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Rooisand Desert Ranch, in Namibia's Central Region on the fringe of the Namib Desert, is surrounded by the magnificent scenery of red sand dunes - shaped hundreds or thousands of years ago by winds from the Kalahari Desert - vast grassy plains and rugged mountains.



Gamsberg, also known as Namibia's Table Mountain, rises to its formidable height of 2.347 meters above sea level less than 20 km from Rooisand as the crow flies.

Due to Rooisand's proximity to the Namib Desert, downpours during the rainy season are even scarcer than in other parts of the arid country.



View from the farm towards northeast

90 degrees panoramic view towards northeast



Rooisand Desert Ranch is situated on the C 26, almost exactly halfway between Windhoek and Walvis Bay. The distance to Rooisand is 175 kilometres, which can be covered comfortably in roughly 2½ hours, allowing for speeds adapted to gravel roads.





Leave Windhoek on the C 26 heading west. Not far out of the city you cross Kupferberg Mountain and pass farm Amani. After another 30 kilometres you turn left and continue on the C 26 towards Walvis Bay via Gamsberg Pass.

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Rooisand can also be approached by small aircraft.

Once you have crossed Gamsberg Pass (please drive carefully) it will take you about 30 minutes to reach Rooisand Desert Ranch.



### From Swakopmund/Walvis Bay:

Leave Swakopmund on the B2 and drive south to Walvis Bay. There you turn onto the C 14 and head east. After 130 kilometres you come to the Kuiseb Pass.

After another 20 kilometres the C 14 continues straight towards Solitaire and the C 26 forks off to the left. Turn onto the C 26 and after 30 kilometres you will see Rooisand Desert Ranch on the right-hand side of the road. If you drive at an appropriate speed your total travelling time will be about 3 hours.

< The Kuiseb Canyon



Take your time and stop at one of the many lookout points to take in the grand scenery.

The farm's convenient location makes Rooisand eminently suitable as a "base camp" for a variety of interesting day trips.

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