

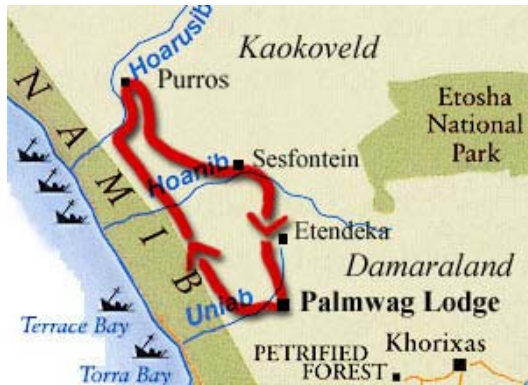
# NAMIBIA TRACKS & TRAILS

## ON THE TRACKS OF DESERT ELEPHANTS AND BLACK RHINO AND OVAHIMBA EXPERIENCE

BOOKING REF: PTS 04 A

4 days/ 3 nights

Mobile guided camping safari



### Day 1:

This safari starts from Palmwag Lodge and the trail leads into the 5000 square kilometre private Concession Area of Palmwag Lodge. Breathtaking landscapes in mountainous area teeming with game welcome the guest - springbok, Oryx, kudu, ostrich, jackal, zebra, giraffe, hyena, occasionally lion, leopard and cheetah provide excellent photographic opportunity for wildlife photography in this vast open infrastructure less wilderness area. With a bit of luck encounter the endangered Black Rhino (*Bicornis Bicornis*) and the famous Desert Elephant, which roam the area in absolute freedom.

The trail continues through game rich valleys and river beds, through gorges and past springs in search of a fresh track of black rhino or desert elephant. If lucky, we follow the guide for a few kilometres on foot and hopefully have the opportunity to enjoy the spellbinding experience of finding the rhino or the elephant in its natural habitat.

Depending on game activities, the camp will be erected in the wild in the Hunkab spring area. Sip a refreshing drink while the guide prepares the meal on an open fire and absorb the day's experiences.

### Day 2:

After breakfast enjoy a short hike for a brief inspection of the night's game activities around camp. The journey continues into the upper Mudorib River with a good chance of encountering black rhino or desert elephant in this dry and harsh desert environment. Arrive in the Hoanib River, a dry river bed densely overgrown with nutritious acacia trees providing the necessary fodder for the desert adapted elephant. Optimal chances to encounter one of the breeding herds of these giant creatures during the following game viewing drives through the valleys and side arms of this unique natural paradise.

### Day 3:

Early departure into a northerly direction following the course of the Tsuxub river all along the eastern skeleton coast boundary into the Hoarusbib river. Good opportunity to encounter plains game and desert elephant. Set up camp in the Purros community camp site with sharing ablutions. PM visit to a himba village in the area with sundowner excursion in the scenic and beautiful Hoarusbib river.

### Day 4 :

Start of the return journey in a easterly direction towards Palmwag Lodge following the game filled valley of the Gomatum river . Again the experience to find a breeding herd of desert elephant will be the highlight of today's journey. Brief visit at the village of Sesfontein and its fort, a previous Schutztruppe outpost of the former German colonial time and its six natural springs providing the village with fresh water.

Picnic lunch with refreshing swim in the pool of the warm water spring at Ongongo. Arrive back at Palmwag Lodge later afternoon. End of tour.

### INCLUDED:

- Travelling costs as per itinerary; game drives, activities, entrance- and park fees;
- Accommodation in two-man tents / double rooms;
- Full board, refreshment drinks en route, house wine and beer at dinner whilst camping;
- Experienced guiding in English or German;
- VAT and Bed levy.

### EXCLUDED:

- Expenses of a personal nature, i.e. laundry, telephone, gratuities, souvenirs, etc
- Personal-, medical- and evacuation insurances;
- Additional activities
- Alcoholic beverages and drinks

PLEASE NOTE:

- Rates are as per scheduled departures above;
- For private departures during high season (July – November) a 20% per person of the tour price is applicable;
- For private departures during low season (December – June) the above rates apply;
- It is compulsory for all guests to have comprehensive cancellation-, default-, baggage-, emergency evacuation- and medical insurance for the duration of the trip;
- The operator reserves the right to change the itinerary.

Scheduled departures: depending on booking status of PTS 04 ,this safari can be upgraded to the PTS 04 A with departures every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4th Monday in a month.