

4x4 tour Southern Africa, South Africa, Botswana, Zimbabwe and Namibia

Day 1 – Johannesburg/Marakele

Today you arrive in Johannesburg. Your 4x4 vehicle with full camping equipment will be there for you to start your exciting journey through Southern Africa! On this first day you drive to the beautiful Marakele National Park.



Day 2 and 3 – Nata

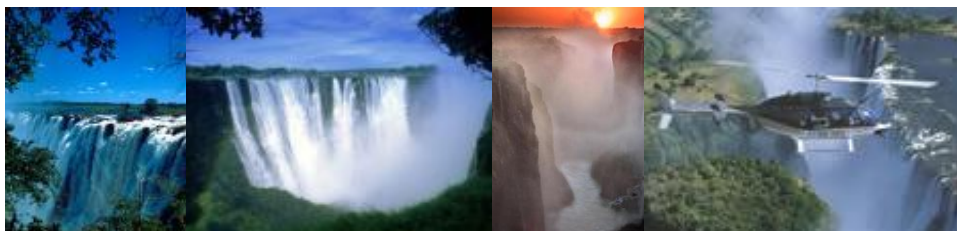
On this morning your destination is Botswana. The drive takes you via Palapye to Francistown and thereafter to Nata. You spend two nights at the Nata Lodge campsite where you sleep in your tent on top off your 4x4 vehicle. You can visit the Nata bird sanctuary, the north side of the Makgadikgadi saltpan and the Sowa Pan.



Day 4 and 5 – Victoria Falls

Today you leave Botswana behind and drive via Kasane to the border of Zimbabwe at Kazungula. You stay for two nights at a place of your choice at Victoria Falls town. Here a visit to the breathtaking and magnificent Victoria Water Falls is an absolute must.

This very active little town has many activities on offer, from white water rafting on the Zambezi River, to one of the highest Bungy Jumps in the world; to an Elephant back safari or a relaxing sunset cruise.



Day 6 and 7 Kasane – Botswana

Today your trip continues with a drive back to Botswana. Here you stay for two nights at an accommodation of your choice in a little town of Kasane, situated on the Chobe River. Here you can book a river safari. You could also choose to overnight at one of the campsites inside the Chobe National Park.



Day 8 – Nata

After breakfast and maybe an early safari, you drive back to Nata where you stay at the campsite there.

Day 9 – Maun

Today you leave the remoteness behind and drive in the direction of Maun. You stay at accommodation of your choice.

Day 10 and 11 – Okavango Delta

Your charter flight to the beautiful Okavango Delta departs from Maun airport. You stay at accommodation of your choice. The stay will include meals and Safari activities, either by foot or boat, in the traditional Mokoro's.



Day 12 – Maun

Unfortunately today will be your last day in the most beautiful, unique and unspoiled Okavango Delta.

After the morning activities you fly back to Maun where you stay for the night at accommodation of your choice. From here one can visit the Moremi National Park which is not far from Maun.

Day 13 – Drotsky's Cabins

Make sure you fill your fuel tank up to the max before you continue today. Your destination to Drotsky's Cabins is close to the Tsodilo Hills, which is situated in the northwest Botswana. The Tsodilo Hills is a rare and unique place with an atmosphere of intrigue and mystery, due to its religious and spiritual significance to the local people, as well as its unique record of human settlement over many millennia. It contains over 4500 rock paintings in an area of approximately 10 km² within the Kalahari Desert. A recent discovery of 70 000 year-old artifacts and a python's head carved of stone appears to represent the first known human rituals.



Day 14 – Rundu

Cross the border with Namibia and follow route B8 which leads you through the northern Kavango to Rundu. The impressive Okavango River dominates the Kavango area and is also the border between Namibia and Angola.

You stay at N'Kwazi Lodge campsite, where you can enjoy canoeing, fishing, walks along the riverside or just relaxing at the pool.

Day 15 – Etosha National Park

You drive through the Owamboland District, via Grootfontein and Tsumeb in the direction of Etosha National Park. Arrival at Etosha National Park will be in the afternoon and you will spend the night at the campsite at Namutoni Restcamp. The camp has a restaurant where one can dine while watching game coming to satisfy their thirst at the waterhole situated next to the restaurant.



Day 16 – Etosha National Park

After breakfast you will drive through the park to the Halali Restcamp which is situated in the centre of the park. Etosha National Park has more than 114 mammals, 350 bird species and 21 different types of vegetation. Most common species are zebra, springbok, impala, gnu, gemsbok and giraffe. You can also come across lion, elephant or black rhino which are all growing in numbers. You will spend the night at the campsite at Halali Restcamp.



Day 17 – Etosha National Park

In the early morning after breakfast you will leave Halali and head westwards to the Okaukuejo area. You stay here for the night at the campsite at Okaukuejo.





Day 18 – Hobatere

After breakfast it will be time to say goodbye to Etosha National Park and drive to the small community of Outjo and via Kamanjab, in the Kunene area. In this remote area

in the northwest, the Kunene River forms the border between the skeleton coast got its name is due to the high density of shipwrecks and low survival rate of those stranded here, it was also once called “The Land God made in Anger” by the bushmen of the Namibian interior, and Angola. You overnight at the Hobatere Lodge campsite. In this (32.000 hectare) game reserve you can come across elephant, zebra, giraffe and springbok.

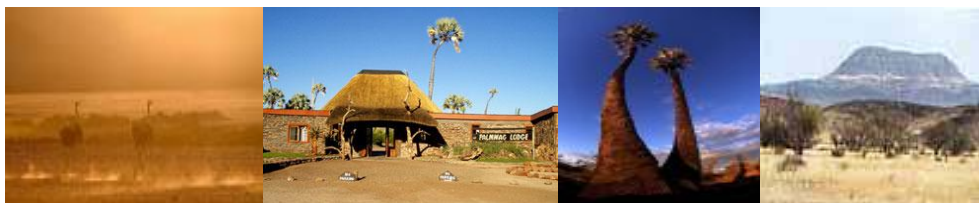
Day 19 – Opuwo

Today you drive to Opuwo. Opuwo is a small town in the middle of the bush, surrounded by an undulating landscape. In the local language Oshihero, Opuwo stands for ‘the end’. Here you can organize a guided tour through the neighboring township. In the afternoon there is the possibility to explore Kaokoland through organized excursions. Kaokoland is a 5000 hectare area between the Hoanib and Kunene River and the home of the Himba tribe. You will stay the night at Opuwo country Lodge.



Day 20 – Palmwag

Today you will follow an interesting route via Sesfontein. You will enjoy fascinating scenery with impressive Baobab trees. The route continues through Damaraland. The further the drive southwards into Damaraland, this is where the wild and nature is untouched. You will drive through the beautiful desert landscapes with geological formations and a great variety of flora and fauna. This area is the home of the lonely black rhino and the desert elephant. You will overnight at Palmwag.



Day 21 – Swakopmund

A beautiful trip that leads you through the Skeleton coast to the coastal town of Swakopmund. You stay here at an accommodation of your choice. Swakopmund is one of Namibia's most important towns and is often used as a cool down place for those who work or live inland and where temperatures are high. This pretty little town between sea and desert offers you well-maintained parks and greens, besides many café's and restaurants.



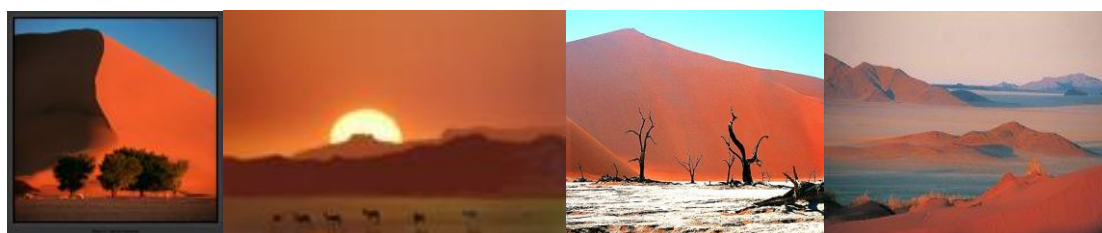
Day 22 – Sesriem

From Swakopmund you will drive via the harbor town of Walvis Bay to Sesriem. It is worthwhile to enjoy a lovely boat ride over the lagoon at Walvis Bay where you can see pelicans, flamingos, seals and many more animals. From the harbor town you continue your journey inland and travel via Kuiseb Canyon, where the scenery changes drastically. After the Gaub Canyon, the landscape changes into Namib Sea sand. Via Solitaire you drive to the Namib Naukluft Park. The night will be spent at Sesriem campsite at the entrance to the Namib Naukluft Park.



Day 23 – Sossusvlei

A 'must do' is to go on an early morning excursion to the Naukluft Park to experience the well-known Dune 45 at Sossusvlei and Deadvlei. Many people will agree that there is no other place in the desert as breathtaking as this particular spot. The high dunes, the effect of the desert wind on the sand, the shadows, deep valleys and most amazing earthy colors which vary from soft peach to bright orange and deep red. Those colors in contrast with the white of the clay valleys make the place magical. The highest dune is estimated to be about 325m. The park is open from sunrise to sunset so try to plan your day accordingly. You will overnight at Sesriem campsite.



Day 24 – Windhoek

Today you will drive via a small town by the name of Solitaire, over the spectacular Spretshoogte mountain pass to the capital of Namibia, Windhoek. You will overnight at accommodation of your choice.



Day 25 – departure

Before returning your 4x4 rental car, you will have some time to visit the city centre. After you have dropped off your car, your transfer to the airport will be organised and it is time to check in for your flight to your next destination.

