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In 1991, several families invested in the future by turning four unproductive cattle ranches in Northern Namibia into a prolific 30,000-hectare private game reserve that is now a haven to large concentrations of wildlife. Sharing a common boundary with Etosha National Park, Ongava is considered one of the finest private game reserves in the region, enjoying global recognition for exceptional conservation, groundbreaking research and exciting safari experiences.
The surprising mix of peace and adrenaline, the quiet of the bush and the sudden burst of energy as wild animals congregate at waterholes; this is the magic of the African bush, where you experience the unexpected.

Ongava is one of the largest private game reserves in Namibia, with over 125 square miles to explore. Climb into an open vehicle for game drives on Ongava and into neighbouring Etosha National Park to view the astonishing variety of life found in this spectacular environment.

Lions, black and white rhinos, elephants, giraffe and several stunning species of antelope, including rare black-faced impala, are at home on the reserve. Our experienced guides share with their guests an intimate knowledge of the wildlife and the land that is part of their natural heritage.

Rhino tracking on foot in the company of your trained guides is a part of our quintessential African adventure. Nature walks, photographic hides, lounging by the pool, or relaxing on your private deck are all wonderful ways to enjoy and reflect on your journey of a lifetime.

Enjoy close encounters with Ongava’s rare and beautiful wildlife.

If you love animals, you’re in for a rare treat...

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Nestled in the mountains and plains, Ongava Game Reserve provides visitors with the ultimate in accommodation, offering comfort, luxury and a connection to the earth. Each lodge on Ongava has its own unique style, layout and atmosphere; but all offer the same wonderful sense of luxurious seclusion. Built from local materials in traditional fashion, they blend tastefully into the surrounding landscape, allowing visitors to feel at one with nature.

Spacious lounge areas, reflecting the colours and textures of the African bush, invite guests to relax, enjoy a drink from the bar, or simply gaze out into the distance and be surprised as Ongava’s spectacular wildlife emerges from the bush. Every guest suite is individually designed and appointed to the highest levels of quality and comfort, and our dedicated guides and catering staff are always available to ensure that your stay at Ongava is unforgettable.

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Welcome to

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Ongava Lodge is one of Namibia’s premier lodges on one of the country’s most important private game reserves. Perched on a ridge with seemingly endless views across the plains, Ongava Lodge’s air-conditioned brick, rock and thatch chalets, each with en-suite facilities, offer a relaxing retreat in the African bush. Gather at the main thatched dining area and enjoy a drink at the bar while watching wildlife congregate and interact at the floodlit waterhole.

**THE DETAILS**

**Rooms**
- 14 in total
- 13 twin bed chalets
- 1 family chalet that sleeps up to 4

**Bathrooms**
- All rooms are en-suite with double basins, plus indoor and outdoor showers.

**Accommodation facilities**
- Private viewing deck
- Air conditioning
- Internet services in the lapa
- Overhead fans
- Tea/coffee
- Hairdryers
- 220V power

Your lodge experience includes:
- Thatched dining area and bar plus waterhole views
- Wi-Fi service in the lounge
- Swimming pool
- Curio shop
- A dedicated guide
- Shared game drive vehicle

**Activities on site (some may be seasonal)**
- Bird watching
- Game drives
- Game viewing
- Nature walks
- Rhino tracking
- Photographic hide

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Designed for privacy, luxury and an intimacy with the land, Little Ongava is set on a high hill with pristine views across the plains. A long boardwalk meanders over rocks and trees, connecting the beautiful main lounge and dining area with one of three breathtaking, secluded thatch-roofed bungalows. Each bungalow is like a home, featuring a large sitting room with a fireplace, a private deck, infinity pool and sala. The overall impression is one of pure natural indulgence indoors, surrounded by untamed nature outdoors.

THE DETAILS

Rooms
3 luxury villas with king size bed (can be changed to doubles on request, sharing for children is accommodated)

Bathrooms
En-suite with double basins and bathtub, plus indoor and outdoor showers.

Accommodation facilities
Private plunge pool & sala, air conditioning, wi-fi service in rooms, sitting room & viewing deck, veranda, fireplace, bar-fridge, safe, tea/coffee, hairdryers & 220V power.

Your lodge experience includes
Thatched/outdoor dining area with waterhole views, a dedicated guide and shared game drive vehicle (private vehicle and guide bookings are available).

Activities on site (some may be seasonal)
Bird watching, Game drives, Game viewing, Nature walks, Rhino tracking, Photographic hide.

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Immersed in the African Mopani bush, Ongava Tented Camp is a natural extension of this wild, wonderful landscape.

Large, comfortable walk-in tents with views across to a prolific waterhole are evocative of this classic African safari. All meals are enjoyed in the thatched dining area where a pool area affords an intimate view of the waterhole. Share a drink and the sunset in the close company of lion, eland, waterbuck, kudu and other fascinating animals as part of your ultimate safari experience.

THE DETAILS

Rooms
8 tents in total
6 twin-bedded tents
1 double-bedded tent
1 family unit that comprises 2 tents sleeping up to 4 guests (sharing for children is accommodated)

Bedrooms
En-suite with double basins, plus indoor and outdoor showers.

Accommodation facilities
Classic Meru-style tents with double doors, covered veranda and a safe.

Your lodge experience includes
Stone/thatched dining area, bar & deck with camp fire and waterhole views, curio shop, swimming pool, a dedicated guide and shared game drive vehicle.

Activities on site (some may be seasonal)
Bird watching, Game drives, Game viewing, Nature walks, Rhino tracking.

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Ongava was founded on bold ideas - land reclamation and rehabilitation, reintroduction of wildlife, and the creation of a partnership for the future that is vital for the health of the planet and our souls.

With pressing environmental issues threatening our future, Ongava is once again responding to the needs of the planet and our guests with the creation of Andersson’s at Ongava and the Ongava Research Centre (ORC); the next generation in eco-tourism.

Taking a lesson from the wild in the power of symbiotic relationships, Andersson’s at Ongava provides an interactive hub for guests to be a part of conservation science, where cutting edge technology meets hands on, field-based research.

Guests at Andersson’s at Ongava have the option of being immersed in and can contribute to developing creative, knowledge driven solutions with resident scientists, visiting researchers, conservationists and rhino security personnel; or simply relaxing and enjoying the luxurious guest suites, waterhole, photographic hide, and pool where they will find their own personal place for reflection.

Ensuring a light footprint and an exceptional experience, Andersson’s at Ongava will have seven contemporary designed luxury guest units and one family unit, accommodating a maximum of 18 Guests.

With colors, textures and materials that connect guests more closely to the safari experience, the guest suites at Andersson’s at Ongava are designed to inspire.

With the architecture is a direct extension of the landscape itself, the Andersson’s at Ongava guest suites are designed as a direct extension of the landscape, with a natural stone buttress that draws guests in and engenders a deep sense of place. Using natural elements and luxurious touches, the spacious suites reflect the environment, while offering guests a climate-controlled sanctuary in the bush. Each suite has a private viewing deck with a 180 degree panorama.

The generously proportioned suites continue the theme of discovery with decor that lends itself to a naturalist’s home. Scientific tomes, journals and a curated collection of published papers, and a digital archive are available to further pique one’s curiosity.

Each guest suite comprises of en-suite facilities with separate toilet, double indoor shower and outdoor shower; double vanity basin; mosquito net; tea and coffee making facilities; hairdryer and electronic safe. During winter, cosy hot water bottles and extra blankets are provided.

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Central to the design of the new Andersson’s at Ongava is the connection to the wild, and it is most keenly felt at the waterhole and nearby underground photographic hide. Here guests have a water level view of the prolific wild and birdlife on Ongava Game Reserve, in a setting that inspires intimacy without intrusion.

A centrally positioned infinity-edge swimming pool and surrounding lounge area allows for relaxing in sheltered nooks with views of the waterhole and beyond.

The social area, where guests gather for meals and to meet fellow wildlife enthusiasts, guides and naturalists, encompasses an undercover and open-air dining area, a spacious lounge and bar, a sunken observation terrace, and open fireplaces to take away the winter chill.

For specialist photographic parties, there is a dedicated photographic nook for review and editing of images.

Completing the camp are features such as a uniquely Namibian curio shop, library, complimentary Wi-Fi, and connectivity to the research data developed over years of diligent and cutting edge scientific endeavours on Ongava.

A short walk away with the camp’s bounds is the Ongava Research Centre where resident scientists are at home in the lab and within the Game Reserve. Guests to interface with the science and research will primarily take place at the ORC Visitor Centre, where at their leisure, guests are encouraged to meander through the self-guided exhibition area. The adjacent 36-seat auditorium is designed for interactive presentations and discussions.
Ongava Game Reserve in Namibia is home to some of the most rare and endangered species of wild animals on the planet. Our mission at Ongava Research Centre is to help protect them.

Cutting edge research into the genetics of Ongava’s rhino population is just one example of how the work being done at Ongava Research Centre is making a difference to conservation not only in Namibia but also throughout Africa.

Through our parentage analysis of Ongava’s closed white and black rhino populations, we are continuing to play a leading role in the conservation and recovery of these species. Together with research and habitat management, we aim to manage Ongava Game Reserve’s precious natural resources for the benefit of all the wild creatures that share this fragile environment, protecting them now and for generations to come.

Your support allows us to continue this vital research and our role as custodian and protector of these endangered species. Find out more about our work at www.orc.com.na

Help the cause… and make a difference.