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Windhoek, Namihia

Really, we've all got Angelina Jolie to thank for the fact that this peachy new lodge near Windhoek even exists. When more than 22,000 acres of farmland came up for sale next to the N/a'an ku sê Foundation, of which she is a supporter, Jolie suggested that hotelier Arnaud Zannier buy it (she is a huge fan of his Phum Baitang property in Cambodia). And it's a match made in private-reserve heaven. The design uses earthy tones and natural textures, from the 10 round mud buts with thatched roofs, built in the traditional style of the Owambo tribe, to the social spaces filled with linen sofas, hessian rugs and wooden African pots and stools. In between game drives (sign up for white-rhino tracking) there's not much to do but book in for Namibian massages in the spa and laze by the infinity pool, spotting curious warthogs and skittish oryx in the distance. Red Savannah (redsavannah.com; 01242 787800) offers four nights, full board, from £2,595, including flights and transfers.