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More rock paintings discovered at Rooisand



At the turn of 2005 more rock paintings were discovered during routine work on the 12.000 ha farm grounds. These previously unknown paintings by the San (Bushmen), Namibia's original inhabitants, are in the "Tobias Cave".

The paintings depict two Kudus, one of which seems to look directly at the observer. There is another painting, a few metres away from the Kudus, but the object is difficult to identify beyond doubt.

The picture on the right shows the two Kudus. The animal which seems to look straight at the observer is on the left. The entire body of the Kudu on the right is very well preserved, but unfortunately the head is no more than shadowy. The Kudu on the left appears to be motionless, while the one on the right seems on the move.



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Tobias Cave, the site of the paintings, lies high above the surrounding landscape. The cave's interior is in total shade from late morning and therefore may have represented a "comfortable" place to inhabit.


Various stones which look like "tools" - at least to the layman's eye - were found on the cave floor straightaway. Some of them, smoothed and rounded in riverbeds, are cut in half and might have been used



for grinding seeds. These stones must have been carried up to the cave, as they do not originate from there. There are definite plans to have scientists from the University of Namibia take a closer look at the cave in the near future. After that, Rooisand's guests will be able to view the rock paintings on guided tours. The way up to the cave is relatively easy and involves a walk of only 10 minutes, similar to all the other rock paintings that have so far been discovered at Rooisand.



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