

## NATURE . WILDLIFE STRANDWOLF



## This is the story of Tosca, a long-haired, primeval-looking brown hyena.

She moves through the seal colony on Namibia's wild Skeleton Coast with purpose and focus, gingerly stepping around the adults who snap at her heels. She's searching for smaller prey. Following her is a young German field scientist, Ingrid Wiesel, who has now spent 17 years with Tosca's clan; tracking, observing, and learning everything she can about one of the world's least understood and most unusual predators.

The story takes us through some of Namibia's most spectacular landscapes: down the wild coastal beaches which are popular resting and breeding sites for thousands of Cape fur seals; across the great dunes of the Namib desert; and into the abandoned mining town of Elizabeth Bay, a ghost town, whose crumbling, empty buildings now provide ideal shelter.

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