



NAMAKWA TOERE & AKKOMMODASIE BK2005/121434/23
T/A NAMAQUA LODGE

Synonymous with the panoramic Cedarberg Mountains, the breathtaking City Hall Caves which takes one on an imagery excursion leading you to other dimensions, unspoilt West Coast beauty, a kaleidoscope of Namaqualand flower splendour, hospitality, sumptuous meals, and the most luxurious bus transport.

NAMAQUALAND FLOWER TOURS 2018:

Pay R2000 p/p deposit (within 14 days) after your booking is confirmed, and balance 30 days before tour departs.

2018 TARIFFS	
4 DAY TOURS	
Sharing tariff (per person)	R7 400
Single tariff (per person)	R8 900
5 DAY TOURS	
Sharing tariff (per person)	R9 400
Single tariff (per person)	R11 200
6 DAY TOURS	
Sharing tariff (per person)	R11 100
Single tariff (per person)	R12 800

DATES 2018:

4-Day Namaqualand Flower tour			5-Day Namaqualand Flower tour			6-Day Namaqualand Flower tour		
CPT 1/1	1 - 4 Aug	Wed-Sat	CPT 2/1	5 - 9 Aug	Sun-Thu	CPT 3/1	10 – 15 Aug	Fri-Wed
CPT 1/2	28 – 31 Aug	Thu-Fri	CPT 2/2	17 – 21 Aug	Fri-Tue	CPT 3/2	22 – 27 Aug	Wed-Mon
CPT 1/3	7 - 10 Sept	Fri-Mon	CPT 2/3	2 – 6 Sept	Sun-Thu			
CPT 1/4	11 - 14 Sept	Thu-Fri						
CPT 1/5	15 – 18 Sept	Sat-Tue						

TOURPROGRAM - 4 DAY NAMAQUALAND FLOWER TOURS:

Included : 3 Nights ' accommodation at Namaqua Lodge
Registered tour guide
Super Luxury bus transport
Meals as indicated

Excluded : Entrance fees (maximum of R100 pp per tour), tips& drinks.

DAY1:We leave Cape Town and travel through the Bloubergstrand area, past Melkbosstrand, Atlantis, Mamre and Darling, past Saldanha, which is South Africa's biggest, deepest and safest harbour. From here we make the short trek to the Triplet-Towns of Velddrift, Port Owen and Laiplek. These small West Coast towns are known as the bokkom- capital of the world, situated at the estuary of the Berg River. We continue our route through Dwarskersbos towards the Rocherspan and past Verlorenvlei with its rich diversity bird species before reaching Eland's Bay. From here we push through the Sandveld and its historic towns Leipoldtville and Graafwater. Finally, we reach Clanwilliam from where it's a short trip to Vanrhynsdorp, our final destination for the day, where we will spend all of our nights. The Namaqua Lodge in Vanrhynsdorp will be our home from home for the remainder of the tour.

Includes: Refreshments and dinner.

DAY2:Today is most certainly the highlight of the tour. We start the day early with a trip to the Knersvlakte. Even though it might look like nothing grows along the plains, on closer inspection we see a magnificent diversity of dwarf succulents. These tiny plants grow between the white quartz stones and are small enough to miss if you drive in a car yet extraordinary if you stop to look. Next, we move into the Hardeveld with its

signature towns Nuwerus and Bitterfontein. After we bid farewell to the Hardeveld we move to the Namaqualand Klipkoppe. This beautiful mountainous region stretches from Garies all the way up to Springbok. On route, we will encounter a ghost town as well as one of Great Britain's smallest title deed. Our visit will take us to the tiny mining towns of Nababeep, Concordia and Okiep, which was once the richest copperore mining region in the world. And finally, of course, we get to see Namaqua's beautiful flowers in full bloom! This promises to be the highlight of the day. If you haven't been to the Namaqualand Klipkoppe during flower season you haven't seen flowers yet.

Included: Breakfast, refreshments and dinner.

DAY 3: Today we take a different route through the Knersvlakte. We travel towards the Bokkeveld Mountain range where we will drive up the Vanrhyns Pass. This pass promises some of the most awe-inspiring, breathtaking views of Namaqualand you will ever see. After we reach the summit we head towards Nieuwoudtville- the bulbcapital of the world. Here we will spend the day experiencing everything this little town has to offer. From the spectacular Quiver tree forest to the majestic Nieuwoudtville Waterfall, some one-of-a-kind flower species and finally end the day at the glacier tracks with a small surprise. We will also spend some time at the local Dutch Reformed church. This beautiful sandstone building has a very interesting tale around its founding. The church is most probably the only church with a monument erected for debt. This area also promises some of the most beautiful flower scenery with its farm-style backdrop.

Included: Breakfast, refreshments and dinner.

DAY 4: The final day of our tour takes us through the Olifants River Valley towards Clanwilliam. From here we enter the Pakhuis-Mountains, so named for the way the rocks look to be stacked on top of each other. We visit the gravesite of the legendary C. Louis Leipoldt where we also see some extremely rare flower species. Next, we travel back to Clanwilliam to visit the Ramskop natural garden on the banks of the Clanwilliam Dam. This garden is incredibly diverse with approximately 350 flower species. We travel through the valley between the Cederberg and Olifants River Mountain ranges up to the Piekenierskloof-pass. Once we traverse the pass we enter the ironically named Swartland with its golden canola fields and green wheat plains. We finally reach Cape Town in what would most undoubtedly be the most soul satisfying, rejuvenating and inspiring experience.

Included: Breakfast and refreshments.

TOURPROGRAM - 5 DAY NAMAQUALAND FLOWER TOURS :

Includes: 4 nights ' accommodation at Namaqua Lodge
 Registered tour guide
 Super Luxury bus transport
 Meals as indicated

Excluded : Entrance fees (maximum of R100 pp per tour), tips& drinks.

DAY 1: Programme as per 4-day Namaqualand Flower tour

Includes: Refreshments and dinner.

DAY 2: Programme as per 4-day Namaqualand Flower tour

Included: Breakfast, refreshments and dinner.

DAY 3: Programme as per 4-day Namaqualand Flower tour

Included: Breakfast, refreshments and dinner.

DAY 4: Today we experience another part of the West Coast. We travel towards Strandfontein and Doringbaai via Vredendal and Lutzville. Here we see the northern region of the Olifants River Valley with its first class vineyards and vegetable plantations. On the way, we drive past Papendorp where the Olifants River stream meets the Atlantic Ocean tide. Strandfontein, one of the most popular holiday spots along the West Coast, is our next stop. Just south of Strandfontein we find the picturesque fishermen's town of Doringbaai. From here we move further south to Lambert's Bay, the crayfish capital of South Africa. After our visit, we travel back to Clanwilliam. Here we visit the Ramskop natural garden on the banks of the Clanwilliam Dam. This garden is incredibly diverse with approximately 350 flower species. We also enter the Pakhuis-Mountains, so named for the way the rocks look to be stacked on top of each other. We visit the gravesite of the legendary C. Louis Leipoldt where we also see some extremely rare flower species.

Included: Breakfast, refreshments and dinner.

DAY 5: Our final day follows the N7 all the way over the Piekenierskloofpas. With a beautiful view of the golden canola fields and green wheat plains, we enter the Swartland. We take a left towards Porterville and drive through Gouda. Our tour takes us through the Nuwekloof Pass to the historical town of Tulbagh. On 29 September 1969, this town was hit by a massive earthquake, which damaged large parts of the town's infrastructure, a rare phenomenon in South Africa. We inspect Church Street and see the work that has gone into restoring the town to its former glory. Once done, we make the trip back to Cape Town where this soul-enriching tour comes to an end.

Included: Breakfast and refreshments.

TOURPROGRAM - 6 DAY NAMAQUALAND FLOWER TOUR:

Includes: 5 nights ' accommodation at Namaqua Lodge
 Registered tour guide
 Super Luxury bus transport
 Meals as indicated

Excluded : Entrance fees (maximum of R100 pp per tour), tips& drinks.

DAY 1: Programme as per 4-day Namaqualand Flower tour

Included: Refreshments and dinner.

DAY 2: Programme as per 4-day Namaqualand Flower tour

Included: Breakfast, refreshments and dinner.

DAY 3: Programme as per 4-day Namaqualand Flower tour

Included: Breakfast, refreshments and dinner.

DAY 4: Programme as per 5-day Namaqualand Flower tour

Included: Breakfast, refreshments and dinner.

DAY 5: Today promises to be one of the most exciting and unique days of our tour! After another hefty breakfast, we tackle the road towards Clanwilliam following the Olifants River. Once we reach Clanwilliam we head towards the Pakhuis Mountains into the Cederberg Mountains and over the Brandewyn River. We visit the Englishman's Grave to learn a bit of the Anglo-Boer War. We travel towards the Biedouwvalley. This valley, permitting a good season, can boast some of the most beautiful flower spectacles you will ever see. Finally, we head to Wupperthal, which was founded as a mission station in the mountains by JG Leipoldt. Here we will have the opportunity to buy some authentic "vellies".

Included: Breakfast, refreshments and dinner.

DAY 6: Our final day follows the N7 all the way over the Piekenierskloofpas. With a beautiful view of the golden canola fields and green wheat plains, we enter the Swartland. We take a left towards Porterville and drive through Gouda. Our tour takes us through the Nuwekloofpas to the historical town of Tulbagh. On 29 September 1969, this town was hit by a massive earthquake, which damaged large parts of the town's infrastructure, a rare phenomenon in South Africa. We inspect Church Street and see the work that has gone into restoring the town to its former glory. Once done, we make the trip back to Cape Town through the glorious Boland.

Included: Breakfast and refreshments.

Why travel with Namaqua tours?

Who is Namaqua Tours and what do we do differently?

- We are from Namaqualand and know our region well
- We are a family business and is in the tour industry since 1985
- Our tour guides are the most competent, helpful and friendliest guides that you'll ever find in Namaqualand.
- Each tour member's personal requirements will be met by our trained personnel.
- Namaqua Lodge, where our tour members will stay every night of the tour, is centrally located in the heart of Namaqualand. From here on we travel in a different direction every day depending on the weather conditions. We want to see the best flowers on the warmest days.
- Our hotel, Namaqua Lodge is well known for its sumptuous meals and this is one of Namaqua tours' strong suites.
- All our rooms have their own private bathroom and are on ground level.
- We stay at one place for the duration of the tour, meaning you only have to unpack and pack in once.
- There is no rushed tour program. Our bus driver is also on holiday and not under any pressure. Our program is not limited to kilometres. We travel to where the best flowers can be seen.

The extra mile we walk

- Tour members who prefer to stay over in Cape Town prior to the tour or after can be accommodated. For the best tariffs, we negotiate with certain hotels for our tour members.
- We also assist with flight, train, hotel and transport arrangements. Please contact us for more information.
- Private tours and teambuilding tours can also be arranged. Any group of 4 or more can be accommodated for a tour to our region.

Remember the following when you are coming to see flowers

- Other than Namaqualand's 5 regions (Knersvlakte, Hardeveld, Namakwalandse Klipkoppe, Richtersveld & Kusvlakte) there are other regions that annually displays some of the best flowers like the Westcoast, Olifantsriver-valley, Swartland, Bokkeveld, Cederberg and Biedouw-valley.
- The flower region is widespread - so be prepared to travel many kilometres.
- Every region's flowers if different from the other. You will never see all the regions' at its best at the same time, but from the beginning of August to the middle of September.
- Flower season **IS** a rainy season. When it rains you cannot see flowers.
- Namaqualand and the surrounding regions don't all consists of fields of flowers - there are more than 3500 different flower species. The journey is so much more fascinating when you find out more about all the different flower types and species.

Why do we depart from Cape Town with our flower tours

When we depart from Cape Town, we already enter the flower regions. The Westcoast annually hosts some of the best flowers and is always worth visiting. If our bus should have departed from Gauteng, it would take us two days to reach Namaqualand, and we would have to return with the same route. It means that we would mainly travel in one direction and that we couldn't sleep at the same place every night to fit the tour program to the weather conditions. We are in the tour industry since 1985 and are proud to say that we have the recipe for success when it comes to tours in Namaqualand.

Our Facebook page speaks for itself. It proves that we show flowers to our tourmembers and not only drive through the regions. Visit the above-mentioned address to see what our tourmembers experience every year. After each tour, the photos of that tour will be uploaded to Facebook. This is just another free service which Namaqua Tours offer. Flower viewers come to see flowers - our tour members certainly see flowers!

What happens when Namaqua Tours cancel a tour?

- Namaqua Tours undertake not to cancel any tour as far as possible. We never needed to cancel a flower tour. If ever it should happen that we must cancel a tour, we shall refund your money within 24 hours plus 10% interest per year.

How do I book a tour at Namaqua Tours?

- When you have decided to book one of our tours, complete the application form. Then fax or e-mail it to our office. You can also do a booking online on our website. We shall then do the rest (hotel and flight bookings if indicated as such by you). You will receive a tour reference number and the bank particulars of Namaqua Tours. **This reference number must appear on your deposit slip.** This tour reference number must also be indicated on all correspondence with regard to the tour that you booked.
- We DO NOT supply bank particulars without a booking form. The only reason for this is that tour members deposited money in the past without a tour reference number and that they did not do a booking per fax or e-mail. It has happened that prospective tour members deposited money, but that that specific tour was already fully booked.

We start every morning with a prayer, and trust in the Lord for a safe and soul enriching tour

It is very important and maybe compulsory to visit as many areas in Namaqualand as possible. Therefore we're very blessed to stay in Namaqualand and execute our tours from here, which is why we know exactly where to find the flowers. We also know what happens in our region and when it rains, what each area looks like, as we are in contact with people in various areas of Namaqualand. We ensure that each flower tourist sees only the most beautiful flowers and the best sights of the area and for the best affordable tour price.

It is important that you should bear in mind that it is our rain season, and this is why we hold the right to change our daily travel plans to adjust to the weather. We also have the right to change the program according to where the flowers are the best during the tour.

Friendly Floral Greetings:



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Hotel accommodation for those who would like to stay prior to or after the tour:

Hotel verblyf vir diegene wat voor die toer vertrek of nadat die toer afgehandel is:

City Lodge - Grand West – Cape Town (3 ***) <i>Tour departs 09:00</i>	
Single Room	R993
Double/Twin	R1400
Breakfast	Full breakfast included in rate 06:30 - 09:30
Dinner	No Restaurant
Lunch	Various restaurants available at Grand West
Shuttle Service	R300 - R20 extra for 2 nd person
Parking	Free
WiFi	15 min free - extra vouchers available
Extra	Lounge with bar facilities Grand West Casino & Entertainment - various restaurants & theatres
Website	https://clhg.com/hotels/125/GrandWest-Hotel
Tel	(021) 535 3611

Road Lodge Lughawe – Cape Town (1 *) <i>Toer vertrek: 09:45</i>	
Room	R701.95 per room (one or two persons)
Breakfast	Continental Breakfast only– R85p/p 06:30 - 09:00 / 07:00 - 10:00 (Weekends)
Meals	Restaurants available at airport, or call <i>Mr Delivery</i> for takeaways
Shuttle Service	R35p/p
Parking	Free
WiFi	15 min free - extra vouchers available
Website	https://clhg.com/hotels/308/Cape-Town-International-Airport
Tel	(021) 934 7303

Hotel Verde Airport – Cape Town (4 ****) <i>Tour departs: 09:30</i>	
Single Room	R1140
Double/Twin	R1430
Breakfast	Full breakfast included in rate 04:30 - 09:30 - Weekends 04:30 - 10:00
Meals	A la carte restaurant
Shuttle Service	Free (to/from airport)
Parking	Free
WiFi	Free
Extra	Lounge with bar facilities & Gymnasium
Website	http://www.hotelverde.co.za/
Tel	(021) 380 5500

- If you require a flight to Cape Town, we can assist you with details and bookings at no extra administrative costs.

TOURMEMBER 1:

Surname:..... Mr/Mrs/Miss - Initials:.....
 Full Name:..... Nickname:.....
 ID nr.: Tel nr.:.....
 Postal Address: Fax nr.:.....
 Email:.....
 Cell nr.:.....

TOURMEMBER 2:

Surname:..... Mr/Mrs/Miss - Initials:.....
 Full Name:..... Nickname:.....
 ID nr.: Tel nr.:.....
 Postal Address: Fax nr.:.....
 Email:.....
 Cell nr.:.....

Tour date: Tour reference nr:

Accommodation during tour: Single..... Double..... Twin/Sharing (2 Beds).....Triple (3 Beds).....

➤ **Do you need help with flight bookings:** Yes..... No.....

Depart from airport:	Airport name	Date to Cape Town:	
Flight back to airport:	Airport name	Date from Cape Town:	

➤ **Do you need help with hotel bookings:** Yes..... No.....

Date:(**Prior to** tour)Date:(**After** tour ended)

City Lodge - Grand West	Hotel Verde Airport
Road Lodge Airport	

Type of accommodation at hotel booking in Cape Town: Single..... Double..... Twin.....

➤ **Do you need help with shuttle service from the airport or to airport:** Yes..... No.....

In case you made your own flight bookings - please advise us of your flight details

Date to Cape Town	Date from Cape Town
Flight nr & Time	Flight nr & Time

Point of embarkation:

City Lodge - Grand West	08:00	Hotel Verde Lughawe	08:30
Road Lodge Airport	08:45	Kaapstad Int. Lughawe*	09:00

*Airport only for persons which land before 08:30 on the morning that tour departs

Signature:..... Date:.....

Next of Kin:..... Tel nr.: