CHEETAH SAFARI

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7-night driving safari in Kenya ABERDARES • SAMBURU • GREAT RIFT VALLEY • MASAI MARA

This 7-night safari includes accommodation in the Masai Mara at the magnificent new Ashnil Mara Camp. The itinerary starts in the Aberdares Range followed by Samburu, home to some of the most unique wildlife in Kenya and a host of birds.

The safari route takes you to Lake Naivasha and Lake Nakuru where thousands of pink flamingoes tint the horizon. Around the Lake a game reserve has been created where the endangered black rhino is protected. Finally, the Masai Mara, famed for its vast numbers of plains game and big cats.

Day 1: Heathrow-Nairobi

Fly from Heathrow overnight to Nairobi.

Day 2: Aberdares

Transfer to the Safari Lounge, where you can freshen up and store any additional luggage before departing for the Aberdares (180 km – approx 4 hours). Arrive in time for lunch and spend the afternoon relaxing, or on a nature walk with the resident naturalist (weather permitting). Overnight: Outspan Hotel (lunch and dinner included).

Day 3: Samburu

Drive north across the equator to the Samburu National Reserve (190 km – approx 4 hours). Lunch. Late afternoon game drive. Overnight: Ashnil Samburu Camp (breakfast, lunch and dinner included).

Day 4: Samburu

Morning and late afternoon game drives in this open savannah which is traversed by the Ewaso Nyiro River. Overnight: Ashnil Samburu Camp (breakfast, lunch and dinner included).

Day 5: Aberdares

Drive to Mountain Lodge on the slopes of Mount Kenya in time for lunch (240 km – approximately 4 hours). Spend the afternoon viewing game from the lodge, or join a nature walk led by a local guide (payable locally and weather permitting). Overnight: Serena Mountain Lodge (breakfast, lunch and dinner included).

Day 6: Lake Nakuru–Lake Naivasha

After breakfast descend into the Great Rift Valley and continue to Lake Nakuru Lodge (240 km – approximately 4 hours). Lunch. Afternoon game drive in the national park. Drive to Lake Naivasha (80 km – approximately 1 hour). Overnight: Lake Naivasha Sopa Lodge (breakfast, lunch and dinner included).

Day 7: Masai Mara

Drive to the Masai Mara National Reserve (320 km – approximately 5.5 hours). Arrive in time for lunch followed by an afternoon game drive. Overnight: Ashnil Mara Camp (breakfast, lunch and dinner included).

Day 8: Masai Mara

Enjoy an early morning game drive followed by breakfast at the lodge. Alternatively, take an early morning balloon flight over the Mara followed by a 'bubbly' bush breakfast (optional extra). After lunch, relax before a late afternoon game drive. Overnight: Ashnil Mara Camp (breakfast, lunch and dinner included).

Day 9: Extension or Heathrow

After breakfast, return to Nairobi by road (300 km – 5 hours), proceed with your chosen beach extension or return to Heathrow (breakfast included).

The above details are correct to the best of our knowledge, however, they are provided for guidance purposes only. Please check the details of any features that are important to you at the time of booking.

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LAKE NAKURU







ON SAFARI IN KENYA

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The Swahili word 'safari' literally means 'journey'. Today, the word has been adopted throughout Africa to encompass the thrill and excitement of game viewing. East Africa lays claim to some of the world's finest game viewing against a backdrop of diverse and dramatic landscapes.

GAME DRIVES

A safari guarantees both excitement and the unexpected! This includes close encounters with wild animals, bumpy roads and helping out when the odds are down. Game drives normally take place early morning and evening when the animals are more active, and last between one and two hours. At some lake lodges game drives are not provided, although optional excursions may be purchased locally. Game drives are not included at tree lodges, as they overlook waterholes and salt licks which attract animals during the day and night. It is worth noting that game viewing is not an exact science and sightings of particular species cannot be guaranteed.

ON THE ROAD

Safaris often cover long distances on rough and uneven roads and may be dusty or muddy. Drives between game parks and lodges are made at a relatively high speed in order to make the journeys as comfortable as possible. Occasionally vehicles may become stuck in mud or even break down, but help is normally available nearby.



Safari vehicles are not air-conditioned. Approximate distances are given between points on each itinerary, but take these as a guideline only, as travel may take longer than expected due to poor road conditions or unexpected wildlife sightings. Changes to itineraries and camps or lodges are sometimes unavoidable.

LIGHT AIRCRAFT FLIGHT OPTIONS

On this safari itinerary, you can cut out the final drive back to Nairobi and fly from the Masai Mara back to Nairobi, for a supplement from £170 per person. Alternatively, fly from the Masai Mara straight to Mombasa for a supplement from £290 per person.

Flights are in light aircraft and the baggage allowance is strictly 15 kg per person. Where possible additional luggage can be left at your hotel or at the Safari Lounge in Nairobi and retrieved after the safari. When flying from the Masai Mara to Mombasa your entire luggage must be restricted to 15 kg as no luggage can be stored in Nairobi.

HOT AIR BALLOONING - A MUST!

Optional Hot Air Ballooning can be arranged on this itinerary, while on the Masai Mara. This exhilarating experience starts at dawn, with around an hour in the air, followed by a Bush breakfast complete with sparkling wine. **£275 per person**



YOUR SAFARI VEHICLE

Safari vehicles are driven by expert driver/guides, who have extensive knowledge of the regions and wildlife. Microbuses in Kenya have game viewing hatches (accessible from the rear seats) and are equipped with a cool box for you to store your drinks.

Window seat guaranteed on this itinerary.

For your privacy, you may request the use of an exclusive vehicle for yourself and your party. Standard Microbuses are ideal for groups of 5 or more, while Premier Microbuses are more spacious, Four



wheel drive vehicles are available for a supplement and seat up to five or seven passengers (all with window seats) and have game viewing roof hatches.

Vehicle options - per person supplement

Passengers	2	3	4	5	6
PREMIER	£285	£130	£50	n/a	n/a
STANDARD	n/a	n/a	n/a	£40	£30
4x4	£510	£280	£165	£95	£50

NAIROBI SAFARI LOUNGE – UNIQUE

Guests on this itinerary have use of the facilities at the unique 'Safari Lounge' when passing through Nairobi, either before or after the safari (time permitting).

The first of its kind in Kenya, the lounge offers complimentary refreshments and showers plus access to TV. The lounge is located in Nairobi, approximately 10 km from the airport.

This itinerary operates with a maximum of 6 passengers, all guaranteed a window seat. See above for vehicle options. Pack a mixture of warm and light clothing in soft bags plus sunglasses, camera and insect repellent. Minimum age 8 years. Price supplements are correct at the time of publication but are subject to change without notice.

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