

The Five Kalahari Farms Hiking Itinerary

Arrival & Pre-Hike Camp at Doornboompan - please arrive by 5 pm

Hikers will gather at Doornboompan, the farm of Talita and Fanie Horn, for an overnight stay near the Farmhouse before the journey begins. Here, guests will enjoy a warm welcome, a hearty meal, and a magical overnight camp with outdoor showers and toilets. A detailed briefing will be provided on the upcoming adventure.

Day 1: Doornboompan to Gemsbokpan | ±21 km

The hike begins with an exploration of Doornboompan, where vast Kalahari landscapes unfold. A scenic brunch stop near the big pan features fresh, locally sourced ingredients. After brunch, the trail leads to Gemsbokpan, the farm of Andre and Susan du Toit, where hikers will settle into a comfortable WWS wild camp. A fireside dinner showcasing Namibian ingredients awaits.

Day 2: Gemsbokpan to Olifantwater West | ±18 km

The journey continues across Gemsbokpan, with brunch served at Olifantwater Ost, a picturesque setting known for its open savannahs and vibrant birdlife. After refuelling, hikers proceed to Olifantwater West, the farm of Eckhart Förtsch, where they will camp in the stunning Olifants Riverbed.

Day 3: Ellingerode to Namburn Pan | ±20 km

Hikers set off across the red dunes of Ellingerode, the farm of Uwe and Silvia Kühnel, experiencing the vastness of the Kalahari. A memorable brunch stop at the dunes offers a moment of serenity. The trek then leads to Namburn Pan, a dramatic salt pan where the next WWS wild camp is set up.

Day 4: Namburn Pan to Neumark | ±19 km

The final full day of hiking takes adventurers through Eckhart's farm's unique landscapes, crossing into Neumark, the farm of Manfred and Tanya Förtsch. The day's brunch stop will be chosen en route, depending on conditions. The last night's camp offers a celebratory atmosphere, with a special farewell dinner to reflect on the journey.

Day 5: Departure & Transfers

After a leisurely morning, guests will be returned to their departure points, bringing this unforgettable Five Kalahari Farms adventure to a close. With memories of wild landscapes, warm hospitality, and delicious meals, hikers leave rejuvenated by the Kalahari's magic.