

Come alone. Leave as a herd.

Eleven days across the oldest desert on Earth: Etosha waterholes, Sossusvlei at first light, granite at Spitzkoppe, the Atlantic at Swakopmund, and a final night on a working family farm in the Kalahari.



11-21 Feb 2027

Next departure, Founding Convoy

**16 guests, 4
trucks**

Most guests arrive solo

4 lodge, 6 camp

Rooftop tents under dark skies

FOUNDING CONVOY

EUR 3,995 per person ~~EUR 4,495~~ Truly all-inclusive. Later 2027 departures: EUR 4,495 per person.

This briefing gives you the full route with real drive times, an honest look at doing Namibia alone, help choosing a season, and exactly how to hold a seat while you decide.

THE ROUTE

Eleven days, day by day

A Windhoek round trip of roughly 2,400 km. Drive times are the real ones, not the optimistic ones. You drive when you want to and ride as a passenger when you do not. Driving is never required.

Day	Route	Drive	Sleep
01	Airport to Windhoek. Pickup included, free afternoon, 19:00 group dinner and route briefing.	45 min, 45 km	Casa Blanca Boutique Hotel
02	Windhoek to Waterberg. Meet your truck, full kit walkthrough, camp beneath the cliffs.	3h 05, 290 km	Waterberg campsite, rooftop tent
03	Waterberg to Sachsenheim via Otjiwarongo, Otavi and Tsumeb, near Etosha's eastern gate.	3h 45, 356 km	Sachsenheim Guest Farm
04	Etosha, full day. Sunrise start, waterholes all day, guided night safari included.	2h + park day	Okaukuejo, rooftop tent in the park
05	Etosha to Ozongkaka. A second Etosha morning, then west into mountain country.	3h, 240 km	Ozongkaka campsite, rooftop tent
06	Ozongkaka to Spitzkoppe. Vingerklip and the Petrified Forest en route.	3h 45, 275 km	Spitzkoppe Rest Camp, rooftop tent
07	Spitzkoppe to Swakopmund across the Moon Landscape to the Atlantic.	2h 17, 190 km	The Delight Swakopmund
08	Swakopmund to Sesriem. Your choice, included: Sandwich Harbour 4x4 excursion or kayaking with seals at Walvis Bay.	4h 15, 320 km	Sesriem campsite, inside the gate
09	Sossusvlei to Mariental. Before sunrise for dune light, then east to the Kalahari.	3h 30, 265 km	Africa Safari Lodge
10	Mariental to Zania Farm. A full day on the family's working Kalahari farm.	2h, 176 km	Zania Farm, rooftop tent
11	Zania to the airport. Final farm morning, lunch, mid-afternoon arrival at Hosea Kutako.	2h 30, 189 km	Departure day



What a solo self-drive really asks of you

Namibia is one of the great self-drive countries, and plenty of people do it alone happily. It is worth knowing what the job actually involves before you choose how to do it.

On your own, you are everything

- **The driver:** long gravel stretches, sand, and corrugations, every day, with no one to swap with when you are tired.
- **The navigator:** distances are vast, fuel stops need planning, and a wrong turn costs hours, not minutes.
- **The mechanic of first resort:** tyre changes and breakdowns in remote country, often out of phone signal.
- **The camp crew:** pitching, cooking, washing up and packing alone after a full day's drive.
- **The bill:** vehicle hire, fuel, campsites, park fees, food and activities, each booked and paid separately, plus a vehicle deposit held on your card.

In the convoy, you keep the best of it

- **Drive or ride, daily:** take the wheel of an automatic 4x4 when you feel like it, ride as a passenger when you do not.
- **A Namibian guide out front** every day, with radios in every truck and two decades of fleet experience behind the convoy.
- **Everything arranged:** vehicles, fuel, camps, lodges, park fees, meals and activities in one price.
- **Zero-excess cover** on the vehicle, with no security deposit and no hold on your card for the truck.
- **Company by default:** four people per truck, shared dinners cooked by the convoy chef, and a pre-trip group chat before you fly.



Solo, and safe

Most Herd guests arrive solo, and the format is built for that. You are met at the airport, you travel with a guide and a group from the first evening, solo travellers are paired with a same-gender roommate (a private room is available for a EUR 400 supplement), and the application step exists so each group of sixteen is compatible before anyone commits. It is not about exclusivity. It is about eleven days in shared trucks feeling easy.

Which departure suits you?

Departure	Character	Price
11-21 Feb 2027 Green Season Edition	Greener landscapes, migratory birds, dramatic skies and fewer crowds. The most changeable weather of the year, with real rain variability.	EUR 3,995 Founding Convoy
29 Apr - 9 May 2027 Autumn	Cooling days and the start of the dry season. A good balance of green country and easier wildlife viewing.	EUR 4,495
24 Jun - 4 Jul 2027 Early Winter	Dry roads, cool mornings and clear nights. Classic winter Namibia.	EUR 4,495
26 Aug - 5 Sep 2027 Late Winter	Peak dry-season wildlife conditions, with animals concentrated at waterholes.	EUR 4,495
30 Sep - 10 Oct 2027 Spring	Warmer days before the summer rains, dry country and strong light.	EUR 4,495

What the price includes

- Your automatic 4x4, rooftop tent, full camping kit and fuel
- All ten nights: 4 in lodges and guesthouses, 6 camping
- All breakfasts, lunches and chef-cooked dinners
- Beer, wine and soft drinks with dinner
- A Namibian guide leading the route every day
- Airport transfers, park fees and convoy radios
- Day 8 choice: Sandwich Harbour 4x4 excursion or seal kayaking
- Guided night safari in Etosha on Day 4
- San rock paintings at Spitzkoppe
- Zero-excess vehicle cover, no deposit held on your card
- Time on the family farm, with biltong making, the pool and the sauna
- A travelling sauna on the convoy, for sunset sessions in the desert

Not included, plainly: international and domestic flights, visas, tips at your discretion, travel insurance (strongly recommended), and personal expenses.



Hold your seat for EUR 250, fully refundable

Sixteen seats per departure is genuinely small, and deciding on an eleven-day trip should not have to happen in one sitting. The hold exists so you can secure a seat first and decide properly afterwards.

How the hold works

- 1. Place the hold.** EUR 250 holds one seat on your chosen departure in your name.
- 2. Take your time.** Talk it over, check flights, ask us anything. Join the short fit call when you are ready.
- 3. Decide either way.** Go ahead, and the EUR 250 comes off your booking deposit. Change your mind, and it is refunded in full, on request, to your original payment method. No reason needed.

From hold to departure

- **Apply and talk:** a short application and a 15-minute fit call, so the group fits and your questions get answered by a person.
- **Confirm:** a 35 percent deposit confirms your booking, with your EUR 250 hold credited against it.
- **Balance:** the remainder is due 45 days before departure.
- **Meet the herd:** a pre-trip group chat opens before you fly, so you arrive knowing names.

At a glance: Founding Convoy, 11-21 February 2027, EUR 3,995 per person. All other 2027 departures EUR 4,495 per person. Private room supplement EUR 400. Hold: EUR 250, fully refundable on request.

Herd is run by a Namibian family business operating since 2003, the family behind Advanced Car Hire and Exclusive Transfer Services. Herd is new. The hands behind it are not.



QUESTIONS

The questions everyone asks

Do I have to drive?

No. Driving is optional on every day of the trip. Drive a stretch that excites you, ride for the rest. Many guests barely drive at all.

I am coming alone. Will I be the odd one out?

No. Most guests arrive solo. The convoy format, shared trucks and group dinners are designed so a solo traveller is the normal case, not the exception.

How fit do I need to be?

Comfortable, not athletic. You should be happy with a rooftop-tent ladder, gravel underfoot, and walking on dunes at Sossusvlei. This is an adaptable road trip, not an endurance test, and it is not a luxury lodge safari either.

What is the sauna?

A sauna travels with the convoy, set up for sunset sessions in the desert and at the family farm. It is part of the trip, included in the price, and entirely optional.

What if my plans change after I hold a seat?

Ask for your EUR 250 back and it is refunded in full to your original payment method. The hold is there to remove pressure, not create it.

When should I book flights?

After your booking is confirmed. Arrive at Hosea Kutako International Airport, Windhoek, on Day 1: pickup is included. On Day 11 the convoy reaches the airport mid-afternoon.

Your next step

Read the full itinerary, check the departure dates, and hold your seat. You can email us at hello@herdnamibia.com, apply on the site at herdnamibia.com, or [book a call](#) and speak to an expert.

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