

Namakwa Flower Update

14 AUGUST 2013



Dear All

We were blessed with lovely rainfall this past days. The low temperatures have also kept most of us indoors. Tourists visited our museums and other attractions like the Goegap Nature Reserve and the Namakwa National Park where they could go by their visitor centres and experienced the indoor exhibitions. Scenic drives through our historic former copper mining towns as well as visits to our diamond coast towns are options that tourists can explore when the flowers are not out due to weather conditions.

The wind on Saturday and the rain that followed since Sunday up to today with only sun on Monday is a good indication for more flowers to bloom along our flower routes.

The weather forecast for the rest of the week are predicted below

Date	Day	Temperature min	Temperature max	Weather conditions
14 August 2013	Wednesday	4	11	Drizzle

15 August 2013	Thursday	6	13	Sunny a fair day
16 August 2013	Friday	7	17	Partly cloudy
17 August 2013	Saturday	3	10	Scattered thunder storms with showers
18 August 2013	Sunday	7	16	Sunny
19 August 2013	Monday	7	18	Sunny

Tourists can view flowers on sunny days along the flower routes as are indicated on the Namakwa/West Coast flower map.

Tourists are more than welcome to phone the Namakwa flowerline @ 079 2947260 from 08:00 am to 20:00 pm 7 days a week from 01 August to 01 October 2013.

We wish you all a lovely flower watching week.

Where to view flowers

- Along the N14 outside of Springbok,
- Springbok town centre
- On the road between Komoggas and Maatjieskloof near the Naries Retreat
- Okiep town centre
- On the road to Port Nolloth
- Handjieskraal near Kharkams
- Groot Hoog, along the road between Okiep and Concordia
- Road between Springbok and Bergsig
- Nababeep in the vicinity of Nababeep Hills Guesthouse
- Namakwa National Park
- Noheep a farm near Kamieskroon

Tips when watching the flowers

- The flowers is open between 11:00 am and 15:00 pm during the
- The sun must be out for flowers to open
- The day temperature must be at least 18 degrees
- Flowers are not open on rainy or overcastted days.

What to wear when watching flowers

- Long pants when walking around in the field.
- Comfortable shoes

Advise to tourists

- Please book in advance for accommodation.
- Most towns along the flower routes have fuel station
- Most towns along the flower routes have ATM's.
- Most towns along the flower routes have mobile phone reception.

Flower maps

- Namakwa/West Coast maps is available at all tourism offices.