

NAMIB MOUNTAIN TRAIL • FACTSHEET 2020/2021

Guided hike from Lodge to Lodge in the Sossusvlei region. For experienced hikers.

Only bookable in combination with two overnight stays at Desert Homestead Lodge / Desert Homestead Outpost.

Before sunrise, the hike will start after an early-bird-breakfast. The first leg consists of crossing the local landmark mountain. We will follow a canyon to the mountain saddle. Light climbing will be necessary here. After one to one and a half hours, the saddle will be reached just as the sun comes up.

Enjoy a first rest with breakfast while watching the sun rise over the red Namib dunes covering the horizon. On the other side of the mountain, the trail follows a dry river course. Sand-filled washouts and smoothened granite rocks bear witness of the amounts of water that must have plunged down here during the rainy season for millions of years shaping this impressive landscape. The vast savannah at the bottom offers some grass for feeding oryx and springboks, zebras and ostriches. With lots of luck, cheetahs or even a leopard are possibly spotted. We will follow a tributary of the Tsauchab river with camel thorn trees scattered on its banks. This is where wild animals enjoy the shade for cooling down in the heat of the midday sun. After approx. 2 hours, we reach the bottom of the next mountain.

We will rest on an elevation on the bottom of the mountain in the red hot Namib sand stirred up from the dunes. By then, the midday heat has come, and the road travelled will shimmer in the sun. The panorama of the surrounding mountains and the colours of the sand dunes piled up on the horizon are simply thrilling. Our trail snakes up an old path used by mountain zebras leading up to the ridge. Up there, the view is magnificent. With a little luck, mountain zebras may even be spotted.

We will follow a mountain trail to a canyon. After the descent, the Desert Homestead Outpost will be reached, where warm cordiality and cool refreshments are waiting for us. We should arrive at the lodge about noon. You can occupy your room and spend the afternoon with all amenities the lodge has to offer. It is part of the service for us to transport the car with luggage from the Desert Homestead Lodge to the Outpost so that you will find your luggage in your room.

Duration of the hike: 4 - 6 hours (approximately 12 km).

ALTERNATIVE

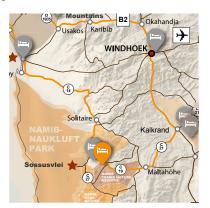
Drive back to Desert Homestead Lodge to spend the night there.

SERVICES INCLUDED

Guided hike, water and breakfast-pack during the hike, small lunch including non-alcolholic drinks after arriving at Desert Homestead Outpost. Min. number of participants 2, max. 8 people. Transfer of car with luggage for overnight stay at Desert Homestead Outpost. Alternative: Transfer of car and return trip for spending the night at Desert Homestead Lodge.

RATES: See rates information of Desert Homestead Lodge, children under 12 years free, only accompanied by a responsible adult.





BOOKING

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