## **REVIEW**

Organization Name: N/a'an ku sê Wildlife Sanctuary

Location: Namibia

Website: https://naankuse.com/volunteering/wildlife-volunteer/

**VERDICT: HIGHLY RECOMMENDED** 

**Overview:** N/a'an ku sê strives to help the animals, the people and the landscape of Namibia. This is truly a unique organization. I have personal experience of volunteering with N/a'an ku sê. In the sanctuary, volunteers care for the animals that call the sanctuary home, these animals range from baboons, meerkats, cheetahs, lions, duiker, and cattle animals, get quality care from the volunteers and staff including enrichment. They also work with local farmers to mitigate predator conflicts with farmers and livestock, including relocation of problem animals (as a last resort).

N/a'an ku sê also provide wildlife research opportunities for volunteers. The volunteers in these projects help with counts (predator and game), setting up camera trips and trekking thru beautiful parts of the country to analyze spur and territory. Sometimes you are called in to mitigate and help with a wildlife-human conflict with local lodges or farms.

**Is it Conservation?:** Yes, N/a'an ku sê is a true conservation organization.

**Verdict Explanation:** N/a'an ku sê does not allow for human contact with wild animals and with any animals that are to be released back into the wild. The owners of N/a'an ku sê are real conservationists; they specialize in cheetah conservation but obviously work with a large range of animals. Their staff is dedicated to the well-being of the animals both in and outside of the sanctuary. The owners of N/a'an ku se are advocates and work with the government, local communities (including Sans bushmen) and farmers to ensure that there is a place for the wildlife that call Namibia home. They are also working to help re-introduce African wild dogs back to Namibia.

