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# Feel the difference

with Mountain Travel Sobek

#### **Unrivaled Expertise**

MT Sobek started it all! Since our first Everest Base Camp trek in 1969, we've been leading award-winning adventures and building authentic connections in far-flung locations around the world. We were named Best Adventure Tour Company in 2022 by USA Today's 10 Best Readers' Choice Awards.

#### **Unique Trip Design**

Our adventures are perfectly paced, with incredible attention to detail — the right mix of fun, learning, and challenge that guarantees lifelong memories. Plan nothing, enjoy everything. We take care of all of the logistics so that you can have more time to do what's most important: relax, take in the experience, and enjoy!

#### **Small Groups**

We keep our groups intentionally small — usually fewer than 10 people. This allows you a more intimate experience with the people and wildlife you encounter. With a smaller group size, we can take advantage of many unexpected invitations and opportunities that would be impossible with larger groups.













### Leading the Way

#### **World-Class Local Guides**

Our knowledgeable and passionate expert guides effortlessly create an immersive local experience for you. They are trained to the highest professional standards and are at the heart of everything we do. They make it possible to meet the challenges of adventure travel, and help create lasting memories and lifelong friendships... we can confidently say our guides are the best in the business.











## Why take this trip with us?

#### **REASON 1**

MT Sobek has been operating adventures in Africa for over 50 years, scouting unique safari experiences and working closely with professional local guides. This 14-day Namibia trip has been expertly perfected and is rated 5/5 by our guests.

#### **REASON 2**

Enjoy memorable and exciting game drives in Etosha, explore Damaraland, climb dunes at Sossusvlei, and stay at scenic lodgings throughout the tripoffering dramatic wildlife panoramas and contemporary upscale amenities.

#### **REASON 3**

Conservancy is core to our Namibia program, and we work closely with Save the Rhino Trust and the private Namib Tsaris Conservancy. Seek out endangered black rhino while at Camp Doros.

#### At A Glance

#### **ACTIVITIES**

Thrilling game-watching drives, easy wilderness hikes through spellbinding landscapes, climbing sand dunes and witnessing prehistoric art.



#### **LODGING**

A mix of modern accommodations and rustic tents, landscape-inspired bungalows and traditional-style huts, all providing standard to deluxe amenities.



### CLIMATE

Namibia's humid and wet summer season occurs from December to February with daily temperatures around 86°F. The dry season is from June to October.



#### **KNOW BEFORE YOU BOOK**

"What a total comfort to know that with MT Sobek, you're in the hands of professionals who have been doing it so long and so well. That was part of why we landed on them as our operators for our dream trip, and everything about the experience they gave us—from tailored expertise to unswerving professionalism—confirmed the company's emphasis on excellence." - Alex M.



### Namibia Wildlife & Dunes Safari

#### **Spellbinding Landscapes of the Namib Desert & Damaraland**

Journey through timeless Namibia, following experienced trackers through the lastremaining haven of desert-adapted black rhinos, and see cheetahs and leopards on exhilarating safaris. Explore Damaraland and search for desert-dwelling elephants which survive on the region's ephemeral river systems. Visit the highest free-standing dunes in the world at Namib Naukluft National Park and find the San Bushman rock engravings at famed Twyfelfontein. After taking in game-rich waterholes and pristine wilderness of Etosha National Park and the coastal wonders of Walvis Bay, unwind at deluxe camps with panoramic views.

### 14 Days

Start: Windhoek, Namibia End: Windhoek, Namibia

Departing: July, August, September, October

Activities: Safari & Wildlife

**Lodging:** Comfortable Hotels, Luxury Hotels, Rustic

Lodging, Luxury Safari Camp

**Group Size:** 5-8 Guests

**ACTIVITY:** 









Check mtsobek.com for date-specific pricing.



"We would highly recommend this safari to anyone wanting to experience the country of Namibia. This safari was enjoyed for the animals, birds, and varied terrain that we travelled through."

- David & Ardella Z.

# The Itinerary



#### **Arrive in Windhoek**

After landing at Windhoek's International Hosea Kutako Airport, you will be welcomed by an MT Sobek representative and transferred to your boutique hotel. Take a leisurely afternoon rest before meeting up with your group and naturalist guide to learn about the adventure ahead. Enjoy a welcome dinner at the hotel.

**MEALS:** Dinner

TRANSPORTATION: 45-minute private van transfer



#### Visit the Cheetah Conservation Fund

This morning, set off on your journey north through Namibia's central highlands to the Cheetah Conservation Fund and superb Cheetah View Eco Lodge. After lunch at the Dancing Goat Creamery, you'll embark on a Cheetah Drive to the "Elands Pen" (where the female cheetahs are kept), and explore the main CCF facility with its education center and museum. Next, enjoy a spectacular sundowner game drive through CCF's own "Little Serengeti" and the Bellebenno Reserve, an expansive and picturesque open plain. Look out for free-ranging game species such as oryx, eland, red hartebeest, springbok, steenbok, duiker, warthog, jackals, and many more.

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

**TRANSPORTATION:** 3.5-4 hour private transfer

**ACTIVITY:** Safari drives in open 4X4 vehicles and interpretive walks



#### **Head to Ongava Game Reserve**

Wake early to watch the daily Cheetah Run and then continue your journey northeast to Etosha National Park. Your destination is a beautiful lodge, located inside the private Ongava Game Reserve. The rest of the afternoon is at leisure, allowing you time to soak in the tranquility of your surroundings as wildlife come to the camp's waterhole to drink.

**MEALS:** Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

**TRANSPORTATION:** 3-3.5 hour private transfer

**ACTIVITY:** Wildlife watching at camp



#### **Explore Etosha National Park**

Take in the scents of the white saline "pans" and waterholes of Etosha National Park and get ready for a full day of game viewing. Decide on separate game drives — with a return at midday for lunch at the camp — or a full-day safari adventure with a picnic outdoors. Look out for giraffe, zebra, lion, rhino, elephant, and various antelope species such as oryx and the endemic black-faced impala across the park's scrub-covered plains. Return after sunset with enough time to freshen up for your 'safari dinner' overlooking the camp's floodlit waterhole.

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

**ACTIVITY:** Safari drives in open 4X4 vehicles



#### **Follow Trails in Etosha National Park**

Rise early for an interpretive bush walk with your lodge ranger, experiencing the sights, smells and sounds of the Namibian bush. Learn about game trails, spoor identification, insects, birds and small mammals, as well as the diverse vegetation that sustains life in this biosphere. Next, choose to take a morning game drive and spend the afternoon at leisure or spend a full day exploring Etosha, including Halali, Fischer's Pan and up into the Andoni Plains. Either way, you will return to the comforts of your accommodation by sunset, with enough time to freshen up before dinner.

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

**ACTIVITY:** Safari drives in open 4X4 vehicles



#### **Discover Dramatic Damaraland**

After an early breakfast, continue southwest to Damaraland - a vast and rugged region with table-top mountains and unusual rock formations. The last stretch to your private MT Sobek Damaraland Explorations Camp is well off the beaten path, so arrival will be in the late afternoon to early evening with time at leisure to freshen up. Then sit back with a cold drink and enjoy the solitude and serenity of this remarkable area, before the sun melts into the horizon.

**MEALS:** Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

**TRANSPORTATION:** 4.5-5 hour private transfer



#### **Search for Desert-Adapted Rhinos in Damaraland**

After breakfast, head out to explore Damaraland's fascinating landscapes with your personal naturalist guide. Follow tracks in search of endangered black rhinos and other desert-adapted wildlife before returning to camp for a freshly prepared brunch and a chance to cool off. Our camp works closely with the Save the Rhino Trust (SRT) an organization which is instrumental in the survival of this rare endangered species. This afternoon, take a leisurely walk with your guide and enjoy a spectacular sunset. Tonight be sure to take some time with your guide to explore the stellar wonders in the night sky. Namibia is one of the best places on earth for star-gazing!

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner **ACTIVITY:** Interpretive game walks



#### Sunrise Exploration & A Trip to Twyfelfontein

This morning you will be woken by a spectacular sunrise! After returning to camp for breakfast, you can relax for the day or choose from a variety of activities: head out on a nature drive with your guide; go on a 4x4 scenic excursion in search of game; or take a trip to the pre-historic Twyfelfontein rock engravings. Return in the late afternoon for a final evening in camp.

**MEALS:** Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

**ACTIVITY:** Optional safari and cultural activities



#### **Journey from Damaraland to Swakopmund**

Today's journey takes you southwest past the Brandberg, Namibia's tallest mountain at 8,445 feet, before heading south to reach the charming coastal town of Swakopmund. Enjoy a picnic lunch at a scenic location along the way. After checking in at your hotel, take a wander to the waterfront before dining at one of the popular restaurants in town.

**MEALS:** Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

**TRANSPORTATION:** 4-4.5 hour private transfer



#### **Scenic Drive From Walvis Bay to the Namib Desert**

Today's exciting drive south takes you from the pelican- and flamingo-filled lagoons of Walvis Bay through the impressive Gaub and Kuiseb canyons, and into the ever-changing landscapes of vast Namib Desert. Reach your exclusive camp by mid-afternoon and settle in for 3 days of epic exploration. This afternoon you can opt to relax at camp or take a guided walk, ending the day with sundowners overlooking the enchanting desert plains.

As an alternative to the drive from Swakopmund to Sossusvlei you may like to take a scenic light aircraft flight over Sossusvlei and along the Diamond Coast (optional extra at additional cost and weather permitting).

**MEALS:** Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

**TRANSPORTATION:** 5.5-6 hour private transfer







#### **Explore the Dunes of Sossusvlei**

Rise early for a magical guided excursion into Namib Naukluft National Park, home to some of the highest free-standing sand dunes in the world. Sunrise is the best time to experience the apricot-hued dunes — with the soft light and shadows accentuating their towering shapes and curves. Learn about the formation of the Namib Desert as you explore to your heart's content. Enjoy a relaxed picnic breakfast in the shade of a camel thorn tree before heading back to camp via Sesriem Canyon. After an exhilarating morning, your afternoon is at leisure. Later in the day you can opt for a sundowner drive or walk in the Namib Tsaris Conservancy.

**MEALS:** Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

**ACTIVITY:** Scenic touring and dune exploration



#### Go Deeper into the Namib Tsaris Conservancy

Wake to explore the picturesque Namib Tsaris Conservancy either on foot or by mountain bike. Look out for wildlife (oryx, springbok, zebra, kudu, hartebeest, giraffe, steenbok, klipspringer, bat-eared fox, and aardwolf, as well as predators such as leopard, cheetah and spotted hyena can be found) as you head to the top of the reserve's plateau, where awe-inspiring views and a delicious picnic brunch await. Return to camp for a leisurely afternoon or opt for further exploration.

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

**ACTIVITY:** Game viewing and moderate hiking



#### **Bid Farewell to the Namib Desert**

After breakfast, it's time to say goodbye to the Namib Desert and traverse the Great Escarpment and scenic Khomas Hochland highlands on your way back to Windhoek. On arrival in Windhoek your guide will transfer you back to your boutique hotel for the last night of your safari. Enjoy a farewell dinner with your guide and group at one of the popular restaurants in town.

It's possible to add a sunrise balloon flight over the Namib Naukluft National Park before you depart for Windhoek (at additional cost).

**MEALS:** Breakfast Lunch Dinner



#### **Depart from Windhoek**

Relax at your hotel or do some last-minute souvenir shopping this morning. Then head to Windhoek International Airport for your homeward-bound flight.

**MEALS:** Breakfast



# Where You'll Stay

These accommodations may be subject to change depending on your date of travel.

#### **Galton House**

Located within walking distance of shops, restaurants and supermarkets, the Galton House is one of Windhoek's newest hotels. It offers seven rooms, all equipped with Wi-Fi, satellite TV, coffee and tea stations, and general amenities. Communal spaces include the spacious lounge and dining room as well as a lovely garden with a swimming pool featuring an alfresco dining area.

#### **Am Weinberg Boutique Hotel**

The elegant 41-room Am Weinberg Estate's Boutique Hotel is the perfect retreat, seamlessly blending old-world splendor with modern styling. Its comfortable rooms are equipped with the latest amenities from HDTV, Wi-Fi and air-conditioning to en-suite bathrooms with rainfall showers. The hotel also has two restaurants and 5-star spa.

#### **Cheetah View Eco Lodge**

With uninterrupted views of the Waterberg Plateau, the Cheetah View Lodge is the ideal setting for travelers who want to witness a world-class conservation facility at work. All proceeds from the lodge support the CCF's continuing efforts to save the cheetah, promote ethical farming and teach coexistence in Namibia. The "Meal House" offers a full service restaurant with an open-air veranda for lounging and wildlife viewing at the purpose-built waterhole. Relax in the comfort of your well-appointed guestroom at night.



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#### **Ongava Tented Camp**

Located on a private game reserve, each canvas tent features comfortable mattress beds on raised decks, en suite bathrooms, electrical outlets and lounging chairs. Wi-Fi is availability at the community area. Enjoy a sundowner at the thatched bar and open deck campfire with the sounds of the Namibian bush all around you.

#### **Ongava Lodge**

Nestled within the Ongava Game Reserve, the luxury lodge overlooks the surrounding foothills and plains. Each thatch chalet boasts a private deck with comfortable amenities. Relax with a sundowner at the bar or pool while watching wildlife, such as black-face impalas, lions or white and black rhinos, cool off at the nearby waterhole.

#### **Camp Doros**

Located in heart of rhino country in Damaraland's Huab Conservancy, Huab Under Canvas Camp offers rustic Meru-style tents with built-in groundsheets and mosquito screens. Each tent has solar lighting and private bathrooms appointed with towels, toiletries, bucket showers, and washbasins. For chilly nights, find hot water bottles and extra blankets. The patios with chairs offer spectacular views.

#### **The Strand Hotel - Swakopmund**

With a prime beachfront location, the classy Strand Hotel is the perfect base for town exploration. Each of its 125 spacious rooms are elegantly furnished and feature an en-suite bathroom and all the modern amenities you would expect, from complimentary Wi-Fi and air-con to LCD TV and tea/coffee stations. You can also check out the hotel's entertaining restaurants and bars, lobby-lounge, and sea facing terraces. It's a destination in itself!

#### **Camp Sossus**

Built in a naturally formed amphitheater of a south-facing granite outcrop, this semi-permanent camp has eight comfortable tents, including two family units - all protected from the desert climate by natural stone walls and roofs built from recycled oil drums. Furniture is also partly built from recycled metals and wooden pallets, adding to the camp's low environmental footprint.

## **Departure Dates**

This trip is available to run in: July, August, September, October

### Book early for a greater choice of available dates.

Once you book, your price is GUARANTEED!

July 3-16, 2024

August 18-31, 2024

September 24-October 7, 2024

October 22-November 4, 2024

### What's Included

#### **PRICE INCLUDES**

- Expertise and services of our experienced adventure quides
- All accommodations as noted in the itinerary
- All breakfasts, almost all lunches and dinners as noted in the itinerary
- Snacks and water between meals
- Additional regional guides and experts on many trips
- Comprehensive Trip Planner with detailed pre-trip information
- Private guided tours at historic sites, museums, wineries and other select attractions as noted in the itinerary
- Special events and other select attractions as mentioned in the itinerary
- All gratuities at hotels and restaurants
- Equipment and experienced guides for activities as described in the itinerary
- Park and other entry fees (unless otherwise noted)
- Fares for trains, ferries and other modes of travel as listed in the itinerary
- Select transfers as mentioned in the itinerary
- Baggage transfers and porterage

#### **PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE**

- International airfare, airport taxes, and excess baggage fees
- Alcoholic beverages (MT Sobek provides wine at select events)
- Gratuities for MT Sobek guides and guide-drivers
- Travel Protection Program
- Personal expenses



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