



8 Day Cape to Windhoek Camping Safari

2019

The 8 Day Cape to Windhoek safari focuses on both comfort and a little adventure that begins in Cape Town and ends in Windhoek/Namibia. The safari takes the traveller through the Northern Cape of South Africa and through the Southern Namib to Windhoek/Namibia.

The Namib Desert is nothing short of a magical experience that must be done at least once in a life time if not again. The traveller will be exposed to the heart of the Namib Desert as well as the cold Benguela current of the Atlantic Ocean.

Included:

- Professional Guide
- Comfortable 8-seater vehicle
- Camping and Accommodation as per Itinerary
- 5 Nights Camping and 2 Nights Accommodated
- 2-man dome tents and mattresses
- Meals as per Itinerary (B – Breakfast, L – Lunch, D- Dinner)
- Park Entrance Fees
- Min 2 Pax – Max 7 Pax per tour

Excluded:

- 2 Day Return Shuttle to Cape Town at ZAR 850 pp
- Restaurant Meals as indicated
- Visa's, Airport Transfers, Curios and Tips
- Optional Excursions as indicated
- Beverages
- Sleeping Bags

Highlights:

- ✓ Northern Cape
- ✓ Augrabies Falls
- ✓ Fish River Canyon
- ✓ Sossusvlei and Sesriem Canyon
- ✓ Swakomund

Day 01: Cape Town - Nieuwoudville (D) (Camping) 350km

Departing Cape Town, we set off to the Northern Cape of South Africa which offers many routes to discover in uniquely diverse experiences. The Northern Cape is proud to be home to six national Parks including two trans-frontier parks crossing into world famous safari destinations such as Namibia and Botswana

Arriving early afternoon, we set up camp at our campsite which at certain times of the year boast a dramatic change in vegetation. Dinner is served over campfire under the African skies.

Day 02: Nieuwoudville – Augrabies Falls. (B, L, D) (Camping) (Kalahari River Camp) 500km

A good day's drive from our first night's camp heading north through the Northern Cape to the Augrabies Falls. Stopping along the way, we take in some dramatic landscape far different to from where we set off.

Arriving mid-afternoon at Augrabies falls, we take a short hike around the famous landmark where the Orange river meets the Augrabies falls and can at times produce a sight to remember after good rainfall in the catchment area.

Our camp tonight is situated on the Orange River where we can enjoy a cool swim in the river, a paddle downstream or try your hand at some Fly Fishing.

Day 03: Augrabies Falls – Fish River Canyon (B, L, D) (Camping) (Roadhouse Campsite) 370km

Leaving South Africa and entering Namibia this morning, we must ensure that our passports are at hand with all relevant entry Visa's. It must be made clear that some time will be spent at the border crossing before continuing our route via Karasburg to the Fish River Canyon.

Arriving mid-afternoon at our camp which is a stone throw away from the entrance to the Fish River Canyon. After settling in, we take the short trip to the canyon edge to enjoy the warm afternoon sun casting shadows over the second largest canyon in the world.

The Fish River Canyon is said to be the world's second largest canyon to that of the Grand Canyon. The rock faces and deep ravines were formed by water erosion and the collapse of the valley due to movements in the earth's crust over 500 million year ago. The canyon stretches 160km in length and up to 27km in width and 500m vertical drop. All this makes for a dramatic and breath-taking view.

Day 04: Fish River Canyon to Sesriem. (B, L, D) (Camping) (Sesriem Camp) 340km

After an early breakfast, we take a short drive to the Canyons edge to enjoy the early morning sun over the canyon before the route to the Namib Desert

After an early morning breakfast, we depart the Fish River Canyon and head North through the small town of Bethanie and Helmrighausen to Sesriem. Setting up our camp under an ancient Camelthorn tree listening to the sounds of the "Barking Gecko" welcoming us to the Namib Desert.

Day 05: Sossusvlei (B, L, D) (Camping) (Sesriem Camp)

The highlight of the safari. We start off before sunrise and travel into the Namib Dune belt to Sossusvlei. An early pre-dawn starts this morning as it is essential to catch the sunrise of the Namib dune belt and the opportunity to explore the Dead Vlei and "Big Daddy" dune before the mid-day heat sets in.

Time is spent in this area taking in the desert views and of course the Dune 45 en route back before the desert heat takes over. An afternoon lunch at the camp before we venture onto the Sesriem canyon for a lazy walk in the canyon itself.

Day 06: Sossusvlei – Swakopmund (B, L) (Guesthouse) 320km

A lazy morning before the short trip to the harbour town of Walvis Bay via the Kuiseb canyon. We explore the small industrial town and its surrounding salt pans and lagoon before continuing to the coastal resort of Swakopmund.

The rest of the day is spent exploring this town and planning your next day’s adventure activities. These activities will be discussed with your guide the night before as its essential to make bookings. These activities include short scenic flights, Catamaran cruises, dune-boarding, quad-biking and so much more.

Dinner can be enjoyed at any one of the town’s best restaurants on own account

Day 07: Swakopmund (B) (Guesthouse)

The day is spent participating in any one of the available activities on offer. We do recommend taking a Catamaran tour in Walvis Bay.

Extras:

- Lunch and Dinner
- Optional Activities (Please arrange with your guide)

Day 8: Swakopmund - Windhoek (B) 365km

The last day of the safari takes us to the Spitzkoppe Mountains before continuing to Windhoek, the capital city of Namibia.

End of Adventour Services

Rates in SA Rands:

Rate Per Person 2 – 4 Pax: R 15 400 pp

Single Supplement Per Person: R 400

Solo Traveller: R 27 700

<u>2019 Scheduled Departure Dates</u>						<u>2020 Scheduled Departure Dates</u>					
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
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On every safari to Southern Africa, it is essential to know what to pack and that you pack the correct gear to avoid any mishaps while on tour. Below is a guideline to some of the basic requirements.

Please remember to NOT pack your gear into hard cover suitcases as this is difficult to carry around and could get damaged. It's also very important to limit your luggage to the below weight limits.

Your Luggage should consist of

- One large kit bag
- No hard suitcases (max. weight =20 kg (44 lbs))
- One item of hand luggage (e.g. a small backpack)

Personal Equipment for Luxury Safaris to Southern Africa

- Passport (must be valid at least another 6 months from date of entry)
- Warm Sleeping Bag.
- Torch with spare batteries and globes
- Hat/Cap
- Warm Jacket
- Swimming Costume
- Natural Clothing (i.e. No bright colours)
- A pair of light weight long pants and a lightweight long sleeve shirt (to use against the sun)
- Comfortable walking shoes and strops/sandals
- Camera Equipment, Binoculars, and lots of spare memory cards & batteries
- Water bottle

Toiletries for Luxury Safaris to Southern Africa

- Personal Toiletries in small bag, not a vanity case
- Suntan Lotion and block out for the face
- Malaria Prophylaxis. (Northern Namibia, Botswana and Kruger National Park)
- Mosquito repellent lotion/spray

Important Information

The below important information is for each traveller to read through and to understand before arriving on your African safari. Please contact Adventour consultants should there be any queries.

African Safari Insurance (Compulsory)

All travellers booking a safari to Southern Africa must have adequate medical insurance. This is compulsory as activity providers on safari may refuse participation of activities without proper insurance in place. Should you not have medical insurance you may be required to pay cash before being airlifted should this become necessary.

Health

Please note that we need to be informed of any pre-existing health conditions such as diabetes or asthma or any other condition that requires prescription medicine. Please note that Adventour or any of its travel partners will not be held liable or responsible for damage or loss to such medication and the safe-keeping of such medication must be looked after by its respective user.

Diet Requirements

For Adventour and its travel partners to properly cater whilst on tour, it is important to inform us at the point of booking should there be any special dietary requirement.

Visas

As visa requirements vary considerably from country to country and nationality to nationality, please contact the various embassies or a visa service agent in your home country to re-check your visa requirements at least 4 weeks prior to travelling.

Please note that visas are the responsibility of the traveller and that Adventour or its partners will not be held responsible for guests being denied entry should they not be in the possession of the relevant visas.

PLEASE NOTE: Should the adventure tour you are joining be re-entering a country, be sure to have a multiple entry visa that enables you to re-enter the country.

All travellers must be in possession of a valid onward/return air ticket or proof of other means of transport enabling the traveller to leave the country in which your adventure tour passes or terminates. You should also have proof of sufficient funds (e.g. credit card) to see you through your time in the country.