

# NAMIBIA TRACKS & TRAILS

**NAMIBIA** - a land of compelling beauty, abundant sunshine, wide horizons, endless stretches of golden sands and seas of red dunes, rocky plains, beaches, nature parks and modern towns. Discover the most remote area with us on one of our exciting camping safaris. It is off the beaten track, and many of the areas visited do not have the infrastructure that the package tourist may require. Our experienced Namibian guides and well-equipped four wheel drive vehicles and equipment promise an unforgettable adventure. The knowledge and expertise of these guides have been invaluable in putting together camping tours, which take you into sometimes desolate and inhospitable terrain.

## **DISCOVER KAOKOLAND (PTS01)**

12 days/ 11 nights

This guided safari offers the client a perfect opportunity to experience Namibia's infrastructureless north west. Encounter Namibia's desert adapted elephants, the nomadic cultural Ovahimbas, the mighty Kunene river and its spectacular Epupa waterfalls and the beauty of the Hartmann valley in total isolation far from the normal tourist routes. The tour ends with a final relaxing overnight at Palmwag Lodge (or similar) before returning back to Swakopmund via Twyfelfontein and its famous rock engravings.

Scheduled departures: 09.02.2009; 09.03.2009; 06.04.2009; 04.05.2009; 08.06.2009; 06.07.2009; 20.07.2009; 10.08.2009; 24.08.2009; 14.09.2009; 28.09.2009; 12.10.2009; 26.10.2009; 16.11.2009 and 30.11.2009

## **KAOKOLAND / KUNENE RIVER (PTS 02)**

7 days, 6 nights

Departure Palmwag Lodge into central Kaokoland, over the notorious van Zyl's Pass into the Marien River Valley. Meet the Ovahimba and get acquainted with their ancient customs and traditional way of life. Explore the Hartmann Valley during your two nights' stay at the luxurious Serra Cafema Camp. The return trip traverses the eastern border of the Skeleton Coast via the Hoarusib and the Hoanib River to Palmwag Lodge.

Scheduled departures: 16.03.2009; 13.04.2009; 11.05.2009; 15.06.2009; 13.07.2009; 03.08.2009; 17.08.2009; 07.09.2009; 21.09.2009; 05.10.2009; 19.10.2009; 09.11.2009 and 23.11.2009

## **EPUPA- AND OVAHIMBA EXPERIENCE (PTS 03)**

4 days / 3 nights

Departure from Palmwag Lodge via Sesfontein to a number of Ovahimba settlements in the Kaokoland and to the Epupa Waterfalls on the mighty Kunene River. Enjoy overnight camping on the banks of the magical waterfalls and day time walks to explore the surroundings. Return to Palmwag Lodge on day four via Fort Sesfontein.

Scheduled departures: every 1st and 3rd Wednesday in a month

## **ON THE TRACKS OF DESERT ELEPHANTS AND BLACK RHINO (PTS 04)**

3 days / 2 nights

Depart from Palmwag Lodge in the early morning. The next four days will be spent tracking down the famous desert elephant as well as the threatened black rhino in the 5000 km<sup>2</sup> private concession area of Palmwag Lodge. Your return journey takes you through Fort Sesfontein towards Palmwag Lodge to overnight and relax after these breathtaking experiences.

Scheduled departures: every 2nd and 4th Monday in a month

## **CLASSIC NAMIBIA NORTH-EAST CAMPING EXPERIENCE (PTS 05)**

11 days / 10 nights

Experience the rugged area of the Khaudum Game Park, a densely wooded wilderness reserve and the fertile wilderness of riverine forests, flood plains, swamps and open woodland in the Kavango and Caprivi region bordering Botswana.

Scheduled departures: 10.07.2009; 07.08.2009; 21.08.2009; 04.09.2009; 18.09.2009; 02.10.2009; 30.10.2009 and 13.11.2009

## **"JUST OVAHIMBAS" (PTS 06)**

5 days / 4 nights

The safari starts from Palmwag Lodge and continues over the Sesfontein Pass into the centre of Kaokoland. Experience the nomadic way of life of the Ovahimba and enjoy three overnight stays in the Hoarusib River. A chance meeting with the desert elephant in the Hoanib River will be the definite highlight of your day. Spend a night under starry skies, close to the elephant. Return trip to Palmwag Lodge via Fort Sesfontein and surroundings.

Scheduled departures: every 2nd and 4th Monday in a month

### **OVAHIMBA EXPERIENCE (PTS 07)**

3 days / 2 nights

Start your safari from Palmwag Lodge and continue over the Sesfontein Pass to Kaoko Otavi in the Hoarusib River, where you will camp under starry skies. Experience the nomadic way of life of the Ovahimba and learn about their ancient traditions. Return via Fort Sesfontein and surroundings to Palmwag Lodge.

Scheduled departures: every 1st and 3rd Wednesday in a month

### **DAMARALAND WILDERNESS EXPERIENCE (PTS08)**

9 days / 8 nights camping safari.

Experience the very best of Namibia's free living game outside a national park in the unspoilt nature and spectacular sceneries of the former Damaraland. This tour will lead you past the cape fur seal colony at Cape Cross, the Messum crater, Ugab and Huab river areas, the game rich private concession area of Palmwag Lodge hosting a huge variety of game inclusive of the black rhino and desert elephant, the spectacular Hoarusib river valley at Purros. The journey ends with an exciting outing to the Grootberg Lodge and conservancy before returning back to Swakopmund via the Skeleton coast park.

Scheduled departures: every 1st and 3rd Friday in a month

### **RIVERS AND MOUNTAINS OF DAMARALAND (PTS09)**

6 days / 5 nights camping safari.

Namibia most interesting geology and rock formations can be found in the north west of the country. This specialized tour leads the client into the oldest geological areas inclusive of the Messum crater, the Ugab and Huab river formations and terraces, Doros Crater, Twyfelfontein and the Etjo sandstone occurrence, past the majestic Brandberg monolith and Namibia's own "Matterhorn", the spectacular granite formations of the Spitzkoppe.

Scheduled departures: every 2nd and 4th Friday in a month

### **SPLENDING DESERTS OF NAMIBIA (PTS 010)**

15 days / 14 nights – guided combination camping / lodge tour.

Enjoy the fascination and beauty of the Kalahari and Namib deserts with its unique fauna and flora on this tour. The route leads the client through Bagatelle Lodge and nature reserve, explores the game rich Kgalagadi Transfrontier park, past the second largest canyon in the world - Fish river canyon - on to the deep south along the Orange river and Aussenkehr, Rosh Pinah, Klein Aus Vista, then along the spectacular edge of the eastern Namib desert, into the majestic Tiras mountains before ending this adventure packed journey with a visit to the highest dunes in the world at Sossusvlei and Sesriem.

Scheduled departures: 04.04.2009; 27.04.2009; 16.05.2009; 05.06.2009; 03.07.2009; 31.07.2009; 28.08.2009; 18.09.2009 and 16.10.2009.

#### **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;
- 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) rates as per ratesheet 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.