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## 5 Days Sossusvlei & Coast Accommodated Tour

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## Rates 2023/24

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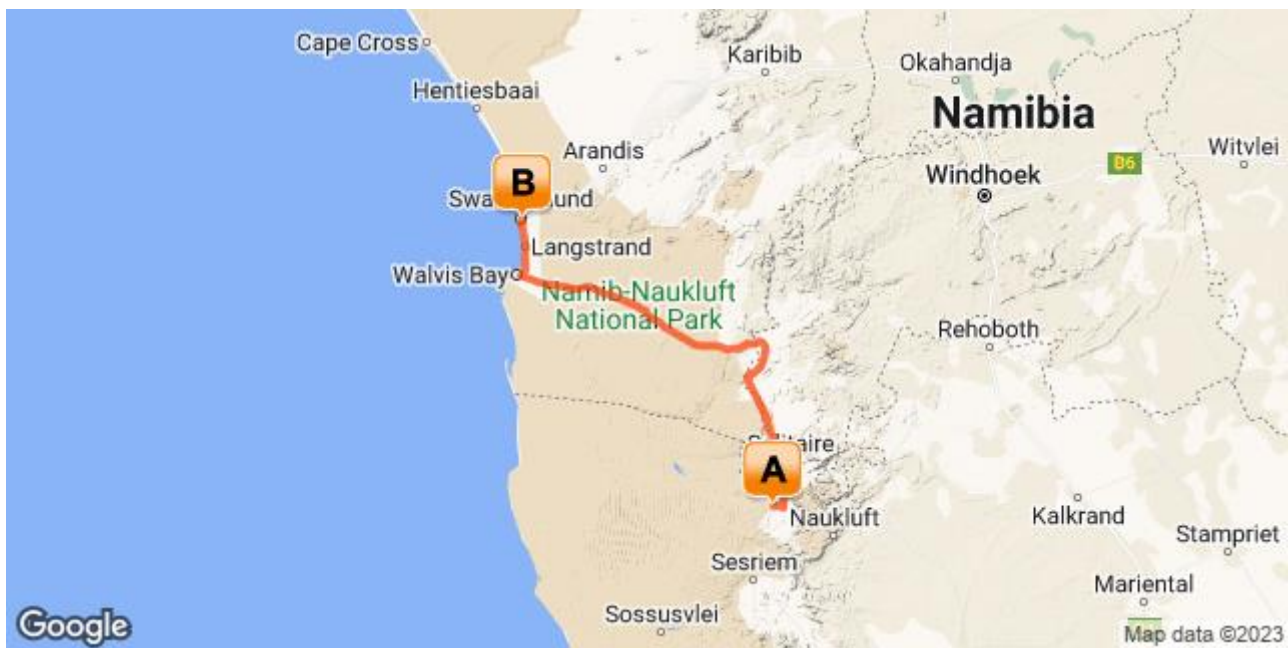
*Sossusvlei - Swakopmund*

*5 Days / 4 Nights*

*0 Persons*

*Reference: Rates 2023/24*

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## Introduction

This tour has been designed for those who want to experience some of the pleasures of Namibia's Atlantic coast after a tour to the desert, it is the best of its kind as it allows you to visit Namibia's best tourist destinations in the space of 5 days. One of the destinations visited is the Namib Desert the Oldest Desert on the planet with its huge red dunes the place is really worth every effort made to visit. The desert offers one of the highest dunes on earth with breathtaking views from the top. You will see Sossusvlei, Dune 45, Sesriem canyon and deadvlei. Swakopmund on the other side boast being Namibia's prime tourist destination the coastal town of Swakopmund, with its authentic palm-lined streets, seaside walkways, a lovely summer climate is perfectly a sand and sea destination not forgetting the perfect decent beaches it offers. This tour departs on every monday:

Accommodation	Destination	Basis	Duration
<a href="#">Namib Desert Lodge Gondwana Collection Namibia</a>	Sossusvlei	FB+	2 Nights
Atlantic Garden Boutique Hotel	Swakopmund	FB+	2 Nights

### Key

FB+: Full Board Plus - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast, Lunch and Activities

## Price

Rates :2023

Price per person sharing from = N\$ N\$18,800-00

Single supplement per person N\$ 2,100-00

Departures on every Monday:

Min 2 pax - Max 6 pax

Price valid until 31 Oct 2023

Rates:2024

Price per person sharing from = N\$ N\$21,800-00

Single supplement per person N\$ 2,200

Departures on every Monday:

Min 2 pax - Max 8 pax

Price valid until 31 Oct 2024

## Included

Professional local guide ( English Speaking )

All accommodation as listed or similar

3 meals a day unless otherwise specified

All park fees.

All activities mentioned

Passenger liability insurance

Air conditioned 4x4 tour and safari vehicle

Vat is included in the price

Mineral water on vehicles at all times

Passenger liability insurance

### **Excluded**

Beverages.( Alcohol, soft drinks etc.)

Tips

Personal insurances

Other personal items

## Day 1: Namib Desert Lodge Gondwana Collection Namibia, Sossusvlei

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### Sossusvlei

Located in the scenic Namib-Naukluft National Park, Sossusvlei is where you will find the iconic red sand dunes of the Namib. The clear blue skies contrast with the giant red dunes to make this one of the most scenic natural wonders of Africa and a photographer's heaven. This awe-inspiring destination is possibly Namibia's premier attraction, with its unique dunes rising to almost 400 metres - making them some of the highest in the world. These iconic dunes come alive in morning and evening light and draw photography enthusiasts from around the globe. Sossusvlei is home to a variety of desert wildlife including oryx, springbok, ostrich and a variety of reptiles. Visitors can climb 'Big Daddy', one of Sossusvlei's tallest dunes; explore Deadvlei, a white, salt, claypan dotted with ancient trees; or for the more extravagant, scenic flights and hot air ballooning are on offer, followed by a once-in-a-lifetime champagne breakfast amidst these majestic dunes.

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### Day Itinerary

Collection time is between 08:00 and 08:30 from anywhere in Windhoek. Windhoek is surrounded by mountains and we have to pass over both the Eros Mountains and the Khomas Hochland Range. As we travel through this splendid landscape we drop down from the central plateau to grassy desert savannah. We stop at Solitaire for petrol and perhaps also afternoon tea before we continue to our lodge. We aim to arrive during the early afternoon.

There is will be a afternoon sundowner drive.

### Overnight: Namib Desert Lodge Gondwana Collection Namibia [View iBrochure](#)

Set below striking fossilised dunes, the comfortable lodge provides a spectacular experience of ancient desert. 65 rooms, two swimming pools and a waterhole are surrounded by sandy splendour. Breathe in the grandeur on a sunset drive and feel the earth underfoot. Relax in the arms of the Namib.

Location: Approximately 60km north of Sesriem on the C19



### Basis

Full Board Plus - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast, Lunch and Activities

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**Included**

Lunch and Dinner

Afternoon sundowner drive

**Day 2: Namib Desert Lodge Gondwana Collection Namibia, Sossusvlei****Day Itinerary**

At sunrise the gates of the Namib Naukluft Park open and you make your way into the Sossusvlei area. If you are early and fit enough you can even climb one of the dunes and enjoy the impressive view of the entire landscape. You will drive with the 4x4 vehicle to the Sossusvlei, which is a dry clay pan that only fills with water in years with a lot of rain. Thereafter you will continue to the Sesriem Canyon, formed by the Tsauchab River over millions of years. Later we will continue back to our lodge.

**Activities**

Morning	Dune 45
Morning	Dead Vlei
Morning	Sossusvlei
Afternoon	Sesriem Canyon

***Dune 45***

Named for its location 45 kilometres past the town of Sesriem, Dune 45 is renowned for its elegant shape, which – along with its position close to the road – have earned it the distinction of ‘most photographed dune in the world’. If you’re not keen for the strenuous hike to the top of Big Daddy, Dune 45 is a more forgiving alternative, standing at only 80 metres and featuring a much gentler gradient.

***Dead Vlei***

This ancient clay pan was once an oasis, studded with acacias and fed by a river that suddenly changed course, leaving the earth to dry up along with the trees it previously supported. So dry were the climatic conditions that the trees never decomposed – instead they were entirely leached of moisture so that today, 900 years later, they remain as desiccated, blackened sentinels dotting the pan’s cracked surface. Surrounded by the red-pink dunes of the Namibia Desert, they create a surreal spectacle that is a photographer’s dream.

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***Sesriem Canyon***

Sesriem Canyon, a deep chasm carved through the rocks by water, is a striking natural feature of the area that is best explored on foot. Stony walls rise up sharply on both sides of the canyon, while birds roost in its crags and lizards dart along the ledges. The canyon's name was coined when early settlers used it as a water source, using six lengths of leather ('ses riem – six thongs) tied together to lower buckets into the water at the base of canyon.

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**Included**

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

Park fees

Excursions with your guide (Dead Vlei, Dune 45, Sesriem Canyon Hike and Sossusvlei).

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## Day 3: Atlantic Garden Boutique Hotel, Swakopmund

### Swakopmund

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

### Day Itinerary

Namibia is a land of contrasts. Today we will move from desert to sea, crossing the Tropic of Capricorn and traversing the Gaub and Kuiseb passes. As we climb out the dry river bed at the bottom of Kuiseb Canyon, a spectacular desert landscape will unfold before us. We will stop over in Walvis Bay to enjoy the sight of flamingos and other birds in the lagoon and visit the salt works. Then we will continue to Swakopmund. This town is still home to many descendants of the late colonists and state officials of the German colonial era. Beautiful old German colonial buildings, cafés where you can enjoy not only the German hospitality, but also famous German cakes are found in the town center. Dinner will be at a local restaurant and is included in the tour. We overnight in a hotel in Swakopmund.

### Overnight: Atlantic Garden Boutique Hotel

Atlantic Garden Boutique Hotel is a brand-new hotel which opened its doors in October 2019. We are conveniently situated in the centre of Swakopmund next to the historical building of the "Altes Amtsgericht" within walking distance of the beach (approx. 185 m). Relax on our terrace overlooking the garden after an action-packed day and enjoy the fresh and feel-good atmosphere of this contemporary hotel.



### Activities

Morning	Tropic of Capricorn
Lunch	Walvis Bay Lagoon



***Tropic of Capricorn***

Located just South of Walvis Bay in Solitaire, is the approximate latitude of the Tropic of Capricorn at 23.5 degrees South. The Tropic of Capricorn is one of the 5 major circles of latitude and the southernmost point of latitude from where the sun can be seen directly overhead. This point of latitude runs through many other countries such as Brazil, Mozambique and Australia to name a few.

***Walvis Bay Lagoon***

Walvis Bay's calm natural lagoon is a twitcher's paradise, teeming with roughly 50 species of seabirds, including vivid flocks of flamingos, bulky-billed pelicans and glossy black cormorants. It's also a popular spot for windsurfing, kitesurfing and kayaking, while the promenade stretching for three kilometres along the water's edge is a great place for a scenic stroll.

**Basis**

Full Board Plus - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast, Lunch and Activities

**Included**

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

Tropic of Capricorn

Walvis Bay Lagoon

**Day 4: Atlantic Garden Boutique Hotel, Swakopmund****Day Itinerary**

In the morning we will visit the vast seal colony at Cape Cross, north of Swakopmund. Here you are able to get up close to thousands of wild Cape fur seals and observe them in their natural environment. Swakopmund is a charming seaside town characterized by German colonial architecture, palm-lined streets, great restaurants, plenty of shops and beautiful beaches. You will be free to explore this town for the rest of the day. It offers plenty to do including a good museum and aquarium. Various optional activities can also be arranged. These include a boat tour (with oysters and champagne), scenic flights and micro-light flights over the desert, fishing trips (either from the beach or a boat), quad-biking in the desert, sandboarding and skydiving. Your guide will discuss all your options and offer to make pre-bookings. Note that all extra activities in Swakopmund are subject to availability and are made at the client's own risk and expense.

**Activities**

Morning	Cape Cross Seal Colony
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***Cape Cross Seal Colony***

This colony of Cape Fur Seals is one of the largest in the world, home to approximately 80 000 to 100 000 of these so-called 'seals', which are in fact a species of sea lion. Day trips to the colony are offered and the seals can be viewed from a walkway at a distance of roughly 200 metres.

**Basis**

Full Board Plus - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast, Lunch and Activities

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**Included**

Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Entrance fees

Seal Colony excursion with your guide

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## Day 5: End of Itinerary

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### Day Itinerary

Today's journey takes you back to the starting point of your tour, Windhoek, where you will arrive between 2pm and 3pm. On the way there you can stop in Okahandja to buy some hand-carved souvenirs, baskets and jewellery at the big handcraft market. You will be dropped off at your accommodation in Windhoek.

### Included

Breakfast and Lunch

Transfer back to Windhoek

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## Transport

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### Transfers

Date	Company	Pick Up	Drop Off	Time	Vehicle
		Windhoek City	Namib Desert Lodge Gondwana Collection Namibia		Transfer
		Namib Desert Lodge Gondwana Collection Namibia	Atlantic Garden Boutique Hotel		Transfer
		Atlantic Garden Boutique Hotel	Windhoek City		Transfer

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### Urgent Contact Numbers

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### Service Provider Directory

Service Provider	Ref. Number	Telephone	Address
Atlantic Garden Boutique Hotel		+264-61-308615	Cnr of Theo-Ben-Gurirab & Tobias Hainyeko Street Swakopmund 9000
Namib Desert Lodge Gondwana Collection Namibia		+264 61 42 7200	C19, sign posted on this road Solitaire 9000

## Travel Information

**Blue Crane Safaris Namibia** is a truly Namibian owner-managed safari and tour operator company.

Blue Crane Safaris started in 2007 and has grown into a team of professionals that has what it takes to handcraft your safari to meet your needs. We are committed to providing a world class experience for sophisticated and discerning travellers, organising the best safaris, while still delivering excellent value for money.

### Our Guides

Our guides are the most important part of our team, as they will accompany our guests most of the time while on safari. All our guides are local Namibians and have all the necessary skills and training. While travelling with Blue Crane Safaris you will enjoy a fun, educational, explorative, insightful and life enriching experience for both yourselves and the local people you will meet on your journey through Namibia.

### Join The Adventure

Our tours offer the best of all our destinations with many tailored packages and price options to choose from. Fall in love with nature and the people of Africa. Our tours depart weekly, so come and join the adventure of a lifetime with an experienced and passionate Namibian **tour operator!**



Located in southwestern Africa, Namibia boasts a well-developed infrastructure, some of the best tourist facilities in Africa, and an impressive list of breathtaking natural wonders. Visitors can explore the capital of Windhoek and discover the lovely coastal town of Swakopmund boasting remnants of the country's German influence, reflected in the architecture, culture, cuisine and the annual Oktoberfest celebrations. To properly appreciate this extraordinary country, you will have to venture out of the cities to explore the remarkable natural landscapes Namibia has to offer. These include: the impressive Fish River Canyon; the vast Etosha National Park teeming with abundant wildlife, such as lions, desert-adapted elephants and the Hartmann's Mountain Zebra; the hauntingly beautiful Kalahari Desert; and of course the Namib Desert stretching for over 2000 km along the magnificent Atlantic Coast. Namibia is an ideal destination for travellers seeking an unforgettable African experience in a uniquely beautiful untamed wilderness.

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## Terms and Conditions

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#### Travel agreement/contract

This travel agreement is between the client and Bluecrane Safaris Namibia. In terms of this travel agreement a booking is defined as a reservation which is done by the client or the client's travel agency. The client is defined as the person who accepts the booking on behalf of himself.

Travel agency is defined as any agency that places or accepts a booking for any person or group of persons or company with Bluecrane Safaris Namibia.

#### Deposits and Payment

Upon receipt of tour confirmation a non refundable deposit of 25% of total tour charges shall become payable, the balance being due and payable 30 days prior to departure date. In the event of bookings being effected less than 30 days before departure the full amount charged will forthwith be payable.

#### Cancellation

Cancellation must be made in writing. Upon receipt of the written notification, Bluecrane Safaris Namibia will confirm receipt thereof and this date will determine the following charges.

Up to 28 days prior to departure: Deposit forfeited

28 to 21 days prior to departure: 30% of total cost forfeited

21 to 14 days prior to departure: 50% of total cost forfeited

14 to 7 days prior to departure: 75% of total cost forfeited

Less than 7 days to departure: 100% of total cost forfeited

It is mandatory for the client to be in possession of a cancellation insurance policy. Please note that if the reason for cancellation falls within the terms of any holiday insurance policy, which the client must hold, then any such charges would normally be refunded to the client by the insurance company, subject to the terms of the insurance.

#### Passport and Visas

Travel agencies and clients must ensure that passports and visas are valid for the countries visited. Bluecrane Safaris cannot be held liable or responsible should a passenger be refused entry into any country for any reason.

#### Changes and Delays

By the company: The company shall reserve the right to change any tour due to unforeseen circumstances (e.g. airlines not running on schedule, road conditions, weather, mechanical breakdown, accidents and political instability) beyond the control of Bluecrane Safaris. The company will try to provide adequate alternatives, but will accept no liability.

By the client: In case the client changes the itinerary on his own request, the company shall try to accommodate the client, but may charge cancellation fees. This is subject to a new quotation, which will be given by the client in writing.

### Authority on Tour

At all times the decision of the tour guide will be final on all matters likely to endanger the safety and well being of the group. The client must at all times strictly comply with the laws, customs and foreign exchange regulations of all countries visited. Should the client be detected in any contravention of the law, custom or exchange regulations, or should the client be a nuisance to the group, the guide may order the client to leave the tour without the right of refund.

### Accidents

While every precaution is taken to ensure the safety of all persons participating on the tour, the client his/hers, heirs, dependants, agents, executors or their assignees, hereby irrevocably waive any rights they may have to claim, any form of compensation for any damages which the client may suffer due to injury or death whilst on, or at any time after the tour, from Bluecrane Safaris. Under no circumstances will Bluecrane Safaris be responsible for the death or injury or loss, which might occur to such persons sustained from any case whatsoever. The client hereby indemnifies and holds Bluecrane Safaris harmless against any and all claims whatsoever the nature.

### Health

It is the client's obligation to ensure that he is medically fit and able to embark on the tour. We recommend the vaccination against Hepatitis before travelling. Anti-malaria precautions should be commenced prior to departure and clients should bring insect repellents on tour.

### Insurance

It is a condition of travel with Bluecrane Safaris that all guests must have insurance for medical expenses, baggage loss, cancellation/curtailment, default and personal accident.

### Liability/Responsibility

The client should get him/herself acquainted with customary practices. Bluecrane Safaris as well as co-operating agents do act in the capacity of agents for the clients in all matters and will under no circumstances whatsoever be responsible and be exempt from any liability for accidents, injury, delay, loss or damage to property or any other loss or damage from whatever it may arise. All tours are subject to the conditions of the concerned airlines, hotels, restaurants and all other contractors involved.