

## **OVERVIEW**

Embark on an unforgettable safari expedition across Kenya, commencing from the vibrant capital city of Nairobi and traversing the magnificent terrains of Masai Mara, Lake Naivasha, and Amboseli National Park before concluding back in Nairobi. Commence your adventure with a trip to the renowned Masai Mara National Reserve, celebrated for its expansive grasslands, diverse wildlife, and annual wildebeest migration. Marvel at panoramic vistas of the plains and encounter Africa's iconic animals like lions, leopards, elephants, and giraffes. to the tranquil Lake Naivasha, offering opportunities for a leisurely boat excursion, scenic hikes amidst picturesque landscapes, and birdwatching with a variety of bird species. The lake is a habitat for diverse wildlife including hippos and buffalos. Conclude your journey at Amboseli National Park, nestled at the base of Mount Kilimanjaro. Here, relish breathtaking views of the majestic mountain and observe herds of elephants roaming freely in their natural habitat. Guided by seasoned experts, you will gain insights into the local wildlife and culture throughout your safari experience. Luxuriate in comfortable accommodations that blend seamlessly with the natural splendor of the surroundings. This Kenyan safari presents an ideal opportunity to immerse yourself in the stunning landscapes and rich wildlife diversity that characterize this iconic African nation.

## **ACCOMMODATION**

CITY	HOTEL NAME	NO. OF NIGHTS
Nairobi	Somerset Westview Nairobi	1 Night
Masai Mara	Mara Engai Wilderness Lodge	2 Nights
Lake Naivasha	Naivasha Sopa Lodge	1 Night
Amboseli	Tulia Amboseli Safari Camp	2 Nights
Nairobi	Four Points by Sheraton Nairobi	1 Night

## **DEPARTURE**

Start Date	End Date	Departure Gateway	Price Per Person
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# **TOUR PRICE INCLUSIONS**

- 07 Nights' Accommodation in listed hotels or similar based on DBL / TWN sharing basis
- Daily Breakfast
- Full board during your stay in Masai Mara, Lake Naivasha, Amboseli National park
- Transport in a 4x4 safari Land cruiser jeep with an open roof modified for easy game viewing
- Services of an English-Speaking driver guide
- Water in the vehicle while on safari
- All park entry fees
- International Return Airfare ex New York (
   Please check with us for pricing from other cities)
- Air taxes and fuel surcharges
- All local applicable taxes

## **TOUR PRICE EXCLUSIONS**

- All other meals & other sightseeing or Services
- Gratuities for meals, tourist guides, drivers
- ◆ Visa fee & Travel Insurance
- Optional tours
- Personal expenses such as alcoholic and other beverages during meals, telephone calls, and laundry
- Any other services or Items not mentioned above as included

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Depart USA/CANADA [-/-/-]

Prepare yourself! You are leaving today for Nairobi to start your exciting Magical Kenya experience.

DAY 2

Nairobi Arrival [-/-/-]

Greetings and welcome to Nairobi! We will be eagerly awaiting your arrival at the airport to transport you to your hotel. (Standard check-in time is 3:00 pm) Once you've settled in and rested, you'll have the opportunity to explore this vibrant and captivating city, which boasts a diverse and lively commercial sector that provides a unique experience of contemporary African urban life. Nairobi is renowned as the safari capital of Africa and is surrounded by breathtaking national parks that are sure to leave you in awe. As you take in the sights and sounds of this modern capital, you are free to relax and unwind for the rest of the day.

DAY 3

Nairobi [B/-/-]

Following your breakfast, begin your day by visiting the Giraffe Center, the African Fund for Endangered Wildlife's main base, renowned for 'Daisy Rothschild.' Engage in an unforgettable experience meeting giraffes eye to eye, offering a genuine feel for the immense size of these graceful creatures. Explore the education center, delving into extensive information about the breeding and conservation efforts focused on Kenya's rarest giraffe species. Gain insights into their behaviors, characteristics, and conservation practices while enjoying an up-close encounter from a raised observation platform.

Next on the itinerary is a visit to the Beads Factory, a pottery establishment renowned for crafting some of the world's most exquisite beads. Witness the entire bead-making process from its inception to the final product. What makes this factory distinctive is its employment of single mothers from underprivileged neighborhoods, providing them with an opportunity to earn a livelihood and support their families. This pottery, ceramic, and bead factory exclusively employs single mothers, creating beautiful gifts and souvenirs

that are now exported globally. Explore their collection at the gift shop.

Subsequently, embark on a drive to the former colonial residence of Danish author Karen Blixen, now transformed into a museum. This property, set amidst the picturesque Ngong Hills, gained fame through the book and subsequent film 'Out of Africa.' It's a must-visit for Danes and enthusiasts of African history and romance.

Anticipate returning to your hotel by approximately 3 to 4 pm, granting you leisure time for the remainder of the evening. Spend the night in Nairobi.

Overnight in Nairobi

DAY 4

Nairobi - Samburu Game Reserve [B/L/D]

Embark on your journey in a custom-built 4x4 safari vehicle, heading northward to Samburu Game Reserve located in the Northern Frontier District. Along the way, indulge in a delightful barbecue fish meal beneath the Sacred Fig Tree at Trout Tree Restaurant in Nanyuki. In the afternoon, engage in a thrilling game drive within the Samburu Game Reserve. As evening falls, enjoy dinner and spend the night at the lodge positioned overlooking the mighty Ewaso Nyiro River. The name Ewaso Nyiro originates from the local community, translating to "the river of brown or muddy water." In the arid northern reaches of Kenya, water signifies life, and the presence of this river attracts abundant wildlife to its banks, forming a lush green oasis. Nestled amidst a rugged landscape along the banks of the Ewaso Nyiro River, Ashnil Samburu is surrounded by doum palms and other native trees, offering stunning natural vistas. Situated south of the river in Buffalo Springs Game Reserve, the camp provides unparalleled access to superb game viewing opportunities. Buffalo Springs derives its name from a clear water oasis and is distinct from Samburu Reserve due to its flatter, less densely vegetated terrain.

Overnight in Samburu

DAY 5

Samburu Game Reserve [B/L/D]

Accompanied by your safari guide, delight in game drives across the vast expanse of Samburu Game Reserve. Samburu is renowned for its abundant elephant herds, while also offering frequent sightings of other unique wildlife species within this untamed wilderness. The region is inhabited by the Samburu tribe, pastoral relatives of the Maasai, adding cultural depth to the landscape. Characterized by rugged and dramatic terrain against a backdrop of volcanic mountains, stark hills, and sparse, withered scrub trees, the scenery is striking. The Ewaso Nyiro River serves as the lifeblood of the area, flowing along the southern boundary to separate Samburu Game Reserve from Buffalo Springs Reserve. This river is a focal point of interest for both visitors and wildlife alike. In the dry season, the river becomes vital as many animals rely on it to quench their thirst. Elephants, using their tusks, dig deep into the dry river beds to access precious water. This water source creates a verdant oasis, attracting a multitude of wildlife to its banks. Crocodiles and hippos share the river with small herds of elephants, indulging in bathing and playful activities in the muddy waters during the heat of the day before returning to graze on the lush vegetation of the riverine forest later on

Overnight in Samburu

DAY 6

Samburu Game Reserve - Great Rift Valley (Lake Nakuru) [B/L/D]

Start your day with an early breakfast before embarking on a scenic drive into the Great Rift Valley. You'll reach your Lodge in time for lunch, situated within Lake Nakuru National Park. This exquisite game lodge is perched atop Lion Hill, providing stunning vistas of the iconic flamingo pink-rimmed Lake Nakuru. Its strategic location offers sweeping panoramas of both the lake and the picturesque national park. The lodge's layout is designed to maximize these breathtaking views, ensuring that most rooms and sitting areas provide guests with captivating scenery. Spend the afternoon on a thrilling game drive within Lake Nakuru National Park, renowned globally for its vast flocks of flamingos and a diverse array of over 400 bird species, including both migratory and indigenous varieties. Lake Nakuru, a soda lake nestled on the floor of the Rift Valley, is often home to millions of flamingos, creating a mesmerizing spectacle as the lake takes on a pink hue from a distance. Additionally, the lake has gained international recognition as a crucial sanctuary for endangered wildlife species, notably the rare Rothschild giraffe and black and white rhinos. Other residents of the park include tree-climbing lions, zebras, gazelles, waterbucks, buffaloes, and baboons, adding to the park's rich biodiversity.

Overnight in Lake Nakuru

DAY 7

Lake Nakuru - Masai Mara [B/L/D]

After enjoying breakfast and admiring the breathtaking vistas of the Great Rift Valley, set off towards the Maasai Mara Game Reserve, renowned as the most celebrated wildlife sanctuary and Kenya's premier game reserve. The Maasai Mara boasts the highest concentration of wildlife globally, housing the iconic "Big 5" and hosting the awe-inspiring seventh wonder of the world, The Great Wildebeest Migration. Following lunch, embark on an afternoon game drive in the Mara, renowned for its breathtaking scenery of vast open plains intersected by the Mara River and its tributaries, adorned with marshes and forests. Situated in the Great Rift Valley, this world-renowned reserve primarily features open grasslands and is esteemed as the crown jewel of Kenya's wildlife viewing destinations. Nowhere else in Africa is wildlife more abundant, ensuring visitors rarely miss encountering the "Big 5" (buffalo, elephant, leopard, lion, and rhinoceros)...

Evening enjoy dinner at the lodge

Overnight in Masai Mara

DAY 8

Masai Mara [B/L/D]

Embark on a full-day game drive in the Maasai Mara, complete with a picnic lunch. The Maasai Mara stands as Kenya's most renowned safari destination, boasting a rich diversity of wildlife with over 450 species recorded. Here, sightings of lions, rhinos, hippos, crocodiles, giraffes, wildebeests, zebras, buffaloes, warthogs, hyenas, jackals, wild dogs, leopards, various antelope species, and elephants are common. Explore the Mara River, a pivotal site where thousands of wildebeests and zebras brave attacks by crocodiles while crossing during the annual "Great Migration" between Tanzania and Kenya. This migration ranks among the natural world's most awe-inspiring

phenomena. Each year, nearly two million wildebeests, accompanied by large numbers of zebras, Grant's gazelles, Thompson's gazelles, elands, and impalas, journey from the Serengeti to the Maasai Mara and back in search of fresh grazing. Following closely are the savannah's predators: lions, cheetahs, wild dogs, jackals, hyenas, and vultures. The migration typically occurs from July to late October, involving over 1.5 million animals. Witnessing these vast herds in motion is an unforgettable experience, often rated as one of the most spectacular natural events.

Overnight in Masai Mara

DAY 9

Masai Mara - Nairobi Departure [B/-/-]

Early in the morning, experience the breathtaking sunrise over the expansive plains of the Maasai Mara as you depart from the lodge and begin a morning game drive. This presents a final opportunity to witness lions, cheetahs, or leopards hunting in the early hours of the day before dawn. The Mara's wildlife diversity, variety, and abundance are truly enchanting and astonishing. Following breakfast, return to Nairobi, arriving in the afternoon. You will be either dropped off at your Nairobi hotel or at Jomo Kenyatta International Airport (JKIA) for your departure flight.

Consider extending your trip by adding a few days in the "Spice Island of Zanzibar," Diani, for a well-deserved beach escape, where you can bask in endless sunshine and revel in the barefoot luxury of the Indian Ocean's azure, crystal-clear waters. We collaborate with some of the finest beach resorts in these destinations. Contact us via email now to discover our discounted rates with "no surprises" upon check-out. Take advantage of this partnership and enjoy special offers tailored to your unique preferences, including complimentary airport transfers and room upgrades.

## **Payment Policy**

Deposit: US\$500 per person due to reserving the spot

50% Deposit: By 145 Days before departure Full Balance: By 90 Days before departure

(Once the deposit is paid, the travelers can then pay any amount on any date. Travelers to ensure that the payment deadlines are met as above)

#### Insurance

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## **Cancellation Policy**

- From the date of booking to 145 days before departure: \$500 per person Non-Refundable / Non-transferrable Deposit +
  interruption insurance cost (if purchased) + Cost of Air ticket if issued
- 144-90 days before departure: 50% of the cost per person
- 89 days or fewer before departure: No refund is available.

#### Note:

A person becoming single because of the roommate's cancellation must pay the single supplement All payment cut-off dates are firm, and missing deadlines without approved extensions will result in cancellations without refunds being offered.

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