

7 Day Namibia Safari - Kaokoland / Kunene River

Depart from Palmwag Lodge into the central Kaokoland, and over the notorious van Zyl's Pass into the Marien River Valley. Meet the Ovahimba and get acquainted with their ancient customs and traditional way of life, and explore the Hartmann Valley during your two nights' stay at the luxurious Serra Cafema Camp. The return trip traverses the eastern border of the Skeleton Coast via the Hoarusib and the Hoanib River to Palmwag Lodge.

Departure Dates	Once monthly, all year round
Price per person sharing	£1520 - £2110 (depending on the number travelling)
Single supplement	£300
Minimum number	2
Maximum number	
Price includes	Travelling costs as per itinerary; game drives, activities, entrance- and park fees; - Accommodation in two-man tents / double rooms; - Full board, refreshment drinks en route, house wine and beer at dinner whilst camping; - Experienced guiding in English; - VAT and Bed levy.
Price excludes	Expenses of a personal nature, i.e. laundry, telephone, gratuities, souvenirs, etc - Personal-, medical- and evacuation insurances; - Additional activities - Alcoholic beverages and drinks



Itinerary Details

Day 1: Depart Palmwag Lodge to Sesfontein and Opuwo

Depart from Palmwag Lodge to Sesfontein and Opuwo over the Sesfontein Pass. The trail continues in a westerly direction and stops for a short visit at Kaoko Otavi. Encounter various Ovahimba families. Camping on the banks of the Hoarusib River.

Day 2: Meet Ovahimba. Overnight camping in the region of Orupembe.

Time and again one meets Ovahimba families and the guest will have, if not today, the opportunity to explore an Ovahimba village as well as a traditional hut. The guest

learns about the old customs and way of life of this nomadic tribe. The Ovahimba gratefully accept sugar, confectionery, tobacco and other trinkets as gifts. Overnight open camp in the region of Orupembe, a large Ovahimba settlement.

Day 3: Depart for Camp Serra Cafema in Hartmann Valley

We continue into the Hartmann Valley, the western part of Kaokoland. Our destination today is Camp Serra Cafema. Fully furnished twin/double premier living units en suite, with hot and cold water, a swimming pool, small bar – all this in a relaxing atmosphere under lovely shady anarees (*Faidherbia albida*) on the banks of the mighty Kunene River.

Day 4: Remain at Serra Cafema

Opportunity for a guided 4x4 sightseeing tour, a hike in the gorges and valleys of the Hartmann Valley, a boat trip on the Kunene River and a visit to an Ovahimba family in the vicinity of the camp. The Hartmann Valley is unique and offers the guests the opportunity to enjoy, in perfect solitude, nature at it's purest.

Day 5: Depart Camp Serra Cafema

Today we say “Adieu Camp Cafema” and embark on our return journey to Palmwag. Via Rooidrom the journey takes us through the western Kaokoland to Orupembe. We traverse almost deserted contrasting landscapes, ranging from desert to the Kaokohighland. Camping on the communal camp site at Purros.

Day 6: Camping along the Hoanib River

After breakfast the journey continues in a southerly direction through the beautiful Hoarusib River Valley towards the Hoanib River. With a bit of luck the desert elephant can be sighted. Camping in one of the many branches of the Hoanib River. Small herds of elephant often stroll past the camp unhindered.

Day 7: Depart for Palmwag Lodge

Break up camp and game drive in search for elephants. After a short sojourn at Sesfontein, a one-time Schutztruppen outpost which functions as a lodge nowadays, the journey takes us back to Palmwag Lodge. End of Tour.



