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At Sonop Lodge, breakfast comes with a sweeping view of the Namib desert. Everything in the resort—including the pool—is designed to blend into the landscape, and luxe interiors make for a comfortable stay—even in a tent.

HAUTE SAFARI ADVENTURE WITH ZANNIER HOTELS

Perfect for nature enthusiasts who want to get away from it all while having it all

White-gloved butlers and five-course meals aren't reserved for restaurants and five-star resorts. At Zannier Hotels' newest tented retreat, Sonop Lodge, desert living just got a lot more luxe (candelabras and cigar lounge, included). Built over a stream of boulders in the secluded, southern stretch of Africa's Namib desert, the lodge's 10 tents are a far cry from the nylon, three-season type you camped in as a kid. Four-poster beds look out across the expansive, honeysuckle-colored sand in an elegant set-up that mimics the style favored by 1920sBritish explorers. Picture vintage chest of drawers to store stylish belongings and copper claw-foot tubs where guests $can\,soak\,while\,starg azing.\,Of\,course, the$ camp is not complete without modern amenities like air conditioning and a Bluetooth-connected sound system. But isolation like this is hard to find (and even harder to get to), so instead of thinking about checking in on Facebook, this is a place to go to check out. After all, there's an entire desert that's practically yours for the taking—with oryxes, brown hyenas, kudus and leopards roaming in the reserve right outside your room.

From \$650 per person, per night; zannierhotels.com/sonop

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