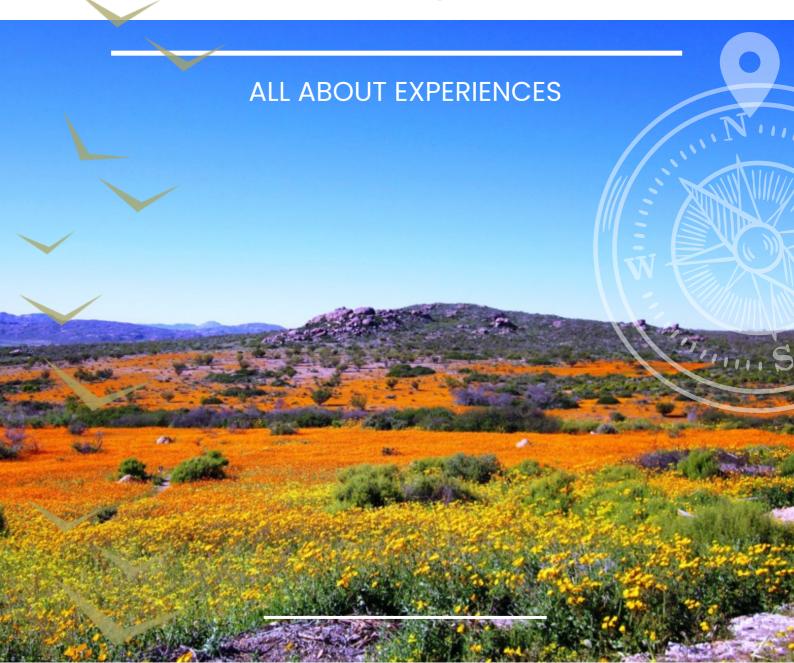


NAMAQUALAND DAISY TOUR 2023





OVERVIEW:

For at least nine months of every year Namaqualand is a dry and barren semi-desert area on the West Coast of Africa. However, between July and October the life-giving rains transform the ordinarily arid landscape into a thick and lush wildflower carpet of every colour.

In terms of natural selection, the flowers of Namaqualand have been chosen for their ability to survive and multiply in a somewhat hostile environment.

Come join us and experience this wonder on the natural environment.

DETAILS:

Includes:

7 x night's accommodation DB&B Light lunches
Bike & cyclist transport from/to Johannesburg
Support vehicle
Professional guides
Entrance fees- Augrabies Falls, Goegap & Skilpad
Nature Reserves
Tea & scones at Pella
Tea & scones at Teebos
Lunch at Bazelel
Wine + Mampoer tasting

Excludes:

Lunch if travelling in the bus from/to Joburg.

Bike hire (can be arranged)

Return flights to Upington (can be arranged)

Insurance

COST:

Price on Request







ITINERARY:

Day

ARRIVAL - ORANJERUS

The tour has finally begun. You will fly into Upington and transfer to Oranjerus alternatively transfer with us up to Oranjerus from JHB. (30 kms down river from Upington on Kannon Island)

Accommodation: Oranjerus (DBB)

Day 2

AUGRABIES FALLS

Early breakfast, then we cycle to Keimoes amongst the vineyards along the Orange River. Drive towards Kakamas & the famous Augrabies Waterfall situated on the Orange River, the longest river in South Africa. Just before the Falls, the wide river flows through a narrow gorge from which it bursts explosively and plunges 65 metres into a deep pool. The churning black cauldron at the bottom of the Falls is said to contain a fortune in diamonds washed down by the river! After a light lunch, we drive to Pofadder and later we will cycle to our overnight stop Klein-Pella.

Ride Details: 30 - 50km

Accommodation: Klein Pella (DBBL)



ORANGE RIVER TRAVERSE

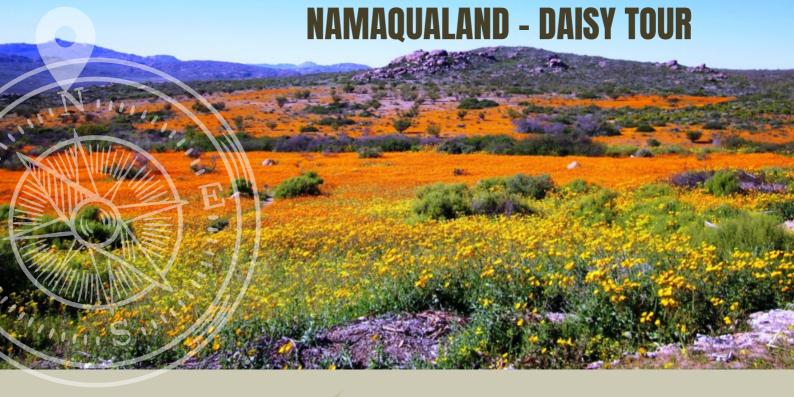
After a hearty breakfast we cycle to Orange River to see the largest date plantations in the Southern After breakfast, cycle to the Orange River and then take a walk amongst 1700 date palms. Did you know that South Africa is the largest exporter of dates in the world? For the adventurous, we cycle along the Orange River, appreciating the solitude of this area!! The rest drive to collect the cyclists & continue to Pella, where we will visit the old Cathedral & have tea with the "Sisters".

Ride Details: 15 - 50km

Accommodation: Klein Pella (DBBL)













Today we travel via Springbok to Kamieskroon, enroute we do a circular cycle in the Goegap Nature Reserve on a well known mountain bike trail. Have lunch in the reserve & then drive to our overnight stop.

Ride Details: 22km

Accommodation: Kamieskroon (DBBL)



SKILPAD WILDFLOWER RESERVE

Breakfast and then we cycle in the Namaqualand National Park ("Skilpad" Flower Reserve) Savour the closeness to nature and the absolute beauty of the surrounds. The 1000hectare reserve is renowned as one of the best places to see flowers in Namaqualand. It catches much of the rain that blows off the sea and has magnificent flower displays even when the surrounding areas do not.

Ride Details: 48km

Accommodation: Kamieskroon (DBBL)



ITINERARY: Towy 6 KAMIESBERG MOUNTAIN PASS

Depart early and weather dependent, we will cycle up the Kamiesberg Mountain Pass stopping for tea & scones along the way. Continue on the circular route via Arkoep through a beautiful valley. Rack bikes before the main road & drive back to Kammieskroon.

Ride Details: 30 - 60km

Accommodation: Kamieskroon (DBBL)

Day

BAZELEL - MAMPOER

We start our return journey to Upington via Springbok, Pofadder and enjoy a delicious lunch with some local wine plus Mampoer tasting at Bazelel. Then head to Kanoneiland for our last night together!!

Ride Details: ???km after wine tasting

Accommodation: Orangerus (DBBL)



GOEGAP NATURE RESERVE

Drive back to Johannesburg. Drop folk off at Upington airport if required.

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