

Angela, Namibia was terrific. Thanks very much...again...for helping put together this "trip of a lifetime".

The two outstanding accolades go to Thys, our guide and to the Mowani Mountain Camp/Lodge. We strongly commend both for obviously very different reasons. From our perspective the setting, the food, etc makes Mowani almost a several day destination/relax place as well as great for the activities. The guides there were very good.

The only place we actually did not like much as a place to stay...that is the room itself...was Etosha Safari Lodge. The setting/sunset was beautiful...food was fine. The room was much too dark. I think that is literally the only thing that fell on the negative side of the ledger of the whole trip.

Itinerary was excellent. I would not delete anything. First thing I would add probably is more of the northwest.

I worried that the Himba Village would be too much contrived. It was not. The buffet at Sosussvlei was excellent. We were unable to see the dunes at sunrise...the winds were too strong, but we went in the afternoon...outstanding. We went to Deadvlei which Thys said was much better than Sosussvlei itself. Didn't see the latter/ran out of time...but where we did go was terrific.

Beach Lodge and its restaurant were outstanding. The rest of the accommodations were very good. We added a small plane ride from Swakopmund to Sosussvlei. I recommend it. Ship wrecks, sand dunes, diamond camps, salt pans, coast line and you avoid a 4-5 hour drive over quite bumpy roads.

As you can tell we enjoyed very much. You can be sure we'll be back in touch...although our actual next trip to Africa might be a little longer apart than this time:-).

All the best,
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