

# Canyons and Red Deserts

## 8 nights/9 days



*Experience the grandeur of Fish River Canyon and the beauty of the red dunes of the Kalahari Desert on this nine day safari. Travel through desert dominated landscapes to see the Quiver Tree Forest and the rocky labyrinth of Giant's Playground. Take excursions at the quaint harbor town of Luderitz, the famous Sossusvlei clay pan and even visit the ghost town of Kolmanskop.*

### ~Itinerary~

#### Days 1 : Windhoek

Depart Cape Town via Johannesburg for Windhoek. On arrival transfer to either the Windhoek Country Club or Kalahari Sands Hotel.

#### Day 2: Red Dunes of the Kalahari Desert

After breakfast travel south through the rugged mountain ranges surrounding the capital, following the green Auob River valley to the vegetated red dunes of the Kalahari Desert. Settle in to you accommodations and in the afternoon an optional sundowner drive and farm drive may be arranged. Guest will stay at either the Anib Lodge or Bagetelle Kalahari Lodge.

#### Day 3: Quiver Tree Forest

Travel through desert dominated landscapes to the Quiver Tree Forest near Keetmanshoop. Wander around the extensive rocky labyrinth of Giant's Playground, an impressive jumble of massive boulders. Optional nature/sundowner drive available. Stay at Canon Village or Canon Lodge.

#### Day 4: Luderitz

After a short visit to the winding gorges of the Fish River Canyon we continue to the small historic village of Aus. We then travel through the vast barren expanse of the Prohibited Diamond area to the quaint harbor town of Luderitz. The town offers colonies of aquatic birds, seals and penguins. Take an afternoon excursion to view Diaz Cross before your stay at either the Hotel Zum Sperrgebiet or Luderitz Nest Hotel.

#### Day 5: Walvis Bay & Damaraland

Travel to the famous ghost town of Kolmanskop, where the first diamond was found in 1908. Heading inland we travel via the pro-Namib to our overnight accommodations in either the Hammerstein Lodge or Sossusvlei Lodge.

#### Day 6 Sossusvlei

An early start takes us to the famous Sossusvlei with time to explore the impressive sandstone gorges of the Sesriem Canyon.

#### Day 7: Swakopmund

Travel via the Gaub and Kuiseb Canyons visiting the Welwitschia plains and unearthly Moon Valley before arriving in Swakopmund in mid afternoon. Overnight stays at Strand Hotel or Swakopmund Hotel.

#### Day 8: Windhoek

Take time in the morning to explore this quaint historic town before returning to Windhoek arriving in the early evening to stay at either the Kalahari Sands Hotel or Windhoek Country Club.

#### Day 9: Safari ends

The safari ends with your departure midday for the airport for the return flight to Johannesburg.

Friday departures, minimum 2

Costs Per Person (based on sharing):

Dates: Classic/Vintage

01Jan – 30Apr07: \$ 3,466.86

01May – 31Jul07: \$ 3,436.01

01Aug – 31Oct07: \$ 3,466.86

Single supplement available Jan-Apr & Aug-Oct \$503. May-Jul \$468

#### Included Features:

Airfare Johannesburg/Windhoek/Johannesburg  
Accommodations as listed

#### Rates Exclude:

Airport Tax, Air Insurance & fuel Levy

Luggage restriction: 12Kg per person soft bag only

**Call or e-mail for current pricing**