PRIVATE JOURNEYS / SOUTHERN AFRICA

Southern Horizons Expedition

SOUTH AFRICA / NAMIBIA





Ancient dunes. Atlantic shores. Open horizons.

26 DAYS | 25 NIGHTS

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ARRIVE & DEPART

Cape Town International

A private sample journey, personalised around your dates.

JOURNEY OVERVIEW

Your journey at a glance

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DAYS	EXPERIENCE	OVERNIGHT
1	Arrival and rest	Cape Town
2-4	Orange River discovery	Noordoewer area
5-7	Canyon viewpoint, coast and heritage	Luderitz
8-10	Sossusvlei and Deadvlei	Sesriem area
11-13	Atlantic coast and dunes	Swakopmund
14-16	Twyfelfontein en route; Etosha	Southern Etosha
17-19	The Kalahari	Mariental area
20-22	Namaqualand landscapes	Springbok area
23-25	Cape Town and the peninsula	Cape Town
26	Departure	-

START AND FINISH AT THE SAME AIRPORT

Cape Town International

This sample route is tailored around your dates, accommodation preferences and the experiences that matter most to you.

DAYS 1-4

The journey, day by day





01 Welcome to Cape Town

Meet your representative and transfer to your hotel. Rest after your flight and prepare for the overland journey ahead; Cape Town's main sightseeing stay comes at the end.

Stay in Cape Town

02 North to the Orange River

Depart early along the N7, with planned service stops on the way north. Cross into Namibia at Noordoewer and settle beside the Orange River for three nights.

Stay in Orange River / Noordoewer

03 A river adventure

Enjoy the guided river experience arranged for your stay. The operator selects the activity around river conditions and guest suitability, with time afterwards to relax.

Stay in Orange River / Noordoewer

04 Slow down beside the river

Enjoy an unhurried day in the river landscape. A gentle local experience can be combined with time at your lodge before the next longer travel day.

Stay in Orange River / Noordoewer

Activity order may change to suit conditions and confirmed arrangements.

DAYS 5-8

The journey, day by day





05 Canyon scenery and the road to Luderitz

Depart early for the selected Fish River Canyon viewpoint visit, then continue through the Seeheim and Aus corridors to Luderitz. This is a full scenic travel day.

Stay in Lüderitz

06 Kolmanskop and coastal heritage

Visit the remarkable abandoned mining town of Kolmanskop on a booked tour. Continue with an introduction to Luderitz and its coastal character.

Stay in Lüderitz

07 The Atlantic edge

Explore the local coast or peninsula through the programme arranged for your stay. Keep time for a relaxed afternoon and an unhurried evening in town.

Stay in Lüderitz

08 Into the Namib

Return inland through Aus and continue towards Sesriem on the approved desert route. Changing colours and open landscapes shape a full day on the road.

Stay in Sesriem / Sossusvlei

Activity order may change to suit conditions and confirmed arrangements.

DAYS 9-12

The journey, day by day





09 Sossusvlei and Deadvlei

Explore the dunes and the striking white pan of Deadvlei. Gate times, walking options and the final sand section follow your accommodation and confirmed guiding arrangements.

Stay in Sesriem / Sossusvlei

10 A quieter desert day

Enjoy your desert lodge and a selected local nature or canyon experience. This second day leaves room to rest rather than rushing straight back onto the road.

Stay in Sesriem / Sossusvlei

11 Desert roads to the coast

Travel through Solitaire and the Kuiseb corridor to Walvis Bay and Swakopmund. The shorter scenic stage gives time to appreciate the changing landscape without adding unnecessary mileage.

Stay in Swakopmund

12 Where dunes meet the Atlantic

Join a specialist guided 4x4 excursion towards Sandwich Harbour. The day's route follows tides, permissions and the operator's assessment of coastal conditions.

Stay in Swakopmund

Activity order may change to suit conditions and confirmed arrangements.

DAYS 13-16

The journey, day by day





13 Walvis Bay from the water

Discover the marine environment on a booked excursion. Spend the afternoon at leisure, enjoying Swakopmund before the next substantial road stage.

Stay in Swakopmund

14 Rock heritage on the way to Etosha

Depart early through the Damaraland corridor. A selected Twyfelfontein visit is included where the final driving and opening-time plan permits, before continuing to southern Etosha.

Stay in Southern Etosha

15 Etosha wildlife

Spend a full day exploring accessible waterholes and wildlife areas on the park's permitted roads. Return to the same southern base for the evening.

Stay in Southern Etosha

16 Another day in Etosha

Enjoy a second full safari day. Your guide varies the route around conditions and wildlife opportunities, with pauses for meals and rest.

Stay in Southern Etosha

Activity order may change to suit conditions and confirmed arrangements.

DAYS 17-20

The journey, day by day





17 South to the Kalahari

Travel through central Namibia and the Windhoek corridor towards a Kalahari lodge near Mariental. This is a full road day, with the city used as a service stop.

Stay in Kalahari / Mariental

18 The red sands of the Kalahari

Take the booked dune and nature drive through your selected property. Enjoy the different colours, vegetation and wildlife of the Kalahari landscape.

Stay in Kalahari / Mariental

19 Local knowledge and quiet time

Enjoy a guided nature or locally led cultural experience where arranged. The remainder of the day is free to rest and appreciate your surroundings.

Stay in Kalahari / Mariental

20 Across the border to Namaqualand

Follow the southern road through Keetmanshoop and Noordoewer, crossing into South Africa before continuing to your Springbok-area base. Settle in after a full travel day.

Stay in Springbok / Namaqualand

Activity order may change to suit conditions and confirmed arrangements.

DAYS 21-23

The journey, day by day





21 Namaqualand landscapes

Explore the region through a guided nature, walking or park experience selected for the season. Flower displays are a seasonal possibility rather than a guaranteed feature.

Stay in Springbok / Namaqualand

22 A day to enjoy the region

Take a gentler local outing or relax at your accommodation. The programme leaves space to recover before the final long drive to Cape Town.

Stay in Springbok / Namaqualand

23 The return to Cape Town

Travel south on the N7, with planned stops along the Cederberg corridor. Arrive in Cape Town for the final three-night stay.

Stay in Cape Town

Activity order may change to suit conditions and confirmed arrangements.

DAYS 24-26

The journey, day by day





24 Cape Town and Table Mountain

Explore the city's character and visit Table Mountain when weather and operations permit. Your guide adjusts the order of the day's sights accordingly.

Stay in Cape Town

25 The Cape Peninsula

Enjoy a full peninsula discovery, including the booked Cape Point and Boulders Beach visits. Return to Cape Town for a farewell evening.

Stay in Cape Town

26 Departure from Cape Town

Transfer to Cape Town International Airport, completing your South Africa and Namibia return expedition.

Departure

Activity order may change to suit conditions and confirmed arrangements.

The details, thoughtfully arranged



THE EXPERIENCES

THE NAMIB DESERT

Sossusvlei, Deadvlei and vast desert scenery.

COASTAL ADVENTURE

Luderitz, Walvis Bay and Sandwich Harbour.

WILDLIFE AND RED SANDS

Etosha and the Kalahari.

CAPE TOWN RETURN

A complete guided 4x4 circuit.

PLANNED AROUND YOU

A lodge-based 4x4 expedition with several full driving days.

Fish River Canyon and Twyfelfontein are selected en-route visits.

A shorter scenic stage links Sesriem and Swakopmund.

Namaqualand experiences follow the season; flowers are not guaranteed.

Your proposal confirms the accommodation, transport, flights, meals and activities included, together with the price and booking terms. Experiences follow availability, weather and operating conditions.

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