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Close to reality

The elephant head in our company logo has been chosen on purpose. Every adventurous person will probably dream of such encounters in the great outdoors. It is possible – in an ACTION MOBIL. It takes you all the long way to your destination, it makes it possible for you to stay in remote regions for a longer time and the comfortable cabin provides shelter from the outside world.

Many of the photos shown in this newsletter have been taken from the window of the cabin. This way the animals are being disturbed much less. Getting off the vehicle can make the animals react in a dangerous way.

EYE TO EYE - distance approx. 10 metres!
This is what encounters in the HOUARUSIB are like!

This journal informs on important topics, new models and events around

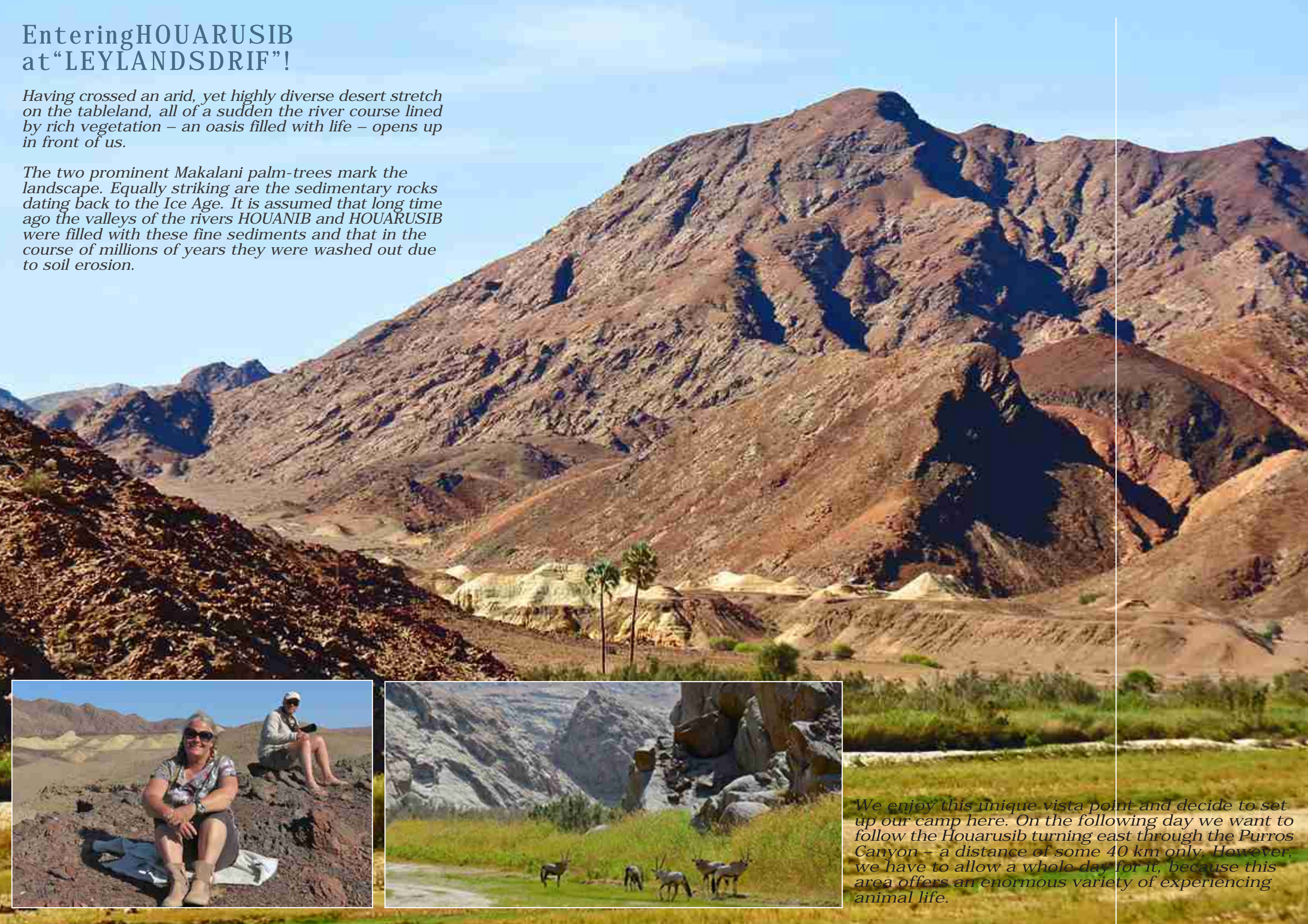
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Entering HOUARUSIB at “LEYLANDSDRIF”!

Having crossed an arid, yet highly diverse desert stretch on the tableland, all of a sudden the river course lined by rich vegetation – an oasis filled with life – opens up in front of us.

The two prominent Makalani palm-trees mark the landscape. Equally striking are the sedimentary rocks dating back to the Ice Age. It is assumed that long time ago the valleys of the rivers HOUANIB and HOUARUSIB were filled with these fine sediments and that in the course of millions of years they were washed out due to soil erosion.



We enjoy this unique vista point and decide to set up our camp here. On the following day we want to follow the Houarusib turning east through the Purros Canyon – a distance of some 40 km only. However, we have to allow a whole day for it, because this area offers an enormous variety of experiencing animal life.



...simply relaxing and enjoying wilderness!

Wood for the camp fire is abundant around here, our relatives are observing us at close quarters, a spotted hyena is circling our camp.

SHEER ADVENTURE!



The PURROS CANYON, a rare nature paradise
As the canyon is very narrow, animals and people have to share the passable strip between the rocks, the sandy passages in the reed and the frequent water passages.



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Succulent plants, often endemic in Namibia and rare kinds of EUPHORBIA can be admired in the rock walls all over the place.



Enjoyable mud bath

the photo was taken from the ACTION MOBIL cabin.





POJKI, a speciality in southern Africa, prepared on the open campfire.

It is a substantial stew of vegetables, ginger and antelope meat. It also calls for a proper shot of red wine. It must have been the delicious smell that attracted the elephant.



PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE FOOD WHERE IT CAN BE SEEN OR SMELT BY ELEPHANTS.



...that elephants sometimes appear at Purros Camp is well known. Therefore we talked to the camp operator and he said: "At the moment there are no elephants around". So we set up camp under an enormous tree and enjoyed the evening.

PURROS CAMP a romantic and almost mystical place under ancient camel thorn trees, - and a night in which an elephant made us know fear. Another such situation when you come to appreciate the shelter the ACTION MOBIL cabin provides.

2 o'clock in the morning: noises right next to our car. Looking out of the tent we see an elephant in the moonlight, direct between the ACTION MOBIL and our tent. Steffi and I sit in the tent motionless and wait for what is going to happen. The elephant has already seen us and approaches within a few metres. Then it raises its trunk and seizes a thick branch in the camel thorn tree above us. The decayed branch comes crashing down, fortunately our tent is spared. The elephant drops some solid waste and disappears into the thick bush as quietly as it appeared.



The magic of an African night

A holiday full of adventure has come to an end. It was at the same time a study trip, in the course of which we collected practical ideas and experiences for the next ACTION MOBIL prototype. So we will soon be reporting about a new state-of-the-art ACTION MOBIL demonstration car filled with new ideas.

Steffi and Otti Reitz, the founders of the ACTION MOBIL company spend some months in Namibia and southern Africa every year and therefore know the countryside inside out. Due to a shoulder injury, Otti is no longer able to steer his beloved three-axle Pinzgauer with the ACTION MOBIL cabin, since that vehicle does not have power steering. This is why Steffi and Otti opted for a Toyota Hi-Lux with automatic gearbox and power-assisted steering. They used this vehicle both for their trips and for urban traffic. The major part of the camping equipment has of course been designed by Otti Reitz himself. The Pinzgauer that has taken Steffi and Otti through almost all of Africa is now waiting for a new aficionado. The car is registered and stationed in Namibia and can be used in the entire southern part of Africa any time.

A travel team consisting of a small, agile scout vehicle and a comfortable ACTION MOBIL has proved to be the ideal choice for touring southern Africa. The Wirths-Reitz family have been using this combination of vehicles on all the tours they did together. Working out the route and navigating it is the task of Otti Reitz. Steffi Reitz is in charge of taking photos during the trip, Stephan Wirths confidently steers the ACTION MOBIL, no matter on which truck chassis the cabin is mounted, and takes his passengers safely even through roughest terrain. Daniela Reitz-Wirths takes perfect care of the catering and spoils the crew with food that leaves nothing to be desired. Thanks to a big fridge and freezer real delicacies are transported into the wild outdoors and later on prepared in the comprehensively equipped kitchen. It goes without saying that the drinks matching the delicious food lie in the various storage compartments. Steffi and Otti Reitz would like to express their warmest thanks for this excellent service.



Stephan and Daniela Wirths would like to thank Ruth and Peter for lending them their ACTION MOBIL also this time. The Wirths family highly appreciate the trust placed in them. Sometime in the near future an own ACTION MOBIL specially designed for Africa will be stationed there.

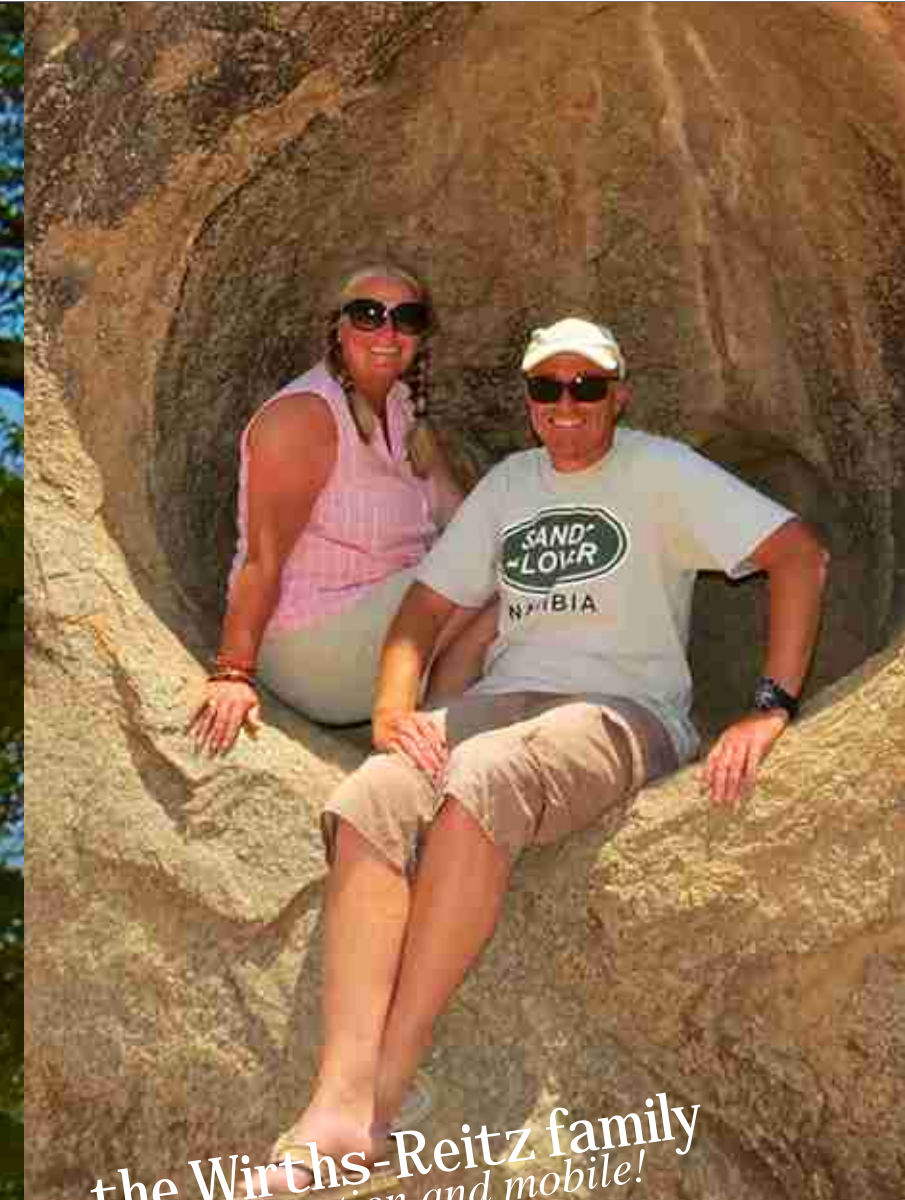
We managed to do the described trip in 2 weeks, covering about 2000 km. 70% of the route were 4x4 pistes and the rest were stabilized gravel roads.

The part between Sesfontain and Houanib-Houarusib was so magnificent that we did it once again backward and were rewarded with completely new scenic impressions and new adventure with animals.

For sure this has not been the last trip to Namibia. This country has so much more to offer!

The Reitz-Wirths Family and ACTION MOBIL.

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