

NATIONAL PARK · NAMIBIA · KUNENE

Etosha

at a glance

A salt pan of some 4,800 km² (1,853 sq mi), with wildlife gathering at the waterholes around its edge, and a park you drive through yourself.

24

MINIMUM CHARGE
hours

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BEFORE YOU GO



22,935 square kilometres (8,855 sq mi)

That is larger than Slovenia and larger than the German state of Hesse.



Protected since 1907

Etosha is one of the oldest protected areas in Africa and, according to the ministry, Namibia's flagship park and the most visited ...



Via Outjo to the southern gate

From Hosea Kutako Airport near Windhoek, the usual route runs via Otjiwarongo and Outjo on the C38 to Ombika Gate near Okaukuejo.



The pan is usually dry

The Etosha Pan is what remains of a lake once fed by the Kunene River.



Stay in your vehicle

You may only leave a camp in a vehicle, and outside a camp or a designated stopping place you may neither get out nor lean out of the ...



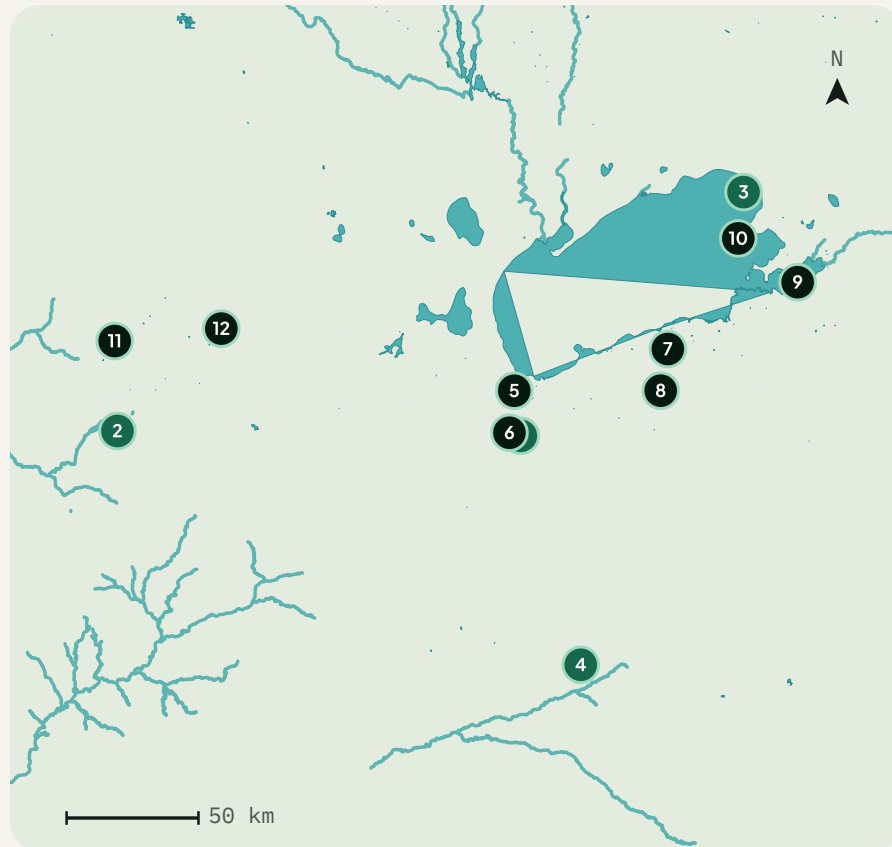
Not before sunrise, not after sunset

Leaving a camp before sunrise or arriving after sunset is prohibited, as is crossing the park boundaries between sunset and sunrise.



Fees and opening hours, up to date

Fees and times change. The park page lists them with source and date:
nationalparksatlas.com/en/namibia/etosha



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| 1 Ombika Gate (Andersson Gate) | 7 Halali Camp |
| 2 Galton Gate | 8 Moringa Waterhole |
| 3 King Nehale Gate | 9 Fort Namutoni |
| 4 Outjo | 10 Onkoshi Camp |
| 5 Okaukuejo Camp | 11 Dolomite Camp |
| 6 Okaukuejo Waterhole | 12 Olifantsrus |

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THINGS TO DO

The floodlit waterholes

Okaukuejo, Halali and Namutoni each have a waterhole right by the camp that is floodlit at night.

Self-drive from waterhole to waterhole

The main route runs from Okaukuejo via Salvador and Homob to Halali and on via Goas and Chudob to Namutoni.

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West of Okaukuejo stands a dense stand of African moringa trees that the park authority calls the Fairytale ...

The buffalo is missing

The ministry's own page lists lion, rhino, elephant and giraffe as "four of the Big Five".

[More on the park page](#)

Guided game drives from the camps

Okaukuejo and Halali offer guided morning, afternoon and night drives; Namutoni and the smaller camps offer ...

Etosha Lookout

A spur road leads out onto the pan itself.

Birds at Fisher's Pan

Namutoni lies near Fisher's Pan, which the operator explicitly names as a hotspot for birdwatchers.

Black rhino as the flagship

The park authority points to a long record in protecting the black rhino; white rhinos were only reintroduced ...

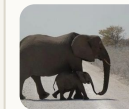
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Night game drive from the resorts inside the park

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