



Day 1

Arrival at Brandberg White Lady Lodge

Your adventure begins with your pick up at your accommodation in Windhoek (usually between 8 and 9) and the shuttle leaves for Damaraland. Bring your snacks for lunch en route or get some biltong or ice cream at one of the Padstals along the way. We all meet late afternoon at the lodge, where you can settle in, meet your fellow hikers, and enjoy a welcome dinner. This is the perfect opportunity to relax, soak in the mountain views, and prepare for the days ahead.



Days 2 to 8

Hiking around the Brandberg

For the next seven days, we'll trek around the entirety of the Brandberg, covering approximately 15-18 km per day:

- Early morning starts to take advantage of the cooler temperatures.
- Breakfast is served en route as you walk at around 8 km, enjoying the peace of the morning light.
- Each day's trail takes you through diverse terrains—from savannah grasslands teeming with wildlife to rocky outcrops and ancient riverbeds.
- Our experienced hiking guide will lead the way, sharing insights about the unique flora, fauna, and geology of the area.

We can't get too close to the mountain as it has a lot of gorges. So, we will find a route through these areas and often camp in riverbeds or sandy gorges. There will be days where we cannot stop until we hit these areas. There are just too many rocks. However, the gods are smiling on us and the riverbeds are on average 16 km apart.

There is potentially elephant, lion, leopard and rhino in the Ugab and Brandberg West. So, we will stay together in areas where it is necessary, and safety is of foremost importance. Mostly you will be able to walk your own pace as we have meet-up points to catch up. Our back-up vehicle also makes sure everyone is safe and happy.

While we encourage you to embrace the adventure on foot, we understand that everyone has their own pace and limits. That's why our back-up vehicle is always available if you wish to take a break and enjoy a more relaxed day.

Afternoon Breaks

We aim to reach our campsite by lunchtime. As the afternoon heat sets in, our support team will have set up a large shade net for you to relax beneath. Spend your afternoons unwinding, napping, or reading a book, surrounded by the raw beauty of the desert landscape.

- **Sundowners:** As the day cools, enjoy a refreshing drink while watching the sun set behind the towering Brandberg cliffs.
- **Dinner:** Evenings are spent around the campfire, where our team serves up a lovingly prepared, hearty dinner under the stars.

Campsites Along the Route

This is a glamping experience, combining the thrill of wilderness camping with added comforts:

- 2-man dome tents with camping beds, mattresses, and pillows (just bring your own sleeping bag).
- Our 4-person support team handles all camp chores, including setting up tents and all communal facilities, preparing meals, cleaning and keeping the camp running smoothly.
- A backup vehicle transports your luggage between camps, so you only need to carry a light daypack with essentials like water, snacks, and sunscreen.

At each wild camp along the way, the team will construct a desert bathroom and shower facility. They are screened off for your privacy but have an amazing desert view!



Day 9

Return to Windhoek

After a leisurely breakfast at the lodge, we pack up and begin our return journey to Windhoek. Reflect on the incredible landscapes and memories as we transport you back to the city, arriving by late afternoon.

With the Brandberg being a round mountain we will see a different sunrise and sunset daily. We will see views of the Numas, Amis and Klein Numas gorges and of course the Ugab could produce anything. Springbok and ostrich are back in the area.

We will do a day's walking up the Ugab river where we need to be aware of the desert adapted elephants.