

A person in a white dress stands on a sand dune at sunset, holding a white shawl. The background features rolling sand dunes, sparse vegetation, and a range of mountains under a sky filled with soft, white clouds. The lighting is warm and golden, creating a serene and peaceful atmosphere.

Wolwedans  
COLLECTION

# Activities

At Wolwedans, guests are invited to slow down and disconnect from the demands of daily life, fostering a deeper connection with themselves, nature, and humanity. A variety of activities is offered, enabling each guest to customize their experience to match their preferences.

# ACTIVITIES

ACTIVITY RATES 2025 | 11 January 2025 – 31 March 2027

DUNE CAMP | DESERT LODGE | MOUNTAIN VIEW SUITE | PLAINS CAMP | BOULDERS CAMP

INCLUSIONS & ADDED COSTS		Dune Camp	Desert Lodge	Mountain View Suite	Plains Camp	Boulders Camp
<b>SCENIC DRIVES</b>						
- Morning & Afternoon	3 hrs			All ✓		
- Sunrise & Sundowner	1.5 hrs			All ✓		
- Full-day	6 hrs			All ✓		
<b>SOLITUDE</b>						
- Quiet Desert Immersion	30-45 mins			All ✓		
<b>WALKING</b>						
- Bushman Walk	3 hrs			All ✓		
<b>HEART &amp; HOME</b>						
- Village Tour	Variable			✓		Available on Full Day Drive
<b>LEAVE YOUR MARK</b>						
- Adopt & Plant a Tree*	15 mins			NAD 5 500 pp [was NAD 5 000]		
- Adopt a Fairy Circle	n/a			NAD 1 250 pp		
- <b>NEW</b> : Adopt a Silo Shingle	n/a	NAD 2 000			X	
<b>E-BIKING</b>						
- Morning & Evening	2 hrs			All ✓		
- Full Day with picnic lunch (seasonal & experienced riders)	6 hrs			NAD 2 500 pp (Min 2 / Max 6) [was NAD 1 380]		
<b>HORSE RIDING*</b>						
- Morning	2 hrs			NAD 850 pp [was NAD 550]		X
- Sunset with drinks	3 hrs			NAD 1 250 pp (Min 2 / Max 6) [was NAD 880]		X
- Full Day with picnic lunch (seasonal & experienced riders)	6 hrs			NAD 2 500 pp (Min 2 / Max 6) [was NAD 2 000]		X
<b>STAR BED* OR DESERT SLEEPOUT (Seasonal)</b>						
- Room Star Bed		✓	X	✓	X	X
- Sleepout   Dinner + Sunrise Coffee	Overnight			NAD 2 500 pp (Min 2 / Max 10)		X
- Sleepout   Meals in camp + Sunrise Coffee				NAD 2 150 pp (Min 2 / Max 10)		X
<b>SPECIAL MEALS</b>						
- Dune Breakfast	Variable			NAD 1 500 first 2 guests. NAD 200 pp thereafter		
- Dinner Under the Stars				NAD 1 850 first 2 guests. NAD 350 pp thereafter		
<b>SPA &amp; WELLNESS</b>						
	Variable			Refer to spa menu for treatments and pricing, bookable onsite after arrival.		
<b>NAMIB SKY BALLOONING* (Booked in advance)</b>						
	Variable			Provided by a third party; please enquire. Transfers per vehicle: NAD 2 825 to Kwessi & Geluk		X

\*Activities are not applicable to Boulders Camp due to distance.

# FAMILY EXPERIENCES AT WOLWEDANS

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At Wolwedans, we believe in the power of family. As a family-run business, our team is our extended family, and we love welcoming families from around the world to share in the joy, connection, and harmony that lie at the heart of our way of life. After all, a happy being begins with a happy family.

## Where to Stay

- **Dune Camp Family Suite & Plains Camp:** Exclusive-use camps welcoming children of all ages.
- **Dune Camp, Desert Lodge, & Boulders:** Accept children aged 7 and above. When booked exclusively, children of all ages are welcome.

Every experience at Wolwedans can be tailored by your guide to suit your family's preferences, ensuring meaningful adventures for every age. Here are some of our most popular family-friendly activities:

## SANDBOARDING

*Suitable for all ages.*

Glide down the desert dunes for a thrilling family adventure. This activity is often included in a morning or evening scenic drive—just ask your guide.

## WOLWEDANS VILLAGE TREASURE HUNT

*Designed to be age appropriate.*

A fun and interactive way to explore the behind-the-scenes of a desert camp. Kids might search for a carrot in the garden or crush a can in the recycling zone - learning while playing.

## SUNDOWNER DRUMMING

*Suitable for all ages.*

Led by our Happiness Coordinator, this joyful music experience brings families (and friends!) together through rhythm, laughter, and shared energy.

## BUSHMAN WALK

*Suitable for all ages.*

Join one of our Bushmen guides on an interpretive walk through the desert. Kids can even learn to make their own bow and arrow along the way.

## FAMILY HORSE RIDE

*Suitable for all ages.*

Explore the desert on horseback with rides adapted to your family's experience level. Confident riders can end the day with sundowners in the dunes. See activities for more details and costs.

## DESERT SLEEPOUT

*Suitable for all ages.*

The ultimate family bonding experience: sleep under the stars and cook dinner over an open fire. Whether it's roasting marshmallows or sharing stories, this magical night will become a lifelong memory. See activities for more details and costs.



## SCENIC DRIVES & SUNDOWNERS

### **Sunrise Drive**

*Duration: 1.5 hours*

Before breakfast start your day with a breathtaking sunrise drive across the Namib dunes. Savor a hot cup of coffee or tea with home-baked rusks and biscuits as you take in the raw beauty of the landscape. After the sunrise, return to camp or combine with Dune Breakfast.

### **Morning or Afternoon Drive**

*Duration: 2-3 hours*

Morning Drive: Head out after breakfast and return to camp for lunch with time to take a dip and relax in the afternoon. Combines well with an in-room massage.

Afternoon Drive: Head out after afternoon tea to watch the shadows growing over the landscape ending with sundowners.

### **Sundowner Drive**

*Duration: 1.5 hours*

A shorter a drive to a prime sundowner spot. Spot oryx and other wildlife preparing for nightfall, set against the stunning Namibian sky, before enjoying a perfectly prepared G&T as you watch the sun dip below the dramatic desert expanse.

### **Full-Day Drive**

*Duration: 6 hours*

This signature Wolwedans experience promises to be an immersive exploration of the region's most remote and awe-inspiring corners. Enjoy a picnic lunch at our own 'Hard Rock Café', an unforgettable setting in the shade of towering boulders. *(Picnic sites can vary depending on season)*



## SOLITUDE: DISCONNECT TO RECONNECT

*Duration: 30-45 minutes*

This signature Wolwedans experience includes 30–45 minutes in peaceful silence. For those seeking a moment of personal reflection in the quiet, we offer the opportunity to leave your phone behind and sit in solitude in a remote spot within the dunes, fully embracing the stillness and beauty of the desert.

Recognized by Quiet Parks International, Wolwedans has an exceptionally quiet environment, where only sounds of nature abound. Quiet Parks International is an organization that works to protect natural quiet spaces, helping to preserve the few places in the world where the peace of nature is still intact, free from man-made noise.

As a recognized quiet place, this rare access to silence, allows you to tune into the subtle sounds of nature, experiencing a profound sense of quiet in mind, body, and soul.

For those wishing to connect with the ancient landscape on a deeper level, this experience can be arranged during a sunrise or sundowner drive.

*"Silence is not the absence of something but the presence of everything."*

*– Gordon Hempton, acoustic ecologist.*



## BUSHMAN WALK

*Duration: 2-3 hours*

Join an immersive Bushman walk, guided by an experienced Bushman, as you traverse the Namib sand dunes.

This excursion offers a unique opportunity to explore the desert landscape on foot and delve into its intricate details. As you journey through the dunes, you'll interpret the "morning newspaper" left by small critters overnight, gaining insights into their nocturnal activities. You'll also track the fascinating toktokkie beetle, a remarkable creature vital to the ecosystem, and might even be lucky enough to spot the Dancing White Lady spider as it darts across the sand.

This walk provides a fresh perspective on the natural world, shifting from passive observation to active participation. It highlights the tiny, yet significant, life forms often overlooked from the comfort of a vehicle.

It's possible to combine your bushman walk with the Heart and Home village tour and lunch in the gardens.

*"The Bushmen read the desert like a book, every track a story, every breeze a whisper of life."*



## HEART & HOME BACKSTAGE TOUR



*Duration: 1 to 3 hours*

The Wolwedans Village is our base camp of operations. Meet the team and learn about the community-driven initiatives, including the sustainability projects that make Wolwedans a renowned leader in sustainable tourism. This tour offers a thought-provoking look into the way of life at Wolwedans, and an insight into the Wolwedans Foundation's AridEden mission.

The AridEden Project, encapsulating the Wolwedans Vision 2030 and beyond, is a strategy that integrates our 5Cs sustainability commitment (Commerce, Conservation, Community, Culture, Consciousness). This approach balances people, planet, and profit, with a focus on empowering our team, fostering well-being, and driving consciousness about sustainable solutions.

### **Village Introduction:**

A 1-hour Wolwedans Backstage tour ending in the garden.

### **Village Immersion:**

A 2-3 hour more in-depth experience concludes with lunch in the gardens.

### **Family Treasure Hunt:**

A 1-hour fun and interactive way to explore the behind-the-scenes of a desert camp. Kids might search for a carrot in the garden, or crush a can in the recycling zone - learning while playing.



## LEAVE YOUR MARK



We invite you to contribute to the Wolwedans Foundation through leaving your mark in the desert. The full amount collected goes to the Wolwedans Foundation and each adoption supports a different project being run by the Foundation.

*ADDITIONAL CHARGES APPLY*

### **Adopt & Plant a Tree:**

Contribute to the restoration of the local ecosystem and help combat desertification by planting a tree in this vital conservation effort. Proceeds go into the Wolwedans Horticulture Project. The tree planting takes about 15 minutes. Your tree has your name on a plaque and we hope you will visit us again to see how it has grown.

### **Adopt a Fairy Circle:**

Help preserve one of Namibia's most intriguing natural phenomena by adopting a fairy circle. This project supports the conservation arm of the NamibRand Nature Reserve.

### **Adopt a SiloTile:**

A new initiative with the addition of the silo bar at Dune Camp. Each tile on the silo contributes to our trash to treasure project. All proceeds go towards the waste & recycling plant in Maltahohe, which is part of Rural Revive. Waste is something each of us contribute to on a daily basis, yet few of us think about the impact. In a pristine environment like the NamibRand, creative waste management is a top priority.



## E-BIKE RIDE

For fitness enthusiasts, an exhilarating E-Bike adventure awaits, led by our friendly and knowledgeable guides. This experience takes you deep into the dunes and across the expansive plains of the desert, providing a unique perspective that's typically only accessible by 4x4 vehicles.

Whatever your level, our E-Bike guides ensure you get the most out of this high-energy excursion, blending fitness with exploration for an unforgettable desert adventure.

### **Morning or Evening Ride**

*Duration 1.5-2 hours*

Pedal through the shifting sands and have the opportunity to connect with the desert's beauty. Morning rides can be combined with a Village Tour with a lunch or end back in camp where you dip into your private chiller. Evening rides end with sundowners in the dunes.

### **Full Day Ride**

*Duration 4-6 hours*

Experienced riders are invited to take part on a full day of riding across the dunes. Along the journey, pause for a picnic in a secluded spot. The excitement of conquering the challenging landscape on two wheels, is matched only by the breathtaking views you'll encounter along the way. This is better suited to our cooler winter months (June – August)

*ADDITIONAL CHARGES APPLY*



## HORSE RIDING

For riders of all kinds, a range of riding experiences is available. Depending on the rider's experience level, the rides can include a mix of galloping, trotting, or walking through the dunes and expansive plains. Whether seasoned or new to horseback riding, these guided rides are designed to suit individual abilities while offering an unforgettable journey through the terrain.

### **Morning Ride**

*Duration 2 hours*

Set off on a morning horseback ride through the desert, departing from the village and ideal for young adventurers. This gentle ride offers a unique way to explore the landscape and is the perfect precursor to a relaxing lunch in the village garden.

*ADDITIONAL CHARGES APPLY*

### **Sunset Ride**

*Duration 2-3 hours*

Take a leisurely 2.5-hour horseback ride through the desert at sunset, exploring the vast landscape as the colors of the sky shift with the fading light. Along the way, stop for sundowners, enjoying a refreshing drink while soaking in the untamed beauty of the desert.

*ADDITIONAL CHARGES APPLY*

### **Full Day Ride**

*Duration 6 hours*

Experienced riders seeking a deeper connection with nature may opt for a full-day horseback ride through the desert landscape. From the horseback vantage point, you'll experience the enduring beauty of the desert. Along the journey, pause for a picnic in a secluded spot.

*ADDITIONAL CHARGES APPLY*



## STAR BED

*Duration: Overnight*

### **Only available at Dune Camp & Mountain View Suite**

Our sky is officially recognized by the International Dark-Sky Association (IDA), it is exceptionally dark and free from light pollution. We work with IDA to protect and preserve our view of the stars, ensuring that the night sky reveals itself in ways you won't find anywhere else.

For guests staying at Dune Camp and Mountain View Suite, make the most of these pristine night skies by spending a night in your Star Bed. Situated on the deck of each room, the Star Bed offers the perfect balance of comfort and adventure.

If you would like to sleep under the stars, please ask the Camp Anchor to set this up for you.

*“When you look up at the stars, you’re looking at the history of the universe.”*

*– Carl Sagan, astronomer and astrophysicist*



## DESERT SLEEPOUT

*Duration: Overnight & Seasonally available*

Experience the magic of Namibia's wilderness like never before with Wolwedans' exclusive Desert Sleepout. Savor the sunset, marvel at the sunrise, and gaze upon skies brimming with stars. This unique adventure in the heart of the Namib Desert invites you to leave the ordinary behind and immerse yourself in the vastness above and beyond.

This is a private activity with a dedicated guide who will be nearby throughout the night, to ensure your comfort and safety, while respecting your privacy. This is a seasonally available from September – May for stays of 3 nights or more, and not available from Boulders Camp.

### **Dinner hamper in the dunes**

The majestic Namib Desert sets the stage for an extraordinary dining location. Enjoy your sleep out with a simple dinner hamper under the vast African sky and wake up to a sunrise coffee with the dunes as your backdrop.

*ADDITIONAL CHARGES APPLY*

### **Morning coffee with meals in camp**

Head out into the dunes after dinner in camp for a once-in-a-lifetime sleeping experience. End your sleep-out with a morning coffee in the remote dunes, allowing the peaceful desert morning to envelop you.

*ADDITIONAL CHARGES APPLY*

Desert Sleepout requires a minimum 3-night stay, is available from September – May (June-Aug have very low night temperatures) and needs to be pre-booked at reservations level.



## SPECIAL MEALS

*Duration: Variable*

### **Garden Lunch**

Enjoy a healthy lunch in the Wolwedans vegetable garden. Normally done after a Heart & Home tour, garden lunches can also be booked as a stand-alone activity, in case you don't join a Heart & Home, or following a scenic morning drive or horse ride. Either way, you should not miss a lunch in the garden.

### **Dune Breakfast**

Kickstart the day with a one-of-a-kind breakfast tucked between Namibian dunes. Whether a short walk from camp or paired with a sunrise drive, this experience offers an unforgettable start to your day in one of the most awe-inspiring landscapes on Earth.

*ADDITIONAL CHARGES APPLY*

### **Dinner Under the Stars**

End your day with a memorable dinner beneath the stars. Savor exquisite cuisine during this Private dinner set in a secret location at the heart of the desert.

*ADDITIONAL CHARGES APPLY*



## WELLNESS & MASSAGE

*Duration: Variable*

Indulge in a range of luxurious wellness and massage treatments designed to rejuvenate both body and mind, all within the comfort of your room.

Whether you're looking for a soothing massage, invigorating body treatments, or holistic therapies, our expertly tailored services are crafted to provide the ultimate relaxation and renewal. For a complete list of available treatments and pricing, please consult the spa menu. All services are available for booking onsite upon arrival.

*ADDITIONAL CHARGES APPLY*



## NAMIB SKY BALLOONING

*Duration: Full morning*

Experience the thrill of a hot air balloon flight with an early morning adventure.

Begin your day with a pre-dawn wake-up, followed by a 1 to 1.5-hour drive to the balloon launch site. Once there, you'll have the opportunity to soar above the stunning landscape, taking in breathtaking views that are truly unforgettable. End this extraordinary experience with a champagne breakfast at the landing spot.

This unique activity requires advance booking, with reservations needed at least one day before your planned flight. Prepare for an extraordinary journey that offers a fresh perspective on the landscape and a truly transformative start to your day, one that will stay with you long after the journey ends.

*ADDITIONAL CHARGES APPLY*



## ACTIVITY TERMS & CONDITIONS

- All rates are quoted in Namibian Dollars and subject to change without prior notice.
- We endeavor to ensure that all guests are happy and have the full Wolwedans experience and recommend a 3, if not 4-night stay (hence the Stay 3 Pay 2 special offer).
- Desert Sleepout requires a minimum 3-night stay, is available from September – April (May –Aug have very low night temperatures) and needs to be pre-booked at reservations level.
- All other activities can be pre-booked or booked on site.
- While the desert is mostly dry and warm/hot, activities are weather dependent. This especially impacts activities like Star Beds, Desert Sleep-out, Special Meals and hot-air Ballooning. Some activities can only take place in the warmer months (sleepouts) and others in the cooler months (full day e-bike rides)
- TAKE NOTE: We do not offer guided trips to Sossusvlei due to a distance of over 200km each way on a gravel road. It is 2+ hour drive to the Sesriem gate followed by a further 45-minutes to reach Sossusvlei itself. We recommend spending a night near Sesriem should you wish to visit Sossusvlei; please let us know and we can advise.