

8-Day Desert Explorer – ACS0402

Day 1 South Africa – Cederberg Mountain Region

Two per room L,D

We depart Cape Town heading north for the spectacular Cederberg mountain region. On this first afternoon we spend some time learning about tour-life, the vehicle and equipment, and then we go to one of the local wine farms to learn about the area and a wine tasting.

Day 2 Namibia - Namaqualand Gariep River

Two per room B,L,D

We travel north through Namaqualand and head for the Gariep/Orange River. The night is spent sitting around the campfire getting to know one another.

Day 3 Gariep/Orange River - Fish River Canyon

Two per room B,L,D

In the morning we have the opportunity to experience the Gariep/Orange River by canoe. Choose between a relaxing morning on the riverbank or the half-day canoe adventure. After lunch we travel north to visit the Ai-Ais Hot Springs and overnight next to Fish River canyon. Optional Activities: Half-Day Canoe Adventure.

Day 4 Fish River Canyon - Kokerboom Forest

Two per room B,L,D

After an early breakfast our journey takes us to the mighty Fish River Canyon, we take a scenic walk along the rim of the canyon. After visiting the canyon we travel further inland to the Kalahari area of Namibia. On the way we will visit the Quiver tree Forest.

Day 5 Bushman Community - Namib Naukluft Park

Two per room/permanent tent B,L,D

This morning those who wish to spend some time with the (i) Kung tribe will have the chance to do so. This activity is a local community project and all fees are payable directly to the community. Later we drive west towards the massive dunes of Sossusvlei. Optional Activities: African Tribal interaction, Sunrise game drive into Kalahari desert.

Day 6 Namib Naukluft National Park

Two per room/permanent tent B,L,D

An early start as we take advantage of the cooler temperatures of dawn and drive into the Namib-Naukluft National Park, where we will set off into the desert with a local expert, for a guided tour, to learn about all the different life in the sands. After the tour you can hike up Dune 45, and gain a different perspective of the desert. This afternoon you can walk down into the smaller Sesriem canyon, before heading back to your lodge.



Day 7 Swakopmund

Two per room B,L,

A dramatic drive through the arid Namib-Naukluft, crossing the Tropic of Capricorn sees us arrive at Walvis Bay. We stop to view the flamingos before we head towards the seaside resort town of Swakopmund. Here we will be briefed on the many optional activities available for the following day.

Day 8 Swakopmund

Tour Ends B

Your tour ends today. We do not recommend any onward travel on this day as most people have it free to enjoy Swakopmund's varied adventure activities. Optional Activities: Quadbiking, Sandboarding, Sky Diving, Scenic Flights, Fishing etc.



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