



Lodge Overview

Nestled within some of the most iconic landscapes in Damaraland, Namibia, Ondjamba Hills offers an eclectic fusion of nature, rustic old-world safari charm with modern chic, creating harmony with the dramatic environment and nature.

Large Meru-style safari tents embellished with brick en-suite bathrooms with large glass sliding doors for unimpeded views. The camp is fully off-grid, having its own boreholes for water and being powered by solar energy with a back-up generator. Although the camp is powered by solar, water is heated using old-school, traditional “donkies” (geysers heated by fire) adding the sense of uniqueness of the great outdoors and the smell of woodsmoke.

Everything at Ondjamba is about the romance and experience of travel in Africa. Untouched wilderness at your doorstep, with views on the majestic Brandberg (Namibia’s highest Mountain) and the ephemeral Ugab riverbed and the granite “kopjes” dotted in the landscape.

The common areas are built using bricks, wooden poles, thatch and canvas – all circular structures to fit in aesthetically with the granite boulders in the area. Its architecture lets the structures blend into the surrounding boulders dotted around the area with some even being part of the infrastructure. The highlight however remains the pristine landscape the camp is located in.

Location & Environment

Portraying some of the most iconic scenery of Namibia. Placed halfway between the Etosha National Park and the Skeleton Coast, the camp is situated on a hill off the Ugab River – the location is simply surreal.

It literally looks directly down onto the Ugab riverbed. “Real Damaraland” with granite boulders and winding ephemeral riverbeds. The landscape consists of rugged granite hills, largely semi-desert, and sparse savannah.



Accommodation

- A total of twenty (20) 10m x 5m en-suite tents (Family friendly)
- No air conditioner, but fans are available
- Water is heated using traditional ‘donkeys’
- Charging station in each tent
- Outside veranda with seating arrangements
- Natural walkways with Solar lights for access to and from the tents
- Family-friendly
- Mosquito net



🔍 Facilities

- Reception
- Morning Coffee butler service
- Solar powered
- Wi-Fi is available in the in the common area
- Restaurant
- Lounge
- Swimming pool
- Pool bar with toilet
- Guest toilets at main area
- Natural Fire Pit
- Waterhole on the edge of the Ugab River
- Walkways to various viewing spots
- Parking area for guests
(parking for 2 x 4 is available here)

📍 Directions

To reach the property that is 40km northwest of Uis next to the Ugab River, follow these driving instructions:

1. Starting your journey from Uis:
2. Follow the C35 road towards Khorixas.
3. You will be driving through scenic landscapes, so keep an eye out for the beautiful surroundings.
4. Follow the C35 for approximately 30 km (about 18.6 miles) from Uis.
5. Turn left at the lodge entrance.
6. Follow the Jeep track with direction boards for about 4 km before turning right
7. From here you will be descending down to the Ugab River bed.
8. After about 3 km you'll reach the parking bay of the lodge. Note: the last 150m cross a soft riverbed and a 4x4 or vehicle with high ground clearance is recommended.
9. Once you have arrived at the property, park your vehicle in the designated area and enjoy your stay! Please note that road conditions may vary depending on weather and other factors. It's a good idea to check with the property for any road updates or recommendations before you begin your journey.

Happy travels and enjoy your time next to the beautiful Ugab River!

🚗 Activities

- River drives in search of the elusive Desert Elephants
- Full day excursions in and around the private concession through untouched wilderness and riverbeds with remote picnic lunches under camelthorn trees.
- Half day excursion to Brandberg Mountain
- Walking trails (guided & unguided)
- Visit of local villages
- Nature and/ or Sundowner Drives
- Bushman painting walk or drive

🌿 Environmental Stewardship

At our property, we take environmental conservation seriously. Through our robust recycling program, we ensure that most of our waste is recycled, minimizing our ecological footprint. When you stay with us, you can be assured that your stay contributes to a healthier planet.

👥 Empowering Local Communities

We believe in empowering the local communities that surround our lodge. Through dedicated training initiatives, we provide valuable skills and employment opportunities to the residents. We produce our fresh produce from the community vegetable gardens. By choosing our property, you become part of a movement that uplifts and supports the people who call this place home.

🌱 A Responsible Choice

When you choose to stay with us, you're making a conscious decision to support responsible tourism. Your holiday becomes more than just a vacation; it becomes a force for good, leaving a positive impact on the planet and the lives of the people who call this place home. Together we make a difference!

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