MASAI SAFARI

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7-night driving safari in Kenya NAIROBI • SAMBURU • ABERDARES • LAKE NAKURU • MASAI MARA

Travelling through some of the richest game areas in the world, the Masai Safari presents excellent opportunities for viewing the 'big five'. The Samburu Reserve, home to the colourful Samburu people, is a dramatic and rugged landscape which is truly rewarding. A host of plains game along with the 'big five' are accompanied by a variety of exotic birds including eagles, falcons and bateleurs.

As you approach Lake Nakuru, you may be fortunate enough to witness a pink cloud on the horizon which gradually reveals its source, thousands of pink flamingoes, a magnificent sight of immense beauty. Operates every Sunday throughout the year, plus Fridays from 15 Jul 2011 – 28 Oct 2011. For departures 7 Nov – 26 Dec 2010 your stay in Samburu will be at the Ashnil Samburu Camp.

Day 1: Sunday - Heathrow-Nairobi

Fly from Heathrow overnight to Nairobi.

Day 2: Monday - Nairobi

On arrival transfer to your hotel for a day at leisure or choose from a selection of optional excursions (book and pay locally). Overnight: Nairobi Serena Hotel.

Day 3: Tuesday - Samburu

Travel to the Samburu National Reserve (360 km) and check in to your lodge for lunch. A late afternoon game drive with possible sightings of species which are seldom seen elsewhere, including Grevy's zebras, reticulated giraffes and blue-legged Somali ostriches. Overnight: Samburu Simba Lodge (breakfast, lunch and dinner included).

Day 4: Wednesday - Samburu

Morning and late afternoon game drives. Overnight: Samburu Simba Lodge (breakfast, lunch and dinner included).

Day 5: Thursday - Aberdares

Drive to the slopes of Mount Kenya and check in to Mountain Lodge (240 km) where lunch has been arranged. Spend the afternoon viewing game from the lodge or join a nature walk (weather permitting) led by a local guide. Overnight: Serena Mountain Lodge (breakfast, lunch and dinner included).

Day 6: Friday - Lake Nakuru

After breakfast continue to Lake Nakuru (240 km). Lunch at the lodge, which enjoys

spectacular views of the lake and often a flamboyance of flamingoes. An afternoon game drive with possible sightings of the endangered rhino. Overnight: Lake Nakuru Lodge (breakfast, lunch and dinner included).

Day 7: Saturday - Masai Mara

After an early breakfast descend to the floor of the Great Rift Valley and into the Masai Mara (370 km). Lunch will be taken en route to your lodge. A late afternoon game drive. Overnight: Mara Serena Safari Lodge (breakfast, lunch and dinner included).

Day 8: Sunday - Masai Mara

An opportunity to enjoy an early morning balloon flight over the Mara and a 'bubbly' bush breakfast (optional extra - £275), or an early morning game drive followed by a complimentary Hippo Pool breakfast overlooking the river (subject to weather conditions) then return to the lodge. Time to relax by the pool and marvel at the

endless panorama which stretches out before you. A second game drive will take place this afternoon. Overnight: Mara Serena Safari Lodge (breakfast, lunch and dinner included).

Day 9: Monday - Extension or Heathrow

Return to Nairobi (360 km), then proceed with your chosen 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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SAMBURU NATIONAL PARK







ON SAFARI IN KENYA

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 £190 per person. Alternatively, fly from the Masai Mara straight to Mombasa for a supplement from £265 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



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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

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Passengers	2	3	4	5	6	7
PREMIER	£305	£135	£55	n/a	n/a	n/a
STANDARD	n/a	n/a	n/a	£40	£30	£30
4x4	£815	£475	£310	£205	£140	£90

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 7 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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