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**15 NIGHT WIDLERNES DUNES, RHINOS, SKELETON COAST,
AND ETOSHA
A PREMIUM FLYING SAFARI ADVENTURE**



Day 01: The Weinberg Windhoek, Windhoek

On arrival into Hosea Kutako International Airport you will be met by our representative and transferred to The Weinberg by private vehicle for one night at The Weinberg with the following inclusions: Breakfast, complimentary WIFI, complimentary parking, Bed Levy and VAT.

Windhoek

Situated in Central Namibia, the cosmopolitan city of Windhoek serves as the capital of the country. It is home to an international airport and a plethora of restaurants, shops, entertainment venues and accommodation options. The city is clean, safe and well-organised, with a colonial legacy that is reflected

in its many German eateries and shops, and the widespread use of the German language. Windhoek has an interesting mix of historical architecture and modern buildings, many of which are worth a look, including the Alte Feste an old fort, the 1896 Christuskirche Christ Church, and the more contemporary Supreme Court.

Situated in Klein Windhoek on the Am Weinberg Estate, the **Weinberg Boutique Hotel** is a 30-minute drive from Hosea Kutako International Airport. The elegant 43-bedroom hotel wraps around a heritage building, creating an inviting courtyard. This design complements its historic character, while modern amenities ensure the utmost comfort. Aside from the location and spectacular views, hotel guests also have access to facilities including the Soulstice Day Spa and two upmarket restaurants.

INSIDER'S TIP: Am Weinberg Boutique Hotel has various dining options. The Sky Bar Lounge is situated on the roof while the Library Wine Bar and Lounge is ideal for light meals. An all-day dining restaurant completes the food and drink offering.

Day 02: **Little Kulala, Sossusvlei**

This morning you will be met at the hotel and transferred to the airport for your light aircraft flight down to Sossusvlei for a 3-night stay at the Wilderness Little Kulala with the following inclusions: all meals, twice daily scheduled camp activities, park fees, laundry, Namibian VAT & Tourism Levy, and local drinks - excludes premium imported brands and champagne. We recommend pre-booking a scenic hot air balloon flight over the dunes at dawn.



Sossusvlei

Located in the scenic Namib-Naukluft National Park, Sossusvlei is where you will find the iconic red sand dunes of the Namib. The clear blue skies contrast with the giant red dunes to make this one of the most scenic natural wonders of Africa and a photographer's heaven. This awe-inspiring destination is possibly Namibia's premier attraction, with its unique dunes rising to almost 400 metres - making them some of the

highest in the world. These iconic dunes come alive in morning and evening light and draw photography enthusiasts from around the globe. Sossusvlei is home to a variety of desert wildlife including oryx, springbok, ostrich and a variety of reptiles. Visitors can climb 'Big Daddy', one of Sossusvlei's tallest dunes; explore Deadvlei, a white, salt, claypan dotted with ancient trees; or for the more extravagant, scenic flights and hot air ballooning are on offer, followed by a once-in-a-lifetime champagne breakfast amidst these majestic dunes.

Wilderness Little Kulalala is an elegant sanctuary on the dry Auab riverbed in the 27,000-hectare Kulala Wilderness Reserve – the ideal setting from which to savour the splendour and solitude of the Namib Desert. Its private gate allows guests exclusive, early access to the Namib-Naukluft National Park to explore Sossusvlei and its extraordinary surrounds.



DAY 05

Today you will transfer back to the airstrip in time for your light aircraft flight to Swakopmund. On arrival you will be met and transferred to the Strand Hotel for 2 nights on a half board basis.

Occupying most of the breakwater responsible for the calm bay, the Strand Hotel is inches from the roaring Atlantic. Rooms come in a variety of sizes and configurations, most of them sea-facing, and are equipped with the modern hotel's in-house conveniences like wi-fi, flat-screen telly, international plug points, air conditioning, mini-bar and room service.

Swakopmund

Set along Namibia's spectacularly scenic coast, the seaside town of Swakopmund is known for its wide-open avenues, colonial architecture, and its surrounding desert terrain. Founded in 1892 as the main harbour for German South-West Africa, Swakopmund is often described as being more German than Germany. Now a seaside resort town, Swakopmund is the capital of the Skeleton Coast tourism area and has plenty to keep visitors happy. The quirky mix of German and Namibian influences, adventure options, laid-back atmosphere and cool sea breeze make it a very popular Namibian destination. Visitors can look forward to a number of exciting activities including: quad biking, horse riding, paragliding, fishing, sightseeing and fascinating desert tours.

We have included a Dolphin & Seal Cruise – you will be picked up from your accommodation early on day 6 and driven to Walvis Bay to start your experience.



DAY SEVEN

Today you will fly up to Desert Rhino Camp for 3 nights on an all- inclusive basis. Wilderness Desert Rhino Camp is set in a valley in the midst of the expansive 583 000 hectare Palmwag Concession and looks out over a sweeping plain dotted with welwitschia. It is here that trackers patrol and protect one of the largest free-ranging populations of Critically Endangered desert-adapted black rhino in Africa.



Rhinos are the star of the show and you will have the rare opportunity to join SRT monitors on a guided walk, or by vehicle. Nature drives to see desert-adapted wildlife and take in the magnificent scenery are also on offer, as are mindful, guided nature walks exploring the smaller fauna and flora of the area. Back in camp you can have a refreshing dip in the pool and welcome in the night around the campfire while discovering the constellations of the southern sky.

Purpose: Wilderness Desert Rhino Camp is run in conjunction with the local community and Save the Rhino Trust (SRT), so, in addition to guests gaining amazing insight into the ecology and conservation of this area, a portion of their revenue goes to the Trust and its conservation operations. Our pioneering partnership ensures the ongoing conservation of one of the last free-roaming populations of black rhino on the planet.



DAY 10

Today you will be transferred back to the airstrip in time for your light aircraft flight to Hoanib Skeleton Coast for 3 nights on an all-inclusive basis. Located in the isolated Kaokoveld makes this camp an ideal option for adventurous travellers seeking an off-the-beaten-track destination close to the Skeleton Coast and within the true Namib Desert.

The camp is found in a remote area of the Kaokoveld where gravel-strewn plains and dry riverbeds draw in rare and magnificent wildlife. A very remote camp - this magnificent desert camp is only accessible by light aircraft. Flying over the Namib is a unique experience and the best way to arrive in style while appreciating the vast beauty of the desert.

You can explore this isolated yet diverse area on guided nature drives along the riverbed's narrow ribbon of vegetation, where a surprising array of desert-adapted animals can be found. Day trips to the mysterious and beautiful Skeleton Coast, with its shipwreck remnants and colonies of Cape fur seals, are also on offer – usually outbound on an adrenaline-packed drive over the dunes, returning by light aircraft (the flight is weather-dependent).



Back in camp, the Research Centre offers profound insights into the area and its wildlife. Here guests have the opportunity to engage with researchers who may be in camp, to find out more about this astonishing wilderness.

Purpose: This fully solar-powered camp is a joint venture with the neighbouring conservancies of Anabeb, Torra and Sesfontein and is a centre for research, accommodating scientists and biologists committed to conserving the desert-adapted carnivores of this harsh region. This enables guests to come eye-to-eye with desert-adapted elephants, lions, hyenas, giraffes, and oryx. Researchers study them, and community members benefit financially from their conservation.



DAY 13

Today you will transfer back to the airstrip in time for your light aircraft flight to Etosha. On arrival you are met and transferred to Ongava Tented Camp for 3 nights on an all-inclusive basis. Little Ongava is set in a private reserve with easy access into Etosha National Park.

This luxurious little camp is perched on the crest of a hill with magnificent vistas of the plains stretching for miles to the horizon and has just three spacious villas each with its own plunge pool, ensuite bathroom, sala, and outdoor shower. The lounge and dining areas have wonderful views of a waterhole below the camp, the open deck allowing for relaxed dining under the stars.

Day and night wildlife-viewing drives, visiting hides overlooking waterholes, walks and white rhino approaching with experienced guides can all be enjoyed exclusively on this reserve. Game drives and day trips into nearby Etosha National Park are also offered.



DAY 16

Today you will transfer back to the airstrip in time for your light aircraft flight back to Windhoek to link with your international flight home.

NOT READY TO GO HOME QUITE YET?

THEN WE CAN EXTEND THIS SAFARI TO VISIT SERRA CAFEMA IN THE EXTREME NORTH OF NAMIBIA ON THE ANGOLAN BORDER, OR VISIT ONE OF WILDERNESS SAFARIS CAMPS IN DAMARALAND IN SEARCH OF DESERT ADAPTED ELEPHANTS. WITH DIRECT FLIGHT DOWN TO CAPE TOWN IT IS EASY TO ADD A FEW NIGHTS EXPLORATION OF THIS FABULOUS CITY BY THE OCEAN – PLEASE ASK!



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