

Aan die Oewer – Founding Member of GST

Verification audit at Aan-Die-Oewer according to the 4C's

The owners started developing the holiday resort on the banks of the Orange River in Orania in May 2000. They worked hard to comply with the requirements of the EIA's (Environmental Impact Assessments). Trees were identified, named, and retained with great care before the terrain was prepared for developing the accommodation. Before building, and to consider the sandy riverbanks, thorough research was done, and therefore the decision was made to build timber houses on poles.

C1. Conservation

Aan-die-Oewer is part of Orania and the Bavaria has its own written policy about conservation. Brochures and other media, in which this policy is explained, is freely available. Much preparation has been done to use the environment where the park is situated in a sensible way. Endemic planting is promoted everywhere as far as possible.

C2. Community

All work is done by local people. Local businesses are supported where possible. Prices of the facilities are determined according to the accessibility for the niche markets. Facilities are available for cultural functions and gatherings at reasonable prices. Great emphasis is placed on bettering the quality of life of the inhabitants.

C3. Customer

The houses are clean and well-equipped. Workers are very friendly and helpful. Various water activities are available for guests. A reasonably priced restaurant with lovely views on the river with abundant birdlife, is available to all visitors.

C4. Company

Covid impacted badly on finances. It is the same for tourism facilities in Orania and almost everywhere across the country.