



**OHORONGO
cement**

**CEMENTING TRUST,
BUILDING FUTURES!**

Company Profile

Providing Cement for Namibia

Ohorongo Cement is situated in the North of Namibia, close to the village of Otavi. Construction started in 2009 with first production in 2011, making Ohorongo one of the most modern cement plants in Africa. Ohorongo sustainably produces world-class cement for its Namibian- and regional consumers, as well as to export market for neighbouring countries.

Company Roots

Ohorongo traces roots back to the late 1800s, when the Schwenk family first started the production of cement in Ulm, Germany. Since then, the Schwenk family has invested in terms of technology and human capital, so that today, the enterprise has developed into a major player within the German cement industry. During 2007 the Schwenk group expanded their horizon to invest in Namibia. The generous resource to the North of Otavi promised a sustainable supply of raw material to manufacture world-class cement.

Quality

The cement produced by Ohorongo is of highest quality standards based on European and South African standards, approved and certified by SABS, as well as by the Namibian Standards Institution (NSI). The plant deploys the best available technology to ensure consistent high-quality cement, with the lowest impact on the environment. Ohorongo remains committed to product quality, and this is ensured by complying with the requirements of SANS/NAMS 50197-1. Production at the plant is organized in terms of SANS/NAMS 50197-2, to ensure a manufacturing process of the highest standard.

Technology and Alternative Energy

A culture of technological advancement and innovation has been started at Ohorongo from the very beginning. The plant utilizes various locally fuels, so called alternative fuels, to replace the import of fossil fuels from outside Namibia and to reduce the environmental impact. Alternative fuels have been successfully used since 2011. Presently wood chips derived from encroacher bushes, charcoal fines and refuse derived fuel are being burnt in the clinker process at temperatures of above 2,000 degrees Celsius. Besides multiple benefits for the environment (contribution to reduction of bush encroachment, to reduction of landfill waste and to increased biodiversity), numerous new jobs have also been created via these initiatives. Last but not least the usage of alternative fuels combined with the energy efficient process makes Ohorongo's Sargberg plant to one of the lowest specific (in tons of CO² per ton of clinker) CO² emitting cement plants worldwide.

Environment & People

As a company and as individuals, Ohorongo takes great pride in contributing to the communities where they live and work. The companies' Corporate Social Responsibility Programme focuses mainly on education, healthcare & infrastructure. They also care about the environment and are proud of the many ways in which their employees work to safeguard it, in order to leave a lasting legacy.

Our Work

Ohorongo recognizes that Namibia and neighbouring countries needs a world-class cement to set proper foundations for economic development and industrialization, as well as to assist with attracting foreign investors. The company supports Vision 2030, the National Development Plans (NDP), as well as the "Growth at Home Policy" from the Ministry of Industrialization, Trade and SME Development.