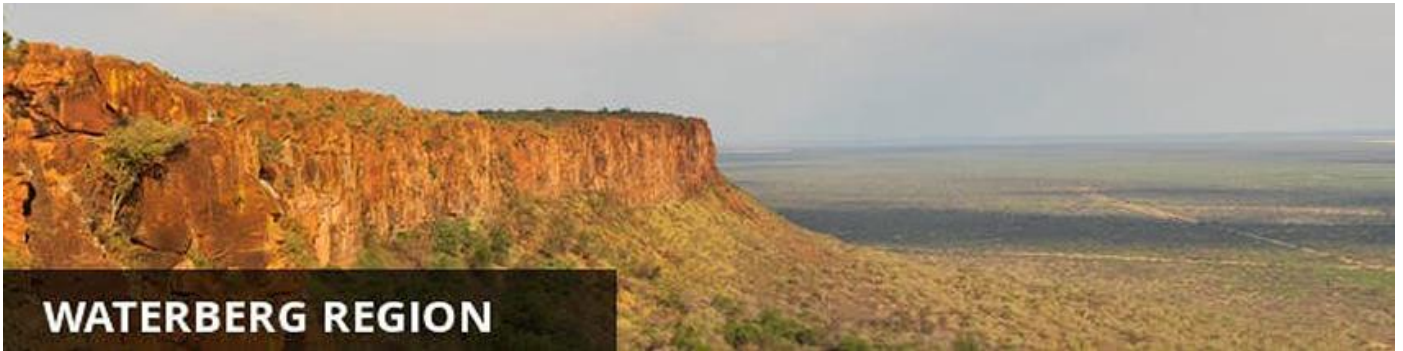
Etosha East

Etosha East is a protected sanctuary in the eastern part of the world-renowned Etosha National Park, known as one of the most accessible game reserves in Southern Africa. Etosha East boasts vast open plains scattered with semi-arid savannah grasslands dotted with watering holes and secluded bush camps. An impressive 5000-square-kilometre Etosha salt pan makes up a large area of the eastern side of the park and can even be seen from space. This remote area teems with abundant wildlife such as lions, elephants, black rhinos and giraffes, as well as a variety of birdlife featuring flamingos, ostriches, eagles, hornbills, and owls.

Day Itinerary

Enjoy some breakfast, afterwards drive from the central part of the park towards the eastern side of the national park. The eastern side has a reputation of having the best views of wildlife.

DAY 9: WATERBERG NATIONAL PARK



- Est. driving time: +- 4 Hours
- Est. total km: 350 km

Etosha East

The Waterberg Region incorporates the Waterberg Plateau National Park and the farming districts from Outjo and Otjiwarongo in the west to Grootfontein and Tsumeb in the west. There are about 25 species of mammals including black & white rhino, Cape buffalo, giraffe, kudu, impala, warthog, tsessebe, sable and roan antelope and blue wildebeest present in this region. Sightings of the elusive leopard prowling along the cliffs, cheetah, caracal, black-backed and side-striped jackals have been seen on the plateau or in the savannah below.

Day Itinerary

Enjoy some breakfast, afterwards drive from the central part of the park towards the eastern side of the national park. The eastern side has a reputation of having the best views of wildlife.

DAY 10: WINDHOEK



- Est. driving time: +- 2.5-3 Hours
- Est. total km: 230 km

Day Itinerary

You can have a relaxed morning after which you will make your way back to the capital city, Windhoek, where you will spend your last night in Namibia.

DAY 11: DEPARTURE

Day Itinerary

Enjoy your last morning sunrise in Namibia. Today, you will drop the rental vehicle back to the Melbic Car Rental office. After the vehicle inspection, an agent will drive you back to the Windhoek International Airport where you will check in for your departure flight.