

Epic Botswana & Namibia Safari

An All-Encompassing Southern Africa Adventure for the Ultimate in Safari Diversity





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Trip Details:

Days 15 Days / Jun-Oct

Price From \$29995 (+Air)

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For the safari connoisseur, there's simply nothing like spending a fortnight in the wildest reaches of Namibia and Botswana. On this diverse and far-reaching itinerary, a small group of just seven travelers will cross a vast tract of Southern Africa, evoking the classic safari adventures of old—yet with exceptional modern indulgences. While we stay in remote locales where we see more animals than people, our intimate tented camps are the apex of comfort and conviviality in the bush. From the stark Namib Desert and the towering dunes of Sossusvlei to the rugged expanse of the million-acre Palmwag Concession, from the emerald waterways of the Okavango Delta to the huge game and predator populations of the Linyanti, experience Africa at its most primal on this ultimate safari adventure.

Trip Highlights

Marvel at a range of ecologically diverse habitats, from the deserts and dunes of Namibia to the lush marshes of Botswana's Okavango Delta

On secluded 4x4 drives and bush walks, enjoy exhilarating wildlife encounters in secluded reserves where animals abound and crowds are nonexistent.

Avoid long, rugged drives as we fly between far-flung bush camps, with a chartered flight between countries to maximize your safari time







Itinerary At A Glance

Day 1

Windhoek, Namibia

Days 2 & 3

Private Kulala Wilderness Reserve
—Sossusvlei Dunes

Days 4 - 6

Palmwag Concession—Skeleton Coast

Days 7 - 9

Private Flight to Botswana / Linyanti Private Reserve

Days 10 & 11

Linyanti / Central Okavango Delta
—Exploring the Marsh

Days 12 - 14

Southeastern Okavango Delta— Chitabe Private Concession

Day 15

Chitabe / Maun / Depart

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Day 1: Windhoek, Namibia

Our Botswana and Namibia safari begins in Windhoek, Namibia's capital. This appealing city blends contemporary and colonial architecture in a cosmopolitan setting. Meet your Expedition Leader on arrival and transfer to our boutique hotel in one of Windhoek's leafy, tranquil neighborhoods. Over a welcome dinner, get acquainted with your traveling companions and learn about the vast landscapes we'll be exploring during the next two weeks.







Days 2 & 3: Private Kulala Wilderness Reserve—Sossusvlei Dunes

Board a morning flight to the private 90,000-acre Kulala Wilderness Reserve, where the massive golden dunes of Sossusvlei rise a thousand feet from the floor of the world's oldest desert. The word namib in the Nama language means "vast," an apt name for this ancient sand sea shaped by currents, waves and wind. Sossusvlei means "dead-end marsh"—the salt and clay pan where the mass of dunes rises to prevent the Tsauchab River from flowing to the Atlantic Ocean. Framed by intense blue skies, the world's tallest dunes glow deep carnelian at dawn, changing minute by minute as the sun climbs, to rose, burnt orange and ochre.

Within Sossusvlei, Namibia's largest conservation area, look for ancient petrified dunes that formed as far back as a billion years ago. Surprisingly, we find plenty of desert-adapted wildlife, including springbok, oryx, ostrich, spotted and brown hyena, bat-eared fox and aardwolf. The rare dune lark's entire habitat is confined to this sandy expanse. Discover the desert's silent magic on short walks and safari drives, then return to the comfort of our secluded camp to experience some of Africa's most arresting vistas, including vermilion sunsets and unparalleled stargazing.

Days 4 - 6: Palmwag Concession—Skeleton Coast

Fly north to Namibia's Skeleton Coast, whose evocative name references the dried bones of wrecked ships that lay half-buried on beaches battered by fierce Atlantic storms. Our destination, Hoanib Skeleton Coast Camp, is a hospitable outpost amid one of Africa's last great wildernesses, offering the utmost privacy and isolation. Set in one of the most fragile ecosystems on Earth, the low-impact camp enjoys a scenic location at the confluence of two tributaries of the dry Hoanib River in the northern part of the private million-acre Palmwag Concession, next to Skeleton Coast National Park. Few safari locales offer the level of isolation found here in one of the most remote regions of the Kaokoveld.

We spend three days immersed in these rugged mountains, vast plains, dune fields and dry riverbeds, with one excursion to the coast itself. Our bewitching environs are inhabited by a remarkable array of desert-adapted plants and animals, and we explore via 4x4 drives and hides for wildlife viewing. Almost miraculously, a multitude of species thrives in the stark inland environment, including Namibia's largest population of desert elephant. We also hope for sightings of giraffe and lion, oryx, springbok and steenbok. On a guided bush walk (safety permitting), look for scrub hare and inquisitive ground squirrels. During our stay we have one opportunity to visit the Skeleton Coast, driving out and flying back (weather permitting; coastal fog is a regular presence here). A colony of Cape fur seals is often present on shore, and we may spot black-backed jackal and elusive brown hyena near the beach. Birdlife is diverse, with many southern African endemics, and we're likely to spot jaegers and skuas.





Days 7 - 9: Private Flight to Botswana / Linyanti Private Reserve

Leaving the dry Namib Desert, we fly by private chartered aircraft over the border to Botswana before continuing to the Linyanti Reserve, one of the best game-viewing regions in Botswana. Elephants thrive in the mopane woodlands, especially in winter when they number in the thousands. From our base at Savuti Camp, day and night drives may reveal all the large predators as well as impala, zebra, giraffe, wildebeest lechwe, tsessebe and other plains animals.

Days 10 & 11: Linyanti / Central Okavango Delta—Exploring the Marsh

After a final game drive in the wilds of Linyanti, transfer by light aircraft to enter another realm entirely, the Okavango Delta, Earth's largest inland water system. The delta's headwaters lie in the western highlands of Angola, joining with other rivers in Namibia and Botswana to pour over the Kalahari Desert, where a green maze of channels and lagoons sprawls amid the sands and dry savanna. When rains create rising floodwaters, the delta is a vast network of waterways and islands that are home to a profuse collection of wildlife, with abundant hoofed game and the predators that pursue them. Our exclusive safari camp is located in the heart of the Okavango, surrounded by a mosaic of wetlands that sustains many rare birds. Look for the wattled crane, Pel's fishing owl, jacana, rail, crake and moorhen. Depending on water levels, we explore the constantly shifting marsh by *mokoro*, the traditional poled dugout canoe of the delta, offering a chance to observe wildlife at eye-level in complete quiet. Following the reed-fringed channels, we may spy water-adapted antelope, such as red lechwe, browsing in the grasses, along with hippo and crocodile. We'll also hope to do a guided walk for an intimate perspective on the smaller wonders that surround us. *Please note: Water levels and activities may vary based on fluctuating annual rainfall*.

Days 12 - 14: Southeastern Okavango Delta—Chitabe Private Concession

Depart by light aircraft for our deluxe bush camp, a private oasis on the Chitabe private concession. Although the nearby Gomoti River provides essential water for wildlife, this sector of the Okavango is relatively dryer and conducive to exploring on overland wildlife drives. Surrounded by woodlands and acacia forests separated by small and open savannah plains and islands of ilala palms, we're likely to see four of the Big Five—lion, leopard, elephant and buffalo. We'll also look for cheetah, hyena, wildebeest, zebra, wild dog and a wide array of antelope.

Day 15: Chitabe / Maun / Depart

Our grand Namibia & Botswana safari comes to a close as we depart by air for Maun to connect with homeward flights, or to continue with onward extensions.

Click here to view the seasonal variations of weather and wildlife viewing in Botswana.





Discover Why This Is the Ultimate Southern Africa Safari

Our comprehensive journey offers the diverse safari highlights of both Botswana and Namibia in a single exclusive itinerary—but that isn't all that makes this trip so impressive. At every turn, Nat Hab offers a premier southern Africa safari in a multitude of ways.

1 Maximum Group Size Just Seven Travelers!

The most meaningful safaris happen with fewer people, and we take no more than seven guests. This exceptionally small group size ensures the most personalized experience possible, with access to remote private reserves and small luxury camps not available to larger groups.

- The Most Comprehensive Itinerary—Focused on Wildlife
 This carefully crafted itinerary, honed with years of experience and guidance from WWF, combines the best highlights of these two distinct safari countries. You won't experience a more varied set of places and activities than on this itinerary encompassing across a broad swath of southern Africa. And, since our focus is wildlife, that's where we spend our time and energy—not in cities or at big commercial lodges.
- Light Aircraft Flights Maximize Your Time on Safari
 Seamless flight connections between safari locations, rather than long, dusty drives over rough dirt roads, allow us to spend more time participating in safari activities, instead of enduring uncomfortable conditions on long transits.
- A Private Chartered Flight Expedites Travel from Botswana to Namibia

 Exclusive to Nat Hab is our private international air charter from Botswana to Namibia. Other companies use scheduled flights, which may be cheaper but necessitate extra time spent on arduous transfers, airport waits and overnights in cities, which reduces your time on safari.
- Private Reserves Avoid Crowds & Allow Exclusive Activities

 Away from heavily visited national parks, we enjoy quiet and freedom on private reserves, where wildlife viewing happens in virtual solitude. We also enjoy special activities not permitted in the national parks, such as guided bush walks and night drives in search of nocturnal animals. The same is true in Botswana on private reserves in Moremi and Linyanti, offering seclusion amid unmatched wildlife viewing.





6 Small-Scale, Secluded Luxury Accommodations

We stay at remote luxury camps on private reserves where guest numbers are strictly limited —meaning you get a true immersion in the bush amid abundant wildlife. Each tent or chalet includes a private veranda to maximize personal wildlife viewing opportunities.

An Open "Window" Seat for Everyone

An unimpeded vantage point is important on safari. Our privately chartered safari vehicles have open sides (no glass to interfere with your view) and 10 cushioned passenger seats—one in front next to the driver, followed by three rows of three seats each—though we limit our capacity on wildlife drives to just seven travelers in each vehicle, for maximum comfort, viewing and photo opportunities. In the Sossusvlei region, we explore in spacious closed vehicles that provide protection from wind and sand, with eight cushioned seats and ample room for your gear, too.

The World's Finest Safari Guides

Our guests enjoy the personalized service of some of Africa's top naturalist safari guides. We employ only the most highly trained and experienced Expedition Leaders to lead our small groups. Rather than using local camp guides at each stop, we employ our own Nat Hab Expedition Leaders who are the most qualified guides in Southern Africa, averaging 15 years' experience each, with additional training and resources provided by WWF scientists. Our philosophy on this is simple: an African safari is only as good as the guide, so we must provide the very best! **See Expedition Leader bios** with traveler comments regarding the quality of our leaders.

- Our Quality-Value Guarantee Ensures Your Superior Southern Africa Safari
 With Natural Habitat Adventures, you receive our exclusive guarantee, which clearly states
 that we will meet the lofty expectations we set in our promotional materials. To our
 knowledge, this is the most ambitious guarantee made by any adventure travel company.
- Feel Good About Your Carbon-Neutral Journey

 We care deeply about our planet, as we know you do. When you travel with us, the carbon emissions from your trip are 100% offset—including your round-trip flights from home.

 Natural Habitat Adventures has been the world's first carbon-neutral travel company since 2007.
- Natural Habitat Adventures is WWF's Travel Partner

 Because of our commitment to environmentally friendly travel, as well as the exceptional quality of our adventures, World Wildlife Fund, the world's leading environmental conservation organization, has named Natural Habitat Adventures as its worldwide travel partner, a designation that makes us exceedingly proud!







Dates & Pricing Summary:

Prices: From \$29995 (+Air)

Group Size: Limited to 7 Travelers

Epic Botswana & Namibia Safari Dates, Pricing & Info

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2026 Departures

Departure	Return	Notes
Jun 14, 2026	Jun 28, 2026	\$29995 USD (+internal air)
Jun 20, 2026	Jul 4, 2026	\$29995 USD (+internal air)
Jul 5, 2026	Jul 19, 2026	\$29995 USD (+internal air)
Jul 20, 2026	Aug 3, 2026	\$29995 USD (+internal air)
Aug 1, 2026	Aug 15, 2026	\$29995 USD (+internal air) Habitat Club Pricing Available
Aug 18, 2026	Sep 1, 2026	\$29995 USD (+internal air)
Sep 5, 2026	Sep 19, 2026	\$29995 USD (+internal air)
Sep 24, 2026	Oct 8, 2026	\$29995 USD (+internal air)
Oct 19, 2026	Nov 2, 2026	\$29995 USD (+internal air)

2027 Departures

Departure	Return	Notes			
Prices not confirmed for 2027					
Jun 13, 2027	Jun 27, 2027	\$29995 USD (+internal air)			
Jun 19, 2027	Jul 3, 2027	\$29995 USD (+internal air)			
Jul 4, 2027	Jul 18, 2027	\$29995 USD (+internal air)			





Departure Return Notes

Prices not confirmed for 2027

 Jul 18, 2027
 Aug 1, 2027
 \$29995 USD (+internal air)

 Aug 2, 2027
 Aug 16, 2027
 \$29995 USD (+internal air)

 Aug 17, 2027
 Aug 31, 2027
 \$29995 USD (+internal air)

 Sep 2, 2027
 Sep 16, 2027
 \$29995 USD (+internal air)

 Sep 17, 2027
 Oct 1, 2027
 \$29995 USD (+internal air)

 Oct 17, 2027
 Oct 31, 2027
 \$29995 USD (+internal air)





Pricing

See https://nathab.com/africa/the-epic-botswana-namibia-safari/dates-fees for the latest pricing details.

Included

- > Trip price includes: Accommodations in luxury safari camps, services of Nat Hab's professional Expedition Leader(s), local guides and camp staff, premier open-sided 4-wheel drive Land Cruisers or Rovers, private chartered flight from Namibia to Botswana, all meals from dinner on Day 1 through breakfast on final day, some alcoholic beverages, some gratuities, airport transfers on Day 1 and final day, all activities and entrance fees, all taxes, permits and service fees.
- > Internal air cost includes: All scheduled and light aircraft flights within the itinerary (this will be listed separately on our invoicing).

Not Included

Travel to and from the start and end point of your trip, some alcoholic beverages, some gratuities, passport and visa fees (if any), optional activities, items of a personal nature (phone calls, laundry and internet, etc.), airline baggage fees, airport and departure taxes (if any), required medical evacuation insurance, optional travel protection insurance.

Important Information About This Trip

This trip combines the highlights of Namibia and Botswana in one ultimate safari itinerary. We recommend this adventure for guests who want to make the most out of a single trip to Africa—we travel from desert to delta on a varied, comprehensive itinerary. One Expedition Leader will guide the Botswana portion of the trip and another the Namibia portion, since each is chosen for their in-country expertise. As usual, our outstanding Expedition Leaders tie the entire safari together for a most memorable experience.

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Mandatory Insurance

Since the areas we travel to on this trip are remote and wild (that's why we go there!), we require medical evacuation insurance for our guests' safety. If you decline the medical evacuation insurance coverage offered by Natural Habitat, we request that you send us documentation of the independent coverage you have selected. We will add the cost of a medical evacuation policy to your tour invoice until you provide our office with proof of coverage including your insurance company's name, contact number and your individual policy number. Thank you for understanding that our policy exists exclusively in the interest of our guests' safety.





Getting There & Getting Home

Travel Logistics Writer said:This trip begins in Windhoek, Namibia, and ends in Maun, Botswana. Because this is a long international journey, we recommend that you arrive at least one night prior to Day 1 to rest from your travels and begin the trip refreshed. For guests who come in early, recommended hotels will be included in your pre-departure materials. You must arrive in Windhoek by 5 pm on Day 1 in order to join the group for the first scheduled activities.

You may depart Maun anytime after 1:30 pm on the final day.

Our Natural Habitat Adventures Travel Desk can best assist with your travel reservations, as our staff is familiar with the specific requirements of this program and can help arrange the most efficient itinerary. Please call us at 800-543-8917. While we offer the best available rates to us on airfare and additional nights' accommodations, you may occasionally find special web rates or lower fares online.



Extension Details:

Madagascar Explorer \$11995

Cape Town Extension \$1995

Victoria Falls Extension \$1895

Wild Cape Coast Extension \$2995

Sabi Sand Extension \$4395

Epic Botswana & Namibia Safari Extensions

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Madagascar Explorer

Look for rare and endemic flora and fauna on a compact itinerary revealing a mix of contrasting ecosystems—primary rainforest, pristine beaches, ancient baobabs and coastal mangroves

\$11995 (+air)



Cape Town Extension

Discover one of the world's most entrancing cities and its natural environs. Survey the view from Table Mountain, explore the Cape Peninsula, visit Cape Point Nature Reserve, see penguins at Boulders Beach, and tour the Winelands. \$1995



Victoria Falls Extension

Explore spectacular Victoria Falls as an idyllic extension to your Botswana safari while you reside in luxury at the closest possible spot to the plummeting sheet of water and enjoy time along the Zambezi River.

\$1895







Wild Cape Coast Extension

From our luxury ecolodge base on the Grootbos Private Nature Reserve, explore pristine coastal wilderness including the rare Cape Floral plant kingdom and Stony Point penguin colony. \$2995



Sabi Sand Extension

An exclusive safari experience on a 160,000-acre private reserve that's one of Africa's best places to spot the famous Big Five—choose among intimate luxury camps and secluded boutique lodges.

\$4395





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