

**5 DAYS 6 NIGHTS**

Canoeing Package

Arrive at our base camp any time after 4:00 PM—just across the Namibian border and be ready to kick off your adventure. Your Camp Manager will be there to greet you. Take a moment to unwind—enjoy a swim or join in a game of volleyball to shake off the travel. Dinner is served at 7:00 PM, followed by an evening around the campfire where you'll have a chance to connect with your group. At 8:00 PM, your guide will host a quick "packing talk" to walk you through stowing your kit, drinks, and essentials for the trip – the perfect time for answering any last-minute questions.



Start the next day with an early breakfast, then get prepped for the river with a safety briefing and equipment overview. You'll get the basics of paddling, what to do if your canoe flips (don't worry, you'll be in good hands), and how to handle the rapids. Stock your cooler with ice and drinks before we hit the river from base camp. Spend the morning paddling through dramatic scenery and perfecting your stroke. Lunch will be served along the riverbank, after which the journey continues downstream to our riverside camp.

Day two - rise early to another energizing breakfast and get set for the next stretch of your river journey. Pack up camp, greet the sunrise, and launch into a laid-back morning paddle—there's plenty of time for a quick swim, a riverside game, or just soaking up the scenery as the landscape shifts around you. On day three we have a re-supply at Sjambok, there you will have the option to hike up to the old fluorspar mine for a killer view of the Richtersveld and the sweeping Orange River. There will be another re-supply opportunity on day four at Aussenkehr. Each night, you'll set up camp along the riverbank, giving you space to relax, recharge, and connect with the crew beneath the wide-open sky.

On your fifth and final day, you paddle toward the collection point at S-bend, clocking about 75 kilometers in total! Expect to be picked up between 2:00 and 4:00 PM. From there, hop in the shuttle for a scenic drive back across the desert to base camp, where you can unwind while your guides whip up a farewell dinner and you enjoy your last night beneath the southern stars.

The next morning, after one last breakfast with your Canoe Crew, you're free to head home—until the next time you feel the call: Canoe. Camp. Repeat.

If you're joined by a 3-day trip, your resupply will take place at Sjambok on the afternoon of the third day. And your journey will end at Aussenkehr, with around 60 km completed. End point may vary depending on water levels.



Each mohawk canoe seats two, so you'll be paired up for the journey. For your gear, you'll have a dry barrel with a 30-liter capacity for personal items you want to keep safe from splashes, plus a 52-can cooler box to share with your canoe partner.

Water and Drinks:

Plan for at least 2 litres of water per person, per day. If you'd like to bring alcoholic beverages, remember—only cans, plastic, or boxed containers are allowed; glass is forbidden on the river. Double-check duty-free limits with the border authorities.

Keeping Things Cool:

Ice is in short supply out here. Best tip? Freeze your drinks ahead of time and stash them in your cooler when you get to camp for maximum chill.

Camping Gear:

Make sure your tent and camp chair are firmly strapped to your canoe—remember, the bulkier your gear, the heavier your load. Opt for a lightweight 2–3 person tent and only bring a chair if you truly need it.

Packing Your Barrel:

1. Line your barrel with a sturdy garbage bag for extra waterproofing.
2. Sleeping bags go at the bottom, followed by your dry clothes—keep it simple, changing only underwear at night and wearing swimwear by day. The desert breeze will handle drying.
3. Leave extra clean clothes at base camp for your return. Fill spare space with items you need to keep dry.
4. Always secure the lid tightly—nobody wants wet gear mid-journey.



ARRIVAL DINNER

Braai (Chops & Sausage)
Greek Salad, Garlic Bread

DAY 1

B'Fast Cereal, rusks, yogurt,
Fruit, coffee & tea
Lunch Hot Dog Sandwiches
Dinner Chicken Potjie & Rice

DAY 2

B'Fast Scrambled Eggs, bacon, toast
and tomato
Lunch Chicken Mayo Sandwiches
Dinner Roast Leg of Lamb, chicken,
baby potatoes & butternut

DAY 3

B'Fast Muesli & Yogurt
Lunch Cheese, Avo, Cheese &
Tomato Sandwiches
Dinner Spaghetti Bolognaise

DAY 4

B'Fast Tomato, Onion and Russian
Hash
Lunch Hamburgers
Dinner Fish Potjie & Rice

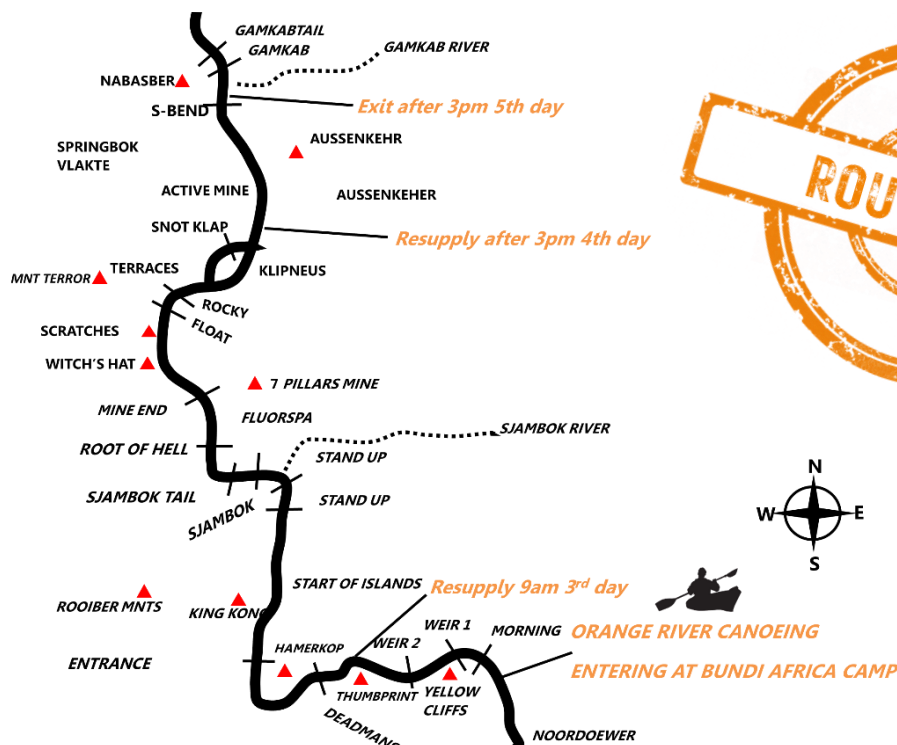
DAY 5

B'Fast Muesli & Yogurt
Lunch Tuna Salad
Steak Braai, potatoes,
Dinner butternut & apple crumble

DEPARTURE B'FAST

Cereal, rusks, yogurt & Fruit
coffee & tea

Please note that meal options may vary depending on seasonal ingredients and availability.
Departure will take place following morning after breakfast.



 **28°41'5.57"S 17°33'49.98"E**
Find us on [Google Maps](#)

Be sure to download the map ahead of time in case you lose signal during your journey.

Watch for the Bundi sign at the entrance to our camp, which marks the starting point of your adventure.



Important contact numbers:

Orange River Canoeing Office (SA): +27 (0) 21 975 9326
24-Hour Emergency (SA): +27 (0) 71 684 2072

Border requirements:

Ensure your passport is up to date, with at least **two blank pages** and a minimum of six months' validity beyond your planned return date from Namibia.

Children under 18 must present an **Unabridged Birth Certificate** at the border.

If your nationality requires a **visa** for entry, make arrangements before your journey. South African citizens are currently exempt from this requirement.

Always confirm the latest visa regulations by contacting the Namibia High Commission (+27 (012) 481 9100) or visiting <https://visitnamibia.com.na/visa-information/>. For convenience, online visa applications are available at <https://eservices.mhaiss.gov.na>.

For more details, refer to the FAQ document or contact the border.

Weather:

To monitor the weather for your trip, check forecasts for Noordoewer or Aussenkehr in Namibia with your preferred weather service.



Please use the below as a packing guideline.



Clothing – do not pack too much:

- 🛶 **Swimming gear:** towel, sarong, and swimwear
- 🛶 **Outerwear:** Anorak or windbreaker for summer; tracksuit for cooler winter nights
- 🛶 **Headwear:** Cap or wide brimmed hat for sun protection; woollen hat or beanie for winter nights
- 🛶 **Sun Protection:** Long-sleeved shirt with a collar
- 🛶 **Footwear:** Closed shoes or booties for the river (aqua shoes or Crocs works well); dry shoes for evenings (flip-flops or sandals are sufficient, so you only need one pair)
- 🛶 **Gloves:** For sun protection

Camping gear for nights on the river:

- 🛶 **Tent:** Lightweight and essential (to protect from wind and insects). Tent pegs are not needed on sandy spots; use rocks to secure the corners.
- 🛶 **Cutlery & Crockery:** Plate, bowl, mug, knife, fork, spoon, teaspoon, and dishcloth
- 🛶 **Sleeping Surface:** Yoga mat, inflatable mattress (hand pump required as no power available), and ground sheet
- 🛶 **Sleeping Gear:** Sleeping bag and pillow
- 🛶 **Folding Chairs:** Optional

Beverages & Snacks:

- 🛶 **Special Dietary Needs:** Replacement food if you have specific dietary requirements
- 🛶 **Water:** There is no drinkable water at base camp or on the river. Pack at least 2 litres of bottled water or non-alcoholic beverages per day. Freezing some of your water is recommended to keep it cold throughout your trip.
- 🛶 **Snacks:** Consider packing dried fruit, peanuts, chocolate bars, Super C, and jelly babies.
- 🛶 **Meat and Milk products:** No meat or milk products are allowed across the border.
- 🛶 **Alcohol products:** There are strict limits on the amount of alcohol products allowed across the border. Items exceeding these permitted limits may be confiscated by customs authorities. We strongly recommend that all guests review these restrictions in advance and contact border officials directly to confirm current regulations before traveling.

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Accessories and Optional Extras:

- 🛶 **Recreational Items:** Fishing rod, games, playing cards, frisbee, bats, balls, or cricket bat
- 🛶 **Beach Umbrella:** With tie-downs
- 🛶 **Camera**
- 🛶 **Binoculars**
- 🛶 **Lighting:** Torch with batteries or a headlamp (preferred)
- 🛶 **Sun Protection:** Sunscreen and lip balm (zinc-based is most effective)
- 🛶 **Sunglasses:** Must have a strap
- 🛶 **Personal medication:** Please consult border regulations for specific requirements.
- 🛶 **Insect Repellent:** Essential during peak mosquito season; Peaceful Sleep spray is recommended
- 🛶 **Toiletries:** Biodegradable soap and toilet paper
- 🛶 **Storage:** Garbage bags and dry bags for waterproofing (optional)

