

Ports & Excursions



Walvis Bay, Namibia

Walvis Bay possesses the finest harbor on the Namib coast. That fact led to its annexation by the British in 1878, who added it to their enclave in South Africa. It was not until 1994 that the now-Republic of South Africa returned Walvis Bay to Namibia. The port is your gateway to the vast Namib Desert, one of the oldest and harshest deserts on Earth, and to the old German town of Swakopmund, a legacy of that distant era when Namibia was a German colony named Sudwest Afrika.

Walvis Bay perches on the edge of the great Namib Desert a landscape of extraordinary beauty with its immense dunes, moonscapes and salt sinks.

Points of Interest

1 Swakopmund Museum

Founded by Dr. Alfons Weber in 1951, this small museum is located in the Imperial Customs House building and houses local flora and fauna, plus original Namib musical instruments and weapons.

2 Namib Naukluftpark

Namib-Naukluft Park is the largest game park in Africa, and fourth largest in the world. This desert moonscape is home to lichen, and the rare Welwitschia plant, some of which are 2,000-years-old.

3 German Buildings

This region is heavy with German influence from the settlers who came here a 100 years ago. In Swakopmund, the Hansa Brewery, Lutheran Church and colonial buildings give the town its Bavarian feel.

4 Karakulia Weavery

At the busy Karakulia Carpet Center, observe the skilled weavers as they card, spin, dye and weave pure Karakul wool into exquisite rugs and wall hangings, and also purchase their goods.

5 Walvis Bay Lagoon

Walvis Bay's wetlands draw as many as 20,000 migratory flamingoes to the shallow lagoons, and boasts beautiful sand dunes, which are found on the coast between Walvis Bay and Swakopmund.

Special Child Pricing Available!

Children age 12 and younger, savings up to 50%. For actual pricing information, click on tour title or Reserve button.

Sightseeing & City Tours



Most Popular

Swakopmund, Namib-Naukluft Park & Walvis Bay
WVB-105 | Walvis Bay, Namibia | Group Size: 35

You will visit:

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You will see:

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7 hours

from \$259.95

Board your 4WD for a drive along the coastal dunes and flamingo lagoons of Walvis Bay, drive through the dramatic Namib desert, and enjoy lunch at a scenic location. Afterwards make your way and tour Swakopmund to view the Bavarian colonial houses, before visiting a traditional carpet-weaver.



Swakopmund Museum & Swakopmund On Your Own
WVB-180 | Walvis Bay, Namibia | Group Size: 35

You will visit:

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7 hours

from \$149.95

This scenic drive around magnificent Walvis Bay and to Swakopmund, described as "a slice of Germany on the sands of the desert," includes a chance to photograph the lagoon flamingoes and dunes. Visit a local museum and rug weaving center in Swakopmund, before exploring the town and browsing the shops.



Swakopmund, Museum & Walvis Bay
WVB-200 | Walvis Bay, Namibia | Group Size: 40

You will visit:

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You will see:

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4.5 hours

from \$109.95

First-time visitors to Walvis Bay will enjoy a relaxing drive around this old whaling port. Take photos of flamingoes in the lagoon, shop for souvenirs in Swakopmund, and tour their fascinating history museum. Then discover how rugs are made at the colorful Karakulia Weavery.

Nature & Wildlife



Walvis Bay Wildlife Cruise
WVB-240 | Walvis Bay, Namibia | Group Size: 12

You will visit:

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3.5 hours

from \$99.95

Behold the wonderful wildlife of Walvis Bay, an old whaling port, on a delightful motor cruise that takes you to Bird Island, Pelican Point, and around an ancient shipwreck off one of its deserted beaches. Along the way you may see also flamingoes, seals and dolphins.

Activities & Adventures



Off the Beaten Path

Namib-Naukluft Park by 4WD

WVB-460 | Walvis Bay, Namibia | Group Size: 10

You will visit:

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You will see:

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5 hours

from \$179.95

Board 4WD vehicles for a safari through stunning Namib-Naukluft National Park. Explore the sand dunes of the Namib Desert, one of the harshest landscapes on Earth, and view the ancient Welwitschia plant, that gets all its moisture from mist and dew, before enjoying refreshments.