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KENYA SAFARI



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KENYA AFRICA – SAFARI & BEACH

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Vast savannahs peppered with immense herds of wildlife. Snow-capped equatorial mountains. Traditional peoples who bring soul and colour to the earth. *Welcome to Kenya ~ the perfect place to answer Africa's call of the wild.*

DAY 1 & 2: ARRIVE NAIROBI -

Shuttle from Nairobi airport to the Movenpick Hotel after our flight from Canada. Rest and relax for 2 nights in this stunning hotel that charms with it's African design, uplifting atmosphere, open spaces and panoramic views.

DAY 3: NAIROBI - (Arrive in Nairobi and depart directly on Safari)

Drive from Nairobi Airport in the early morning, past the coffee and pineapple plantations, into the rich green town of Nyeri, before arriving at the Serena Mountain Lodge. Set high above natural salt licks and waterholes, relax under the stars and enjoy stunning views of forest animal's right from the comfort of your lodge's terrace.

Check In — Serena Mountain Lodge — Mount Kenya (1 Night FB)



Sailing like an ark amid the primeval forests of Kenya's highest mountain, Mount Kenya, this timbered tree hotel offers champagne-clear mountain air, sweeping views across the tree-canopy, sparkling trout streams, and gentle forest walks. Located at 2,134 metres above sea level, on the lower slopes of the mountain, the lodge is cool, tranquil and hushed for optimum game-sightings. The open-air viewing-deck looks down on to its own water hole and salt-lick, which attracts numerous herds of elephant and buffalo. There is also a tunnel leading to a photo-hide, which offers spectacular viewing and photographic opportunities just meters away from the wildlife at the water hole.

DAY 4: SAMBURU GAME RESERVE



Check Out — Serena Mountain Lodge

Following breakfast and check out, continue your journey north across the equator, gently descending into the arid, desert-like setting of Kenya's Northern Frontier District, traveling on to your lodge in Samburu Game Reserve.

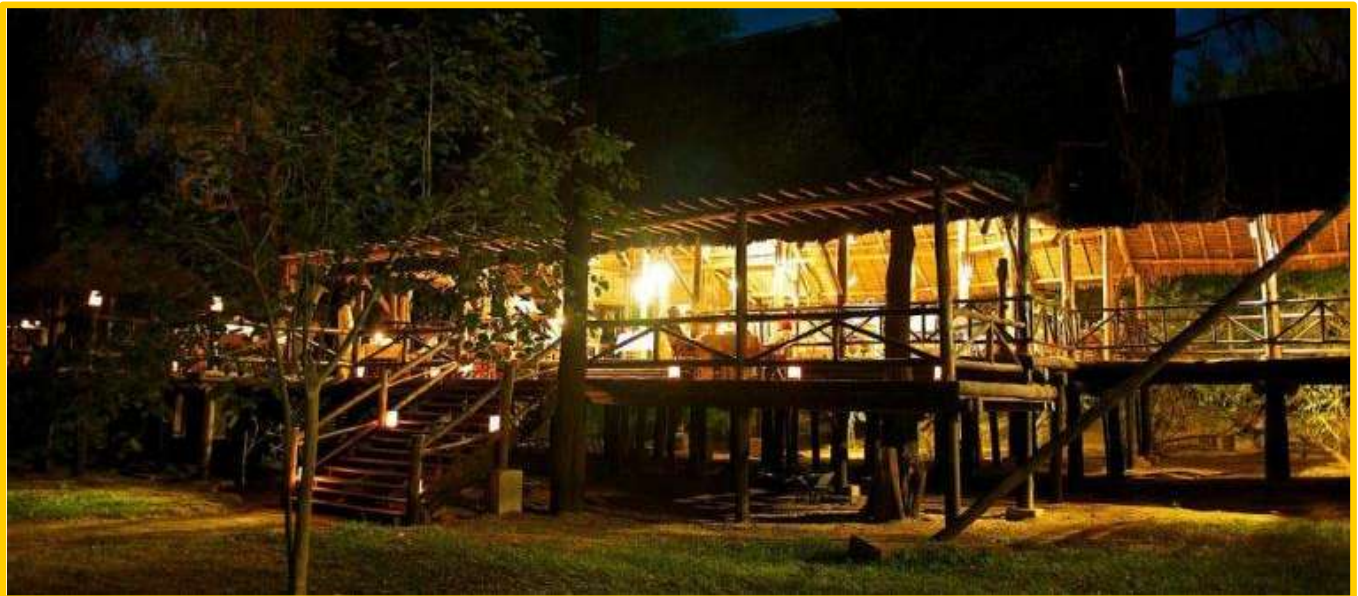
Resting on the banks of the Ewaso Ng'iro River and neighbouring the Buffalo Springs National Park, Samburu National Reserve is

remote, hot and arid. Spanning over 165 kilometres of scenic landscape featuring rugged hills, undulating plains and riverine forests - the park is home to abundant wildlife including a variety of rare species. Samburu was one of the homes of 'Elsa the Lioness', star of the best-selling book and award-winning movie 'Born Free'. Visitors can enjoy viewing over 900 elephants, a variety of predators, and over 450 bird species.



After lunch, enjoy a thrilling afternoon off the beaten track, racing to keep up with prowling predators, and witnessing some of Kenya's most rare wildlife species including the Blue-Necked Ostrich, Reticulated Giraffe and Grevy's Zebra. Unwind from a day of excitement with cocktails, dinner, and an overnight stay.

Check In — Samburu Intrepids Tented Camp – Samburu National Reserve (2 Nights FB)



Dry, rugged and stunning, Samburu's landscape is at once stark and sensual. Its iconic loaf shaped Lolokowe Mountain and hills spread in every horizon. Its life lung is the Usao Nyiro River coursing through the craggy terrain full of stone, thorn bush and the forked doum palms. In this arid zone where water is scarce and the land baked by the eternal sun, herds of elephants and the big cats roam the plains with the Samburu special - the Reticulated giraffe, Grevy's zebra, Beisa oryx, Somali ostrich and long necked antelope (gerenuk) are easily seen despite its harsh climes. Located 345 kilometres north of Nairobi, the journey to camp involves a 50-minute flight to the Samburu airstrip followed by a 20-minute drive through the reserve.



DAY 5: SAMBURU GAME RESERVE

As the sun rises in a calm and serene Samburu, embark on a full day of game viewing. As you track Samburu's 'Big Five' and rare wildlife, allow the enormity and quirky charm of this remote corner of Kenya engulf you, as you gain a newfound appreciation for the magic of nature. Enjoy the sunset with a drink in hand, soaking in the fading day's beauty, followed by dinner and a second overnight stay.

Optional Activities: Bird walks, Cultural visits & dance and camel rides



DAY 6: SAMBURU GAME RESERVE - LAKE NAKURU

Check Out — Samburu Intrepid Tented Camp

Following breakfast, check out armed with a picnic lunch. Drive to your lodge in Lake Nakuru for a late afternoon game drive along the lake shore. Dinner and overnight.



Optional Activity:

Take a flight out of Lake Naivasha directly to the Masai Mara



Located in the Great Rift Valley surrounded by yellow acacia woodlands and bushy shrublands, the Lake Nakuru National Park was created to protect the Lake and its large flocks of Lesser Flamingo, which are drawn to the algae that flourish in the saline waters of this soda lake. The national park is inhabited by over 50 mammal species including hippo, black and white rhino, Rothschild giraffe, buffalo and eland. Known as a bird watcher's paradise, the park is home to over 450 bird species. Visitors can look forward to hiking through the scenic landscape, picnicking next to this magnificent lake, and spotting an array of wildlife on a game drive. Don't miss the opportunity to visit the beautiful Makalia Waterfall.



Check In — Lake Nakuru Sopa Lodge – Lake Nakuru National Park (1 Night FB)



Located on a range of hills that form the western limits of Africa's Great Rift Valley, the lodge offers spectacular views over the vastness of Africa. The lodge also overlooks Lake Nakuru and its surrounding National Park — paradise for bird watchers and wildlife lovers alike.

Lake Nakuru National Park is mainly a wooded and bushy grassland with a wide ecological diversity and characteristic habitats that range from the lake waters to the escarpment and ridges.



DAY 7: LAKE NAKURU - MASAI MARA GAME RESERVE

Check Out — Lake Nakuru Sopa Lodge

Following breakfast and check out, depart for the famous Masai Mara Game Reserve, arriving in time for a hearty lunch. This will be followed by a late afternoon game drive exploring the vast savannahs as the heat of the sun turns to a soft glow, setting the scene for great silhouettes.

Settle into the night with the crackle of fire and the soothing sounds of the wild. Enjoy your dinner, followed by an overnight stay.

Check In — Sarova Mara Game Camp – Masai Mara National Park (2 Nights FB)

DAY 8: MASAI MARA GAME RESERVE

The Masai Mara together with Tanzania's Serengeti form Africa's most famous wildlife park. The image of acacia trees on an endless grass plain epitomises Africa for many, and then add a Maasai warrior and some cattle to the picture and the conversation need go no further. The annual wildebeest migration through the Serengeti and the Masai Mara is the largest mass movement of land mammals on the planet – with more than a million animals following the rains. But that is not where the game viewing ends; there are large prides of lions, herds of elephants and on the grasslands you will see giraffes, gazelles, and eland to mention but a few. Aside from traditional vehicle safaris, hot-air ballooning over the Mara plains has become almost essential and you can even do a horseback safari.



As you step out into the wild world of the Masai Mara, you can be sure that this full day of safaris will give you all the drama and excitement you could wish for, plus some quiet and truly magical moments of inspiration and romance, thanks to the park's endlessly rolling savannahs. Once back at the lodge, enjoy drinks by the bar, a good meal under the stars, before climbing into bed for a well-deserved night's rest.

Optional Activities:

Hot Air Balloon Safari, Cultural Visit, Night Game Drive (certain locations) and two hour morning and afternoon nature walks (certain locations).





Nothing quite captures the true spirit of East Africa like a safari in Kenya's richest game reserve, the Maasai Mara. Sarova Mara Game Camp offers front seats to nature's most breathtaking show - the wildebeest migration. The endless plains of East Africa are the setting for the world's greatest wildlife spectacle where, from the vast Serengeti plains to the champagne coloured hills of Kenya's Maasai Mara, over 1.4 million wildebeest and 200,000 zebra and gazelle, relentlessly tracked by Africa's great predators, migrate in a clockwise fashion over 1,800 miles each year in search of rain ripened grass.

Sarova Mara Game Camp is well positioned to enjoy this unique phenomenon. The rolling plains around the Camp are teeming with wildebeest, gazelles and zebras during the migration months, and the Camp is situated right in the center of their migration path. A wildlife safari puts you right in the middle of all this action. Get a first-hand account of this epic phenomenon and live to tell the tale. A safari also helps you acquaint yourself with the landscapes of this beautiful African setting.





Sarova Mara Game Camp is also the ideal choice for those seeking a richer experience of the Maasai Mara that goes much beyond just game drives. By virtue of its location and layout, the Camp offers an unparalleled plethora of activities and experiences from luxury tented living to bird-watching, mini golf, sport fishing and a unique insight into the Maasai culture at the adjoining Maasai village.

DAY 9: MASAI MARA GAME RESERVE

Enjoy one last morning escapade among Mara's truly astounding wildlife, before returning to your lodge for breakfast and checking out.

Check Out — Sarova Mara Game Camp

Depart for Nairobi, arriving into the city mid/late afternoon. Overnight at city hotel



NAIROBI

Situated in along the Nairobi River in beautiful Kenya, the capital of Nairobi is East Africa's most cosmopolitan city. It serves as an excellent starting point for African safari trips around Kenya. Nairobi is Africa's 4th largest city and is a vibrant and exciting place, and although it has developed a reputation which keeps tourist visits brief, there are some fascinating attractions: its cafe culture, unbridled nightlife, the National Museum, the Karen Blixen Museum and most notably just 20 minutes from the city centre wild lions and buffalo roam in the world's only urban

game reserve. Make sure you pay a visit to the elephant orphanage operated by the David Sheldrick Wildlife Trust.



Check In — Tamarind Tree Hotel Carnivore Nairobi (1 Night B&B)

Tamarind Tree Hotel Carnivore Nairobi is ideally located just 5 km to the southwest of Nairobi within the spacious Carnivore grounds and its iconic Carnivore Restaurant. The hotel offers easy access to all parts of the city, its national park, as well as to the country's many diverse attractions via the neighboring Wilson Airport and Southern Bypass. The nearby Langata and Karen suburbs are among the liveliest and most popular in Nairobi with world-class shopping malls and excellent restaurants. Tamarind Tree Hotel is perfect for both the business and leisure traveler. The hotel's world-class amenities will ensure your meetings are effortless and successful, whilst their outstanding leisure facilities and genuine service ensure that all guests experience the very best of Tamarind hospitality.



DAY 10: NAIROBI - AMBOSELI NATIONAL PARK

Check Out — Tamarind Tree Hotel Carnivore Nairobi

Following check out, depart early morning for Amboseli, located at the foothills of the magnificent Mt. Kilimanjaro, Africa's highest mountain. You'll arrive at your lodge in time for lunch and a late afternoon game drive chasing the fiery African sunset, before enjoying a hearty dinner and a good night's sleep.

Check In — Amboseli Serena Safari Lodge – Amboseli National Park (2 Nights FB)



DAY 11: AMBOSELI NATIONAL PARK

Spend the day out in Amboseli's endless grasslands, amid vast herds of elephants and other game. Feel the thrill of exploring new vistas around each bend in the track, from dry fossil lake beds to verdant swamp, all the while reveling in the picture-perfect view of Mt. Kilimanjaro's snow-capped peaks.

Located in the southern reaches of Kenya, the Amboseli National Park is renowned for its excellent variety of wildlife such as Masaai giraffe, elephant, lion and cheetah and not surprisingly it is one of Kenya's most popular parks. The landscape of Amboseli is dominated by the majestic snow cap of Mount Kilimanjaro, as well as open plains, acacia woodland, swamps and the massif of Ol Doinyo Orok. The birding is excellent, especially closer to the lakes and swamps. The park is famous for being the best place in Africa to get close to large herds of elephants among other wildlife species. Other attractions of the park include opportunities to meet the Maasai people and soak up spectacular views of Mount Kilimanjaro, the highest free-standing mountain in the world.



Optional Activities: Cultural visits, guided walks (in certain locations), night safari (in certain locations), or bird watching safari.





Amboseli Serena Safari Lodge is located near Mount Kilimanjaro in the heart of Kenya's Amboseli National Park. The lodge offers 92 rooms which feature complimentary Wi-Fi, 24-hour room service and a private balcony. Hotel facilities include a swimming pool and sundeck, a gift shop, spacious interior bar with terrace, a campfire bar and bush BBQ area.

Guests can also enjoy guided walks, bird-watching walks, dinner in the bush and Maasai dance performances in dedicated exterior bush BBQ area.



DAYS 12 - 16: DIANA BEACH (SOUTH COAST) (4 nights All Inclusive)

Check Out — Amboseli Serena Lodge

Following an early morning breakfast and check out depart Amboseli National Park and drive to Diana Beach



DIANA BEACH Famous for its gorgeous palm trees and its powder white sand lapped by glistening azure waters, Diani Beach is a popular resort area resting on Kenya's magnificent Indian Ocean shoreline. The wonderfully warm waters and exquisite coral reefs provide an ideal environment for an array of exhilarating water-based activities where you can witness Kenya's richly diverse marine life (snorkeling, scuba diving and boat safaris). You're likely to see turtles, mantas, barracuda and, if you are lucky, even the elusive and exceptionally large whale shark. Don't miss: Colobus Conservation which provides a sanctuary for these fascinating endangered primates; Shimba Hills National Reserve which offers an exceptional and unforgettable safari experience; and the nearby Kisite Marine National Park close to the Tanzanian border.

Check In — The Baobab Beach Resort and Spa (4 Nights)



This stunning resort, set within 80 acres of tropical gardens, overlooks the Indian Ocean. Renowned as Kenya's leading all-inclusive resort, this oasis of tranquility is comprised of three luxurious properties – The Baobab, The Maridadi and Kolekole, offering various accommodation levels.

The culinary experience blends international inspiration with Swahili flavors, including themed buffets and gala dinners served at three all-inclusive restaurants (Karibu, Jodari, Maridadi). Two à-la carte specialty restaurants (Marhaba and Tangezi) provide enticing seafood delights.

Facilities include 3 swimming pools, a watersports centre, flood-lit tennis courts, a fully equipped gymnasium, a variety of bars and nightly entertainment at the Porini Amphitheatre. Indulge at the Afya Bora Wellness Club & Spa, offering the ultimate in well-being and relaxation. Enjoy signature beauty treatments, alluring steam rituals and holistic therapies ensuring total relaxation for body and mind.



Optional activities: Day tour to Wasini Island and swim with the Dolphins. Swim the Indian ocean crystal clear waters at Kisite Island. Enjoy local fishing crafts sailing across the islands. Village walk, meet locals in business. It is a long day full of fun.

DAY 17: DEPART

Enjoy the last day. Transfer to Moi Airport for our onward flight
End of tour

ACCOMMODATION OVERVIEW

Destination	Accommodation	Arrive	Depart	Nights
Nairobi	Overnight Movenpick Hotel (FB)	October 14	October 16	2
<i>(start of Safari)</i> Mount Kenya	Overnight Serena Mountain Lodge (FB)	October 16	October 17	1
Samburu National Reserve	Overnights Samburu Intrepids Tented Camp (FB)	October 17	October 19	2
Lake Nakuru National Park	Overnight Lake Nakuru Sopa Lodge (FB)	October 19	October 20	1
Masai Mara National Park	Overnights Sarova Mara Game Camp (FB)	October 20	October 22	2
Nairobi	Overnight Tamarind Tree Hotel Carnivore Nairobi (B&B)	October 22	October 23	1
Amboseli National Park	Overnights Amboseli Serena Safari Lodge (FB)	October 23	October 25	2
Diani Beach	Overnights Baobab Beach Resort & Spa (AI)	October 25	October 29	4

FB - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast and Lunch

B&B - Bed and Breakfast

AI - All Inclusive (All Meals, Most Drinks (Local), Fees and Activities

Note: Specialty Restaurants are not included

ACCOMMODATION OVERVIEW (con't)

Accommodations have a 4.5 - 5 Star Rating

All include: 3 or 4 course meals and services. All are secure and safe from wildlife, unless someone wanders beyond the perimeter fences/boundaries!

Please click the links below to view the applicable lodges and hotels in our itinerary.

October 14th - 15th, 2021

On arrival to Nairobi, check-in at Movenpick Hotel

www.movenpick.com/en/africa/kenya/nairobi/hotel-residences-nairobi/overview

October 16th, 2021

Upon check-out from Movenpick we go directly on safari to the Serena Mountain Lodge.

www.serenahotels.com/serenamountainlodge/en/default.html

October 17th - 18th, 2021

Samburu Intrepids Lodge (Tented Camp)

www.heritage-eastafrica.com/samburuintrepids/hotel-overview.html

Video: www.youtube.com/embed/kkFfJc7WE30

October 19th, 2021

Lake Nakuru Sopa Lodge

www.sopalodges.com/lake-nakuru-sopa-lodge/overview

October 20th – 21st, 2021

Sarova Mara Lodge

www.sarovahotels.com/maracamp-masai-mara/

October 22nd, 2021

Tamarind Tree Hotel (Home of the iconic Carnivore Restaurant)

<http://tamarindtree-hotels.com>

Note: (On the outskirts of the city, near the light aircraft airport in Nairobi)

October 23rd - 24th, 2021

Amboseli Serena Lodge

www.serenahotels.com/serenaamboseli/en/default.html

October 25th – 28th, 2021

Baobab Beach Hotel

www.baobab-beach-resort.com/eng/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=4&Itemid=22

Depart on October 29th

Fly into Nairobi International Airport - Fly Internationally back to Canada on the same evening.

Please Note

- This package was designed with exclusivity and not provided by tour operators
- Pre and Post deviations to visit other countries such as Uganda or South Africa can be arranged
- Upgrades and special requests can be arranged

Price

(Approximate price)

- \$9997 CAD per person based on double sharing (Includes flight Amboseli to Diani Beach)
- \$999 CAD single room supplement

Includes

- International flights from Canada (economy class – upgrades can be arranged)
- Private Land Cruiser for duration — 1 vehicle per 4 guests
All transportation including safari drives
Professional driver / safari guide at your service
- Gratuities
- Meet & Greet
- Accommodation (15 nights) and meals as per itinerary
- Schedule flights: Amboseli – Diani – Nairobi (baggage allowance is 15kgs per person in soft bags)
- Services of English speaking driver/ guides
- Game drives
- Park entry fees
- Nairobi and Diani airport transfers
- Flying Doctors
- Fresh mineral water in each Land Cruiser

Excludes

- Drinks and laundry where not indicated as included
- Visas (Assistance with Visas will be provided)
- Personal and medical insurance which we can assist with
- Any item of a personal nature
- Optional activities as indicated
- Any other extras not mentioned as included

Optional Activities Add On Costs: USD

Day 3: Serena Mountain Lodge

Rooftop dinner \$60 per person

Day 5: Samburu Intrepids

Bush dinner/ lunch \$72pp, Camel ride \$27pp, Cultural dance \$27pp

Day 8: Sarova Mara

Cultural Visit \$44pp, Bird and nature walk within camp premises \$40pp Bush dinner \$94pp, Balloon Safari \$530 pp (must be pre-booked)

Day 11: Amboseli Serena

Bush breakfast at Observatory Hill \$50pp, Bush dinner \$55pp

Days 12 – 16: Baobab

Day tour to Wasini Island and swim with the Dolphins. Swim the Indian Ocean crystal clear waters at Kisite Island. Enjoy local fishing crafts sailing across the islands. Village walk, meet locals in business. It is a long day full of fun.

\$110 per person (includes pick/drop off hotel, lunch, snorkeling, swimming, village tour, Kisite park fee)

Optional Pre and Post Excursions

Pre – South Africa Tour

Post – Gorilla Trekking Experience in Uganda

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