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THE BEST OF KENYA

August 7th - 18th, 2025





INTRODUCTORY NOTE

Conservation Through Responsible Travel

Dear friends,

Embark on an exhilarating adventure through the heart of Kenya, where the untamed wilderness comes alive in a symphony of sights and sounds. Your journey begins in Nairobi, the vibrant capital city, where you'll delve into conservation efforts at the renowned Giraffe Center and the Sheldrick Trust. Here, you'll witness firsthand the dedication to preserving Kenya's rich biodiversity, particularly its iconic giraffes and elephants.

Leaving Nairobi behind, the safari unfolds into Amboseli National Park, a landscape dominated by the majestic presence of Mount Kilimanjaro. Prepare to be awestruck as you encounter herds of elephants traversing the vast savannah, against the backdrop of Africa's highest peak. Samburu National Reserve beckons next, a rugged wilderness where the Ewaso Ng'iro River sustains a diverse array of wildlife, including the elusive Grevy's zebra and the reticulated giraffe. Immerse yourself in the unique culture of the Samburu people, whose traditional way of life harmonizes with the natural rhythms of the land.













Finally, your odyssey culminates in the legendary Maasai Mara, an iconic safari destination renowned for its staggering concentrations of wildlife during the Great Migration. Here, witness the spectacle of thousands of wildebeest and zebra on their annual journey across the plains, pursued by predators in a timeless cycle of life and death. Amidst the drama of the savannah, encounter the Maasai people, proud guardians of their ancestral lands, and gain insight into their ancient customs and traditions.

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








Throughout your safari, expert guides will illuminate the intricacies of Kenya's ecosystems and cultural tapestry, ensuring an unforgettable experience that resonates long after the journey's end. Prepare to be captivated by the raw beauty and boundless wilderness of Kenya, where every moment promises a new and exhilarating encounter with the natural world.

Regards,
JAMES WARD












Itinerary Overview

Day	Activities
Day 1 Wednesday Aug 7, 2024	<div><div> VIP Meet & Greet Arrival Service</div><div> Welcome to Nairobi</div><div><div> Check In at Tamarind Tree Hotel</div><div>Room Type: Standard Room x 8 Basis of Stay: Breakfast Included</div></div></div>
Day 2 Thursday Aug 8, 2024	<div><div> Private Tour of Sheldrick Wildlife Trust</div><div> Visit the Giraffe Centre</div><div> Visit Karen Blixen Museum</div><div><div> Overnight at Tamarind Tree Hotel</div></div></div>
Day 3 Friday Aug 9, 2024	<div><div><div> Check Out from Tamarind Tree Hotel</div><div>Transfer to Wilson Airport</div><div><div> Transfer departs Tamarind Tree Hotel</div><div>Transfer arrives Nairobi Wilson Airport</div></div></div><div><div>Flight to Amboseli</div><div><div> 7:30 AM - Flight departs Nairobi Wilson Airport</div><div>8:05 AM - Flight arrives Amboseli Airstrip</div></div></div><div><div>Transfer to Camp</div><div><div> Transfer departs Amboseli Airstrip</div><div>Transfer arrives Tortilis Camp</div></div></div><div><div> Welcome to Amboseli</div></div></div>











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Day 3 Friday Aug 9, 2024	<div> Check In at Elewana Tortilis Camp</div> <div>Room Type: Tent x 8</div> <div>Basis of Stay: Full Board With All Drinks (Excluding Premium Wines, Spirits, And Champagnes)</div>
Day 4 Saturday Aug 10, 2024	<div> Full Day Of Safari Activities</div> <div> Overnight at Elewana Tortilis Camp</div>
Day 5 Sunday Aug 11, 2024	<div> Full Day Of Safari Activities</div> <div> Overnight at Elewana Tortilis Camp</div>
Day 6 Monday Aug 12, 2024	<div> Check Out from Elewana Tortilis Camp</div> <div><div>Transfer to the Airstrip</div><div> Transfer departs Tortilis Camp</div><div>Transfer arrives Amboseli Airstrip</div></div> <div><div>Flight to Nairobi</div><div> 8:15 AM - Flight departs Amboseli Airstrip</div><div>9:30 AM - Flight arrives Nairobi Wilson Airport</div></div> <div><div>Flight to Samburu</div><div> 10:00 AM - Flight departs Nairobi Wilson</div><div>11:00 AM - Flight arrives Samburu Airstrip</div></div> <div><div>Transfer to Camp</div><div> Transfer departs Samburu Airstrip</div><div>Transfer arrives Samburu Intrepids Tented Camp</div></div> <div><div> Welcome to Samburu Game Reserve</div></div>

Itinerary Overview

Day	Activities
Day 6 Monday Aug 12, 2024	<div> Check In at Samburu Intrepids</div> <div>Room Type: Luxury Tent x 8 Basis of Stay: Full Board With All Drinks (Excluding Premium Wines, Spirits, And Champagnes)</div>
Day 7 Tuesday Aug 13, 2024	<div> Full Day of Safari Activities</div> <div> Overnight at Samburu Intrepids</div>
Day 8 Wednesday Aug 14, 2024	<div> Full Day of Safari Activities</div> <div> Overnight at Samburu Intrepids</div>
Day 9 Thursday Aug 15, 2024	<div> Check Out from Samburu Intrepids</div> <div><div>Transfer to the Airstrip</div><div> Transfer departs Samburu Intrepids Tented Camp Transfer arrives Samburu Airstrip</div></div> <div><div>Flight to the Maasai Mara</div><div> 10:15 AM - Flight departs Samburu Airstrip 12:15 PM - Flight arrives Maasai Mara Airstrip</div></div> <div><div>Transfer to Camp</div><div> Transfer departs Maasai Mara Airstrip Transfer arrives Mara Intrepids</div></div> <div><div> Welcome to Maasai Mara</div></div> <div><div> Check In at Mara Intrepids</div><div>Room Type: Luxury Tent Basis of Stay: Full Board</div></div>

Itinerary Overview

Day	Activities
Day 10 Friday Aug 16, 2024	<div> Full Day of Safari Activities</div> <div> Overnight at Mara Intrepids</div>
Day 11 Saturday Aug 17, 2024	<div> Full Day of Safari Activities</div> <div> Overnight at Mara Intrepids</div>
Day 12 Sunday Aug 18, 2024	<div> Check Out from Mara Intrepids</div> <div><div>Transfer to the Airstrip</div><div> Transfer departs Mara Intrepids</div><div>Transfer arrives Maasai Mara Airstrip</div></div> <div><div>Flight to Nairobi</div><div> 11:00 AM - Flight departs Maasai Mara Airstrip</div><div>1:00 PM - Flight arrives Nairobi Wilson Airport</div></div> <div><div>Transfer to your Dayroom</div><div> Transfer departs Nairobi Wilson Airport</div><div>Transfer arrives Four Points Hotel</div><div>Lunch at Talisman Restaurant</div></div> <div><div> Check In at Four Points by Sheraton Nairobi Airport</div><div>Room Type: Traditional Room x 8</div><div>Basis of Stay: Room Only</div></div> <div><div> Transfer to the airport for your international flight home</div><div>Transfer departs Four Points Hotel</div><div>Transfer arrives Jomo Kenyatta International Airport</div></div>

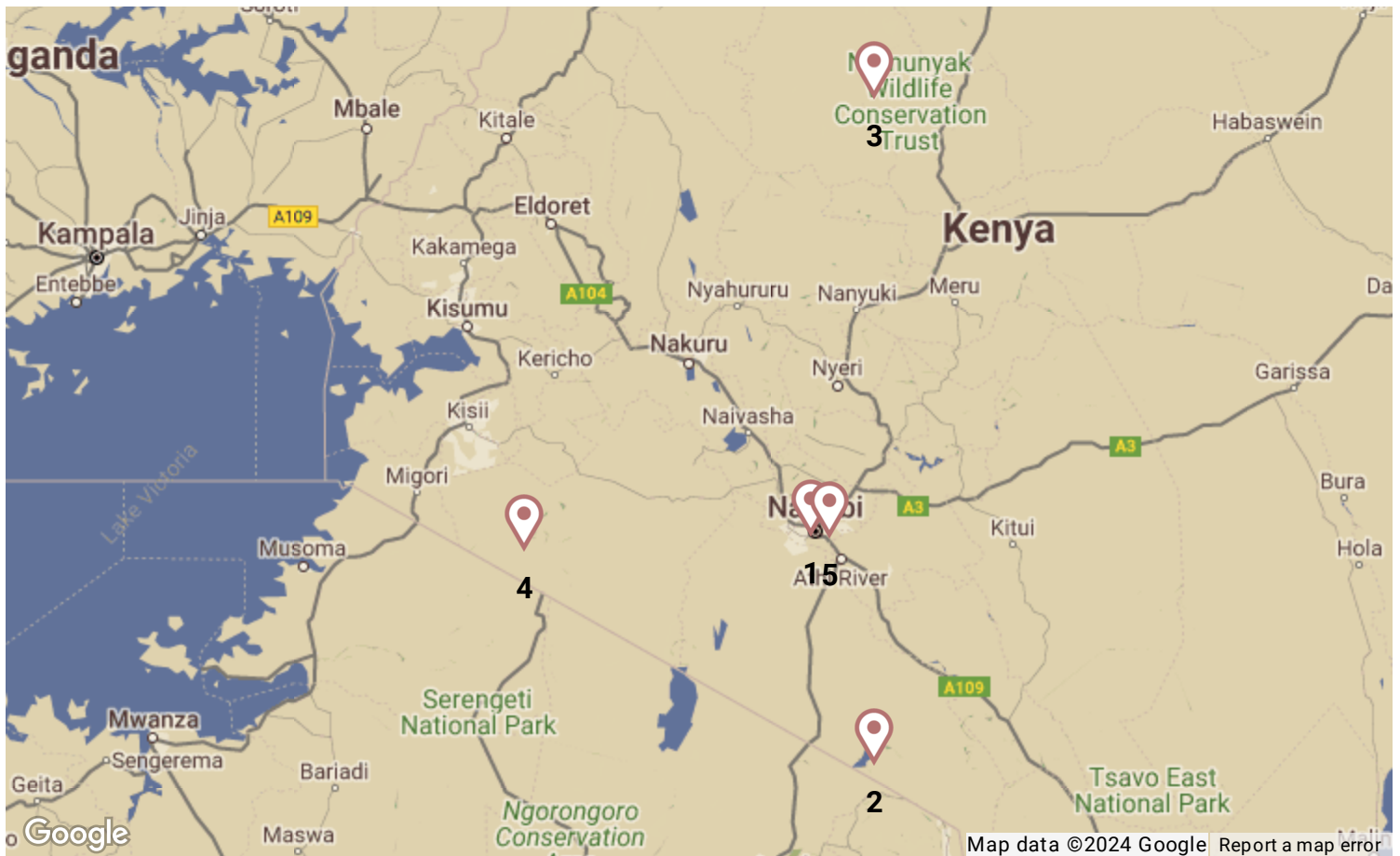
Your Flights

Day	Flight
Day 3 Friday Aug 9, 2024	Flight to Amboseli 7:30 AM - Flight departs Nairobi Wilson Airport 8:05 AM - Flight arrives Amboseli Airstrip
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Day 9 Thursday Aug 15, 2024	Flight to the Maasai Mara 10:15 AM - Flight departs Samburu Airstrip 12:15 PM - Flight arrives Maasai Mara Airstrip
Day 12 Sunday Aug 18, 2024	Flight to Nairobi 11:00 AM - Flight departs Maasai Mara Airstrip 1:00 PM - Flight arrives Nairobi Wilson Airport

Your Accommodations

Day	Accommodation	Details	Nights
Aug 7 - 9, 2024	Tamarind Tree Hotel	Standard Room x 8 <i>Breakfast Included</i>	2
Aug 9 - 12, 2024	Elewana Tortilis Camp	Tent x 8 <i>Full Board With All Drinks (Excluding Premium Wines, Spirits, And Champagnes)</i>	3
Aug 12 - 15, 2024	Samburu Intrepids	Luxury Tent x 8 <i>Full Board With All Drinks (Excluding Premium Wines, Spirits, And Champagnes)</i>	3
Aug 15 - 18, 2024	Mara Intrepids	Luxury Tent <i>Full Board</i>	3
Aug 18	Four Points by Sheraton Nairobi Airport	Traditional Room x 8 <i>Room Only</i>	-

Map



Summary

- 1) August 7 - 9: Tamarind Tree Hotel, Nairobi
- 2) August 9 - 12: Elewana Tortilis Camp, Amboseli
- 3) August 12 - 15: Samburu Intrepids, Samburu Game Reserve
- 4) August 15 - 18: Mara Intrepids, Maasai Mara
- 5) August 18: Four Points by Sheraton Nairobi Airport, Nairobi



DAY 1
WEDNESDAY · AUGUST 7, 2024

VIP Meet & Greet Arrival Service

Overview

VIP Meet and Greet service by our greeter who will meet you at the gate of arrival/the terminal entrance and assist you every step of the way till the exit. They will guide you through passport control and customs for international arrivals.

Welcome to Nairobi

Area Overview

Nairobi is the capital of Kenya and East Africa's most cosmopolitan city, with a vibrant population of 4.5 million. Unique to the city is the proximity of Nairobi National Park, a true wilderness area juxtaposed against the larger urban metropolis. It is the only national park like this in the world and a real embodiment of the human-wildlife conflicts that challenge many African communities who must learn to cohabitate with wildlife on their doorstep.

Nairobi National Park is one of the best places in Africa to see rhinos; it also has a healthy population of lions, leopards, cheetahs, and plains game like giraffes and antelopes. Other attractions include the Karen Blixen Museum, the Giraffe Center, Daphne Sheldrick's Elephant Orphanage as well as a visit to a tea farm and shopping for local crafts and trinkets. There are some great local and cross-cultural restaurants to explore— from roadside food stalls to local nyama choma (barbecue joints) to five-star dining establishments.

Check in at Tamarind Tree Hotel

DAY 1
WEDNESDAY • AUGUST 7, 2024

Standard Room x 8 (Breakfast Included)
2 Nights

Property Overview

Ideally located about 3 miles southwest of the city within the spacious Carnivore grounds and its iconic Carnivore Restaurant, Tamarind Tree Hotel has easy access to Nairobi, its national park, and the country’s diverse attractions via the neighbouring Wilson Airport and Southern Bypass. The nearby Langata and Karen suburbs are among Nairobi's liveliest and most popular with world-class shopping malls and excellent restaurants.

Accommodations

Standard Room

The spacious Standard Rooms span an impressive 344 ft² – the largest of this room type in Nairobi. The rooms are modern with a charming earthy décor and are bathed in natural light to create a relaxing ambience. They can accommodate a maximum of 3 adults.

Fast Facts

Highlights

Only 3 mi from the city
Within the Carnivore grounds, and its iconic Carnivore Restaurant

Quick facts

- 160 rooms & suites
- Restaurant
- Bar/lounge
- Coffee shop
- Pool
- Fitness center
- Event space
- Wifi



DAY 2
THURSDAY · AUGUST 8, 2024

Private Tour of Sheldrick Wildlife Trust

A Brief History

Founded in 1977 by Dr Dame Daphne Sheldrick DBE, in memory of her late husband, famous naturalist and founding Warden of Tsavo East National Park, David Leslie William Sheldrick MBE, the Sheldrick Wildlife Trust claims a rich and deeply rooted family history in wildlife and conservation.

Since the death of her husband, Daphne, and her family, lived and worked in the Nairobi National Park where they built The David Sheldrick Wildlife Trust and its pioneering Orphans' Project into the global force for wildlife conservation that is today. Daphne's daughter Angela worked alongside her mother running the Trust for twenty years, and since Daphne's passing in 2018 continues the mission with passion and vigor ably supported by her husband Robert Carr-Hartley, their two sons Taru and Roan and the Sheldrick Wildlife Trust team.

The Nairobi Nursery

The Trust is best known for its work on elephants, and although the Orphans project is the heart and soul of the Trust, the organisation has now expanded to veterinary units, anti-poaching units, community projects and the saving habitat initiative.

One can visit the Trust every day of the week, excluding Christmas day.

Note: visits require advance booking.

DAY 2
THURSDAY · AUGUST 8, 2024

Visit the Giraffe Centre

Nairobi Activities

The Giraffe Center is the creation of the African Fund for Endangered Wildlife (A.F.E.W. Kenya), a Kenyan non-profit organization. The main purpose is to educate Kenyan school children and youth on their country's wildlife and environment, as well as give local and international visitors an opportunity to come into close contact with the world's tallest species, the giraffe. The center is home to the endangered Rosthchilds Giraffe and visitors have the opportunity to get up close and personal with them!

Entry fees are \$15 per adult and \$7.50 per child.

Visit Karen Blixen Museum

Karen Blixen Museum

Karen Blixen Museum was once the center piece of a farm at the foot of the Ngong Hills owned by Danish Author Karen and her Swedish Husband, Baron Bror von Blixen Fincke. Located 6.2 mi from the city center, the Museum belongs to a different time period in the history of Kenya. The farm house gained international fame with the release of the movie 'Out of Africa' an Oscar winning film based on Karen's an autobiography by the same title.

The Museum is open to the Public every day (9.30 am to 6pm) including weekends and public holidays. Rates are USD\$12 per adult and USD\$6 per child.

Overnight at Tamarind Tree Hotel

Standard Room x 8 (Breakfast Included)



DAY 3
FRIDAY · AUGUST 9, 2024

Check out from Tamarind Tree Hotel

Transfer to Wilson Airport

- ☐ Depart Tamarind Tree Hotel
- ☐ Arrive Nairobi Wilson Airport

Flight to Amboseli

- ☐ 7:30 AM · Depart Nairobi Wilson Airport
- ☐ 8:05 AM · Arrive Amboseli Airstrip

Transfer to Camp

- ☐ Depart Amboseli Airstrip
- ☐ Arrive Tortilis Camp

Welcome to Amboseli

Area Overview

Located about a four hour drive and 150 mi southeast of Nairobi, Amboseli National Park is well known for its herds of big tusked elephants under the imposing backdrop of the highest free-standing mountain in the world, Mt Kilimanjaro. The 58 mi² park is a fragile ecosystem with the (usually) dry lake bed at its heart. Surrounding the lake bed and salt flats are beautiful Acacia tortilis woodland and grassy savannah that attract herds of wildebeest, zebra, and gazelle alongside the famed elephants. It is possible to see all the predators but, being a national park, night drives are not permitted.

DAY 3
FRIDAY • AUGUST 9, 2024

Local Maasai tribes live in manyattas around Amboseli, and these pastoralists bring their herds to water in and around the park. The name 'Amboseli' is indeed derived from a Maa word meaning 'salty dust'. Today, it is one of Kenya's most popular national parks.

Check in at Elewana Tortilis Camp

Tent x 8 (Full Board With All Drinks (Excluding Premium Wines, Spirits, And Champagnes))

3 Nights

Property Overview

Tortilis Camp has a prime location for witnessing the majesty of Africa's highest mountain, Kilimanjaro. The camp is named after the flat-topped, umbrella thorn tree, the Acacia Tortilis, and embraces a hill in one of Amboseli's areas of Acacia Tortilis woodland. Located in a private conservancy bordering the national park, game drives, walks, sundowners and bush meals take place both inside the national park and in the conservancy, where guests enjoy exclusivity.

Tortilis Camp was one of the first eco-lodges of its size, and is very proudly 100% solar. Guests can rest assure they are leaving a minimal footprint during their stay.

Experience & Activities

Activities include shared game drives in custom 4x4 vehicles, guided walks, bush breakfast and sundowners, cultural visits, a swimming pool, and an optional visit to Cynthia Moss Elephant Research Center and School support by the Land and Life Foundation.

Accommodations

Tent

Each makuti-covered tent consists of a main bedroom with twin or double beds, en-suite bathroom, and a spacious verandah. All tents can fit one extra bed, for children under the age of 16 years old only.

DAY 3
FRIDAY • AUGUST 9, 2024

Fast Facts

Highlights

Unrivalled views of Mt. Kilimanjaro

Habituated elephant herds

Private conservancy

“Little Tortilis” exclusive camp

Quick facts

16 spacious tents, 1 family tent & 1 private house

4x4 custom game vehicles

24-hour power

Spa

Swimming pools

In-room and bar charging facilities

Wifi internet throughout camp



DAY 4
SATURDAY · AUGUST 10, 2024

Full Day Of Safari Activities

Activity overview

The best time to see wildlife is at dusk and dawn, when the temperatures are cooler and nocturnal animals are either beginning their night's activities or winding down. Today, you will head out on your game drive just as it begins to get light, so the time differs slightly depending on the season.

Start the day bright and early with a wake-up call and tea or coffee. Enjoy breakfast before you depart for a morning game drive (or have it packed as a picnic to take with you). You'll arrive back at camp mid-morning, with a chance to freshen up before lunch.

After a leisurely lunch, enjoy some down time. Read a book or just relax and soak up the atmosphere. Refuel with afternoon tea before you depart for an afternoon/evening game drive. Return in time for a relaxing evening of drinks around the campfire and dinner.

Tortilis Game Drives

With only 10% of Amboseli National Park utilized by most safari vehicles, combined with Tortilis Camp's unique location on the western edge of the park (most lodges are outside of the eastern gate of the park), guests can enjoy an almost private Amboseli. Tortilis also has private game driving within their own 30,000 acre Kitirua Conservancy, which is the western part of the Amboseli ecosystem.

DAY 4
SATURDAY • AUGUST 10, 2024

Tortilis Camp boasts an elite fleet of custom-designed safari vehicles, and highly-qualified guides with intimate knowledge of their "backyards".

Overnight at Elewana Tortilis Camp

Tent x 8 (Full Board With All Drinks (Excluding Premium Wines, Spirits, And Champagnes))



DAY 5
SUNDAY · AUGUST 11, 2024

Full Day Of Safari Activities

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SUNDAY • AUGUST 11, 2024

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Overnight at Elewana Tortilis Camp

Tent x 8 (Full Board With All Drinks (Excluding Premium Wines, Spirits, And Champagnes))



DAY 6
MONDAY · AUGUST 12, 2024

Check out from Elewana Tortilis Camp

Transfer to the Airstrip

- Depart Tortilis Camp
- Arrive Amboseli Airstrip

Flight to Nairobi

- 8:15 AM · Depart Amboseli Airstrip
- 9:30 AM · Arrive Nairobi Wilson Airport

Flight to Samburu

- 10:00 AM · Depart Nairobi Wilson
- 11:00 AM · Arrive Samburu Airstrip

Transfer to Camp

- Depart Samburu Airstrip
- Arrive Samburu Intrepids Tented Camp

Welcome to Samburu Game Reserve

DAY 6
MONDAY • AUGUST 12, 2024

Area Overview

Samburu is a 63 mi² national reserve situated 217 mi north of Nairobi at an altitude of 2,625–4,000 ft. At the heart of the reserve, flowing through doum palm groves and thick riverine forest, is the picturesque Ewaso Nyiro River, without whose waters the game could not survive in this arid region. Samburu is home to one of Kenya's largest elephant populations and several well known research projects on carnivores, lions, and elephants. Four of the Big Five can be found and, though no rhino are present, it is considered an excellent place to look for leopard, lion, and elephant.

The game reserve sits in the shadow of the sacred mountain Ol Doinyo Sabachae and is home to the Nilotic Samburu people. The Samburu are known for their nomadic pastoralist lifestyle, much like their relatives the Maasai, as well as their glamorous beadwork and colourful shukas.

Check in at Samburu Intrepids

Luxury Tent x 8 (Full Board With All Drinks (Excluding Premium Wines, Spirits, And Champagnes))
3 Nights

Property Overview

Samburu Intrepids is a lush oasis on the banks of the great Uaso Nyiro River in Samburu Game Reserve. The tented luxury camp is a delight to be in – deliciously cooled by the river breeze and the forest. The camp sits on raised decks overlooking the brown river where the elephants sometimes make an appearance or the crocodiles come out to lounge by the river's banks. The location deep inside the reserve guarantees close encounters with shier species, including elephant, leopard and Samburu's famous 'special five' – the rare reticulated giraffe, long-necked gerenuk antelope, Somali ostrich, Grevy's and majestic Beisa oryx.

Because of the warm climate, Samburu Intrepids' public areas are all palm-thatched and open to the elements. The main dining room opens onto an outdoor terrace where buffet breakfasts and lunches are served overlooking the river. Meals can also be enjoyed on your private veranda or at one of a series of specially selected 'bush sites' close to camp. Intrepids also boasts a spacious lounge and bar area, where naturalists deliver fascinating slideshows on most evenings, and an intimate conference room with a television. Behind the bar, surrounded by a shady sunbathing area, is a freeform swimming pool.

DAY 6
MONDAY • AUGUST 12, 2024

Experience & Activities

Activities include twice-daily game drives with professional guides, camel and walking safaris outside the reserve, bush breakfasts and dinners under the stars, and romantic sundowners overlooking the plains. You can visit neighbouring Samburu communities, take part in bird walks with experienced ornithologists, experience overnight fly-camping on sacred Mt Ololokwe, visit to local dances and traditional ceremonies, and watch lectures and slideshows on culture and wildlife. The camp provides Heritage's famous Adventurers' Club for kids and Young Rangers' Club for intrepid teenagers.

Accommodations

Luxury Tent

The Luxury Tents are spacious, covering 279 sq. feet, and each are fitted with a queen size bed or two twin beds. Set under palm-thatched roofs with netted screens on either side to allow for the river breeze to keep them cool, the tents give you stunning views of the land that is Samburu. They boast the very latest in luxury camping, with soft beds, handsome mahogany closets and writing desks, as well as en-suite bathrooms with steaming hot showers, twin washbasins, flush toilets, and sockets for shavers and battery charging.

Fast Facts

Highlights

Picturesque mountainous landscape
Knowledgeable and highly-certified guides
The best kids clubs in the region for cultural and wildlife edutainment
Choice of game viewing in Samburu or Buffalo Springs Reserves
Cultural immersions of neighbouring Samburu tribesmen
Clear Equatorial night skies for astronomy

Quick facts

27 tents with four-poster king size beds
Open sided safari jeeps for best game viewing
Riverfront dining deck and open-air lounge area
Freeform swimming pool with sunbathing terrace
Conference room with television

DAY 6
MONDAY • AUGUST 12, 2024

Custom-built four-wheel-drive safari vehicles
Reliable 240-volt generator
Safety deposit boxes
Camp bookshop and guests' reference library
Souvenir boutique and Safariwear Centre



DAY 7
TUESDAY · AUGUST 13, 2024

Full Day of Safari Activities

Activity overview

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After a leisurely lunch, enjoy some down time. Read a book or just relax and soak up the atmosphere. Refuel with afternoon tea before you depart for an afternoon/evening game drive. Return in time for a relaxing evening of drinks around the campfire and dinner.

Overnight at Samburu Intrepids

Luxury Tent x 8 (Full Board With All Drinks (Excluding Premium Wines, Spirits, And Champagnes))



DAY 8
WEDNESDAY · AUGUST 14, 2024

Full Day of Safari Activities

Activity overview

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Overnight at Samburu Intrepids

Luxury Tent x 8 (Full Board With All Drinks (Excluding Premium Wines, Spirits, And Champagnes))



DAY 9
THURSDAY · AUGUST 15, 2024

Check out from Samburu Intrepids

Transfer to the Airstrip

- ☐ Depart Samburu Intrepids Tented Camp
- ☐ Arrive Samburu Airstrip

Flight to the Maasai Mara

- ☐ 10:15 AM · Depart Samburu Airstrip
- ☐ 12:15 PM · Arrive Maasai Mara Airstrip

Transfer to Camp

- ☐ Depart Maasai Mara Airstrip
- ☐ Arrive Mara Intrepids

Welcome to Maasai Mara

Area Overview

The Mara (as it is affectionately known) covers 583 mi² and is widely considered to be Africa's greatest reserve. The backdrop of the Siria escarpment in the west overlooks sweeping savannas, riverine woodlands, and forests on a deceptively flat landscape that extends eastwards towards the Sekenani Hills and northwards towards the Aitong Hills. The Mara is in essence the northern extension of the Mara-Serengeti ecosystem and plays host to one of nature's greatest phenomena, the Great Wildebeest Migration.

DAY 9
THURSDAY • AUGUST 15, 2024

Because of the quality of wildlife viewing, the Mara has for generations been the setting for hundreds of wildlife documentaries, including Disney's African Cats as well as the BBC's Big Cat Diaries and Planet Earth. It is a wildlife photographer's paradise and every year visitors come to capture the spectacular wildlife. The reserve and its conservancies contain some of the highest densities of predators in Africa and this only increases as nomads and vagrants follow the huge herds back and forth through this ecosystem during the seasonal wildebeest migration.

Check in at Mara Intrepids

Luxury Tent (Full Board)
3 Nights

Property Overview

Overlooking the Talek River, at the very confluence of the Mara's four game-viewing areas, Mara Intrepids Camp enjoys a spectacular locations in the world's best-known wilderness.

Mara Intrepids is a short drive from the Mara River, where more than a million wildebeest and zebra make their perilous migration crossing every July and August. For the remainder of the year, the camp offers some of the world's finest game viewing, with large local populations of plains game, elephants, rhinos, buffalos, and all the big cats.

Experience & Activities

Brimming with vibrant cultures, iconic landscapes, and an array of fascinating wild creatures, Kenya is an ideal setting for a photo safari. Rolling grasslands teem with dazzling herds of wildlife and the Maasai people carry on their traditions. Meanwhile, the Adventurers' Club program provides exciting opportunities for kids to learn about the wild.

Early morning hot-air balloon rides are an additional cost but offer guests the opportunity to enjoy the spectacle of the sunrise and an aerial view of the big game scattered across the rolling plains. There is also bush dining where you can relax and eat your meal within sight of the area's richly diverse wildlife.

DAY 9
THURSDAY · AUGUST 15, 2024

Accommodations

Luxury Tent

Sitting on a shady raised platform facing the Talek river, each Luxury Tent covers approximately 26 m² and can be a twin, double or triple room. The tents are furnished in the classic style of the African safaris with large four poster beds and reproduction furniture, offset by modern en-suite bathrooms with hot showers, flush toilets and all the necessary amenities.

Fast Facts

Highlights

Located in the middle of the four game viewing areas of the Masai Mara Reserve
Kids Club for cultural and wildlife education and entertainment
Good game viewing and birding all year through

Quick facts

Newly renovated tents, with four-poster king size beds
Own airstrip just 3 minutes from the camp and 45 minutes flight from Nairobi
Open sided safari jeeps
3 drives in the game reserve daily
Knowledgeable and gold-certified guides
Wifi



DAY 10
FRIDAY · AUGUST 16, 2024

Full Day of Safari Activities

Activity overview

The best time to see wildlife is at dusk and dawn, when the temperatures are cooler and nocturnal animals are either beginning their night's activities or winding down. Today, you will head out on your game drive just as it begins to get light, so the time differs slightly depending on the season.

Start the day bright and early with a wake-up call and tea or coffee. Enjoy breakfast before you depart for a morning game drive (or have it packed as a picnic to take with you). You'll arrive back at camp mid-morning, with a chance to freshen up before lunch.

After a leisurely lunch, enjoy some down time. Read a book or just relax and soak up the atmosphere. Refuel with afternoon tea before you depart for an afternoon/evening game drive. Return in time for a relaxing evening of drinks around the campfire and dinner.

Overnight at Mara Intrepids

Luxury Tent (Full Board)



DAY 11
SATURDAY • AUGUST 17, 2024

Full Day of Safari Activities

Activity overview

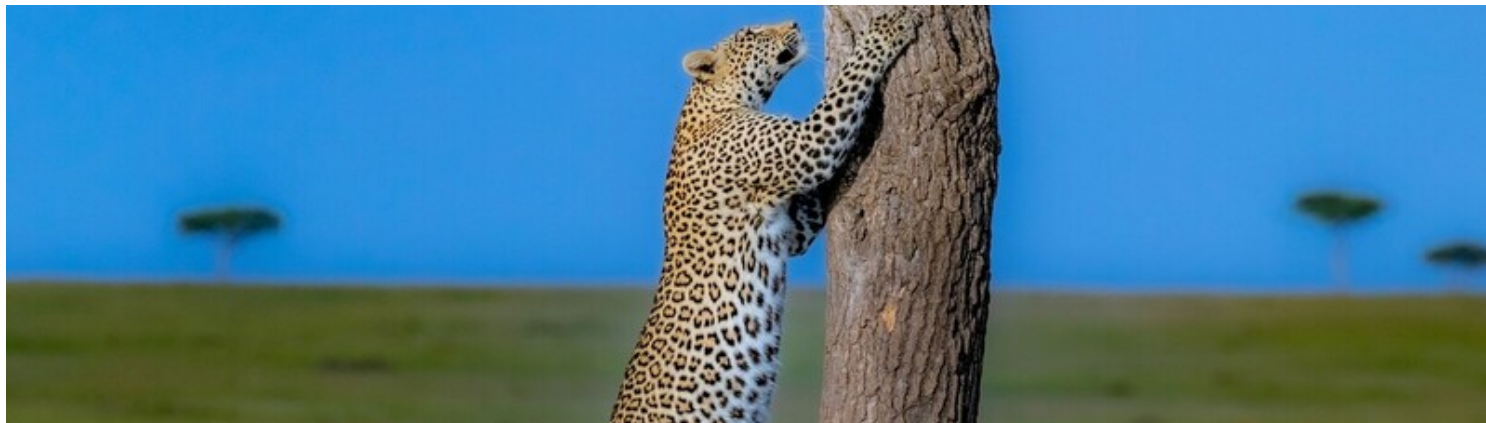
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DAY 12
SUNDAY · AUGUST 18, 2024

Check out from Mara Intrepids

Transfer to the Airstrip

- ☐ Depart Mara Intrepids
- ☐ Arrive Maasai Mara Airstrip

Flight to Nairobi

- ☐ 11:00 AM · Depart Maasai Mara Airstrip
- ☐ 1:00 PM · Arrive Nairobi Wilson Airport

Transfer to your Dayroom

- ☐ Depart Nairobi Wilson Airport
- ☐ Arrive Four Points Hotel

Lunch at Talisman Restaurant

Day room at Four Points by Sheraton Nairobi Airport

Traditional Room x 8 (Room Only)

DAY 12
SUNDAY • AUGUST 18, 2024

Property Overview

Whether you're a business traveler and needing a functional space to work or schedule meetings, or a leisure tourist wanting a respite from the African heat before your next journey, the hotel offers a warm and invigorating space. Conveniently located near Jomo Kenyatta International Airport, the contemporary 172-room hotel offers all the modern amenities and comforts you need for a delightful stay.

From spacious rooms and signature Four Points beds, to rain showers and 42" LED TVs, they have thought of it all. And because you like to keep your body energized, there is a rooftop heated pool and a fully-equipped fitness room. The hotel features a variety of dining options. Sample roasts and grills paired with signature Best Brews craft beer at Tazama Rooftop Bar and Grill or dine at Marketplace, an all-day dining restaurant, serving wholesome and fresh international cuisine and a 24 hour menu for travelers catching flights in the early hours.

Accommodations

Traditional Room

The 301 ft² Traditional Room includes a king bed or two twin/single beds with a pillow top mattress and duvet, air conditioning, soundproof windows, wifi, a coffee/tea maker, a desk, a safe, a television, and an en-suite bathroom with a shower, hair dryer, robe, and slippers. Interconnecting rooms are available.

Fast Facts

Highlights

Conveniently located near Jomo Kenyatta International Airport
24 hour dining menu for travelers catching flights in the early hours
Rooftop heated pool

Quick facts

172 rooms & suites
Restaurant
Bar
Swimming pool
Gym

DAY 12
SUNDAY • AUGUST 18, 2024

- Spa
- Laundry
- Meeting & event facilities
- Wifi

Transfer to the airport for your international flight home

- ☐ Depart Four Points Hotel
- ☐ Arrive Jomo Kenyatta International Airport



PRICE

Total per person based on 2 guests in shared accommodation: \$13,495 USD

- Single Supplement is \$5,995.

Notes:

- A 30% deposit is required to confirm your registration. An invoice will be emailed to you.
- We accept checks and ACH payments or wire transfers to our US based bank for all payments. **Most major cards may be used only for deposit payments.**
- Balance due 120 days prior to the start of the safari.
- CANCELLATION: All deposits are non-refundable. Deposits generally cover the costs of canceling the services already booked, if the cancellation is received in our office no later than 120 days prior to arrival. If the fees charged by our suppliers exceed the deposit, an extra charge may apply.
- Cancellations received in our office 120 days prior to arrival are subject to cancellation fees of 100% of the safari price. Refunds for any services that are voluntarily not used will not be issued.

This cost includes:

- Land and Air Transportation in Kenya: All safari game drives are conducted in customized 4-wheel drive safari vehicles, which have been designed to maximize your game viewing, safety and comfort. Air transportation, as described in the itinerary, is provided through chartered and scheduled airlines, and may involve flying in light aircraft.
- Accommodations and Meals: All your hotel, lodge and tented camp accommodations are based on two people sharing a room. At the permanent camps and lodges, your accommodations will have comfortable beds, flush toilets, hot showers and electricity. We include full-board table d'hôte meals (with some picnic lunches), as shown in the itinerary.

PRICE

- **Activities:** All daily game drives and safari activities at the camps and lodges as described in the safari summary.
- **Miscellaneous Fees:** All service charges, hotel taxes as imposed by government agencies, and park and reserve entrance fees are included.
- **Pre-departure Preparation:** You will receive extensive, personalized information on all aspects of your safari, including health and safety, passports and visas, packing recommendations, electricity, currency and local customs.

This cost does not include:

- Additional transportation costs including transportation between your home and your destination, excess baggage charges, or airline fuel surcharges.
- Passports and visas, travel insurance, immunizations and medical precautions, required medical testing
- Gratuities
- Beverages (unless listed in the itinerary)
- Items of a personal nature (such as medical expenses; room service; spa services; souvenirs
- Laundry (unless listed in the itinerary)
- Telephone and internet charges
- Any activities not included in the safari itinerary or those activities listed as optional.



ABOUT SAFARI PROFESSIONALS

About Us

With a combined 60+ years of safari experience, Safari Professionals offers customized itinerary planning for zoos and aquariums that merges itineraries with the zoo's or aquarium's conservation initiatives.

We view our relationship with our partner zoos and aquariums as more than being simply a supplier of customized wildlife conservation travel, we establish a wildlife conservation partnership – a relationship that goes beyond the traditional model.

Tom LaRock

Chief Exploration Officer

As the former Executive Director of the Friends of the National Zoo, Tom has an understanding and love of wildlife and helps manage sustainable and responsible travel for his clients. To help potential travelers identify their personal priorities, Safari Professionals relies on Tom's extensive knowledge of wildlife, safari guides and accommodations to craft an itinerary that meets or exceeds expectations.

James Ward

Chief Adventure Officer

James was introduced to Africa at the age of 15 and has been in love with traveling to the bush to photograph wildlife since. He has traveled extensively throughout Africa, Asia, and the Americas, visiting some of the most beautiful and wildest national parks in the world. James brings a unique perspective as he designs tailor-made group and private safaris.

ABOUT SAFARI PROFESSIONALS

James has spent the last three years traveling extensively around the world to find new destinations and design unique safaris so Safari Professionals' travelers can have an intimate experience with nature. His travels have brought him to throughout Africa, including Botswana and Namibia; Asia, including Indonesia, Malaysia, and India; and the Americas, including Patagonia and Alaska. amongst other locations, visiting hundreds of lodges and destinations to become an expert on safaris to these areas, amongst others.

James is a professional wildlife photographer who tries to share his love of the natural world through his images. He prefers to travel to remote destinations, the wilder the better, and photograph on foot, many times lying on the ground. His images have been published in several publications and his art has been featured in photography exhibitions. James has also been hired by conservation organizations to photograph their projects, including the Saint Louis Zoo's WildCare Institute's Center for Avian Conservation in the Pacific Islands.

Sam Kanakanui

Chief Opportunities Officer

Joining the Safari Professionals team in 2019, Sam brings over 30 years of business acumen including knowledge in IT, marketing, and operations to the Safari Professionals family. Born in Hawaii, raised in the mountains of West Virginia and living now in the Piedmont of North Carolina, Sam has always enjoyed spending time exploring nature and has developed a keen interest in conservation..