

Africa (continued)

Deserts

Kalahari (Botswana)

large semi-arid area
in Southern Africa

Namib (Namibia)

Coastal desert created
by the rain shadow of
the Drakensberg Mountains
and the cold Benguela current
in Southern Africa

Rivers

Nile (Egypt...)

Considered often as Earth's
longest river at 4,258 miles (6,853 km)
Flows northward into the Mediterranean
Cradle of Ancient Egyptian Civilization

Africa (continued)

Rivers

Congo (Democratic Republic of the Congo, Republic of the Congo)

2nd longest river in Africa
(2,920 miles, 4,700 km)

2nd largest river on Earth
by discharge

Deepest river on Earth

Niger (Nigeria, Western Africa)

3rd longest river in Africa
(2,597 miles, 4,180 km)

The Niger originates
in Guinea only 150 miles
from the Atlantic ocean
but flows away from the
Ocean into the Sahara
Desert before turning
southward and ending
in the Gulf of Guinea