

## **14 Days Paragliding Round Trip Through Namibia**

### **1st Day: Saturday, 08.02.14**

#### **Departure from Germany**

Flight from Frankfurt in the evening with Air Namibia via Windhoek to Walvis Bay.

### **2nd Day: Sunday, 09.02.14**

#### **Arrival at Walvisbay**

Arrival at about 14-00 a.m. in Walvis Bay, We pick you up and drive to the Hotel „Prinzessin Rupprecht“ in Swakopmund. We relax in the evening with sundowners and a dinner in a restaurant right on the beach.

### **3rd Day: Monday, 10.02.14**

#### **Training in the dunes**

After breakfast we get off by 10.00 p.m. to the sand dunes between Swakopmund and Walvis Bay. Here, we set up our day camp. Feel free to improve your handling with the glider. Special exercise and tricks are necessary in order to enable you to start and glide at the big steep dunes in the Namib Desert at Sossusvlei.

We have our lunch together directly at the dunes, and in the late afternoon, we drive to your own accommodation. In the evening, we take a walk together to a well-known fish restaurant in Swakopmund.

### **4th Day: Tuesday, 11.02.14**

#### **Training in the dunes**

Just after breakfast, we start off for a Mondesa township tour. On this tour, a local guide takes us through the characteristic residential area of the mainly black population. We also will have a lunch with traditional food.

In the afternoon, we are busy again with practicing on the dune and gliding. Procedure as the day before. Dinner at a restaurant in the city.

### **5th Day: Wednesday, 12.02.14**

#### **Training in the dunes**

Another day with exercise and gliding at the dune, sequence as the previous day and dinner at a restaurant in the city. In case the wind does not fit all, we offer you as option a guided quad bike tour through the dunes of the Namib. Another option is the "Little Five Tour", which we can book for you for the morning. At this tour, you will get to know the animals that live in the desert area where we are gliding. This tour takes about 3 hours and is really very interesting and recommended.

### **6th Day: Thursday, 13.02.14**

#### **Cape Cross / Hentiesbay**

Today, we start off early at 8.00 p.m northbound on an old salt road along the coast. Our destination is Cape Cross, the largest seal colony in Namibia. Here we can also watch black-backed jackals and, with a little luck even hyenas. On the way back, we have lunch at a cliff which invites you to soar. In the evening, we drive you back to the accommodation in Swakopmund. Dinner will be at one of the fine restaurants in the city.

**7th Day: Friday 14.02.14****Sandwich Harbour**

Today we have a very special offer for you. After breakfast, we drive along the coast south to Walvis Bay, Namibia's largest seaport. From there, the pad takes us into a concession area which we are allowed to enter only with a special permit. Our destination is Sandwich Harbour, a lagoon just at the border of the high Namib dunes. We can drive along the beach at low tide only by 4x4 vehicle. At high tide, we can only get back by driving through the dunes. This is off road feeling at its best! It is worthwhile because we are rewarded for our efforts by miles of dunes at the sea for soaring. We might even see some dolphins or whales.

On the way back, we will stop at Walvis Bay to get dinner in the best restaurant in town. The restaurant is built directly into a lagoon on wooden stilts. Through the large windows, we can watch flamingos, pelicans flying by, seals and sometimes dolphins. After dinner, we take you into your hotel.

**8th Day: Saturday 15.02.14****Training in the dunes**

If you have become keen on taking a proper boat trip out to the atlantic sea yesterday, you are free to take this opportunity today. At 8.00 p.m., a shuttle will bring you to Walvis Bay. From there, you can do a 3-4 hour lasting catamaran tour. This tour is very popular and, up to now, all our guests were very impressed by it. On board, you can also get a few snacks, sparkling wine or other beverages and "Namibian Viagra" - very fresh oysters! :)

After the boat trip, we will pick you up at Walvis Bay and drive back to the dunes to practice and glide. If you do not want to do the boat tour, you can alternatively ride with us in the morning to the dune or enjoy the time on your own.

**9th day: Sunday, 16.02.14****Swakopmund / Sesriem**

Today, we will be checking out after breakfast, our destination is Sossusvlei. We drive through the Namib Naukluft Park, through Kuiseb and Gaub Canyon up to Sesriem. We have our lunch break in Solitaire, where you can enjoy delicious apple pie which is renown far beyond the borders of Namibia.

Our camp is located within the National Park, right on the edge of the Namib desert, with large camelthorn trees whose shades are strong enough to cool our tents. While our camp is set up, we drive into the park to check if there will be a chance to glide today. Due to the strong thermals, flying is too dangerous during the daytime. Only in the evening, when the wind is fading, we can try to walk up the dune, equipped with our paraglider and our gained practice, and on the top of the dune start into the wind. This is the premium class of paragliding, revealing a fantastic view over the red Namib dunes, which count among the highest in the world.

Unfortunately, we have to leave the park at 8.00 p.m. and return to our camp. After a refreshing shower, a nice Bushman fondue is waiting for you. Afterwards, we sit around the campfire for a while, then go to sleep in our tents, exhausted, but satisfied.

**10th Day: Monday, 17.02.14****Sesriem**

After breakfast, we gently start our next day. You can either relax at the pool, or hike through the area, or we explore the area together. We can leave the camp early in the morning and go to the dunes where you can take a glide down from there. However, you will need to carry up your own equipment because there will be no wind blowing. Alternatively, we can make a trip into the Dead Vlei where the Tsauchab River ends in the desert, or climb down into the Sesriem Canyon.

In the evening, we will try again to glide at the high dunes and thus finish the flying part of the trip. We go to dinner at a restaurant where you can enjoy an extensive dinner buffet that leaves nothing to be desired !

**11th Day: Tuesday, 18.02.14****Sesriem / Kobo Kobo**

After another quiet night in the tents, we will continue our round trip today. Our destination is Kobo Kobo in the Khomas Highlands. The small lodge is nestled in a beautiful countryside and exclusively open and run for us on this day. We take our lunch at Rostock Ritz, a lodge located at the Rostock mountains with accommodation buildings shaped like igloos. In the afternoon, we are invited to a small farm drive, but you are free to choose relaxation at the pool.

**12th Day: Wednesday, 19.02.14****Kobo Kobo / Mount Etjo**

Today, we continue our trip northwards. We stop for lunch in Omaruru before we reach Mount Etjo Safari Lodge, one of the oldest lodges in Namibia. Here, you will get the opportunity to see the really big wild animals of Africa.

After a cup of coffee and delicious cakes in the afternoon, we will first go to a cheetah feeding. After the dinner buffet in the Lapa, the day ends with a very interesting and impressive lion feeding at night.

**13th Day: Thursday, 20.02.14****Mount Etjo / Immanuel Lodge**

In case you have not seen enough animals at the waterhole of the lodge, you can participate in a game drive this morning. It starts at 7.00 p.m., and with some luck, you will see elephants, rhinos, giraffes, hippos, antelopes, etc., etc.

3-4 hours later, we get off towards Okahandja where we have lunch and visit a carver market. In the afternoon, we arrive at Immanuel, an awarded lodge on the outskirts of Windhoek which is run very familiar by Sabine and Stefan Hock.

**14th Day: Friday, 21.02.14****Immanuel Lodge / Departure**

Today, we have a "late check out" so you can use your room until afternoon, relax a little and have your time to pack your luggage.

After having lunch at the lodge, we drive to Windhoek where you still have spare time to do some shopping or have a walk through the city. In the evening, we will take you to the Hosea Kutako airport. From here, you will fly back to Frankfurt with Air Namibia.