

4-Day Skeleton Coast Link - Price available on request

Day 1: Huab Valley



You meet at Eros Airport, Windhoek at 10h00 for departure to the Skeleton Coast via Conception Bay. The Kuiseb canyon and adjoining red dunes are a spectacular view from the air. The flight includes (weather permitting) an aerial view of the famous Eduard Bohlen shipwreck at Conception Bay. After landing and refuelling at Swakopmund, you continue with a low-level flight north along the Skeleton Coast past the seal colony at Cape Cross for a light picnic lunch near the beach. After lunch you cross the desert by aircraft to the Ugab formations, a nearly lifeless 'moon landscape' of numerous black ridges in stark contrast to the white desert floor. From here you proceed to our Kuidas camp in the Huab Valley where you stay for the night. Amongst the rocks within walking distance of the camp are ancient rock engravings. Your pilot-guide will arrange for a light picnic lunch to be served en route during the day's itinerary.

Day 2: Kaokoland



After breakfast you depart by Landrover to explore the colourful red lava and yellow sandstone of the Huab River formations and to be introduced to the ecological aspects of this environment with its wide diversity of flora and fauna. This includes the *Welwitschia mirabilis*, a tree that has been dwarfed by the rigours of the desert climate. You have lunch at Kuidas camp before flying along the coast to Terrace Bay in the Skeleton Coast Park. The most prominent shipwrecks along this part of the coast are the Montrose and Henrietta, still relatively intact. At the coast you access the roaring dunes by Landrover, which always proves to be a stimulating experience. You also visit the beach with its profusion of multi-coloured pebbles consisting of agate, lava, granite and others. Interesting to see are old bleached whale bones scattered along the beach above the high tide mark. You return to the aircraft and continue north to our Purros camp in the Hoarusib Valley in Kaokoland, where you stay for the night.

Day 3: Kaokoland



After breakfast a scenic drive along the Hoarusib Valley to visit a settlement of the nomadic Himba people. You might be lucky enough to come across the desert-dwelling elephant which frequent this valley. A planned encounter is unfortunately not possible. From here you continue north along the Skeleton Coast by aircraft to the Kunene River on the Angolan border. The Kaiu Maru shipwreck and pieces from old sailing vessels lie scattered along this part of the coast. From the airfield you take a scenic drive by Landrover to our favourite lunch site. After lunch you continue through the mountains and dunes of the Hartmann Valley which extends to the Kunene River, reaching our Kunene River camp in the late afternoon, where you spend the last night

Day 4: Windhoek



An early morning boat trip on the Kunene River as it flows through scenic desert landscapes, observing bird life and possibly some crocodiles. Birds vary from aquatic species on the perennial waters, to endemic desert varieties and those that inhabit dense riverine vegetation. After lunch at the camp, you fly back to Eros Airport, Windhoek, arriving in the late afternoon.