

Dar - Namibia: Starting December 15

Budget: [Namibia Trip Costs](#)

Day 1: Dar - Tukuyu (860 km)

- Departure: 0300hrs
- **Accommodation: Bongo Camping Site //**

Day 2: Tukuyu - Nkhata Bay, Malawi (360 km)

- Departure: 0800hrs
- Cross Kasumulu OSBP. Kasumulu to Nkhata Bay is 315 km
- Enjoy the beach and sleep by Lake Malawi/Nyasa
- **Accommodation: Butterfly Space or Soul Rebel //**

Day 3: Nkhata Bay - Chipata, Zambia, via Lundazi border (400 km)

- Departure: 0800hrs
- Nkhata - Lundazi (Malawi - Zambia border) is 214 km, for fuel purposes vs Malawi's crisis
- The road may have a lot of potholes ([Link](#))
- **Accommodation: Mama Rula or Kigelia //**

Day 4: Chipata - Lusaka (590 km)

- Departure: 0700hrs
- **Accommodation: Eureka //**

Day 5: Free day in Lusaka

- Explore Lusaka. Some options:
 - EastPark Mall
 - Manda Hill Shopping Mall
 - Lusaka National Museum
 - Munda Wanga Park
 - 37D Gallery (art gallery)
 - Chilenje house (Kaunda's "covert operations" house)
- **Accommodation:**

Day 6: Lusaka - Livingstone (490 km)

- Departure: 0700hrs
- Sunset boat cruise over the Zambezi
- Dine at Cafe Zambezi (crocodile ribs and caterpillars)
- **Accommodation:**

Day 7: Free day in Livingstone

- Options:
 - Cross over to Zimbabwe
 - Victoria Falls
 - Bungee jumping

- White rhino game drive (Mosi-Oa-Tunya park)
- **Accommodation:**

Day 8: Livingstone - Maun, Botswana (666 km)

- Departure: 0700hrs
- Stop at Kazungula to visit the quadripoint (62 km from Livingstone)
- **Accommodation:**

Day 9: Free day in Maun (555 km)

- Explore the Okavango Delta
- **Accommodation:**

Day 10: Maun - Windhoek, Namibia (555 km)

- Departure: 0600hrs
- Cross the border to Namibia at Buitepos
- **Accommodation:**

Day 11: Free day in Windhoek - Merry Christmas

- Hire a 4x4 car to Sesriem for the next day or sort out a shuttle
- Some options
 - Consider this generally in Namibia - [Link](#)
 - Guided city tour with the San (bushmen)
 - [National Museum of Namibia](#)
 - [Independence Memorial](#)
 - [Christuskirche](#)
 - [Old wheelers museum](#) (open on Saturdays from 11am)
- **Accommodation:**

Day 12: Windhoek - Sesriem (305 km)

- Departure: 1000hrs
- Carry a lot of snacks and water, as the roads can be empty
- **Accommodation:**

Day 13: Sesriem - Sossusvlei - Sesriem (130 km)

- Leave very early (at least an hour before sunset)
- Namib-Naukluft National Park. Carry closed shoes. The place gets brutally hot after 10 AM. Activities:
 - Dune 45
 - Big Daddy Dune
 - Dead Vlei
 - Sesriem Canyon
- **Accommodation:**

Day 14: Sesriem - Swakopmund (350 km)

- Departure: 0900hrs
- Stop by the Tropic of Capricorn
- Visit Walvis Bay's lagoon (spot flamingos)

- **Accommodation:**

Day 15: Free day in Swakopmund

- Sandwich Harbour Tour (desert meeting the sea). Recommended to do a full 7-hour tour
- **Accommodation:**

Day 16: Free day in Swakopmund - Happy New Year

- Kayaking with seals
- ATVing, quadbiking, and sandboarding the dunes, **especially Dune 7**
- Zeila Shipwreck
- **Accommodation:**

Day 17: Swakopmund - Windhoek (361 km)

- Departure: 1200hrs
- In the morning, do the Swakopmund walk tour, visiting the jetty and the town
- Drop-off the hired 4x4 vehicle
- **Accommodation:**

Day 18: Windhoek - Kang, Botswana (710 km)

- Departure: 0600hrs
- **Accommodation:**

Day 19: Kang - Johannesburg, South Africa (750 km)

- Departure: 0600hrs
- Pass by Gaborone
- Cross to SA
- **Accommodation:**

Day 20: Johannesburg

- Museum of Illusion
- Apartheid museum
- Red bus tour - <https://citysightseeing.co.za/en/joburg/johannesburg-timetable> (TZS 110,000 / R 705 per adult per day)
 - Gold Reef City
 - Soweto
 - Orlando towers
 - Mandela house
- **Accommodation:**

Day 21: Johannesburg

- Pretoria
 - Union buildings / Mandela statue
 - Freedom Park
 - Voortrekker monument
- [Lion walk](#) - 113 km from Joburg
- [Hector Pieterse museum/memorial](#)
- [Liliesland Farm](#)

- [James Hall Museum of Transport \(free entry\)](#)
- **Accommodation:**

Day 22: Johannesburg - Maseru, Lesotho (440 km)

- Departure: 0600hrs
- National museum
- Maseru mall
- **Accommodation:**

Day 23: Free day in Maseru

- [Thaba Bosiu cultural village](#)
- Maluti mountains
- Maletsunyane Falls
- **Accommodation:**

Day 24: Maseru - Gaborone, Botswana (660 km)

- Departure: 0700hrs
- **Accommodation:**

Day 25: Gaborone - Francistown (440 km)

- Departure: 0800hrs
- **Accommodation:**

Day 26: Francistown - Livingstone, Zambia (560 km)

- Departure: 0800hrs
- **Accommodation:**

Day 27: Livingstone - Lusaka (480 km)

- Departure: 0800hrs
- **Accommodation:**

Day 28: Lusaka - Mpika (650 km)

- Departure: 0800hrs
- **Accommodation:**

Day 29: Mpika - Mbeya (480 km)

- Departure: 0800hrs
- **Accommodation:**

Day 30: Mbeya - Dar (825 km)

- Departure: 0600hrs
- **Accommodation:**
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Key things to note:

1. Zambia requires white (front) and red (back) reflector stickers on the cars
 2. There is a 10 PM curfew for foreign vehicles in Zambia
 3. In Botswana, Mascom is considered one of the fastest network service providers
 4. Botswana has a lot of elephants on the road
 5. Tunduma - Lusaka and in Namibia and Botswana, some stretches can be “deserted” for up to 300 km
 6. Interpol is very aggressive. Remember to have proper documentation
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Alternative route:

[Google Maps Link](#)

Day 1: Dar - Tukuyu / 860km
Day 2: Tukuyu - Chipata (Zambia) / 720km
Day 3: Chipata - Lusaka / 580km
Day 4: Lusaka - Livingstone / 480km
Day 5: Livingstone
Day 6: Livingstone - Maun (Botswana) / 670km
Day 7: Maun - Windhoek (Namibia) / 810km
Day 8 - 9.5: Windhoek (Service the car)
Day 9.5: Windhoek - Swakopmund / 360km
Day 10: Swakopmund
Day 11: Swakopmund - Sesriem / 350km
Day 12: Sesriem - Sossusvlei - Sesriem (Hired/chartered cars) / 150km
Day 13: Sesriem - Grunau / 650km (there are alternative, shorter routes. Also, sleep at White house guest farm)
Day 14: Grunau - Cape Town (South Africa) / 830km
Day 15 - 17: Cape Town
Day 18: Route 62, Cape Town - Gqeberha (Port Elizabeth) / 780km
Day 19: Gqeberha - Maseru (Lesotho) / 710 km
Day 20: Maseru
Day 21: Maseru - Mbabane (Eswatini) / 650km

***In case of any disruption**

Day 21: Maseru - Johannesburg (South Africa) / 430km

Day 22 - 24: Johannesburg

Day 25: Johannesburg - Francistown (Botswana) / 720km

Day 26: Francistown - Harare (Zimbabwe) / 640km

Day 27: Harare - Chipata (Zambia) / 770km

Day 28: Chipata - Tunduma (Tanzania) / 740km

Day 29 - 30: Tunduma - Dar

Day 22: Mbabane
Day 22 - 23: Mbabane - Maputo (Mozambique) / 220km
Day 24: Maputo - Johannesburg (South Africa) / 560km
Day 25 - 27: Johannesburg (Service the car)
Day 28: Johannesburg - Francistown (Botswana) / 720km
Day 29: Francistown - Harare (Zimbabwe) / 640km

Day 30: Harare - Chipata (Zambia) / 770km

Day 31: Chipata - Tunduma (Tanzania) / 740km

Day 32: Tukumyu - Dar / 860km (Service the car)