

## Windhoek

### A cultural mix reflecting a colonial past

In the center of the country and in the heart of the Namibian mountains, Windhoek is a gentle mix of modernity and cultural diversity. The combination of roads and railways makes it a major commercial attraction for its medium size.

The city itself has nothing to do with the **wilderness of the rest of the country**, yet its Germanic feel and dominant colonial architecture will amaze you. During your touring trip in a motorhome, a stop in the capital will allow you to settle some administrative issues if necessary but also to stroll in the historical center and its pedestrian streets.

Between the **modern buildings** and the **colonial houses** try to find one of the most famous landmarks of the capital: Christuskirche, a Lutheran church of neo-Gothic and art nouveau style built between 1907 and 1910.

But this medium-sized city is often overlooked compared to the riches of the rest of Namibia. The city is full of sights to discover. For example, visit the railway station with its **old locomotives**, which are a true testimony of the colonial occupation. You can discover the **history of Namibia** at the Old Fort Historical Museum, the exhibition will enlighten you on the situation of Namibia in the last centuries.

The Namibian capital is also a gateway to the various routes that lead to the **Etosha National Park** in the north, the **Namib Desert** in the west or the Fish River Canyon in the south.