

Drive About Historical Windhoek -

Windhoek City and Katutura Township Tours

Available Dates: Everyday - on Request

Time: 9:00 - 12:00 or 14:00 - 17:00

Duration: 3 hours

Tour Info: City and Township Tours

The City of Windhoek differs from other African cities in its rich and unique history, as well as its stories of bravery and heroism. Katutura, translated as “the place where we don’t belong” because of the forced resettlement of residents in this area, was born in the early days of the long struggle for liberation. The Old Location cemetery in Pioneers Park in Windhoek is an important tourist destination, as it pays homage those who died when the inhabitants were forcibly evicted and moved to Katutura in 1959.

You can explore this intriguing neighbourhood and see it through the eyes of local residents by walking in the company of a guide who understands its history and current events that shape Katutura in the 21st century. Many accredited day-tour operators offer township tours where you can visit places such as the informal markets and settlements, as well as a local shebeen. A visit to the Katutura Community Arts Centre (KCAC) is sure to inspire.

These tours usually commence from the Tourism Information Centre in Independence Avenue in the city centre, leaving at 09h00 and 14h00; they last for two to three hours. You can arrange to be picked up from your hotel and to be dropped off afterwards at any point in the city. However, you are advised to book at least one day in advance.

Remember to take a hat to protect you against the scorching Namibian sun, as well as bottled water and your camera to capture memorable moments. Generally, people are not offended by tourists taking pictures, but it is always better to ask for permission.

