

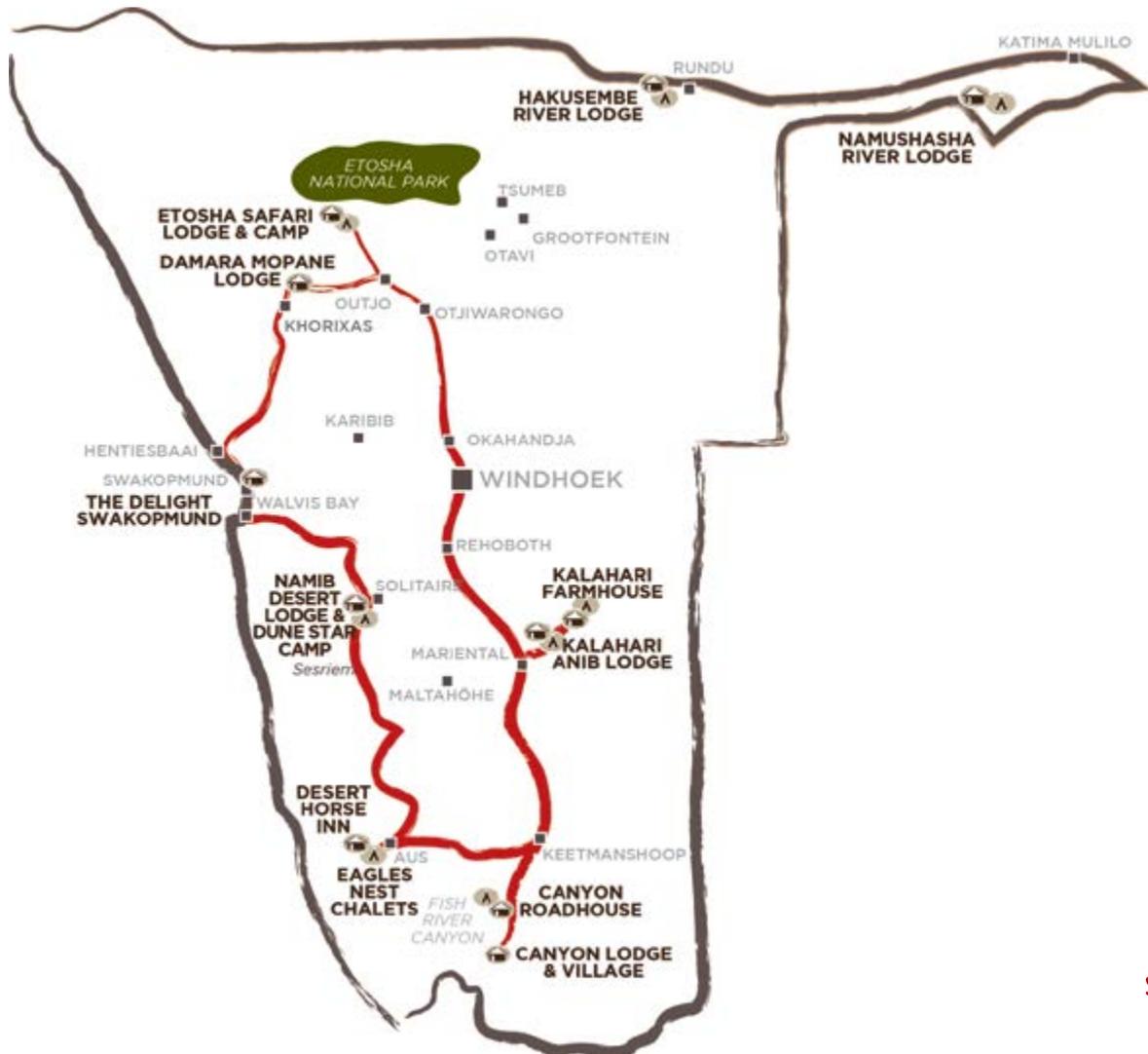
▶ GO BIG

12 Day Namibian Self-Drive Safari

Discover Namibia in a brand new and exciting way! Join the Gondwana Collection and take [Namibia2Go](#). And this time Go Big! This package offers a four-wheel drive vehicle and a twelve day trip through the beautiful Namibian landscapes. Starting from Windhoek you will head south, into the Kalahari where your first night will be spent enjoying the sunset at the Kalahari Anib Lodge. From there you head further south, all the way to the Fish River Canyon, the second largest canyon in the world! Go see the wild horses in Aus and breathe in the Namib Desert air from the top of the highest dune in the world, at Sossusvlei. Then head over to the beautiful coastal town of Swakopmund. This is the place where you can delight in the wonderful sights the area has to offer.

Taking your last breath of seaside air, you will move north and into Damaraland for an overnight stop in this unique landscape. And finally see the majesty of the animal kingdom in the Etosha National Park and spend your last two nights celebrating in our authentic shebeen at the Etosha Safari Camp with live music, good friends and true Namibian atmosphere.

Go Big in Namibia, discover the country at your own pace through this self-drive touring experience.



ROUTE TABLES – DISTANCE & TIME

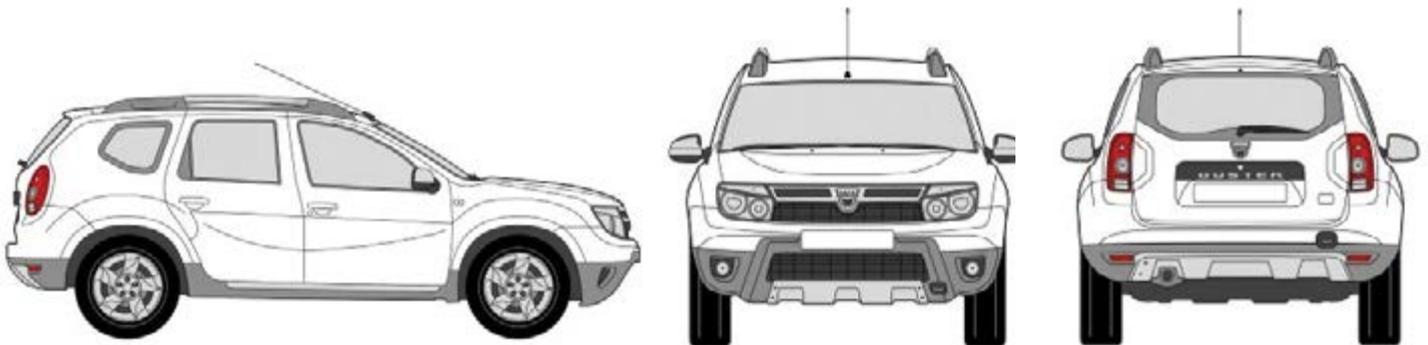
GO BIG (+/- 3800km)			
Day	Destination	Accommodation	Distance/Time +/-
1	Kalahari Desert	Kalahari Anib Lodge	285km/3h (325km/4h)*
2	Fish River Canyon	Canyon Roadhouse	395km/4h (535km/7h)
3	Fish River Canyon	Canyon Roadhouse	
4	Wild Horses, Kolmanskop	Klein-Aus Vista	280km/3h (380km/6h)
5	Wild Horses, Kolmanskop	Klein-Aus Vista	
6	Namib Desert, Sossusvlei	Namib Desert Lodge	430km/6h
7	Namib Desert, Sossusvlei	Namib Desert Lodge	
8	Swakopmund, Atlantic Coast	The Delight Swakopmund	300km/4h
9	Swakopmund, Atlantic Coast	The Delight Swakopmund	
10	Damaraland	Damara Mopane Lodge	330km/5h (480km/8h)
11	Etosha National Park	Etosha Safari Camp	200km/2h
12	Etosha National Park	Etosha Safari Camp	
	Windhoek		405km/5h

* (Alternative routes)

Self-drive Information in brief

Departure	The departure date is set according to the tour you have reserved. Please consult the list of dates, where all tours are listed. We suggest a one night stay over in Windhoek, before and after the tour.
Return	The tour returns to Windhoek, at the Gondwana Travel Centre Offices. 42 Nelson Mandela Ave. Klein Windhoek. Please note that the entrance to the offices can be accessed from Dr Kwame Nkrumah street.
Passengers	A maximum of 2 persons per tour.
Accommodation Style	All accommodation during the tour has been reserved at the Gondwana properties. These include a variety of lodges and a city hotel. Accommodation includes bed and breakfast, including VAT and Tourism Levy.
Locations	Kalahari Desert, Fish River Canyon, Luderitz and Kolmanskop, Sossusvlei, Namib Desert, Swakopmund, Damara Land, Twyfelfontein, Etosha National Park.
Vehicle	Renault Duster, 4x4 capable
Insurances	Upon collection of the vehicle the Renter can choose from the following two options: Standard Excess or Excess Cover *See under Insurances for additional information
Tour Style	All tours are self-drive. The tours are set and cannot be changed. Consult the Tour Authority at namibia2go@gondwana-collection.com or +264 81 1461325 regarding special requests. .
Emergency Services	In the event that the authorized drivers sustain serious injuries, emergency services are available. The Gondwana Travel Centre will make arrangements for services to be sent to the vehicle's location. However we cannot be held liable for delays in emergency services' arrival.

All rates are quoted in Namibian Dollars per tour for two people including vehicle, bed and breakfast. Please note that Gondwana Card rates cannot be applied to this package. Smoking in the vehicles is strictly prohibited.



Force Majeure

It goes without saying that we do our utmost to conduct the tour as described in the programme; however we cannot guarantee it. Unfavourable weather conditions, rivers in flood, organisational problems, unforeseen events or other factors may force us to change the course of the tour. We apologise for the inconvenience.

Terms and Conditions

Accident, Breakdown and Roadside Assistance

In the event of an accident or any road side emergency, contact the Gondwana Travel Centre immediately. Assistance will be provided by our representatives authorized to do so. Where a vehicle cannot be repaired the Gondwana Travel Centre will arrange that a new vehicle be delivered to you.

Recovery of the vehicle and/or roadside mechanical assistance due to driver negligence will require additional charges to be billed to the renter.

In the event where a replacement vehicle is issued, a new Excess Fee and new agreement needs to be authorised, this is in no way linked to the previous excess fee charged for damaged vehicle.

Cancellation

Cancellations are to be received in writing. Upon receipt of the written notification, the Gondwana Travel Centre will confirm receipt thereof and this date will determine the following charges.

- More than 28 days before arrival: 10%
- 22 to 28 days before arrival: 20%
- 15 to 21 days before arrival: 30%
- 8 to 14 days before arrival: 50%
- 4 to 7 days before arrival: 75%
- 1 to 3 days before arrival/ no show: 90%

It is mandatory for the renter 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 renter is required to hold, then any such charges would normally be refunded to the renter by the insurance company, subject to the terms of the insurance.

Additionally, this policy only covers payments made directly to the Gondwana Travel Centre, and as a result of a cancellation, the responsibility rests on the renter to recover any fees paid to any third party.

Checklist

A checklist will be present and the renter should check the vehicle thoroughly before leaving the Gondwana Travel Centre premises and inform the lessor of any obvious damage, so that it can be noted before departure. Damages not noted will be deemed as new damages. Once both parties are satisfied that the checklist is correct, the checklist will be signed by both parties.

Deposits and Payment

To confirm the tour a deposit of 10% of the total amount is to be paid, this deposit is non-refundable. The total balance is to be paid 30 days prior to the departure date. In the event of a booking being cancelled less than 30 days before the tour departure, the cancellation policy will be implemented.

Drivers

- A valid and unendorsed license must be produced by all drivers.
- The minimum age for authorised drivers is 23 years.

Fuel

The renter will receive the vehicle with a full tank of fuel. For the duration of the tour the renter is to refuel as often as possible. Upon the return of the vehicle / termination of the hire, it is the renter's responsibility to refuel the vehicle.

Health

It is the renter's own responsibility to ensure that he/she is medically fit and able to embark on the tour. We recommend vaccination against Hepatitis before travelling. If travelling to the northern regions of the country, anti-malaria precautions should be started prior to departure and renters are advised to bring insect repellents on the tour, these can also be purchased in Namibia.

Insurance

Standard Excess: N\$ 21 000.00 deposit which will be deducted from your credit card, alternatively can be presented in cash to the Company, to be held by the Company as provided for hereinafter. This amount will be authorized from credit card (Master or Visa) only, debit cards are not accepted. In the event that there are no damages to the vehicle the holding fee / deposit will then be refunded to the renter.

Excess Cover: A charge of N\$ 295.00 per day allows the renter a zero excess fee. This fee is payable on the date the renter receives the vehicle. This is a non-refundable daily fee. Both credit and debit cards are accepted.

Instances where a single vehicle accident takes place, the renter will be held liable for the full charges of vehicle replacement and all recovery costs.

***Factors that will negate all cover**

- Gross or criminal negligence.
- Unauthorized drivers.
- Not reporting an accident or loss to the Namibia Police immediately.
- Not reporting an accident or loss to the Gondwana Travel Centre immediately.
- Not adhering to traffic, road and driving rules and regulations.
- Driving under the influence of alcohol or any illegal substance.
- Unsuitable or reckless driving.
- Road conditions not suitable for the type of vehicle used.
- Unauthorized cross border entry.
- Not being able to produce keys in case of theft.
- Not reporting exact details of last known location of vehicle prior to theft.

Passports and Visas

Travel agencies and renters must ensure that passports and visas are valid for the country. The Gondwana Travel Centre will not be held liable or responsible should the renter be refused entry into the country for any reason.

Rental Agreement/Package Agreement

The rental agreement is between the renter and the Gondwana Travel Centre. In terms of this rental agreement the booking is defined as a reservation, which is done by the renter or the renter's travel agency.

- 'Renter' is defined as the person who accepts and is responsible for the booking.*
- 'Travel Agency' is defined as any agency or operator that places or accepts a booking for or on behalf of any person/couple.

*Should the 'payee' not participate in the actual tour and is only facilitating the tour for a third party, a certified letter of authorisation is required from the 'payee' stipulating that they are aware of the financial transaction.

Safety precautions

Please keep in mind that theft is a problem all over the world, so ideally try to keep purse, wallet and cameras concealed. Be careful of walking alone in deserted areas after dark. Lock suitcases and valuables in the boot / trunk of your car. Preferably use Lodge Security for storage of valuables, air tickets and excess cash.

We suggest that when you are not in the vehicle itself, tablets should be concealed within the boot/trunk of the vehicle.

The Self Drive Safari Package does not include

- Meals other than breakfast
- National Park entrance fees
- Porterage and Gratuities
- Travel/Medical Insurances
- International/National Flights and Airport Taxes
- All items of a personal nature
- Fuel costs for duration of tour
- Airport transfers
- Excess deposit

Use of Vehicle

No vehicle may be taken out of Namibia. Vehicles are not to be driven at night or faster than 80km/h on gravel roads, 120km/h on tarred roads outside urban areas and 60km/h inside urban areas – a warning buzzer will be activated automatically. It remains the driver's responsibility to reduce the vehicle's speed to the road conditions, regardless of above mentioned speed allocations. The vehicle will also not be used for conveyance of any kind, other than that of the two individuals listed on the rental agreement.

Please note, that for insurance purposes, it is prohibited to pick up any parties along your tour.

Valet

The car wash is included in the price of the self-drive safari. However, in the event where the vehicle is returned in a condition that necessitates a valet, the cost of said valet will be charged to the renter.

Vehicle Management Systems

All tour vehicles are fitted with tracking systems. This is to ensure the safety of the renter and to enable the Gondwana Travel Centre to track the vehicles in the event of an emergency.

**These terms and conditions are a mere indication,
for concrete conditions please consult the contract.**



Vehicle specifications

Renault Duster Specifications		
engine	1.5 litre	
fuel	Diesel (50 liter tank - range of about 450km))	
safety	Driver/Passenger Airbags	✓
	ABS Brakes (Emergency Brake Assist)	✓
	Electronic Stability Programming	✓
	Alarm System with central locking	✓
steering & wheels	Power steering	✓
	Spare wheel	✓
visibility / lighting	Fog lights	✓
comfort	Manual Air-conditioning	✓
	Electric Windows	✓
	Electric Mirrors	✓
	Adjustable Steering wheel	✓
	Adjustable driver seat	✓
	Leather seats	✓
intelligent technology	Bluetooth connectivity	✓
	USB/Auxiliary port	✓
	Cruise control	✓
	Rear park sensors	✓
	Central locking	✓
	Transmission Mode Selector for 4WD	✓

Vehicle Standard Accessories

The vehicle is provided complete with:

- Radio/CD Player/GPS/Tablet
- Air Conditioner
- Spare wheel, jack and spanner
- 2 reflective triangles and a reflective jacket
- Medical Kit
- Fire extinguisher

For further vehicle specifications, please consult list provided.

GO BIG – Itinerary

Go Big is a 12 day self-drive safari that highlights the very best of the country. It offers the perfect combination of Namibia's greatest attractions, breath-taking scenery and African wildlife.

The route incorporates two ancient deserts, the Kalahari and the Namib, the awe-inspiring Fish River Canyon, the charming coastal town of Swakopmund nestled between ocean and desert, and in the heart of the country, Etosha National Park one of Africa's most renowned wildlife sanctuaries

Go Big is the perfect trip for first-time visitors and showcases a wide range of Namibian delights.

Day 1:

The first day takes you southwards for 250km, out of the Windhoek hills and past the town of Rehoboth towards Mariental. Before reaching the town, a turnoff will take you east and into the red sands of the Kalahari and the stylish Kalahari Anib Lodge. For those who want to try a more adventurous route for the last stretch, a gravel alternative to the tar road will lead you through the countryside along small rolling sand-dunes.

Day 2:

Namibia's Fish River Canyon - the second largest canyon in the world – is calling! Take the tar road southwards to Keetmanshoop, this capital of the Karas region features a small monument to karakul sheep farmers and a museum housed in the old church. Another, more adventurous route will take you along Gochas and Koës, through hills and past memorials to fallen soldiers. From Keetmanshoop, turn onto the gravel road near Naute Dam, passing an emerald oasis of palm trees and vineyards. Make a stop at the Naute Kristall distillery to taste a range of desert schnapps. The road now leads through the Gondwana Canyon Park, a 130 000-hectare private nature reserve, past the old limestone kiln at Holoog, which is visible before the turn-off to the Fish River Canyon and Canyon Roadhouse. The red-roofed Roadhouse appears 16km further on with its wonderful collection of classic automobiles. You have reached your friendly and colourful home for the next two nights, to rest, explore, fill up on smiles and its famous Amarula cheesecake.

Day 3:

After breakfast in the quirky Roadhouse restaurant, the day is yours to explore the area at a leisurely pace. A short drive from the Roadhouse leads to Hobas, where payment of a small fee will give you access to the canyon viewpoints (a ten kilometre drive from the gate). Stretch legs by walking to Hikers' Point along the edge of the canyon or drive along the rim roads to gain different perspectives of this awe-inspiring natural masterpiece.

Day 4:

Choose between the more adventurous route to the south that follows the Orange River before circling up to Rosh Pinah and Aus. Or you could follow the route northwards via Naute Dam, turning westwards on the B4 towards the Namib Desert. The flat-topped mountains provide company along the way as you follow the road over small bridges that cross several temporary rivers. A good place to stop for lunch is Alte Kalköfen lodge, a short detour off the main road and a chance to visit the small lithoparium – a lithops nursery and the only place in Namibia authorised to propagate these 'flowering



stones'. The warm family-owned Klein Aus Vista Lodge is a few kilometres after Aus. The lodge, which celebrates the spirit of the wild horses, is the perfect base from which to explore the area, and reconnect with your own sense of freedom.

Day 5:

The exquisite views of grassland merging with desert around Klein Aus Vista, transform into the gravel plains of the Namib as you drive the 100km westwards to the coastal town of Lüderitz, nestled in the gnarled rocks of the desert. Time your trip to venture out on a catamaran to view Lüderitz's bays or to join a short tour of the deserted old diamond town of Kolmanskop on the outskirts of the town. The day is for exploring this unusual desert town in your own time. On your way back, pay a visit to the century-old population of Namib wild horses at the Garub viewpoint, where you can watch the horses gallop in to drink at the waterhole before you return to Klein Aus Vista for a delicious dinner.

Day 6:

Today's journey is on the gravel, so take your leave after an early breakfast to head towards the exquisite desert scenery further north. Travel the route via Helmeringhausen (a good place for a coffee break), Maltahöhe and Büllsport (with an optional route from Maltahöhe via the Tsaris Pass), or the more scenic and sandier D707 that skirts the Namib Naukluft Park. Betta is a good place to stop along the way for a bite to eat before the drive through the Namib Rand Nature Reserve. Slow down and keep eyes open for wildlife along this section of unfenced road. Sixty kilometres north of Sesriem, at the foot of a ridge of 20-million-year-old fossilised sand dunes, Namib Desert Lodge appears.

Day 7:

This relaxing day is one to enjoy the famous dune area around Sossusvlei and Dead Vlei. (Leave early to be at the Sesriem gate at sunrise to catch the cooler weather and magnificent morning light. Entrance fees can be paid at the office. From Sesriem it is a 60km drive over the dry Tsauchab riverbed and between the massive red dunes to the Sossusvlei parking area. Park your car and catch a ride on the shuttle. Wear closed shoes and take a small bottle of water with you for the walk to Dead Vlei, the ancient and picturesque pan studded with dead acacia trees and surrounded by towering sand dunes. Sossusvlei, slightly further on, is best appreciated from a height. Be sure to take a short stroll up the surrounding sand dunes, or if you feel more energetic, climb to the top of the Big Mama dune to view the spectacular view from up high.

Day 8:

Be prepared to be delighted in Swakopmund! But first, there's an interesting journey through the desert northwards to the coast. Solitaire is a must-do stop along the route to refuel and enjoy a slice of apple pie from the bakery. The road north takes you through the fascinating landscape of the Gaub and Kuiseb canyons. It crosses over small bridges where the rivers rush down in flood after heavy rainfall. Gravel plains lead to Walvis Bay (its lagoon decorated with flamingos at certain times of the year) and then an intriguing drive between desert dunes and sparkling sea to Swakopmund. Here, you'll be welcomed by the friendly staff at The Delight Hotel, a breath of fresh air in the desert.

Day 9:

Enjoy The Delight's delicious breakfast spread, complete with oysters and champagne, before exploring Swakopmund, an old German town with ample coffee, curio and book shops – and a large museum – to tickle your palate and keep you entertained for hours. It's also the adventure hub of Namibia and offers a choice of excursions from scenic flights, paragliding and dune-boarding to the more serene dolphin

trips and living desert tours. (Enquire about your options at the hotel's activity desk on your arrival and select your favourites). Reserve your spot for dinner at one of the many restaurants and head out for the day. Savour the sunset over the sea from the end of the wooden jetty that extends out into the crashing waves.

Day 10:

Follow the salt road along the coast northwards towards Henties Bay, before heading inland on the gravel to Damaraland via Uis and the Brandberg, Namibia's highest mountain. As you near the Ugab River, look out for the striking Herero women with their colourful stalls. During the long summer days, and if you leave early enough, consider taking the extra loop to view the intriguing rock engravings at Twyfelfontein. Your overnight stop, Damara Mopane Lodge, is 30km east of Khorixas. Set amongst the mopane trees, the chalets are built in a semi-circular labyrinth design with a turquoise pool at their centre. Each chalet has its own veranda and small garden planted with a selection of fresh vegetables. Scarecrows peep out between the sunflowers and spinach, adding extra charm to this refreshingly different lodge. At the end of the day, don't miss the walk up the hill for sundowners and a sensational view of the lodge and surrounding mopane savannah, with Brandberg, the highest mountain in Namibia, visible on the horizon. An alternate tarred route from Swakopmund leads inland from the desert and northwards to Damaraland via Karibib, Otjiwarongo and Outjo.

Day 11:

Enjoy breakfast amidst the mopane trees before the gentle drive northwards towards Etosha National Park via the small town of Outjo. (Early birds have the option of visiting the Twyfelfontein engravings in the morning and travelling to Etosha Safari Camp in the afternoon.) Relax by the pool or visit the national park to spend time at the large Okaukuejo waterhole or the nearby waterholes before returning to the lodge before sunset. A highlight of a stay at Etosha Safari Camp is the colourful and lively Shebeen restaurant, modelled on Namibia's informal bars or taverns of old, where people gathered to meet, have a drink and listen to music. Enjoy the mouth-watering dinner served inside around fireplaces in the cooler months. Or on warmer evenings in the courtyard under the stars, where the resident band 'The Etosha Boys' strum their guitars and sing local melodies.

Day 12:

Explore the wonders of the Etosha National Park, a thriving wildlife sanctuary, where animals congregate around the waterholes. As the best game-viewing times of the day are in the morning and afternoon, head out early, returning to relax around the lodge's pool for a midday siesta before setting out again. Make your way back to the lodge for cocktails and dinner, and to once again tap toes to an African beat, before your return journey to the capital the following day.



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