

# The Beauty of Namibia

9 days / 8 nights

When you think of Paris-Dakar, you will imagine the Namibian desert. A country that was always considered the ultimate destination for 4WD par excellence.

Now, even you can experience this wild freedom on two-wheels!

Thanks to our intensely researched and perfected itinerary, feasible in BMW GS or Africa Twin, you will be able to enjoy the country without having to go into impassable tracks.

Discoveries and random encounters will make this motorcycle tour exceptional and leave you undoubtedly realising that this is one of the most beautiful trips you have ever experienced.

And the 4WD remains an option for those who feel that they want to have some fun with a good local Windhoek beer in hand!

Trip available with our digital road-book.

[Find out about the digital road-book](#)[How to prepare your stay](#)

## YOUR PROGRAM

### Day 1 - Welcome to Windhoek

On arrival at the Hosea Kutako International Airport in Windhoek, you will be transferred to the city centre to retrieve your motorcycle.

Then, you will be driven to your boutique hotel by a guide, and you will receive your complete Itinerary with all the explanations and information that goes with it.

Dinner will be in the restaurant to taste local foods.

Spend your first night in a boutique hotel in Windhoek, handpicked by us.

### Day 2 - From Windhoek to Atlantic

You start your trip heading towards the Atlantic Ocean. Cross the tracks of the Namib Desert towards Swakopmund – a German town stuck in time where you can discover a very complete historical museum on all things culture, fauna, flora, geology and everything that's gives you a snapshot of what Namibia is all about.

Take a detour to a moonlike landscape in the Namib Desert, where you can admire plants that are more than 1500 years old.

You continue to Walvis Bay, the first port of the country which lives by the rhythm of the ocean and fishing. If you arrive early, you can enjoy the lagoon where flamingos, pelicans and even sea lions can be found.

Approximately 400 km (5 hours 30 minutes' drive).

Spend a night at the hotel on the Walvis Bay's lagoon.

### **Day 3 - Discovery of Walvis Bay**

A great day to discover Namibian coastal nature! Early in the morning, you embark on a boat to visit the dolphins and seals of Walvis Bay.

After having captured as many pictures as you can, you will disembark on a deserted beach where a 4WD will be waiting to pick you up.

A generous picnic will follow, after which you will reach the wild creek of Sandwich Harbour located between a bay and a lagoon. Known for its birdlife, historical whaling station and small-scale fishing. Look out for the solo standing managers house of an ambitious project that went bust!

The superb Walvis coastline will leave you with great memories...

Return to your hotel around 4pm.

Spend the night in the same hotel as the day before.

### **Day 4 - From Walvis Bay to Skeleton Coast**

YYou have time to enjoy the morning before tackling the road going north.

The route goes along the coast and will allow you to understand the names of the places -The Coast of Skeletons...

In fact, many ships have run aground here because of its hostile weather in this bay leaving whale stranded as with their bones all over the place. Interesting though is the fact that the Himba tribe used these whale bones for building their huts back in the day.

You will reach your evening stop north of Henties Bay from where you will have a beautiful view of this famous Skeleton Coast.

You are also close to the sea lions at the Cape Cross erected by a Portuguese explorer on his way to plotting a sea route from India to the Spice Islands.

Approximately 165 km (3 hours' drive).

66% road and 34% track.

Spend a night in a hotel in Cape Cross.

### **Day 5 - Into the wild lands we go...**

This time you will head east, precisely towards Omaruru to reach the Erongo Mountains, where you will be welcomed in a magnificent lodge in the middle of the African bush and mountains.

In the middle of the nature, you will be accommodated in luxurious glamping tents on stilts with terraces and a splendid view overlooking the African bush. You may even have the chance to see one of the rare animals that populate the area! Its rare, so we leave the surprise for you.

Experience a guided walk to learn more about the area and the local wildlife such as the Hartmann's Zebra, the Damara Rock Runner or the Hartlaub Francolin.

Approximately 370 km (5 hours 30 minutes' drive).

80% road and 20% track.

### **Day 6 - Meeting the Ovahimbas**

Regarded as the last (semi-) nomadic people of Namibia, live in homesteads where crops are cultivated, moving annually following rainfalls and access to water.

The Himbas – a people who were persecuted in the 19th century by German settlers-are a major part of the history's country that you will be exposed to on this day.

These majestic and elegant people are a cult of beauty covered in ochre-colored dirt. The tall slender women cover themselves in this dirt to protect their skin from the sun and insects while the men adorn themselves with creative and statement hairstyles symbolising their masculinity.

Discover the Himba village and its people, before joining your evening stopover at Kaokoland, in Onjowewe. The road goes along the Etosha park whose fence is regularly destroyed by elephants, so don't be surprised to come across all kinds of animals...

Approximately 340 km (5 hours' drive).

Spend a night in the middle of nature with a unique accommodation.

### **Day 7 - Etosha National Park**

This is the epitome of experiences for nature lovers and all things wild animals!

Depart at 5:30 am for an exceptional sunrise experience, with a tracker guide.

After breakfast, we will leave for the most popular place in Namibia, the Etosha National Park.

This former hunting reserve from the time of the Germans is now a unique area, where hundreds of species of mammals and birds live in the wild.

While on Safari (included) you will have up close and almost personal experiences with the wild animals, feel your adrenaline pump as you may even witness a hunt in real life.

At nightfall, you will reach your camp which is located a few meters from the entrance of the park.

This camp has a wonderful bush styled restaurant and bar, you will relax into the evening with some local musicians and wind down to the friendly atmosphere.

Approximately 210 km (3 hours 15 minutes' drive).

Have a dinner and spend a night in a camp near the entrance of Etosha.

#### **Day 8 - A motorbike ride in the middle of wild animals**

After breakfast, you will join a private reserve that you can cross by motorbike.

A real paradise and a home to many species of animals and birds, enjoy a quiet slow walk among gazelles, antelopes and rhinos supervised by a local guide, who will make sure that the animals are respected.

You also can experience a safari (optional), or simply an aperitif at sunset while observing the wildlife...

Approximately 215 km (3 hours' drive).

Spend the night in a lodge.

#### **Day 9 - Back to Windhoek**

Depending on the time of your flight, you can decide when you want to check out from the lodge.

Then, you will take the southern route to Windhoek and return your motorbike there.

If you plan well and have the time, take a walk through the city centre markets, or stroll along the beautiful laid out pedestrian streets.

Transfer to the airport for your return flight.

Approximately 215 km (3 hours' drive).

## Additional information

### TARIFFS

Price from 3599 euros per person.

### OPTIONS

Option Duo with Pillion

(included BMW F 800GS Adventure) : 1 euros per person.

Option Duo / pers.

(included BMW F 800GS Adventure) : 150 euros per person.

Option Solo in Shared Hosting / pers.

(included BMW F 800GS Adventure) : 150 euros per person.

Option Solo (individual room) / pers.

(included BMW F 800GS Adventure) : 550 euros per person.

/!\ SELECT ONE OF THE ABOVE OPTIONS /!\

INCLUDED - a motorbike type BMW F 800GS Adventure with lateral suitcases

/!\ EXTRA CHARGE /!\ CHOOSE ANOTHER BIKE THAN THE BMW F 800 GS : 1 euros per person.

Rental of a motorbike type Honda Africa Twin with lateral suitcases

: 200 euros per person.

Rental of a motorbike type BMW 1200GS Adventure with lateral suitcases

: 400 euros per person.

Rental of a 4WD vehicle : 1099 euros per person.

A return-flight with stopover (subject to availability at the time of booking) / pers. : 750 euros per person.

Extension to Victoria Falls, Houseboat cruise and photo safari in the Chobe Reserve

(5 days / 4 nights) / pers.

: 2999 euros per person.

#### **INCLUDED**

An airport reception and airport-city center transfers

Accommodation in a double room with breakfasts

6 dinners

A local English-speaking reception with the handing over of the complete file

A Walvis Bay Boat Tour

A 4WD trip to Sandwich Harbour

A visit of the Himba Village

A guided safari an afternoon in Etosha Park

A motorcycle Safari in a private reserve

#### **NOT INCLUDED**

Rental of a 4X4

Drinks and liquors

Optional visits (in the description)

Helmets and personal equipment

GPS rental

Cancellation and repatriation insurance (compulsory)

#### **LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY**

An international driving license is required.

#### **CARRYING**

Luggage transfer on the motorcycle

#### **ACCOMMODATION**

In double room in hotels, lodges or 4\*\*\*\* cottages

#### **DEPARTURES**

December to March - this is summer, the only time when you can expect a storm at the end of the day to cool the atmosphere.

The vegetation turns into a lush green.

April to May - rains might still occur. The temperatures slowly start to drop.

June to September it is winter in Namibia. No more rain (except for in the winter rain areas). Temperatures in the day are moderate to warm. The nights are severely cold, in the inland and desert overnight frost occurs. The vegetation changes from green to brown.

October and November see an increase in temperature, and it gets hot again. They have the "little rainy season" which brings a most welcome end to the long dry day.

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