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## Drongo Tours 15 Days Namibia (DT15 Namibia)

### Abbreviations for meals included:

B/B - Bed & Breakfast only  
D/B/B - Dinner, Bed & Breakfast only

### Day 1

Arrival at Hosea Kutako International Airport where you will be met and transferred to Windhoek. The remainder of the day is spent at leisure.

**Lunch:** Not included – for your own account

**Dinner:** Not included – for your own account

**B/B:** Safari Hotel – Business Rooms (or similar) [www.safarihotelsnamibia.com/hotel-safari/](http://www.safarihotelsnamibia.com/hotel-safari/)

### Day 2

Today your Drongo Tours guide will meet you at the hotel. You depart from Windhoek and continue to the Kalahari Desert. At Kalahari Anib Lodge you find yellow grass and green acacias on red sand under brilliant skies. The Kalahari is the largest expanse of sand on earth and a photographer's paradise. 100 km<sup>2</sup> Gondwana Kalahari Park owes its magical quality to its scenery, fauna and flora. The afternoon is spent at leisure. You can participate in the activities offered by the lodge (not included – for your own account).

**Lunch:** Not included – for your own account

**D/B/B:** Kalahari Anib Lodge (or similar) [www.gondwana-collection.com](http://www.gondwana-collection.com)

### Day 3

After breakfast you will travel via Mariental and Keetmanshoop to your next destination. A much-favoured topic for photographers, the Quiver tree Forest, can be viewed on Farm Gariganus, some 14km northeast of Keetmanshoop. About 300 specimens of this prehistoric tree, *Aloe dichotoma*, also referred to by its Afrikaans name, kokerboom, reach skywards with graphically forked branches. Across the road from the Quiver tree forest is Giant's Playground, an impressive jumble of massive dolerite boulders between 160 million and 180 million years old. Wandering through the maze of boulders is an interesting excursion, but care must be taken not to become lost in the extensive rocky labyrinth. Arrival at the lodge will be in the late afternoon where you will have some time at leisure before dinner.

**Lunch:** Not included – for your own account

**D/B/B:** Canon Roadhouse (or similar) [www.gondwana-collection.com](http://www.gondwana-collection.com)

### Day 4

You continue to the Fish River Canyon after breakfast and drive to one of the viewpoints at the Fish River Canyon, one of Namibia's most spectacular geological phenomena, lying in the lower reaches of Namibia's longest river, the Fish River. It took millions of years to evolve to its present shape – a massive 161km long and 27km wide, with a varying depth of 550m. Afterwards you will travel to Aus where the remainder of the afternoon is spent at leisure.

**Lunch:** Not included – for your own account

**D/B/B:** Klein Aus Vista – Desert Horse Inn (or similar) [www.gondwana-collection.com](http://www.gondwana-collection.com)

### Day 5

Today you drive to Lüderitz. On the way you might be lucky and spot the wild Namib horses. The isolation of Lüderitz and the way in which its colonial-style buildings cling to the rocks overlooking the bay, give the town a unique feel. Namibia's most famous ghost town, Kolmanskop, is situated in the Sperrgebiet about 10km from Lüderitz. In 1908 the railway worker Zacharias Lewala found a sparkling stone amongst the sand he was shovelling away from the railway line near Kolmanskop. Today the ghost town's crumbling ruins bear little resemblance to its former glory. In the afternoon you drive back to Aus.

**Lunch:** Not included – for your own account

**D/B/B:** Klein Aus Vista – Desert Horse Inn (or similar)

### Day 6

After breakfast you depart from Klein Aus Vista and travel to the famous dunes at Sossusvlei. The remainder of the day is spent at leisure once you have reached the lodge.

**Lunch:** Not included – for your own account

**D/B/B:** Desert Camp (or similar) [www.desertcamp.com](http://www.desertcamp.com)

### Day 7

You will have a very early start today. The highlight in the Southern Region is Sossusvlei with its dunes, the highest of which is estimated to be 325m. They were formed by strong multi-directional winds, and are at their highest and most spectacular where the west-flowing Tsauchab River empties itself into the vlei. When it has rained sufficiently in the interior for the Tsauchab River to come down in flood and fill the main pan, flamingos and other aquatic birds are drawn to the area. At the entry to Sossusvlei is Sesriem Canyon, where centuries of erosion have incised a narrow gorge about 1km in length. At the foot of the gorge, which plunges down 30 to 40 m, are pools of water, which become replenished after good rains. Sesriem derives its name from the time when early pioneers tied six lengths of rawhide thongs together to draw water from the pools.

**Lunch:** Not included – for your own account

**D/B/B:** Namib Desert Lodge (or similar)

[www.gondwana-collection.com](http://www.gondwana-collection.com)

### Day 8

Today you will depart from the lodge and continue via the Namib Naukluft Park to Swakopmund. The definitive feature of this region, the Namib Desert, is known for the unusual beauty of its landscape. The Namib Naukluft Park changes from expansive gravel plains to vast dune seas, rugged canyons with towering walls of volcanic rock and distant mountain ranges. Swakopmund is much loved by Namibians as a welcome respite from the heat in the interior. It is also popular amongst visitors because of its old-world charm and relaxed atmosphere. Founded 1892 during the period of German colonial rule, it served as the territory's main harbour for many years.

**Lunch:** Not included – for your own account

**Dinner:** Not included – for your own account

**B/B:** The Delight (or similar)

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### Day 9

The day is spent at leisure. You can participate in an optional excursion to Walvis Bay to enjoy an adventure packed tour to Pelican Point and the beautiful Bay Area. From meeting with Pelicans to feeding Seals, and if luck permits, leaping Dolphins and shy Turtles... You drive back to Swakopmund approximately at 13:00 where the remainder of the day is spent at leisure for some shopping.

**Lunch:** Not included – for your own account

**Dinner:** Not included – for your own account

**B/B:** The Delight (or similar)

### Day 10

After breakfast you depart from the coast and drive via Usakos to your next destination. The remainder of the day is spent at leisure.

**Lunch:** Not included – for your own account

**D/B/B:** Ai Aiba Lodge (or similar)

[www.aiaiba.com](http://www.aiaiba.com)

### Day 11

Today you travel via Outjo to Etosha Safari Camp. If time permits, you will drive to Etosha to view some animals. The Etosha National Park was proclaimed as Namibia's first conservation area in 1907 by the then German government. At that stage it covered a vast area of 93 240 km<sup>2</sup> and was the largest game reserve in the world. Today the Etosha National Park covers an area of 22 270 km<sup>2</sup> and is still one of the largest game reserves in Africa.

**Lunch:** Not included – for your own account

**D/B/B:** Etosha Safari Camp (or similar)

[www.gondwana-collection.com](http://www.gondwana-collection.com)

### Day 12

Today you explore the Etosha National Park and visit the various waterholes to view animals with your guide (own vehicle). During the afternoon you exit the park again and drive back to the lodge.

**Lunch:** Not included – for your own account

**D/B/B:** Etosha Safari Camp (or similar)

### Day 13

Today you explore the Etosha National Park and visit the various waterholes to view animals with your guide (own vehicle). During the afternoon you exit the park again and drive to the lodge.

**Lunch:** Not included – for your own account

**D/B/B:** Mushara Bush camp (or similar)

[www.mushara-lodge.com/mushara-bush-camp](http://www.mushara-lodge.com/mushara-bush-camp)

**Day 14**

After breakfast you will travel via Otjiwarongo and Okahandja to Okapuka Ranch. In Okahandja your guide will stop at the Kavango Woodcarvers Market where you will have the opportunity to buy the last souvenirs before you continue to Okapuka. Guided tour ends after arrival at the lodge.

**Lunch: Not included – for your own account**

**Dinner: Not included – for your own account**

**B/B: Okapuka Ranch (or similar)**

[www.okapuka-ranch.com](http://www.okapuka-ranch.com)

**Day 15**

Transfer to Hosea Kutako International airport or to Windhoek where the tour ends. End of services