



Living Museum of the Damara

Near Twyfelfontein, Twyfelfontein Conservancy
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Together with the Bushmen the Damara belong to the oldest nations in Namibia and have been living here for an unknown period of time. Their original traditional culture has been that of hunters & gatherers as well as herders of cattle, sheep and goats. Today their communal land lies in the central western part of Namibia. Here, close to the world famous rock engraving site Twyfelfontein, a group of Damara has decided to build a



Living Museum to show visitors their old pre-colonial dress and traditions. This includes an old traditional village with various huts, some live stock, singing, dancing, games, making of crafts as well as a blacksmith's shop in which old traditional iron tools are produced. They also offer a very interesting bush walk with trapping, snaring and a variety of bush food to be seen.

Hans – Bernhard Naobes and his team will guide you through the programmes in English. An entrance fee is charged when visiting the Living Museum which includes all activities shown. You are welcome to take as many photos as you wish and the Damara are always delighted if visitors participate in the activities. An optional bushwalk is also offered, which may be booked additionally. On request a guided walk through their modern village can be organised.

To reach the Damara Living Museum you take the route to Twyfelfontein. When you turn off from the D2612 to Twyfelfontein you will see the sign board and the Living Museum a few hundred meters further on. The museum is easily accessible for all cars.

The Living Museum is open every day throughout the year from just after sun rise to sunset. You don't need to book in advance as the Damara will be there at all times during daylight.

There are various camp sites and lodges in the area that offer accommodation.

To contact the managing family, Hans- Bernhard and Thalita Naobes phone: 081 3263669

For more information and pictures etc. please have a look at the following web page:
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PROGRAM 2010 / 2011

- 1. Traditional Life in the village: N\$ 60.00 / person (approx. 1.5 hrs)**
Experience the daily routine in our traditional museum, including our traditional blacksmith (making of weapons and tools), tanning of leather (production of traditional clothes), jewellery and crafts, dancing, singing and traditional games, Holy Fire and fire making and much more.
The program will take around 1.5 hours, but you can stay as long as you want.
- 2. Bushwalk: N\$ 50.00 / person (approx. 1h)**
Follow us on a bushwalk where the women collect plants from the bush for food, perfume and medicine and where the men show you how to set up traps, snares and how they used to hunt in the old times.
- 3. Traditional Life & Bushwalk: N\$ 100.00 / person (approx. 2.5 hrs)**
Combines programs 1 & 2 for the complete traditional Damara experience.
- 4. Our modern village (on request) N\$ 50.00 / person (approx. 1h)**
Visit our home village, Louw-In, with a guide and learn how we live today. It is just 2 km away from the Living Museum.
- 5. Donkey Cart (on request) N\$ 20.00 / person (15 min)**
Experience a real African donkey cart ride!

Professional film making for documentaries, movies etc.

Up to 2 days unlimited filming: N\$ 4 500.- (even if you only film a few hours)
for every further day: N\$ 1 500.-

Namibian student groups only pay half of above prices.

(Student groups include all school groups, University or other student groups, youth scout groups or any other educational youth groups. Up to 4 teachers (group leaders) are free of charge, but others pay the student price. All groups must prove their Namibian origin to obtain the reduced price.) Our Living Museum is a private educational institution without any external financial aid. As we need to pay our actors we are not able to reduce prices below this offer.

Children policy

0 – 2 yrs free of charge, 3 – 12 yrs half price