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***Canyon & Desert Deluxe
(Trip Code: IAS WCA E13)
13 Day Windhoek to Cape Town Accommodated Adventure***

This trip begins in Windhoek, Namibia, and travels through Namibia before finishing in Cape Town, South Africa.

Departure Point: Windhoek.
Check-In Time: 17h00 on day 1.
Departure Time: 09h00 on day 2.
End Point: Cape Town.
Pre-Departure Meeting: Briefing held at check in

Included in the tour price:

Itinerary as specified, fully equipped safari vehicle, services of trip leader and driver, all accommodation as specified above, all catering equipment and scheduled National Park entrance fees. Breakfast (B) Lunch (L) Dinner (D), No Meal (NM) where specified. Meals not shown will be to the clients account. Occasionally breakfast and lunch may be combined into a brunch where necessary e.g. mornings with early game drives.

Excluded in the tour price:

International airfares, arrival and departure transfers, travel and medical insurance, personal spending money, visas, passports, vaccinations, personal taxes (including departure and border taxes) all optional activities, unscheduled or optional National Parks / Reserves entrance fees, gratuities, restaurant meals and all other items of a personal nature. All drinks, even on days with full board basis.

Please Note:

This itinerary should be used as a guide only and may vary from day to day depending on road & weather conditions, political situations and group decisions.

All prices are subject to change without prior notice.

Due to Tourism Laws in some of the countries we visit, there may be a truck and crew change during the trip.

On some departures, this trip may run in reverse.

Windhoek to Cape Town

Your journey begins in Namibia's capital Windhoek before heading north for the Waterberg Plateau, and enjoying some game viewing in Etosha's "Great White Place". The coastline introduces the quaint town of Swakopmund and the Namib Desert the giant sand dunes and desolate landscapes. Finally end off in Cape Town, Africa's southern gateway where you can gaze at the spectacle that greeted the early explorers from the famous Table Mountain. This trip offers breathtaking sights and cultural interaction and combines these into an unforgettable holiday experience.

DAY 1 – Windhoek

Namibia's capital is rather small but has many places of historical interest. We have the day at leisure to visit the local museums or haggle at the street side markets. (NM) LODGE

DAY 2 – Waterberg Plateau National Park (180 km)

This morning we meet our fellow travellers and after a short briefing, head north to the breathtaking Waterberg Plateau National Park. Historically significant as the site of the war between the Colonial Germans and the Herero Tribe, the area has now become a haven for many endangered species. It is renowned for its incredible rock formations and nature walks. Our afternoon here is at leisure and you are free to partake in these walks or the optional game drives and guided hikes. (B) CHALETS

DAY 3 & 4 - Etosha National Park & surrounding area (300 km)

We head further north to explore the Etosha National Park by game driving with our vehicle along the many winding tracks. Etosha National Park is dominated by shimmering white salt pans and arid bush vegetation. On our drives, we search for the wide variety of wild animals that make this National Park their home - you have a chance to see the African elephant, as well as black rhino, lion, leopard and many more. Dependant on the season, we will spend either the first or the last night within Etosha (the second is spent at a lodge in the greater Etosha area. (B; B) CHALETS / LODGE

DAY 5 & 6- Swakopmund (500 km)

Leaving the Etosha region, we head south and cross the barren coastal belt to the Atlantic Ocean and the delightful Bavarian style town of Swakopmund. Along the way, we may catch a glimpse of the awesome granite Spitzkoppe scenery. The mountains and granite mounds provided a home to the San people (Bushmen) for thousands of years. Swakopmund is situated snugly between sea and desert and offers great beaches, deep-sea fishing, quad-biking, dune-boarding, flights over the desert, plus an array of shops, bars and restaurants. Here you are free to explore at your leisure or partake in the many optional activities. This is also a chance to catch up on logistical matters such as laundry, banking and communication (internet facilities). (B / L; B) LODGE

DAYS 7 & 8 – The Namib Naukluft National Park (350 km)

After breakfast we head inland, once again crossing the barren coastal belt and head south toward the Namib Naukluft National Park and the giant sand dunes of Sossusvlei. This is one of the world's oldest deserts, offering over 130 million years of natural wonder, and some of the highest sand dunes in the world! On Day 15 we leave early in the morning and enter the National Park. We climb Dune 45 for stunning views of the surrounding dunes, after which we proceed to Sossusvlei and the 2x4 parking area. From here it is an approximate 5 km walk to the vlei where you are free to explore. Alternatively, there is an option to partake in a guided desert walk to learn more about this area and the creatures that survive here. Stunning photographic opportunities are available in the dunes. On our return to the lodge we will stop off at the Sesriem Canyon. (B / L; B) LODGE

DAY 9 –Aus (350 km)

We depart from the breath taking views of the Namib Naukluft National Park and travel further south to the Aus region where we have the possibility of seeing the famed wild desert horses. Our lodge offers spectacular views over the surrounding area and the rare opportunity to experience the surrounding solitude. (B / L) LODGE

DAY 10 –Namibia, Fish River Canyon (300 km)

Travelling further south we reach the Fish River Canyon, where we partake in an optional walk along the Canyon rim. The canyon is one of the most awesome sights in Africa, and second in size only to the Grand Canyon of America. After viewing the Canyon, we head to our lodge, nestled between the local scenery. (B / L) LODGE

DAYS 11 – South Africa, Lamberts Bay (650 km)

After an early rise, we travel via the barren Richtersveld region before crossing the border and bidding a fond farewell to Namibia. South Africa's Namaqualand region is known for its spectacular display of spring flowers (September), when the masses of wild flowers bloom, turning the entire region into a yellow, red and orange maze. The West Coast region also displays sprawling vistas and further south, massive boulder outcrops – truly beautiful scenery. (B/ L) HOTEL

DAY 12 –Cape Town (250 km)

This morning we visit a rare breeding colony of the Cape Gannet before heading past the West Coast National Park and down to Cape Town. This afternoon is we have time at leisure to begin exploring this vibrant city and all it has to offer – take a trip up Table Mountain, or visit the nearby V&A Waterfront, the choice is yours. (B) LODGE

DAY 13 – Cape Town

After breakfast we part ways, having just experienced a trip of a lifetime. (B)

Today can be spent at leisure in Cape Town to enjoy the many optional attractions and activities available in this magnificent city. Sample the sights and sounds of this magical city at the Southern tip of the African continent. Optional activities include trips to Robben Island, Cape Point Nature Reserve and Boulders Beach Penguin Colony, Table Mountain National Reserve, Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens and the many wine estates of Paarl, Franschoek and Stellenbosch.

WildLife Adventures can book airport transfers and additional accommodation through our central reservations office. Please notify us at the time of booking if you wish to make use of this service.

Please note: While it is our intention to adhere to the itinerary described above, there is a certain amount of flexibility built into the itinerary and on occasion it may be necessary, or desirable to make alterations. You will be advised of any amendments or changes in the itinerary during your pre-departure meeting on day 1.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Below is a selection of Optional Excursions available on this trip.

Please Note - these prices are approximate and are subject to change - where activities occur away from your base, there may be an additional transfer cost.

NAMBIA:	
WINDHOEK ACTIVITIES:	
Windhoek Open Top Bus City Tour	30 US\$
SWAKOPMUND ACTIVITIES:	
Quad Biking – 1Hr/2 Hr	50 US\$ / N\$85 US\$
Sand Boarding – Lie Down/ Stand Up	45 US\$ / 60 US\$
Township Tour	70 US\$
Tandem Skydive	(Weather Permitting) 320 US\$
Horse Riding (2Hrs)	65 US\$
Fishing	145 US\$
Dolphin Cruise	75 US\$
Kayaking	90 US\$
Paragliding	(Weather Permitting) 135 US\$
Scenic Flight (various)	(Weather Permitting) As per Operator
Hot Air Ballooning	(Weather Permitting) 420 US\$
Sossusvlei Desert Walk 2-3 Hrs (Min 8)	35 US\$
SOUTH AFRICA:	
CAPE TOWN	
For activities based in/around Cape Town, please plan extra days prior to the trip departure	
Wine Routes	75 US\$
Cape Point half day tour	75 US\$
Whale watching (seasonal)	75 US\$
Table Mountain	25 US\$
Robben Island	35 US\$
Shark Cage Diving	200-300 US\$
Township Tour	60 US\$

The staff and management look forward to welcoming you aboard and trust that you will enjoy your trip with Into Africa Safari.

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