

Okahirongo Elephant Lodge Kaokoland, Namibia

The top lodges in Namibia have been riding their dune for some time. Now a young blood is kicking up some sand. This place is located in the beautiful north west, with its golden grasses, purple hillsides and red dunes. The structures you stay in are influenced by local Himba architecture and colours – everything dashed in desert reds. The food is knockout: don't miss the delicious ostrich steaks. Zoom about in 4x4s with eyes peeled for rhino, elephant and the elusive desert lion. But the real thrill is the landscape – you feel pumped up and wonderfully soporific all at the same time. Website okahirongolodge. com. **UK reservations** African & Indian Explorations (tel: 01993 822443). Rates Double, from £670.

