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FEES PAYABLE FOR ADMISSION FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HERITAGE SITES 1 APRIL 2024 TO 30 APRIL 2025

The National Heritage Council of Namibia is a statutory institution, established by an Act of Parliament, the National Heritage Act No 27 of 2004. The institution is responsible for the protection and conservation of places and objects of heritage significance and the registration of these. The National Heritage Register currently contains 139 national heritage sites and objects listed, of which 11 heritage sites are directly managed by the National Heritage Council.

Each of us has a responsibility to protect our heritage, both tangible and intangible. Visitation to the heritage sites makes a valuable contribution to its protection, even participation in heritage-related projects. As the leaders of the future the younger generation is encouraged to actively partake and show interest in the protection and preservation of heritage. Intellectual, financial and material contributions would take the heritage conservation a long way and would also ensure the imparting of ownership simultaneously.

Heritage preservation has never been a once off undertaking - as generations come and go new historical realities worth preserving happen and the heritage preservation as an intellectual exercise will continue as long as human kind exists. As is known, the Tourism Sector makes a significant contribution to the Gross Domestic Product of our country. Cultural tourism has presented the communities surrounding heritage sites with employment opportunities through which their livelihoods are uplifted. The National Heritage Council made its contribution to the goal of poverty alleviation and continues to do so through employing staff from the local communities. Allowing the owners of heritage to generate an income from it, also enhances the acceptance of responsibility towards heritage preservation.

THE NATIONAL HERITAGE COUNCIL OF NAMIBIA

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HEROES ACRE

The Heroes' Acre national heritage site is situated south of Windhoek on the B1 national road to Rehoboth. It is built as a symmetric polygon with a marble obelisk and a bronze statue of the Unknown Soldier at its centre. The site contains parade grounds and a grandstand for 5000 people. The burial site consists of 174 tombs, not all of which are currently occupied. Heroes' Acre opened on 26 August 2002. It was created to "foster a spirit of patriotism and nationalism, and to pass [this] to the future generations of Namibia".



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Heroes Acre National Heritage Site

	Self Guided	Guided Tour
International Visitors	N\$70	N\$80
18 yrs and above	N\$60	N\$70
8yrs - 17yrs	Free	Free
0yrs - 7yrs		
SADC Nationals	N\$60	N\$70
18 yrs and above	N\$50	N\$60
8yrs - 17yrs	Free	Free
0yrs - 7yrs		
Namibians	N\$50	N\$60
18 yrs and above	N\$40	N\$50
8yrs - 17yrs	Free	Free
0yrs - 7yrs		
Namibian Veterans, Pensioners, and People living with disability.	N\$40	N\$50
Educational Tours for Namibians		
School Tours per Learner	N\$10	N\$20
Tertiary institutions per Student	N\$20	N\$30



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EENHANA SHRINE

The Eenhana Shrine and Memorial Park is a war memorial near the town of Eenhana in the Ohangwena Region in north-central Namibia. It serves to preserve memories of the Namibian struggle for freedom.



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Eenhana Shrine National Heritage Site

	Self-Guided
International Visitors	
18 yrs and above	N\$40
8yrs - 17yrs	N\$30
0yrs - 7yrs	Free
SADC Nationals	
18 yrs and above	N\$30
8yrs - 17yrs	N\$20
0yrs - 7yrs	Free
Namibians	
18 yrs and above	N\$20
8yrs - 17yrs	N\$10
0yrs - 7yrs	Free
Namibian Veterans, Pensioners, and People living with disability.	N\$50
Educational Tours for Namibians	
School Tours per Learner	N\$20
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ZIEBEN PLATTEN SITE OR ORGAN PIPES AND BURNT MOUNTAIN

The Burnt Mountain is a hill with a solidified lava flow at the foot of a 12-kilometre-long volcanic ridge in Damaraland in north-western Namibia. The 80-million-year-old stream of lava was formed by thermal and compression metamorphism and its red, brown, cream and purple colours creates a striking contrast at dusk with the surrounding 200-million-year-old beige rocks of karoo slate. Burnt Mountain rises above the surrounding area by about 200 metres and is not far from the organ pipes on the d3254 road and about 10 kilometres southeast of Twyfelfontein.

The Organ Pipes are situated near the small inselberg of Burnt Mountain, west of the town of Khorixas in Namibia. They are a rock formation that comprises a group of columnar basalts which resemble organ pipes. The Organ Pipes were formed about 150 million years ago as the result of the intrusion of liquid lava into a slate rock formation, which was exposed over time by erosion.





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Zieben Platen Site only, or Organ Pipes and Burnt Mountain National Heritage Site Only

	Guided Tour
International Visitors	
18 yrs and above	N\$250
8yrs – 17yrs	N\$200
0yrs – 7yrs	Free
SADC Nationals	
18 yrs and above	N\$80
8yrs – 17yrs	N\$60
0yrs – 7yrs	Free
Namibians	
18 yrs and above	N\$60
8yrs – 17yrs	N\$50
0yrs – 7yrs	Free
Namibian Veterans, Pensioners and People living with disability.	N\$50
Educational Tours for Namibians	
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TWYFELFONTEIN MAIN SITE ONLY

UNESCO approved Twyfelfontein as Namibia's first World Heritage site in 2007. Officially known as /Ui-//Aes.

Twyfelfontein has one of the largest concentrations of petroglyphs, i.e. rock engravings in Africa. Most of these well-preserved engravings represent rhinoceros, . The site also includes six paintings of elephant, ostrich and giraffe, as well as drawings of human and animal footprints, rock shelters with motifs of human figures in red ochre. The objects excavated from two sections, date from the Late Stone Age. The site forms a coherent, extensive and high-quality record of ritual practices relating to hunter-gatherer communities in this part of southern Africa over at least 2,000 years, and eloquently illustrates the links between the ritual and economic practices of hunter-gatherers.

Twyfelfontein valley has been inhabited by Stone-age hunter-gatherers of the Wilton stone age culture group since approximately 6,000 years ago. They made most of the engravings and probably all the paintings. 2,000 to 2,500 years ago the Khoikhoi, an ethnic group related to the San (Bushmen), occupied the valley, then known under its Damara>Nama name /Ui-//Aes (jumping waterhole). The Khoikhoi also produced rock art which can clearly be distinguished from the older engravings.

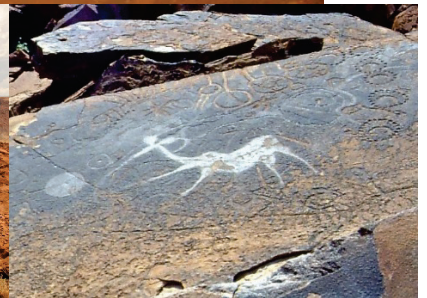
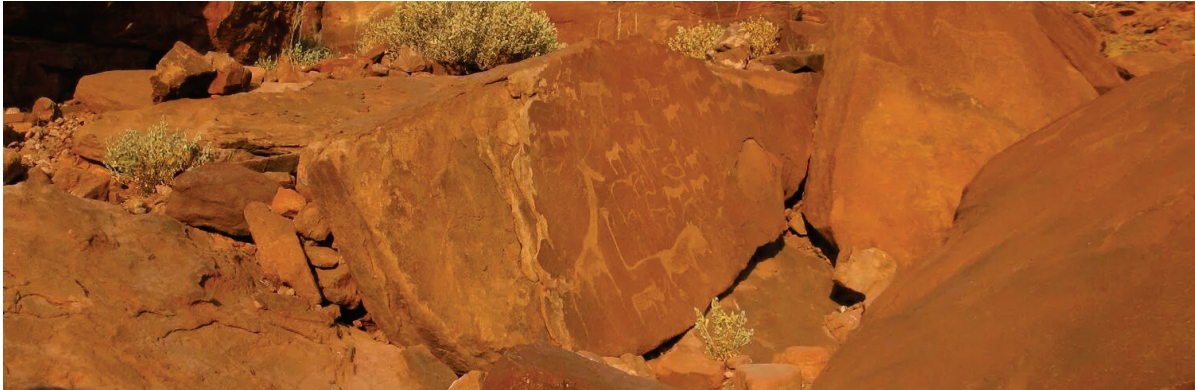
The valley was declared a national monument in 1952 to stop the common stealing of rock engravings. The paintings/ engravings can only be visited with a local guide. UNESCO declared Twyfelfontein as World Heritage Site in 2007.

Twyfelfontein is situated in the Huab valley of the Mount Etjo formation in southern Kunene Region of Namibia, an area formerly known as Damaraland. The rocks containing the art work are situated in a valley flanked by the slopes of a sandstone table mountain.

Twyfelfontein lies 20 km (12 mi) south of the C39 major road from Sesfontein to Khorixas. From there it is connected by the district road D3214.



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Twyfelfontein /Ui/Aes World Heritage Site Only

	Guided Tour
International Visitors	
18 yrs and above	N\$270
8yrs - 17yrs	N\$220
0yrs - 7yrs	Free
SADC Nationals	
18 yrs and above	N\$100
8yrs - 17yrs	N\$80
0yrs - 7yrs	Free
Namibians	
18 yrs and above	N\$80
8yrs - 17yrs	N\$60
0yrs - 7yrs	Free
Namibian Veterans, Pensioners and People living with disability.	N\$60
Educational Tours for Namibians	
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PETRIFIED FOREST

The Petrified Forest is a national monument, proclaimed on 1st March 1950, after being discovered by two farmers in the 1940s. The Petrified Forest is situated about 50 km west of Khorixas.

The Petrified Forest is an area of open veld scattered with petrified tree trunks up to 34m long and 6m in circumference, which are estimated to be around 260 million years old. Scientist found out that these trunks haven't grown in today's Namibia but were washed down a river in ancient times when one of the many Ice Ages ended on the Gondwana continent. The original trees belonged to an ancient group of cone-bearing plants that are known as Gymnospermae, which includes such modern plants as conifers, cycads and welwitschias. Because of the lack of root or branch remnants, it's thought that the trunks were transported to the site in a flood.

About 50 individual trees are visible, some half buried in sandstone and many perfectly petrified in silica – complete with bark and tree rings. In 1950, after souvenir hunters had begun to take their toll, the site was declared a national monument, and it's now strictly forbidden to carry off even a small scrap of petrified wood. Guides are compulsory.

Additionally to the petrified tree trunks some beautiful specimen of the Welwitschia Mirabilis can be seen here. The Welwitschia is often called a living fossil due to the fact that they are very long-living plants. Some Welwitschias are said to be 1500 years old and even older. The plants are endemic to the Namib Desert and only consist of a root a small stem and two leaves.





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Petrified Forest National Heritage Site Only

International Visitors	Guided Tour
18 yrs and above	
8yrs - 17yrs	N\$270
0yrs - 7yrs	N\$220
	Free
SADC Nationals	
18 yrs and above	N\$100
8yrs - 17yrs	N\$80
0yrs - 7yrs	Free
Namibians	
18 yrs and above	N\$80
8yrs - 17yrs	N\$60
0yrs - 7yrs	Free
Namibian Veterans, Pensioners and People living with disability.	N\$60
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BRANDBERG WHITE LADY

The White Lady is a rock painting, located on a panel, also depicting other art work, on a small rock overhang, deep within Brandberg Mountain. The giant granite monolith located in Damaraland and called 'The Brandberg' is Namibia's highest mountain.

The painting has long been an archaeological dilemma, and several different hypotheses have been put forth on its origins, authorship and dating. It is now usually accepted to be a bushmen painting, dating back at least 2000 years ago.

The "White Lady" archaeological site is located close to the road from Khorixas to Henties Bay, in the area of Uis, on the Brandberg Massif. The Brandberg itself hosts over 1.000 bushmen paintings, scattered around in rock shelters and caves.[3] The "White Lady Group" is found in a cave known as "Maack Shelter"[i] and portrays several human figures as well as oryxes, on a rock panel measuring about 5.5 m x 1.5 m. The "White Lady" is the most detailed human figure in the group, and measures about 39.5 cm x 29 cm. To reach The White Lady it is necessary to hike for about 45-60 minutes over rough terrain, along the gorge of the normally dry Tsisab river.

It is usually assumed that the painting shows some sort of ritual dance, and that the "White Lady" is a shaman. She has white legs and arms, which may suggest that her body was painted or that she was wearing some sort of decorative attachments on her legs and arms. She holds a bow in one hand and perhaps a goblet in the other. Because of the bow and the oryxes, the painting has also been interpreted as a hunting scene. Apart from the shaman/lady, the other human figures have less detail, and are mostly completely black or completely white. One of the oryxes has human legs. The painting was probably made of ochre, charcoal, manganese, hematite, with blood serum, egg white, and casein used as binding agents.

The painting has undergone severe damage since it was first discovered in the early 20th century. For a few decades, tourists would pour water on the painting to make the colors more clearly visible, causing the painting to fade quickly. The site is now a protected heritage site of Namibia, and visiting is only permitted with official guides. For the protection of the art, bags and bottles are not allowed at the far end of the trail.



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**Brandberg Mountain National
 Heritage Site**

**Brandberg White Lady, Jochman and
 White Giraffe Cave Only**

	Guided Tour
International Visitors	
18 yrs and above	N\$270
8yrs – 17yrs	N\$220
0yrs – 7yrs	Free
SADC Nationals	
18 yrs and above	N\$100
8yrs – 17yrs	N\$80
0yrs – 7yrs	Free
Namibians	
18 yrs and above	N\$80
8yrs – 17yrs	N\$60
0yrs – 7yrs	Free
Namibian Veterans, Pensioners and People living with disability.	N\$60
Educational Tours for Namibians	
School Tours per Learner	N\$20
Tertiary institutions per Student	N\$30



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BRANDBERG HIKING

(Permit Required)

A letter of permission issued by the NHC is required by a person or group before hiking on the mountain. In order to obtain a permit simply contact the NHC in Windhoek to apply. Their email is info@nhc-nam.org and number is +264 61 244 375 and they are located at 52 Robert Mugabe Avenue in Windhoek.

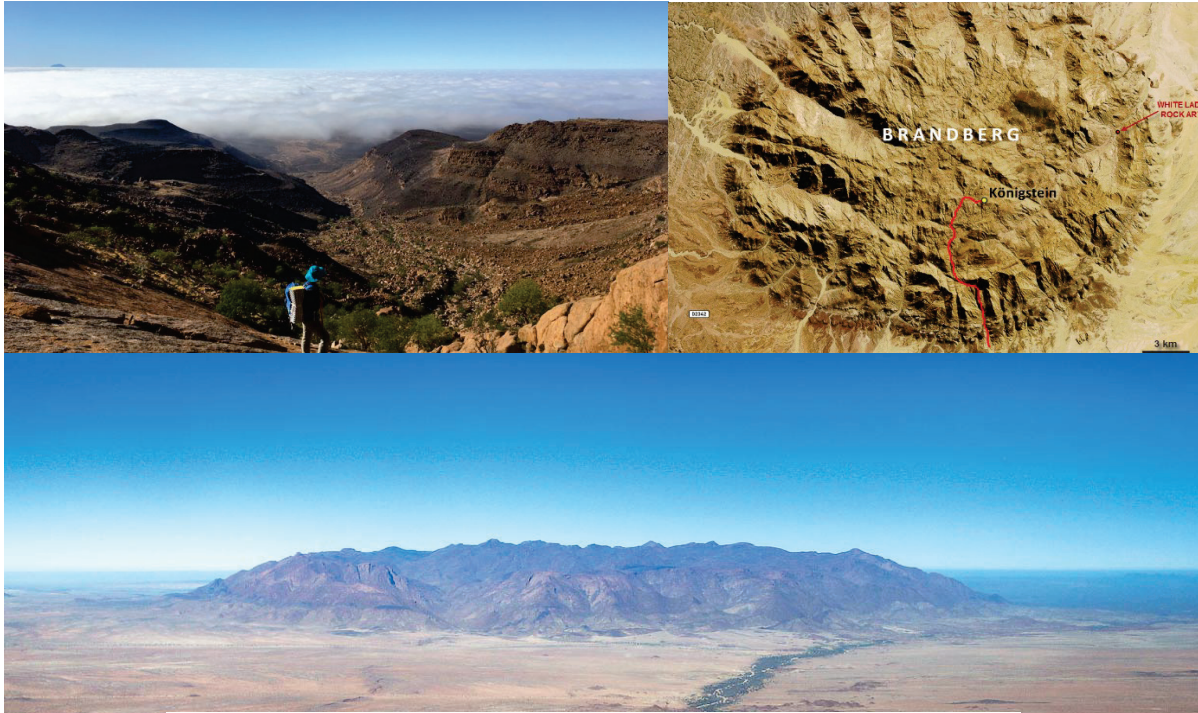
- You need to indicate the number of days you will stay and how many are in the group. Feedback is a day or two, according to the NHC.
- A permit is required for any other activities such as research, filming etc. Again the NHC in Windhoek needs to be contacted.
- A guide is required for your entire stay. The NHC provides the guide after you have received the permit. According to them it's for your entire stay on the mountain and the heritage area.
- When contacting the NHC for permits hikers should inform them of the size of the party and the length of the hike at the mountain.
- For official filming and photography undertakings, a heritage permit is also required.

About 130 million years ago volcanic activity pushed through the earth's crust causing an up-doming of the overlying rocks, the eventual breakthrough and resultant collapse caused the formation, following 100 million years over 1000m of the mountain and its surroundings eroded away leaving only the granite core, the Brandberg mountain. Remnants of the lava plateau can still be seen. The name describes the lighting effect of the sunrise and sunset on the mountain. Detailed surveys of the rock art have recorded more than 1000 sites, some with a hundred or more individual paintings. Although the most famous site, the Maack or "White Lady" Shelter, has given rise to several fanciful interpretations, systematic excavations in other parts of the mountain show that the area was inhabited by hunter-gatherer communities until the first appearance of nomadic livestock farming about 1000 years ago.

Small bands of hunters evidently lived in the upper parts of the mountain during the dry season when little water or food could be obtained in the surrounding desert. The structural geology of the mountain, with its well-developed sheet joints, provides many small aquifers and where these emerge, rock painting sites are never far away. In the rock art of Brandberg, human figures comprise more than 40% of the images and among the many animal species depicted giraffe are often the most numerous.



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Brandberg Mountain National Heritage Site

Brandberg Hiking-Permit required

	Guided Tour
International Visitors	
All other gorges	N\$ 700 pp/d
Königstein	N\$ 2500 pp/d
SADC Nationals	
All other gorges	N\$ 450 pp/d
Königstein	N\$ 1500 pp/d
Namibians	
All other gorges	N\$ 400 pp/d
Königstein	N\$ 1200 pp/d
Namibian Veterans, Pensioners and People living with disability.	
All other gorges	N\$ 300 pp/d
Königstein	N\$ 500 pp/d



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OMUGULUGWOOMBASHE

A pivotal Heritage Site in the struggle for Namibian freedom and Independence. It was at this site that the first gunshot was fired, characterizing Namibian bravery and determination. This this is also a site where those granted a state funeral are buried.



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Omugulugwoombashe National Heritage Site Only

	Self Guided	Guided Tour
International Visitors		
18 yrs and above	N\$70	N\$80
8yrs - 17yrs	N\$60	N\$70
0yrs - 7yrs	Free	Free
SADC Nationals		
18 yrs and above	N\$60	N\$70
8yrs - 17yrs	N\$50	N\$60
0yrs - 7yrs	Free	Free
Namibians		
18 yrs and above	N\$50	N\$60
8yrs - 17yrs	N\$40	N\$50
0yrs - 7yrs	Free	Free
Namibian Veterans, Pensioners, and People living with disability.	N\$40	N\$50
Educational Tours for Namibians		
School Tours per Learner	N\$10	N\$20
Tertiary institutions per Student	N\$20	N\$30



LAKE OTJIKOTO

Lake Otjikoto is the smaller of only two permanent natural lakes in Namibia. It is a sinkhole lake that was created by a collapsing karst cave. It is located 20 kilometres (12 mi) north-west of Tsumeb and only 100 meters from the main road B1. The lake was declared a national monument in 1972.

The diameter of the lake is 102 metres (335 ft); its depth is supposedly a maximum of 300 feet plus according to scans. The lake was known to the San under the name Gaisis ("ugly"). When the Herero moved into the area, they named it Otjikoto (Otjiherero: "deep hole"). Namibia's Oshikoto Region, in which the lake is situated, is an alternative spelling of Otjikoto and derives its name from that of the lake.



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Lake Otjikoto National Heritage Site

	Guided Tour
International Visitors	
18 yrs and above	N\$250
8yrs – 17yrs	N\$200
0yrs – 7yrs	Free
SADC Nationals	
18 yrs and above	N\$80
8yrs – 17yrs	N\$60
0yrs – 7yrs	Free
Namibians	
18 yrs and above	N\$60
8yrs – 17yrs	N\$40
0yrs – 7yrs	Free
Namibian Veterans, Pensioners, and People living with disability.	N\$40
Educational Tours for Namibians	
School Tours per Learner	N\$20
Tertiary Institutions per Student	N\$30
Camping	N\$ 150pp/d
Camping: Namibian Education School Tours	N\$ 50pp/d
Namibian Tertiary School Tours	N\$ 80pp/d
Picnic at a Braai Stand	N\$150



HOBA METEORITE

The Hoba Meteorite is a meteorite that lies on the Hoba West, not far from Grootfontein, in the Otjozondjupa Region of Namibia. The main mass is estimated at more than 60 tonnes. It is the largest known intact meteorite (as a single piece) in the world. It is also the most massive naturally occurring piece of iron (ferronickel) known on Earth's surface.

The Hoba Meteorite impact is thought to have occurred more recently than 80,000 years ago. It is inferred that the Earth's atmosphere slowed the object in such a way that it impacted the surface at terminal velocity, thereby remaining intact and causing little excavation (expulsion of earth). The meteorite is unusual in that it is flat on both major surfaces.



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Hoba Meteorite National Heritage Site

	Guided Tour
International Visitors	
18 yrs and above	N\$250
8yrs – 17yrs	N\$200
0yrs – 7yrs	Free
SADC Nationals	
18 yrs and above	N\$80
8yrs – 17yrs	N\$60
0yrs – 7yrs	Free
Namibians	
18 yrs and above	N\$60
8yrs – 17yrs	N\$40
0yrs – 7yrs	Free
Namibian Veterans, Pensioners, and People living with disability.	N\$40
Educational Tours for Namibians	
School Tours per Learner	N\$20
Tertiary Institutions per Student	N\$30
Camping	N\$ 150pp/d
Camping: Namibian Education School Tours	N\$ 50pp/d
Namibian Tertiary School Tours	N\$ 80pp/d
Picnic at a Braai Stand	N\$150