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Greetings from Africa!

Our first Desert Dune Safari excursion for the year has successfully come and gone – with it, some very happy guests (see comments below).

Namibia is a land blessed with majestic sceneries, infinite skies, rugged mountains, desolate deserts and remarkable wildlife in abundance. With one departure per month from May to November, one can explore some of the most remote areas of this captivating land, a true journey of discovery as the areas visited have seldom been travelled by others. The [Desert Dune Safari](#) Exploration encompasses some of the key areas to be visited in Namibia. The journey begins with the dunes at Sossusvlei, continues to Swakopmund to view the marine life offshore, stretches to the Skeleton Coast with views of the historic shipwreck remains and ends at the rocky landscape of the Palmwag where the last free roaming Black Rhino roam.

Features of this Exploration:

- A combination of land and air travel to view the majestic landscape and wildlife
- An in depth exploration into different parts of Sossusvlei, Skeleton Coast and the Palmwag Concession.
- The ultimate Skeleton Coast experience including the opportunity to view remains of shipwrecks, Cape fur seal colonies and other desert-adapted wildlife.
- Accommodation includes an array of camps in private areas.
- Exceptionally varied activities, including day and night, sea and land-based wildlife viewing, as well as flying, driving, and boating.
- Other distinctive excursions include rhino tracking, motorboat trip at Walvis Bay (including extension to Sandwich Harbour, and seafood lunch) and a scenic flight from Sossusvlei to Swakopmund (weather permitting).



In addition to the scenery, flora and fauna, the highlight of this itinerary has to be the highly experienced Exploration guide that leads the guests through each destination. This is what one guest had to say on the recent Desert Dune Safari expedition led by [Jeremia Mwapopi](#):

"This organization runs like a well-oiled machine with heart. Our guide, Jeremia, was superb. His depth and breadth of knowledge was stunning, as well as his passion for Namibia and conservation of land, culture, peoples, flora and fauna. The lodges are all beautiful, food is good, rooms are comfortable. Having a full moon didn't hurt either! My favourite was the Desert Rhino Camp. While we didn't manage to see a black rhino I wasn't disappointed one bit. The terrain was gorgeous, and one sunset we came upon a herd of springbok in the hundreds. The staff seemed even happier to be there, with the rhino conservation project... Their singing at dinner, at welcoming and farewell was beautiful. Our last night they set up a braai in the bush complete with a "red carpet" of luminarias, white table cloths and a "proper" loo. I would not hesitate to go to another Wilderness property or on another of their explorations..."

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