Koingnaas Weather Statistics & West Coast Condensation Trends

Koingnaas Rainfall & Climate Summary

Koingnaas, situated along South Africa's west coast in the Northern Cape, experiences a **subtropical desert climate** characterized by **very low annual rainfall** and **frequent coastal fog**. The region falls within **Growing Zones 9–10**, making it well-suited for **drought-tolerant and subtropical plant species like palms**.

Average Annual Rainfall

Total annual precipitation: ~104 mm (≈ 4.1 inches)

• Average rainy days per year: ~48 days

• Wettest month: July (~15 mm)

• **Driest month:** February (~2.5 mm)

Monthly Temperature & Rainfall Averages

Month	Avg Min Temp	Avg Max Temp	Rainfall
January	16 °C	29 °C	5 mm
July	7°C	17 °C	15 mm
Decembe	r 15 °C	29 °C	10 mm

Source: Climates to Travel, World Weather Online

West Coast Condensation & Fog Patterns

Koingnaas and the broader West Coast are heavily influenced by the **cold Benguela Current**, which promotes **frequent condensation events**, including **morning fog and low cloud cover**. These phenomena are especially common during the cooler months but occur year-round.

Summer Humidity Levels (December-February)

Despite its coastal location, Koingnaas maintains **relatively low humidity** in summer, consistent with its arid climate:

December: 47–50%

• January: 45–48%

• **February:** 44–46%

Koingnaas has access to two unlimited natural subsurface water sources. These underground service dams supplied De Beers' diamond mining operations with a continuous water supply for over 50 years. Mining activities ceased in 2013. Further information about Koingnaas's water sources can be found on the De Beers website.



On most early mornings, the Koingnaas Plantation is cloaked in a veil of fog left behind by the night. As the sun rises, the mist gradually evaporates, giving way to the intense heat of the desert sun.