



## HOW IT WORKS

On arrival, you will be allocated a dry barrel (approximately 60 litres) for your dry items as well as a cooler box (capacity of 52 cans) per two people sharing.

**How to pack your barrel:** First, you line the barrel with a garbage bag for waterproofing. Then you add both your sleeping bags (loose) into the bottom and above this your dry clothes. Normally, you wear the same clothes every night and only change your underwear. You will mostly wear your swimwear during the day to raft and swim with. Your wet clothes will almost dry overnight and be ready to wear the next day. **DO NOT BRING TOO MANY CLOTHES!** You can leave clean clothes to drive home with at the base camp. Any other items you wish to keep dry can be placed into the barrel if space allows for it. Be sure to close your barrel correctly to keep it waterproof.

Please ensure that you have a minimum of 2 litres of water per day. You can keep a 5-litre can of water outside your cooler box. Then you have a 1-litre bottle inside your cooler to be refilled however often you choose. Please note that if you decide to bring alcoholic drinks with it must be in cans, plastic or box containers, as glass is not allowed on the river.

Please note that ice is a commodity on the river. The colder your drinks are on arrival, the longer your drinks will stay cold. This is often very difficult for people coming from far. We suggest that you freeze some of your drinks before you arrive at camp. Then place your frozen drinks in the cooler box.

Your camping gear, such as a tent and chairs, can be tightly fastened to your croc. Please keep in mind that the bigger the tent and chair the heavier the load on your croc. We recommend a small 2/3 man tent be brought along and only a chair, if necessary.

## ORANGE RIVER – THINGS TO TAKE NOTE OF

### IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Bundi Office (SA): +27 (0) 21 975 9727

Bundi Orange River Base Camp (Nam): +264 (0) 63 297 254

### PASSPORTS (travelling from outside Namibia)

- SA passport holders don't need a visa when crossing the border and no one will be allowed across without a valid passport. Passport that is valid for at least six months after the date of exit.

### VERY IMPORTANT:

- All children **under the age of 18** need an **Unabridged Birth Certificate** to cross the border. For more info regarding the unabridged birth certificate please click on the following link:  
<http://www.travelstart.co.za/lp/travel-tips/unabridged-birth-certificate-for-minors>

### VEHICLE (travelling from outside Namibia)

- Valid driver's license, vehicle registration documents and country sticker. (ZA for South African cars)

### HEALTH

- No vaccinations or malaria prophylactics are presently required.

### WEATHER

- If you want to keep an eye on the weather for your trip, go to the following link for a forecast:  
<http://www.yr.no/place/Namibia/Karas/Noordoewer/>

# ORANGE RIVER –PACKING LIST/KIT LIST

*Please use the below as a packing guideline.*

- Your dietary needs replacement food (if you have a dietary need only)
- Anorak / Wind-breaker
- Shorts
- T-shirts
- Cap or wide brimmed hat (to keep the sun off) / woollen hat or beanie (winter nights)
- Tracksuit (winter nights)
- Long-sleeved shirt with collar (to keep the sun off)
- Wet and dry shoes (strops or floppies or sandals are the best, then you only need one pair)
- Closed shoes / booties for the river
- Sleeping bag & pillow
- Ground sheet / inflatable mattress
- Towel, Sarong & swim wear – costume.
- Tent - lightweight (not optional - due to possible wind/insects etc.)
- Folding Chairs (Optional)
- Ropes/Straps (to tie extras to boat)
- Beach Umbrella (Optional)
- Gloves (Optional)
- Plastic mayonnaise/peanut butter jar that you can use as a waterproof container in your cooler box
- Cutlery & Crockery: plate, bowl, mug, knife, fork, spoon, teaspoon & dishcloth
- Cash for our Cash-only, limited bar (no card facilities at our camp).

## ACCESSORIES

- Camera
- Binoculars
- Torch with batteries or headlamp (this works best)
- Sunscreen & lip-ice (Zinc works best)
- Sunglasses (must have a strap)
- Personal medication
- Insect repellent
- Toiletries – biodegradable soap, toilet paper
- 5 Garbage bags / dry bags for waterproofing
- Zip lock bags for personal items / clothes

*\*Certain times of the year the mosquitoes are very bothersome at camp, so please make necessary provision for this. (Peaceful Sleep spray works best)*

## BEVERAGES & SNACKS

There is no drinkable water at the base camp or on the river. Please pack at least 2 litres of bottled water / non-alcoholic beverages per day. It is recommended that you freeze some of your water, so that it will be defrosted but still cold towards the end of your trip.

Snacks for the river: dried fruit, biltong, dry sausage, peanuts, bars of chocolate, super C and jelly babies.

## OPTIONAL EXTRAS FOR FUN

Fishing rod, games, cards, frisbee, bats and balls or cricket bat.

