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renowned artist, hangs on the walls. In the large see-through communal dome, the lodge treats guests to authentic Bolivian cuisine from Gustu, an award-winning La Paz restaurant. Think cocoa butter and llama tartar; for a tippie, a glass of Singani, Bolivia's flagship spirit.

But it's the Salar itself, by way of daily excursions in off-road vehicles, that defines this otherworldly destination. During my three-day stay, we hike cacti-dotted volcanic islands, harvest quinoa with a local farmer, shepherd a herd of llamas out to pasture, watch flamingos feed on salt-soaked algae, and drive to the lip of Tunupa, a majestic and dormant volcano. Closer to camp, guests can paddleboard, mountain bike, or, come nighttime, stargaze at the Southern Cross and learn about Andean cosmology with an expert on-site guide. — T.J. OLWIG

Details: Two-night packages from \$1,980 per person, including meals, excursions, and airport transfers. Dry season runs from April to November; wet season, December to March. kachilodge.com



Namibia

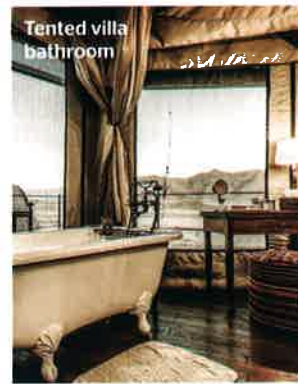
Sonop

No roughing it at this tented desert camp

BUZZ: Opened in July, Sonop features 10 tented villas perched atop mammoth boulders in the Namib desert.

The latest from Belgium-based Zannier, the lodge is a clever medley of creature comforts and stylish adventure.

STYLE: Stunning antiques elevate the lodge's "1920s British explorer" aesthetic. Supple leather trunks,



exotic carpets, old-timey candelabras, and even a huge gramophone bring this vision to life. Four-poster beds and stand-alone bathtubs keep the interiors homey.

ACHIEVING ZEN: A small spa offers body treatments featuring essential oils and homemade scrubs that highlight desert

flora. Otherwise, go for sunrise yoga, an evening meditation session, or just to lounge poolside.

DIG IN: Considering the lodge's tucked-away address, there's a surprisingly impressive culinary experience – fluffy pancakes for breakfast, a light lunch of string beans tossed with prawns, and a nightly candlelit dinner with heartier fare, from springbok stew to unexpected fish curry.

ACTIVE PURSUITS: Guided horseback riding, nature drives, and electric fat-tire biking are bundled into the all-inclusive rate. For an added cost, splurge on the day trip to the Sossusvlei sand dunes, with a gourmet breakfast on the dunes. Back at Sonop, request an after-dinner drive five minutes into the desert. This area boasts one of the planet's darkest skies, so you're in for a rare treat – a starry Milky Way visible to the naked eye. — CHADNER NAVARRO

Details: From \$645 per person, per night; zannierhotels.com/sonop



TRAVEL TIP: Partner your stay with a few days at Zannier's first Namibia project. At year-old **Omaanda**, a collection of 10 thatched-roof luxury huts in a wildlife reserve setting just outside Windhoek, game drives are all about spotting baboons, elephants, lions, and ostriches. From \$610.



Namibian beef and vegetable soup