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Somak VACATIONS
OVER FORTY YEARS OF EXCELLENCE

The Safari Specialist



Dear Guest

Somak was founded in 1968 by Mr Suresh Sofat, and is still a family-run business with a personal touch. It has grown from strength to strength, firstly in East Africa and increasingly now also in Southern Africa. Our success is due, in no small part, to the family values that guide us. The Sofat family, along with the teams in the USA, the UK and Africa are dedicated to bringing you a friendly and personalized service, a wide choice of options and exceptional value for money.

From our beginnings in Kenya, we have expanded into a truly African organization, offering vacations to East and Southern Africa. Our years of organizing vacations to these areas have resulted in building superb relations with all of our partners, which allows us to buy at extremely competitive rates, which in turn means we can pass on these great rates to our customers.

Somak is the leading ground handler for tour operators featuring Kenya, and the envy of the country's tourism industry, with highly experienced staff, a large fleet of safari vehicles and a modern office complex in Nairobi, conveniently located close to the international airport.

Ever mindful of our guests' comfort and enjoyment, Somak is the only travel company in Kenya to offer a guest lounge where all of our guests passing through Nairobi are welcome to relax whilst waiting to transfer to the airport or to a safari, have a shower, a bite to eat and store luggage.

Our safari vehicles are driven by highly qualified and experienced driver-guides, for whom we constantly receive fantastic feedback from happy guests. Somak minibuses and four-wheel drive vehicles in Kenya have game viewing hatches and are equipped with a cool box for drinks. Exclusive vehicles can also be booked.

Southern Africa is incredibly diverse, and is sometimes described as 'the last paradise on earth'. Each individual country within the region contrasts with the next, and offers something special for everyone.

With a mixture of exciting cultures, stunning scenery, safaris and wildlife, a vacation in Southern Africa is much more than that, it is a magical experience. Easy to get around and value for money combined with wonderful weather and no jet-lag, it is easy to see why so many people return time and time again. Self-drive tours and guided small group tours are popular ways to see the region, however, planes, trains and boats may also be included.

In Southern Africa we work extremely closely with specialist partners to give you the very best that this continent has to offer.

Our teams in the USA, the UK and Africa are close knit and experienced, working together to ensure memorable vacations, and we continue to thrive thanks to our commitment to ensuring that every individual receives personalized attention from us.

Suresh Sofat
Chairman



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Award-winning Somak

Somak Holidays is an award-winning specialist holiday company, founded and run by a Kenyan family. Established in 1968, Somak has decades of experience in arranging vacations in Africa.

Visitors to Africa often combine more than one of the many fascinating destinations – we make this easy. There is an abundance of ideas within this brochure, but if you can't see your perfect vacation within these pages we will happily custom-make an itinerary for you.

What's more, we give helpful advice such as the best time of year to travel, the right accommodation for your party, and which destinations work best together.

As a team of experts dedicated to planning and organizing perfect African vacations, we look forward to sharing our experience and knowledge of Africa with you.





Somak teams in the USA, & Southern Africa



At Somak we are proud of our record of arranging exceptional vacations in Africa for over 40 years. Our teams in the USA, UK and Africa are close knit and experienced, working together to ensure you enjoy a fantastic vacation.

In the USA we continue to thrive thanks to our commitment to ensuring that every individual receives personal attention from us. We are here to help – so do not hesitate to contact us.



Our associates in South Africa are the most widely-trusted and respected destination management company in South Africa. With a proud history of delivering quality services, with the primary aim being customer satisfaction.

A team of highly trained tour guides, drivers and meet and greet personnel throughout South Africa, all contribute to provide a well oiled touring and safari experience.

*Top: South Africa, escorted tour
Middle: USA team
Bottom: South Africa guides*



As a team of experts dedicated to planning and organizing fantastic African vacations, we look forward to sharing our experience and knowledge of Southern Africa with you. Friendly and professional staff on the ground are experienced and knowledgeable and are on hand to ensure the smooth running of your vacation from start to finish.

Our associate teams in Botswana, Namibia and Zambia are also the best in the business. They provide professional, dedicated, personal, efficient, and caring services throughout the countries.

Wherever you go, you can travel in the knowledge that you will be taken great care of. It is all of our associates' aims to provide all guests with the best possible vacation.



Top Left: South Africa, Right: Botswana team
Middle: Zambia team
Bottom: Namibia team



Somak teams in the UK , Kenya & Tanzania



Somak Safaris, our ground handlers in East Africa, are delighted to welcome a growing number of visitors from the USA every year.

As a family-run business with a personal touch and family values, it is our aim to provide each and every guest with the vacation they wish for, and so much more. The comfort and wellbeing of each guest is very important to us, so much so that we built the Somak Safari Lounge, the only one of its kind in Kenya, where guests, with time to spare in Nairobi, can freshen up with a shower, have something to eat and drink, store excess luggage or just relax.

With our nearly fifty years of operating, we have built up close relationships with our hotel and airline partners to ensure that each guest is well looked after. Our buying power is such that we can offer the best value, not only on safari but also at a huge variety of coastal properties in Mombasa and Zanzibar.

On arrival in Kenya, if your itinerary permits, you will be taken to Somak House. This is the heart of the company where all elements of a holiday are co-ordinated and organised to ensure everything runs smoothly.



*Kenya Driver-Guides, Representatives
Middle: 4-wheel drive vehicle
Bottom: UK team*



*Tanzania Driver-Guides
Somak Safari Lounge
Somak Headquarters, Nairobi*

Our safari driver-guides in Kenya and Tanzania are some of the best in Africa. Friendly and informative, they have extensive knowledge of the region and wildlife. We operate a superb fleet of vehicles from minibuses to 4-wheel drive vehicles, all with viewing hatches and guaranteed window seats.

Warm and helpful representatives are on hand to ensure a wonderful and relaxing beach vacation on the Kenyan coast and in Zanzibar.

We also work very closely with our partners in Somak Holidays, London, UK. The staff there are very well traveled in Africa, with first hand knowledge of the destinations.

The Somak group throughout Africa, have the knowledge and expertise to provide custom-made itineraries to suit the most discerning traveler.







South Africa

South Africa is often described as the 'Rainbow Nation'; its many diverse cultures creating a vibrant weave of history, language, art, music and lifestyles. Great weather, striking scenery, outstanding wildlife, delicious food and adventurous activities mean all your senses will be stimulated by all that South Africa has to offer.

Sitting in the shadows of Table Mountain, Cape Town is high on the list of the world's most beautiful cities, and a great place to start any trip to South Africa. The Winelands and Western Cape region are easily visited from here as a day tour or as part of a longer journey.

Many visitors will spend four or five days in Cape Town before journeying through quaint villages and seaside towns along the Garden Route, one of South Africa's premier tourist attractions. Sheer cliffs drop down to golden beaches and crashing waves, providing natural beauty and some of the world's best surfing.

Seeing wild animals up close in their natural habitat is thrilling and there are many ways to experience this in South Africa. The Eastern Cape offers malaria-free game reserves which attract visitors in search of a safari experience. Kruger National Park is world renowned for its abundant wildlife and you can stay within the park or at one of the many lodges and camps in reserves around the park. The coast also provides opportunities to see wildlife such as whales, penguins and dolphins.

Durban is known locally as the sunshine state, and for good reason. With sandy beaches and a year-round warm climate, it is the perfect escape at the end of any South African adventure.

The many diverse environments and great weather provide ideal conditions to take part in outdoor activities – South Africa is known as one of the world's adventure capitals.

Whether your taste is Afro-chic or authentic Africa you will find great places to stay, delicious food and a warm African welcome.



World in One Country ☀️☀️☀️☀️

1 nt Johannesburg – 1 nt Mpumalanga – 2 nts Kruger National Park – 1 nt Swaziland –
1 nt Kingdom of the Zulu – 1 nt Durban – 2 nts Knyzna – 1 nt Oudtshoorn – 3 nts Cape Town

South Africa has long been described as a 'World in One Country' because of its incredible mix of cultures and environments. This small group tour encompasses the best of this fascinating country at a relaxed pace. Highlights include viewing the spectacular Blyde River Canyon, Tsitsikamma National Park and a thrilling 'big 5' safari in the Kruger National Park. Discover the magnificent Cape Coast including the vibrant city of Cape Town, and enjoy wine tasting at some of the Cape's most famous wine estates.

Day 1 Johannesburg

Met on arrival at Johannesburg airport and transferred to your hotel (40 km – approximately 45 minutes). Spend the rest of the day at leisure. In the evening a tour briefing will be held with the chance to meet your fellow travelers. Overnight: Protea Hotel Wanderers.

Day 2 Pretoria–Mpumalanga

Enjoy an orientation tour of Pretoria on the way to Mpumalanga in the lush subtropical region of the Lowveld. Travel through historic towns before reaching your accommodation near Pilgrim's Rest (500 km – approximately 9 hours). Overnight: Misty Mountain. (b,d)

Day 3 Kruger National Park

Explore Pilgrim's Rest and glorious God's Window. After lunch enjoy a leisurely boat cruise along the banks of Blyde River Canyon. View Tufa Falls and the famous Three Rondavels before arriving at your accommodation (320 km – approximately 7 hours). Overnight: Perry's Bridge Hollow. (b,d)

Day 4 Kruger National Park

Enjoy a morning game drive in an open vehicle in search of elephants, buffaloes, rhinos, lions and leopards. Return to your accommodation in Hazyview for the afternoon at leisure. Overnight: Perry's Bridge Hollow. (b)

Day 5 The Kingdom of Swaziland

Head south to the tiny kingdom of Swaziland. Witness a Swazi cultural experience before continuing through the capital Mbabane with its colorful markets filled with souvenirs and crafts (260 km – approximately 3 hours 30 minutes). Overnight: Lugogo Sun. (b,l,d)

Day 6 The Kingdom of the Zulu

This morning visit the Ezulwini Craft Market, then on to Zululand. Travel to the Umfolozi area (300 km – approximately 3 hours 30 minutes). You have the option to purchase a thrilling game drive into the Hluhluwe-Umfolozi Park. Overnight: Protea Hotel Umfolozi River. (b)

Day 7 Durban

Enjoy a cruise on Lake St Lucia before traveling along the coastline to Durban (270 km – approximately 3 hours 30 minutes). Check into your hotel after lunch and spend the afternoon at leisure. Overnight: Protea Hotel Edward. (b)

Day 8 Port Elizabeth–Knysna

You will be transferred for your mid morning flight from Durban to Port Elizabeth. On arrival your new guide will take you to the impressive indigenous Tsitsikamma Forest and then to Knysna, a beautiful town at the heart of the Garden Route (280 km – approximately 3 hours 30 minutes). Overnight: Knysna Hollow Country Estate. (b,d)

Day 9 Knysna

Take a cruise on the Knysna Lagoon and visit the Featherbed Nature Reserve. Afternoon free to relax and enjoy the shops and restaurants in the town. Overnight: Knysna Hollow Country Estate. (b,l)

Day 10 Oudtshoorn

Travel via the Outeniqua Pass to Oudtshoorn, center of the country's ostrich farming industry. After lunch visit an ostrich farm before heading underground to visit the Cango Caves (130 km – approximately 2 hours). Overnight: Queen's Hotel. (b,l)

Day 11 Cape Town

Depart Oudtshoorn and journey to Cape Town. From July to November your journey will be via Hermanus in the hope of catching a glimpse of the whales; out of season you will take 'Route 62' the inland scenic route (450 km – approximately 5 hours 30 minutes). Overnight: Protea Hotel President. (b)

Day 12 Cape Peninsula

Tour the rugged Cape Peninsula, visiting Hout Bay, where you may take an optional cruise to Seal Island. Admire the penguins on Boulders Beach and drive through the naval village of Simon's Town on the way to Cape Town. (200 km – approximately 3 hours). Overnight: Protea Hotel President. (b)

Day 13 Cape Winelands

Today visit the beautiful wine regions of Paarl and Stellenbosch, and stop for wine tasting. Enjoy a trip to a museum and the Afrikaans Language Monument. (200 km – approximately 3 hours). Overnight: Protea Hotel President. (b)

Day 14 Cape Town

Day at leisure. Transfer to the airport for your homeward journey, or your chosen extension. (b)

Where Next

Add to your experience by extending your vacation to one of these easy to combine destinations: Victoria Falls, Mozambique, Malawi, Seychelles, Mauritius or Dubai.





Misty Mountain

An ideal base from which to explore the Mpumalanga escarpment (God's Window, The Pinnacle, Bourke's Luck Potholes, Blyde River Canyon) and Kruger National Park and adjacent private games reserves. There are 2 pools and a pool deck with breathtaking views, a restaurant, cozy pub, TV lounge and a children's play area. The 27 en suite country chalets have open log fireplaces, tea/coffee making facilities and verandas with superb views.



Protea Hotel Umfolozi River

An ideal base from which to explore Zululand's diverse attractions such as the St. Lucia Wetlands, game reserves, cultural villages and the nearby beaches. Facilities include a restaurant, bar and a swimming pool. There are a host of activities nearby including birding spots, whale and dolphin watching, cruises, fishing, horse riding and golf. The 68 air-conditioned rooms and chalets, as well as 2 family chalets, each have satellite TV.



Protea Hotel Wanderers

In the prestigious northern suburbs and only 36 km from OR Tambo Airport, the Protea Hotel Wanderers is close to some of the finest shopping and dining experiences on the continent. Facilities include: An upmarket restaurant, a 24-hour coffee bar, a deli, a bar, swimming pool and poolside sundeck.

The 229 superbly appointed en suite rooms have air-conditioning, TV, phone, desk and wireless internet access.



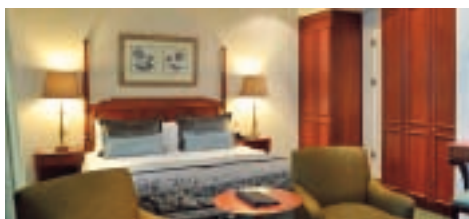
Lugogo Sun, Swaziland

A modern country hotel, in the scenic Ezulweni Valley in Swaziland, surrounded by mountains and close to all the leisure and cultural attractions. Facilities include a swimming pool and volleyball court. Guests may use the facilities of the Swazi Sun hotel such as the tennis courts, 18-hole championship golf course, casino, horse riding and the health spa. The 202 air-conditioned rooms have en suite bath/shower, tea/coffee making facilities and TV.



Protea Hotel Edward

Situated on Durban's 'Golden Mile' running alongside the safety netted main swimming beaches. It is close to the City center, International Convention Center (ICC), Suncoast Casino, uShaka Marine World and the Moses Mabhida Stadium. Guests can relax in elegant settings while sampling the delights of the Brasserie Restaurant. The hotel is the perfect base from which to explore in and around Durban. All 101 rooms are en suite and offer air-conditioning, wi-fi, flat screen LED satellite televisions and tea/coffee making facilities.



For descriptions of the other properties used in this itinerary please see pages 21 and 41.



Includes

- > Driver and/or guide throughout
- > Air-conditioned minibus or microbus
- > 13 breakfasts, 3 lunches and 4 dinners

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(see page 12)
(maximum 16 passengers) **Departs Sunday**

Guide Prices From

February-April	\$3290
May-August	\$3060
September	\$3180

This tour can also be enjoyed as a deluxe, privately guided journey in your own air-conditioned vehicle. Using 5 star accommodation this exclusive tour will offer you all the sights with an additional level of luxury and intimacy.

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Deluxe Privately Guided – Departs Daily
Days

- 1 Johannesburg – Melrose Arch Hotel
- 2 Mpumalanga – Walkersons Hotel & Spa
- 3-4 Kruger National Park – Summerfields Rose Retreat & Spa
- 5 Swaziland – Royal Swazi Spa
- 6 The Kingdom of the Zulu – Hluhluwe River Lodge
- 7 Durban – Oyster Box Hotel
- 8-9 Knysna – St James of Knysna
- 10 Oudtshoorn – Rosenhof Country House
- 11-13 Cape Town – Table Bay Hotel

Guide Prices From

January-March & October	\$7890
April & August-September	\$7520
May-July	\$7440

Supplements

Single room and child prices on request.

Prices are in US\$ per person based on two adults sharing twin accommodation. They are intended as a guide and will be confirmed at the time of booking.

Luxury Rail Journeys

Take a look at South Africa's magnificent landscapes aboard a luxury train. Traveling from Cape Town to Pretoria (or vice versa) you will savor some of South Africa's finest food and wines whilst the ever changing scenery rushes by. The opulent surroundings and personal service are as much a part of the journey as the destination itself.

A trip on either the Blue Train or Rovos Rail is highly recommended as part of your South African experience, either at the beginning or at the end of your journey, or as a vacation in itself.

THE BLUE TRAIN



Since 1946 The Blue Train has been the epitome of luxury hospitality, tourism and leisure. It offers an unequalled way of experiencing South Africa, with its magnificent landscapes and landmarks. Guests are treated to outstanding cuisine and the best of South Africa's wines. Around-the-clock personal butlers see to guests' every need, in their private suites or at any of the exquisite lounges. This is a world of grace and elegance, with spectacular scenery to stir the imagination, and luxurious comfort to soothe the body and soul. The Blue Train is a window to the soul of South Africa.

Accommodation: Depending on configuration, there are either 41 or 37 suites on board. Each air-conditioned cabin offers an elegant lounge by day, transformed into a comfortable bedroom at night. The deluxe suites (2 adults) offer a choice of twin beds with a shower or a double bed with a bath. The larger luxury suites (2 adults) are more spacious and offer a choice of twin beds or double beds.

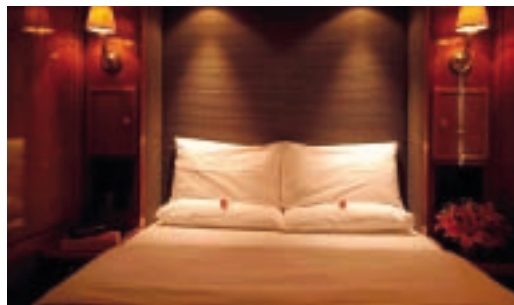
Facilities: Personal service is standard on board the Blue Train. Every carriage has a butler on call 24 hours a day to the private cabins. For guests who wish to socialize with fellow passengers there is a choice of two elegant bar carriages. All meals are freshly prepared on board by executive chefs. Lunch and dinner are served in two sittings, in the dining carriage. Smart dress is required at dinner and gentlemen are required to wear a jacket and tie.

Board basis: Fully inclusive.

Routes: Pretoria – Cape Town (and vice versa).

Arrive at your departure station where registration takes place in the Blue Train lounge. Butlers will show you to your private suite.

Spend time on board relaxing or socializing with fellow passengers. The journey includes an 'off train' escorted tour. On the Pretoria to Cape Town journey visit Kimberley where you can take a trip back in time to the days of the diamond rush, and on the Cape Town to Pretoria journey you will visit Matjiesfontein, where an old colonial South Africa comes to life with Victorian buildings and original 19th century London lampposts.





ROVOS RAIL



Rovos rail has created a world class travel experience, justifying the international acclaim it receives. Described by many as 'The World's Most Luxurious Train', Rovos Rail offers the grandeur and luxury of a bygone era. The beautifully and sympathetically restored carriages combine luxury travel with the chance to admire the magnificent scenery passing by. Restaurant cars, observation carriages and sleeping compartments are all restored originals, with dark woods and period fittings designed to provide the highest quality of comfort and luxury to all our privileged guests.

Accommodation: Rovos trains can accommodate a maximum of 72 passengers in 36 air-conditioned suites. All suites are designed with wood paneling and period Edwardian features. Three types of suites are available. Pullman Suites offer comfortable sofa seating by day, converting to double or twin beds for the evening and an en suite shower. Deluxe Suites offer twin or double beds, en suite shower and lounge area. The Royal Suites are spacious and elegant with private lounge area, full bathroom including Victorian bath and separate shower.

Facilities: Two dining cars accommodate all guests in one sitting for dinner. Dress code for dinner is smart with men wearing jacket and tie. Both the observation and lounge cars are ideal locations to relax after dinner, and share your experience with fellow passengers whilst enjoying the fantastic scenery. A dedicated host is available for 24-hour room service.

Board Basis: Fully inclusive.

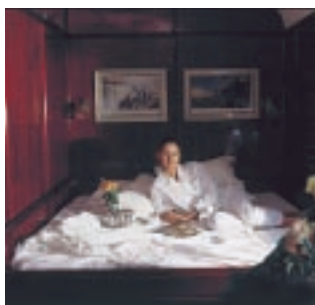
Route: Pretoria – Cape Town (and vice versa).

Depart either mid-morning or mid-afternoon depending on direction of travel. Over the next 48 hours breakfast, lunch and dinner are all served in the dining car. Time on board is spent relaxing in your private suite or with fellow travelers in the lounge or observation carriages.

Two 'off-train' excursions are included. A visit to Majiesfontein gives the opportunity to stroll through the historic settlement. Enjoy a tour of Kimberley, an old diamond mining town, including 'the Big Hole' and Mine Museum.



The Blue Train and Rovos Rail Route Map
Rovos Rail also operates to other destinations including Durban and Victoria Falls.



Self-Drive

Driving in South Africa is a great way to see the country. The superb network of tarmac roads makes driving safe and easy, giving you the opportunity to see this beautiful country at your own pace.



South Africa boasts many tourist routes showcasing everything from wild coastal scenery to quaint villages, wine estates and battlefields. The flexibility of self-drive means you can see as much or as little as you like, at your own pace. You can choose from a wide and varied selection of guest houses, hotels or safari accommodation, which gives you the freedom to create your own perfect itinerary.

We have been arranging custom-made self-drive holidays in South Africa for years now, so are confident we can help you put together a tour that suits you in every way.

With such a wide natural, cultural, historical and experiential diversity it is important to consider what you would like to do and what your expectations are. We listen, and can recommend the right number of nights to stay in each particular place you visit. We will tell you what there is to do in each area and can make recommendations for accommodation, restaurants, sightseeing and activities.

Working with the leading car hire company in South Africa, Avis, you can be sure in the knowledge that every care will be taken to ensure you have the right vehicle for your needs. A range of products and services including emergency roadside and medical assistance gives you peace of mind to enjoy your vacation free of worry.





South Africa is vast, and the ultimate way to experience this country is by self-driving, in your own time. South Africa has an established and comprehensive network of good roads. It is important that wherever you plan to self-drive you take time to read our helpful tips and advice to avoid discomfort.

Helpful Hints:

- Speed limits of 120 km/h (75mph) on major roads.
- Speed limits of 100 km/h (60mph) on secondary roads.
- Speed limit of 60 km/h (37.5mph) in urban areas.
- Attendants will fuel your car and will clean your windows (for a small gratuity).
- Plan your trip carefully (or let us do the hard work for you) as distances can be long.
- Be careful in wilderness areas as animals also use the roads.

Inclusions:

- Additional driver fee
- Claim administration fee in the event of damage and/or theft
- General public liability insurance
- Location surcharge
- Maximum collision damage waiver (CDW)
- Maximum theft loss waiver (TLW)
- Personal accident insurance (PAI)
- Sandblasting damage
- Third party liability insurance
- Tourism levy
- Tyre, rim and hubcap damage
- Unlimited kilometers
- Value added tax @ 14% (VAT)

Water and under-carriage damage to vehicles
Windscreen damage/repair

Exclusions:

- Child safety seat
- Collection and delivery fee
- Contract fee
- Cross border fee
- Frequent flyer miles
- Fuel
- One-way cross border fee
- One-way drop off fee within country
- Refundable rental deposit
- Traffic fine handling fee
- Valet charged when applicable

Terms and conditions

- Renters must carry a drivers license or a valid unendorsed drivers license with English translation and photograph.
- International drivers license
- The minimum rental age is 18 years and the driver must have been in possession of a valid driver's license for a minimum of 1 year.

There is no maximum rental age, however, Personal Accident Insurance is not included for persons over the age of 75 years.

It is a legal requirement in Southern Africa to be in possession of your driver's license at all times whilst driving a vehicle.

Over border rentals must be requested on reservation. Renters wishing to enter a country other than the country of rental, must be in possession of a letter of authority from Avis, obtainable from Avis when you pick up your vehicle. No entry is allowed into Zambia, Zimbabwe, Angola, Malawi and Mozambique.

The minimum rental period is 1 day and calculates on a 24 hour cycle, which starts from the time of collection. Should a vehicle be returned late, the renter will be charged for an additional day at the extension rates which will have to be settled directly with Avis on return of the vehicle.

The renter's credit card is required on collection of the vehicle. Authorization is obtained for the rental deposit, additional charges and the liability amount when booking standard cover.

Distance Chart (approximate kms)	Bloemfontein	Cape Town	Durban	East London	George	Johannesburg	Nelspruit	Oudtshoorn	Port Elizabeth	Pretoria	Skukuza	Stellenbosch
Bloemfontein		1004	634	584	773	398	757	715	677	456	880	975
Cape Town	1004		1753	1079	438	1402	1762	420	769	1460	1888	50
Durban	634	1753		674	1319	588	707	1245	984	646	814	1595
East London	584	1079	674		645	982	1226	690	310	1040	1335	1070
George	773	438	1319	645		1171	1510	65	335	1229	1615	395
Johannesburg	398	1402	588	982	1171		355	1130	1075	58	466	1390
Nelspruit	757	1762	707	1226	1510	355		1470	1434	322	120	1735
Oudtshoorn	715	420	1245	690	65	1130	1470		360	1190	1560	400
Port Elizabeth	677	769	984	310	335	1075	1434	360		1133	1460	740
Pretoria	456	1460	646	1040	1229	58	322	1190	1133		435	1450
Skukuza	880	1888	814	1335	1615	466	120	1560	1460	435		1840
Stellenbosch	975	50	1595	1070	395	1390	1735	400	740	1450	1840	



CAR TYPES (South African fleet)				
Category	Type	Seats	Transmission	Air-conditioning
Group A	Hyundai I10 or similar	4	M	yes
Group B	VW Polo Hatch or similar	4	M	yes
Group C	Toyota Corolla Sedan or similar	4	M	yes
Group D	Hyundai Accent or similar	4	A	yes
Group E	Toyota Corolla or similar	4	A	yes
Group F	Honda Accord or similar	4	A	yes
Group G	Mercedes Benz C class or similar	4	A	yes
Group H	BMW 3 series or similar	4	A	yes
Group J	Mercedes Benz E class or similar	4	A	yes
Group K	Hyundai IX35 or similar	4	M	yes
Group N	Hyundai H1 or similar	8	M	yes
Group O	Toyota Avanza or similar	5	M	yes
Group P	Honda Jazz or similar	4	M	yes
Group I	Toyota Fortuner or similar	5	A	yes

All vehicle types are a guide only and are subject to change. All vehicles are air-conditioned and have a radio/tape deck. Avis have locations throughout South Africa, Namibia and Botswana.

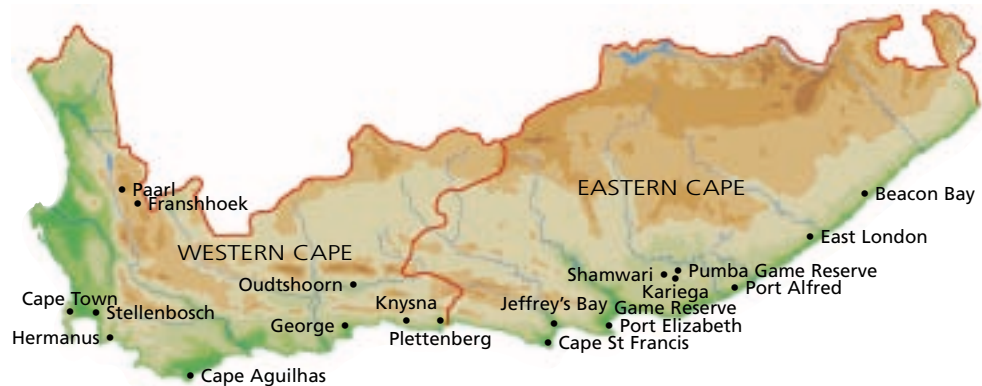




Western Cape

In the Western Cape you will discover contrasting scenery, wonderful wine, the world's best on shore whale watching, and of course, the vibrant city of Cape Town. The Western Cape is home to the world's longest wine route, found along Route 62, a scenic tourist route that runs from Cape Town to Port Elizabeth, 850 kilometers up the eastern coast. If you don't have time to complete the whole route, consider visiting the wine-growing areas of Stellenbosch, Paarl and Franschhoek. The area can also be experienced on one of many day tours that can be arranged from Cape Town.

Other highlights of the region include the tranquil Karoo and the scenic Garden Route which runs through picturesque towns and along stunning coastal scenery from Cape Town to the quaint seaside town of Knysna.



Eastern Cape

The Eastern Cape is wild and beautiful. Stretching from the southern Drakensberg Mountains to the lush Tsitsikamma Forest and flanked by rugged coastline, washed by the Indian Ocean. The coast offers miles of unspoilt beaches and the opportunity to see whales, dolphins and other marine life close at hand.

One of the main attractions for the visitor in this region is the malaria-free game reserves where you may be lucky enough to witness all of the 'big 5'.

Adventurous activities are abundant in the Eastern Cape, and Tsitsikamma is home to the world's highest commercial bridge bungee as well as many hiking trails. Jeffrey's Bay is a surfer's paradise, and is on the World Billabong circuit, making it one of the top surfing beaches in the world.

Cape Town, Garden Route & Safari ☀☀☀

3 nights Cape Town – 1 night Oudtshoorn – 2 nights Knysna – 2 nights Kariega Game Reserve

Cape Town ‘The Mother City’ is where this tour begins. The cosmopolitan beauty of this city is hard to ignore against the imposing backdrop of Table Mountain. Based in Cape Town, enjoy three days of touring to discover the city sights and surrounds. Between Cape Town and the Eastern Cape runs an astonishingly beautiful stretch of coastline dotted with quaint towns and villages; a journey in itself which only ends when the safari starts in the malaria-free Eastern Cape private game reserve of Kariega.

This is a partly guided tour.

Day 1 Sunday Cape Town

On arrival at Cape Town airport, transfer to your hotel (30 km – approximately 30 minutes). Spend the day exploring Cape Town. We suggest a visit to the V&A Waterfront, a cable car ride up Table Mountain, or a trip to Robben Island (payable locally). Overnight: Protea Hotel President.

Day 2 Monday Cape Peninsula

Depart this morning on a full day tour to the Cape Peninsula. Drive along the Atlantic seaboard via Hout Bay, to the Cape of Good Hope Nature Reserve and its scenic viewing point. Stop at Boulders Beach to see the African penguins, and then travel through the naval port of Simon’s Town. Overnight: Protea Hotel President. (b)

Day 3 Tuesday Cape Winelands

Spend a day meandering around the Cape Winelands, sampling wines that are among the finest in the world. Your full day excursion takes in the tranquility and beauty of Paarl, Franschhoek and Stellenbosch in the Cape Winelands. Overnight: Protea Hotel President. (b)

Day 4 Wednesday Cape Town–Oudtshoorn

Depart Cape Town and travel via the town of Montagu on the scenic ‘Route 62’ to the pretty village of Barrydale. Then on to Oudtshoorn, known as the ‘feather capital of the world’, thanks to its huge ostrich industry (450 km – approximately 5 hours 30 minutes). In the afternoon, enjoy a fascinating tour of an ostrich farm. Overnight: Queen’s Hotel. (b)

Day 5 Thursday Oudtshoorn–Knysna

In the morning, marvel at the stalagmites and stalactites in the Cango Caves. Drive via the spectacular Outeniqua Pass to the town of George, then to Knysna (130 km – approximately 2 hours), perhaps South Africa’s most

stunning resort, in the heart of the Garden Route. Rest of the day at leisure. Overnight: Knysna Hollow Country Estate. (b,d)

Day 6 Friday Knysna

Cruise on the vast Knysna Lagoon, and then visit the Featherbed Nature Reserve. Enjoy an amazing view of the imposing sandstone ‘Heads’ which guard the sea entrance to Knysna’s huge tidal lagoon, and the forests, marshes and pristine beaches surrounding it. After lunch spend the rest of the day at leisure. Overnight: Knysna Hollow Country Estate. (b,l)

Day 7 Saturday Knysna–Eastern Cape Game Reserve

Travel via the ‘Friendly City’, Port Elizabeth, to one of the game reserves in the Eastern Cape (400 km – approximately 5 hours). This afternoon enjoy an open vehicle safari through the game park, before returning after sunset to a wonderful dinner served under the African stars. Overnight: Kariega Game Reserve, Main Lodge. (b,d)

Day 8 Sunday Eastern Cape Game Reserve

Enjoy early morning and late afternoon game drives to coincide with the times when the animals are most active. Overnight: Kariega Game Reserve, Main Lodge. (b,l,d)

Day 9 Monday Port Elizabeth–Johannesburg

After your morning game drive and your last opportunity to enjoy Africa’s wildlife, return to Port Elizabeth (140 km – approximately 2 hours). Fly to Johannesburg for your onward travel arrangements. (b)

Where Next

Add to your experience by extending your vacation to one of these easy to combine destinations: Victoria Falls, Mozambique, Malawi, Seychelles, Mauritius or Dubai.





Queen's Hotel

Nestled in the heart of Oudtshoorn, in close proximity to a multitude of restaurants, curio and coffee shops. Skilfully renovated using only the finest materials, the Queen's Hotel offers colonial style accommodation and services which are reminiscent of a bygone era. Facilities include a restaurant and coffee shop. Leisure facilities include a swimming pool. There are 40 air-conditioned rooms with en suite bath/shower, TV and telephone.



Protea Hotel President

Situated on Cape Town's Platinum Mile in the residential area of Bantry Bay, across the road from the promenade running alongside the Atlantic Ocean. The hotel is located just 10 minutes from the Victoria & Alfred Waterfront. The atmosphere is relaxed, yet professional. This is a resort in the city. For a leisurely vacation, there's no better choice of venue. Facilities include a restaurant and bar, swimming pool, beauty salon and curio shop. There are 349 spacious, air-conditioned rooms with satellite TV, wi-fi, telephone, safe, mini bar and hairdryer. Most rooms and suites overlook the Atlantic Ocean or Lion's Head.



Knysna Hollow Country Estate

Knysna Hollow Country Estate is perfectly located to explore all the attractions the Garden Route has to offer. The nearby lagoon is a haven for fishing and water sport enthusiasts. Facilities include a restaurant, grill room, lounge, bar and 3 pools. There are 15 thatched garden chalets and 64 spacious bedrooms. In room facilities include en suite bathrooms, television, ceiling fans, telephone, tea/coffee making facilities, fireplace and private patio. The thatched garden chalets and the gracious old Manor House are set in beautiful landscaped gardens.



Kariega Game Reserve, Main Lodge

Kariega is a family-owned and operated game reserve set in 22,000 acres of pristine wilderness in the malaria-free Eastern Cape, near Port Elizabeth, thus forming a natural extension to Cape Town and the Garden Route. This 'big 5' reserve offers spectacular and dramatic views of wildlife in its natural habitat combined with luxury accommodation and fine dining. The Main Lodge has 21 log chalets, with large private viewing decks (some with private pools) offering stunning views of the Kariega River valley. All are air-conditioned, with en suite bathroom, fireplace, satellite TV, king-size bed (can be made up as twin beds), inside shower and ornate bath, telephone and fridge.



Includes

8 breakfasts, 2 lunches and 3 dinners

Highlights

- > Cape Cape Peninsula
- > Cape of Good Hope National Park
- > Cape Winelands and wine tasting
- > Cango Caves
- > Featherbed Nature Reserve and Knysna Lagoon
- > Safari in an Eastern Cape Game Reserve

Optional Activities

- > River cruise
- > Canoeing
- > Fishing
- > Spa

⚙️ ⚙️ ⚙️ **Standard Partly Guided Tour**
 Departs some Sundays, please call for dates

Guide Prices From

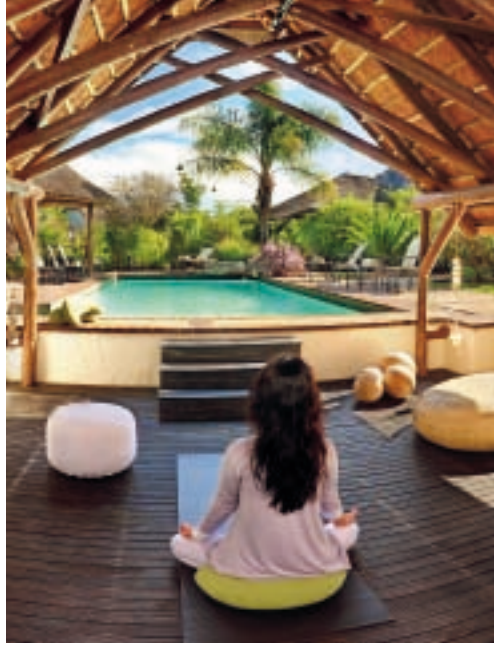
February-March	\$2635
April & October	\$2810
May-September	\$2405

Supplements

Single room and child prices on request.

Prices are in US\$ per person based on two adults sharing twin accommodation. They are intended as a guide and will be confirmed at the time of booking.





Eagles Crag, Villa Lobengula, Bayethe Tented Lodge

Eastern Cape

Shamwari Game Reserve

Shamwari Game Reserve, near Port Elizabeth, offers personal service combined with a range of luxurious accommodation to provide a perfect safari experience. The 60,000 acre malaria-free game reserve makes it one of the largest private conservation initiatives in South Africa.

Board Basis: Breakfast, lunch, dinner and two scheduled game drives per full day are included.

Transfer Time: Approximately 1 hour 15 minutes from Port Elizabeth Airport.

Eagles Crag CONNOISSEUR COLLECTION

A masterpiece of thatch, stone and glass, offering the ultimate in luxury for those seeking privacy and tranquility. Decorated in light and contemporary colors, with wall-to-wall glass doors on two sides, the suites provide stunning views of the surrounding cliffs.

Facilities: Offers a dining room, boma (outdoor eating area), lounge and bar. Leisure facilities include two daily game drives in open 4x4 vehicles with an experienced ranger. There is a luxury relaxation retreat with 2 therapy rooms, hydro bath, steam room and sauna and offers a variety of treatments.

Accommodation: Nine air-conditioned suites with open-plan bath, indoor and outdoor showers, mini bar, private deck, two wall-to-wall glass doors and plunge pool.

Children are not permitted to stay at this lodge.

Prices from \$500 per person per night.

So MUCH MORE

Optional Activities

- > Visits to the Born Free Foundation

Villa Lobengula CONNOISSEUR COLLECTION

Tucked away deep in the valley bushveld, this thatched lodge offers guests a tranquil, luxurious and exclusive getaway.

Facilities: Offers a dining room, boma, bar, pool, wine cellar, fitness room and a relaxation retreat offering holistic therapies, steam room and sauna. Enjoy two game drives per day in open 4x4 vehicles with an experienced ranger.

Accommodation: Six spacious, thatched suites with verandas overlooking the African bushveld. They consist of one Premier Suite with a plunge pool and 5 Luxury Suites, 2 of which have plunge pools. All rooms have indoor and outdoor showers, air-conditioning, ceiling fans, TV, telephone, safe, mini bar, hairdryer and tea/coffee making facilities.

Prices from \$5350 per villa per night (maximum 12 guests).

So MUCH MORE

Optional Activities

- > Relaxation retreats
- > Visits to the Born Free Foundation
- > Yoga therapy
- > Thai massages
- > Reflexology

Bayethe Tented Lodge ⚙⚙⚙⚙⚙

Bayethe is a splendid lodge with a large deck area overlooking a waterhole.

Facilities: Indoor and outdoor dining, boma, a fireplace and TV in the lounge, dining room, a deck area with pool overlooking the waterhole and a gift shop. Bayethe Bush Spa overlooking the waterhole offers a range of treatments and guests can also enjoy spa treatments in the privacy of their rooms.

Accommodation: The nine luxury tents are camouflaged under trees for ample privacy and unsurpassed comforts. Each tent is air-conditioned and heated and has an en suite bathroom, shower, plunge pool and viewing deck. The 3 superior tents are the ultimate in tented luxury. These tents offer the additional luxuries of a fireplace, satellite TV, plunge pool and hammocks suspended over the wooden decks.

Prices from \$400 per person per night.

So MUCH MORE

Optional Activities

- > Relaxation retreats
- > Visits to the Born Free Foundation



Long Lee Manor, Riverdene Lodge, Sarili Lodge

Eastern Cape

Every visitor to Shamwari Game Reserve has the opportunity to experience, learn and enjoy the very best that African wildlife viewing can offer, with the help of a game ranger. There is also plenty of time to unwind in between game drives with relaxing treatments and swimming pools available.

Board Basis: Breakfast, lunch, dinner and two scheduled game drives per full day are included.
Transfer Time: Approximately 1 hour 15 minutes from Port Elizabeth Airport.

Long Lee Manor ⚙️⚙️⚙️⚙️

This gracious Edwardian Manor House echoes traditions of the past offering colonial style accommodation, manicured gardens, pools and ponds, terraces and verandas – all overlooking the magnificent plains teeming with wildlife.
Facilities: Colonial-style living at its best. Offers a dining room, boma, lounge, bar, two pools and a Relaxation Retreat offering 2 therapy rooms, steam rooms and sauna.
Accommodation: 10 suites (2 adults) and 5 luxury rooms (2 adults) all air-conditioned with bath, ceiling fan, en suite bathroom with separate shower, safe, mini bar, satellite TV and tea/coffee making facilities.
 Prices from \$380 per person per night.

So MUCH MORE

- Optional Activities**
- > Relaxation retreats
 - > Visits to the Born Free Foundation
 - > Visits to the animal rehabilitation center

Riverdene Lodge ⚙️⚙️⚙️⚙️

The colonial-style, Riverdene Lodge with inter-leading luxury rooms, supervised playroom, spacious green lawns and jungle gym facility provides entertainment for the whole family.
Facilities: Facilities include indoor and outdoor dining facilities, a swimming pool with a shallow area for children, internet access and a lapa overlooking Bushman's River for outdoor dining or game viewing. There is also a gift shop. Children's facilities include a 'Kids on Safari' program which includes a visit to the Born Free Foundation Big Cat Rescue Center, an exclusive visit to the Animal Rehabilitation Center, children's activities and a gift pack. Children can also take part in various social, sports, arts and cultural activities under supervision of a children's coordinator. Child minding facilities and a children's menu are available.
Accommodation: 9 luxury suites, all with patios, 1 disabled-friendly room, air-conditioning, ceiling fan, TV, telephone, safe, hairdryer and tea/coffee making facilities. Interconnecting rooms available, ideal for families. There is a dedicated children's lodge, jungle gym and children's menus.
 Children of all ages are welcome. Children 4 years and older are welcome to join game drives.
 Prices from \$380 per person per night.

So MUCH MORE

- A very family-friendly property where children are well catered for.**
- Optional Activities**
- > Visits to the Born Free Foundation
 - > Visits to the animal rehabilitation center

Sarili Lodge ⚙️⚙️⚙️⚙️

An environmentally friendly, private, African thatch designed villa with a spacious deck overlooking the Bushman's River with expansive views of the plains. The lodge is positioned in the southern region of the Reserve.
Facilities: Facilities include a bar/lounge area with fireplace, a dining area, a swimming pool with a shallow area for children, courtyard barbeque area, children's menu and a child minding service.
Accommodation: The lodge has 3 king bedded suites and two twin bedded suites featuring en suite bathroom, air-conditioning, safe, mini bar, hairdryer, tea/coffee making facilities and a private patio or balcony.
 Prices from \$380 per person per night.

So MUCH MORE

- Optional Activities**
- > Visits to the Born Free Foundation
 - > Visits to the animal rehabilitation center



River Lodge, Ukhozi Lodge

Eastern Cape

Kariega Game Reserve

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Board Basis: Breakfast, lunch, dinner and two full game drives per full day.

Transfer Time: Approximately 1 hour 20 minutes from Port Elizabeth Airport.

River Lodge ⚙️⚙️⚙️⚙️⚙️

Located on the banks of the Bushman's River, the lodge offers stunning wining and dining areas, plus a boma and outdoor pool.

Location: Set on the banks of the Bushman's River, a tranquil setting which is unique in that it connects a 'big 5' game reserve to the sea.

Facilities: Relax in the lounges, library or pool. Take in the views from the deck overhanging the river, where you can also enjoy meals.

Accommodation: 10 luxurious spacious thatched suites are spread along the banks of the Bushman's River. Each suite is air-conditioned with en suite bathroom, king-size bed (can be made up as twin beds), telephone, free mini bar and private viewing patio. Wi-fi connectivity available.

Children under 10 years are not permitted to stay at this lodge.

Prices from \$315 per person per night.

So MUCH MORE

Free Optional Activities

- > River cruise
- > Safari walk
- > Canoeing
- > Fishing

Ukhozi Lodge ⚙️⚙️⚙️⚙️⚙️

Ukhozi Lodge is a small, intimate and delightful rustic lodge which truly captures the romance and intimacy of Africa. The panoramic views of the valley are superb.

Location: Nestled in the African bush, with spectacular views.

Facilities: The Lodge boasts unique African-style lounges, restaurant and boma with an outdoor pool. You can unwind in front of warm log fires, enjoy sumptuous cuisine or simply share experiences of the African bush.

Accommodation: 10 luxury, log constructed suites, with a private plunge pool and deck offering panoramic views of the valley. Each air-conditioned suite enjoys a spacious en suite bathroom, king-size bed (can be made up as twin beds), shower and generous bath, telephone and free mini bar. Wi-fi connectivity available.

Children under 10 years are not permitted to stay at this lodge.

Prices from \$315 per person per night.

So MUCH MORE

Free Optional Activities

- > River cruise
- > Safari walk
- > Canoeing



Kariega Main Lodge, The Homestead

Eastern Cape

The lodges offer a range of accommodation with a common element of authentic design, detail and luxury. Kariega provides twice daily game drives with experienced game rangers for the ultimate African safari experience. Other activities are also available including a spa, gym, river cruises, safari walks, canoeing and fishing.

Board Basis: Breakfast, lunch, dinner and two full game drives per full day.

Transfer Time: Approximately 1 hour 20 minutes from Port Elizabeth Airport.

Kariega Main Lodge ⚙️⚙️⚙️⚙️

Kariega Main Lodge offers families, friends and couples a relaxed and friendly environment in which to enjoy the African bush.

Location: Situated on a spectacular ridge with stunning views.

Facilities: Facilities include a restaurant, boma, bar, swimming pool, curio shop, spa and gym. Wi-fi connectivity available.

Accommodation: 21 log chalets, with large private viewing decks (some with private pools) offering privacy and stunning views of the Kariega River valley. All the log chalets are air-conditioned, with en suite bathroom, fireplace, satellite TV, king-size bed (can be made up as twin beds), inside shower and ornate bath, telephone and fridge.

Prices from \$270 per person per night.

So MUCH MORE

Free Optional Activities

- > River cruise
- > Safari walk
- > Canoeing

The Homestead ⚙️⚙️⚙️⚙️

The Homestead is a private lodge offering secluded comfort and luxury. With a dedicated game ranger and chef, guests have the flexibility to plan their day according to their own specific needs.

Location: Set in a remote and private part of the reserve.

Facilities: Facilities include a pub lounge with satellite TV and fireplace, a main kitchen, a presentation kitchen, dining room and lounge with fireplace. A boma, patio, swimming pool, playroom for children, laundry room, telephone and wi-fi connectivity are available.

Accommodation: Five spacious and comfortable bedrooms with king-size beds (can be made up as twin beds), en suite bathroom with generous shower and overhead fan. Ideal for families or groups of up to 10 people.

Prices from \$1800 for the entire property per night (maximum 10 guests).

So MUCH MORE

Free Optional Activities

- > River cruise
- > Safari walk
- > Canoeing



Bush Lodge, Safari Lodge

Eastern Cape

Amakhala Game Reserve

Amakhala Game Reserve, near Port Elizabeth is the ideal, malaria-free choice for your 'Big 5' safari destination. It is an ideal location for the traveler visiting Cape Town, the Winelands and the famous Garden Route. This 29 square mile private reserve is renowned for its truly awesome topography and wildlife. Amakhala has a selection of 11 properties consisting of country houses, safari lodges and tented camps located in varying areas of the safari park. We have featured five of the properties on these pages. If you would like information about the other six please contact us.

Board Basis: Breakfast, lunch, dinner, local beverages and 2 scheduled safari activities per day.

Transfer Time: Approximately 1 hour 15 minutes from Port Elizabeth Airport.

Bush Lodge ⚙⚙⚙⚙⚙

Discreetly positioned in the bush at the top end of an open valley in the reserve, each of the superlative en suite, tented and thatched suites overlooks a watering point with big sky views.

Facilities: Offers a luxurious dining area, splendid lounge areas and an expansive viewing deck with magnificent views of game-filled plains. Two daily game drives in open 4x4 vehicles with an experienced ranger.

Accommodation: 5 air-conditioned tents each with secluded private viewing deck with intimate plunge pool, full en suite bathroom and mini bar.

Children under 9 years are not permitted to stay at this lodge.

Prices from \$370 per person per night.

So MUCH MORE

Optional Activities
> Sunset river cruises

Safari Lodge ⚙⚙⚙⚙

Meticulous attention to detail is reflected in the fine African beadwork and handcrafted designs that are evident throughout this prestigious lodge. Offering all the comforts of luxury accommodation and an undisturbed retreat where you can regenerate your soul and tune into the sounds of nature.

Facilities: Offers a boma dining area overlooking a watering hole frequented by zebras and antelopes, splendid lounge areas and a delightful viewing area. Two daily game drives in open 4x4 vehicles with an experienced ranger.

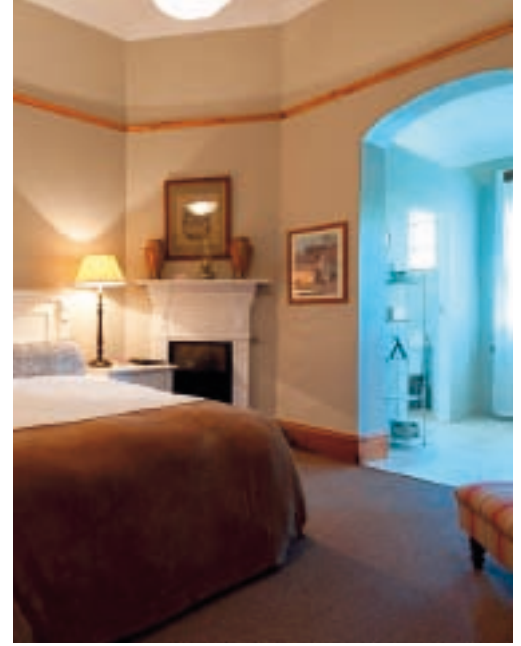
Accommodation: 11 air-conditioned, partially tented rooms with separate lounge area, private plunge pools, full en suite bathroom, outdoor shower, underfloor heating and mini bar fridge.

Children under 9 years are not permitted to stay at this lodge.

Prices from \$320 per person per night.

So MUCH MORE

Optional Activities
> River cruises along the Bushman's River



Woodbury Lodge, Woodbury Tented Camp, Leeuwenbosch Country Lodge

Eastern Cape

Not only does the reserve offer the much sought after 'big 5', but there is an abundance of antelope species, zebras, giraffes and many smaller interesting species. Elephant sightings are likely to be the highlight of your stay. In addition to game drives, boat cruises and guided walks are offered.

Board Basis: Breakfast, lunch, dinner, local beverages and 2 scheduled safari activities per day.
Transfer Time: Approximately 1 hour 15 minutes from Port Elizabeth Airport.

Woodbury Lodge

Set against a cliff above the Bushman's River, the views are breathtaking, including the very best of the Eastern Cape bushveld and the afternoon sighting of elephant herds. Guests are accommodated in comfortably appointed stone and thatch lodges, each with their own individual outdoor relaxing facilities. This is the ideal place to relax and enjoy the bush.

Facilities: Offers a boma area, relaxing lounge areas, dining area and a delightful viewing deck with a pool. Two daily game drives in open 4x4 vehicles with an experienced ranger.

Accommodation: 6 air-conditioned rooms, including 2 family rooms, each with full en suite bathroom, underfloor heating and mini bar/fridge.

Prices from \$295 per person per night.

Woodbury Tented Camp

The center of this camp is an airy thatched entertainment area overlooking spectacular game-filled plains, a truly magical setting providing an outdoor feeling to compliment delicious traditional meals. The tents are comfortably fitted with modern facilities and en suite bathrooms, with a view across the valley of the historical site that is home to the first dinosaur discovery in South Africa.

Facilities: Offers a relaxing lounge area, dining area and a pool. Two daily game drives in open 4x4 vehicles with an experienced ranger.

Accommodation: 7 tents with separate toilets outside the tent, en suite with shower and basin and fans in the tent. Prices from \$195 per person per night.

Leeuwenbosch Country Lodge

A gracious colonial country house set amidst beautiful indigenous gardens, offering a family safari experience steeped in settler history. The Country House, built in 1908, offers five spacious en suite bedrooms, and is layered with a collection of historical images, documents, and furniture dating back to the 1800s. Savor a quiet moment in the dim stillness of the 19th century stone chapel or enjoy high tea on the veranda before heading late into the night in the convivial stone-walled cellar bar.

Facilities: Offers an intimate dining area and bar, luscious gardens and a large pool area. Two daily game drives in open 4x4 vehicles with an experienced ranger.

Accommodation: 5 suites, including 2 family suites with full en suite bathrooms and underfloor heating in specific rooms. Prices from \$295 per person per night.

So MUCH MORE

- Optional Activities**
> River cruises
> Bush walks

So MUCH MORE

A very family-friendly property where children are well catered for. There are two family suites, babysitting services and a children's program.



Msenge Bush Lodge, Pumba Water Lodge

Eastern Cape

Pumba Private Game Reserve

Lucky visitors to Pumba may see the rare and majestic white lion. Game drives here are offered in luxury safari vehicles, accompanied by expert game rangers. Together you will search for game in the 17,000 acre reserve where the 'big 5' are resident. This is a malaria-free reserve, so everyone can enjoy a relaxed safari experience. Pumba is found between Port Elizabeth and Grahamstown.

Board Basis: Breakfast, lunch, dinner, selected beverages and daily game drives.

Transfer Time: Approximately 1 hour 20 minutes from Port Elizabeth Airport.

Msenge Bush Lodge ⚙⚙⚙⚙⚙

Msenge Bush Lodge is one of the two luxury five-star lodges at the privately-owned Pumba Private Game Reserve. The landscape is woodland, punctuated by patches of grassland, backed against a significant escarpment. Guests can hopefully spot the magnificent 'big 5' as well as rare white lion.

Location: Pumba Private Game Reserve in the malaria-free Eastern Cape.

Facilities: Thatched open restaurant and boma, spa, gift shop, gym and free wi-fi.

Accommodation: 11 luxury stone and glass-walled chalets all set in a private bush location overlooking a small watering hole. Each chalet has a private deck with outdoor shower and plunge pool. The well appointed bathrooms have free standing tubs and separate dressing room.

Prices from \$380 per person per night.

So MUCH MORE

Optional Activities

- > Archery
- > Bass fishing
- > Star gazing
- > Birding safaris
- > Spa treatments at The Soul Spa

Pumba Water Lodge ⚙⚙⚙⚙⚙

Pumba Water Lodge is a luxury retreat overlooking Lake Kariega in Pumba Private Game Reserve. The reserve is home to a high concentration of animals including the 'big 5'; your chances of spotting them are quite high, including the elusive cheetah and rare white lion. The lodge itself offers stunning views of the wilderness and water from every vantage point, with timber decks surrounding each of the chalets and the main lodge.

Location: Pumba Private Game Reserve in the malaria-free Eastern Cape.

Facilities: Restaurant, gift shop, spa, gym and free wi-fi.

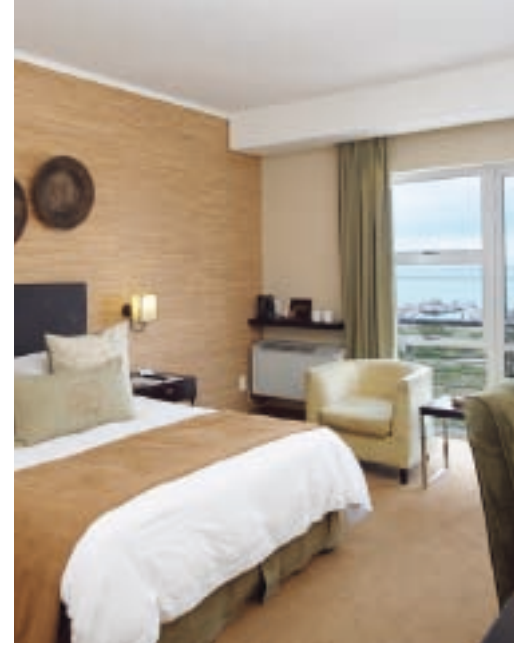
Accommodation: 12 luxury stone-walled, thatched, waterfront chalets leading off meandering paths. Each chalet has a private setting with views over Lake Kariega. Each has a private deck with outdoor shower and plunge pool. The bathrooms have underfloor heating and a free standing tub. Chalets are air-conditioned and have earthenware fireplaces.

Prices from \$380 per person per night.

So MUCH MORE

Optional Activities

- > Archery
- > Bass fishing
- > Star gazing
- > Birding safaris
- > Spa treatments at The Soul Spa situated at Msenge Bush Lodge



The Beach Hotel, Protea Hotel Marine, The Paxton

Port Elizabeth

Port Elizabeth is South Africa's second oldest city and also the commercial capital of the Eastern Cape. It can be the start or end point for visitors traveling along the Garden Route, or venturing into one of the game reserves. It offers a diverse selection of attractions including scenic nature trails, historic heritage, magnificent wildlife, cultural experiences and countless water sport activities.

The Beach Hotel ☀☀☀☀

The Beach Hotel, one of Port Elizabeth's finest boutique hotels, offers excellent accommodation and facilities.

Location: Situated a short walk from Port Elizabeth's famous Hobie Beach and close to the Boardwalk Casino and Entertainment Complex, which offers a wide range of shops and restaurants.

Facilities: A choice of three restaurants offering various menus. Leisure facilities include outdoor swimming pool, pool deck, cocktail bar and 24-hour room service.

Accommodation: 58 spacious en suite bedrooms (2 adults and 1 child) with air-conditioning, TV, safe and tea/coffee making facilities.

Board Basis: Breakfast included.

Transfer Time: Approximately 10 minutes from Port Elizabeth airport.

Prices from \$70 per person per night.

Protea Hotel Marine ☀☀☀☀

Overlooking the sun-drenched sands of Pollock Beach this hotel is ideally situated within close reach of the city center and airport. The Protea Hotel Marine prides itself on quality facilities and personal service.

Location: Situated on the Marine promenade, within walking distance of Pollock Beach, shops & entertainment.

Facilities: A choice of two restaurants are available including a bar with deck area, ideal for sundowners. A swimming pool, gym and a steam room are available to enjoy during your stay.

Accommodation: 114 air-conditioned rooms or suites, with en suite bathroom, telephone, hairdryer, tea/coffee making facilities, a mini bar/fridge and electronic safe. Standard rooms (2 adults).

Board Basis: Breakfast included.

Transfer Time: Approximately 10 minutes from Port Elizabeth airport.

Prices from \$85 per person per night.

The Paxton ☀☀☀☀

The Paxton provides superb accommodation for discerning visitors to this beautiful and fast developing coastal town.

Location: In Port Elizabeth, overlooking the harbor, with magnificent views of Algoa Bay and the Indian Ocean.

Facilities: There are 3 restaurants and a pool and sun terrace with ocean views. Guests can sunbathe poolside, relax on the sun terrace and enjoy a variety of cocktails or refreshments from the bar.

Accommodation: Each of the 79 rooms and 1 suite have en suite bathroom with separate shower, air-conditioning, a satellite LCD flat screen TV, wi-fi and ADSL connection and tea/coffee making facilities.

Board Basis: Breakfast included.

Transfer Time: Approximately 10 minutes from Port Elizabeth airport.

Prices from \$70 per person per night.

So MUCH MORE

Optional Activities

- > Boardwalk Casino and Entertainment Complex
- > Blue flag Humewood Beach as well as popular Hobie Beach
- > Golf nearby at Humewood Golf Club

So MUCH MORE

Optional Activities

- > Snorkeling
- > Day trips
- > Travel to a game reserve



Johannesburg

Johannesburg is South Africa's largest city and one of the liveliest and most dynamic. With great restaurants, large shopping malls and vibrant nightlife, it is an exciting place to discover. Visit Constitution Hill and the Apartheid Museum on a day tour to get a feel for South Africa's sometimes turbulent but colorful past.

Suggested Day Tours

Johannesburg City Tour

Departure: Daily – Duration: 1/2 day

A whistle-stop tour of this fast paced city that shows the 'Rainbow Nation' at work. The tour includes a visit to Constitution Hill, the quaint suburb of Melville and the upmarket suburb of Lower Houghton. A visit to Museum Africa which is the city's premier cultural history museum and Newtown market, where unique African arts and crafts are sold, completes the tour.

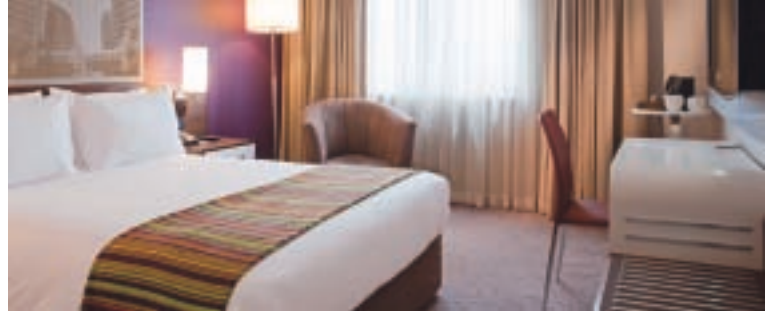
Soweto

Departure: Daily – Duration: 1/2 day

The South Western Township, Soweto, is home to over two million people, who, despite living in crowded and chaotic conditions, have a tangible sense of community. On this trip you will visit Hector Pieterse Museum which explains the cause of the riots and also Regina Mundi Church, site of many underground meetings of the then banned political parties.



Ndebele woman



Top: Intercontinental Johannesburg OR Tambo, The Michelangelo. Bottom: Protea Hotel OR Tambo Airport, Garden Court Sandton City.

Intercontinental Johannesburg OR Tambo ⚙️⚙️⚙️⚙️

World class hotel, superbly positioned at OR Tambo International Airport.

Location: Conveniently located opposite the International terminal with easy access to the airport and main highways.

Facilities: Two restaurants offering fine dining with an à la carte menu of international cuisine that emphasises a modern approach to fresh and natural ingredients. Leisure facilities include an indoor heated pool located on the top floor, Camelot Health Spa and a fitness center.

Accommodation: 138 guest bedrooms, including 27 executive rooms. All rooms feature ultra luxurious bathrooms with large walk in shower. The rooms have LCD TV with local, cable and pay per view channels, complimentary wi-fi and separate work area with in-room safe.

Board Basis: Breakfast included.

Transfer Time: Approximately 3-minute walk from OR Tambo International Airport.

Prices from \$105 per person per night.

So MUCH MORE

Optional Activities

- > Spa treatments
- > Gautrain – located at the airport
- > City tours
- > Township tours

The Michelangelo ⚙️⚙️⚙️⚙️

The splendor of the Renaissance architecture will leave a lasting impression from the moment you arrive at this beautiful hotel, which is a member of 'The Leading Hotels of the World'.

Location: The Michelangelo is strategically positioned to overlook the cosmopolitan piazza of Nelson Mandela Square.

Facilities: In the heart of Sandton's business district, The Michelangelo offers easy access to Africa's finest shopping and entertainment. Unlimited internet access. Indulge in fine dining at one of 2 restaurants on offer or enjoy a drink at the cocktail bar.

Accommodation: Each of the 242 rooms has an en suite bathroom with bath and separate shower, hairdryer, radio, satellite television, digital safe, individually controlled air-conditioning, direct dial telephone, wi-fi, tea/coffee making facilities and a mini bar.

Board Basis: Breakfast included.

Transfer Time: Approximately 30 minutes from OR Tambo International Airport.

Prices from \$190 per person per night.

Protea Hotel OR Tambo Airport ⚙️⚙️⚙️⚙️

This is an ultra modern hotel with an air hangar theme with steel finishes and chrome lighting.

Location: Ideally located minutes from the airport.

Facilities: The restaurant offers a choice of à la carte or buffet meals. Leisure facilities include lounge and bar, swimming pool and gym. A dedicated shuttle to and from the airport is available.

Accommodation: 213 rooms with air-conditioning. Facilities include satellite TV, telephone, wi-fi and tea/coffee making facilities.

Board Basis: Breakfast included.

Transfer Time: Approximately 5 minutes from OR Tambo International Airport.

Prices from \$105 per person per night.

Garden Court Sandton City ⚙️⚙️⚙️

A modern hotel where you can dine in the hotel's informal restaurant or relax beside the sparkling pool, set in tranquil gardens.

Location: Ideally situated in the heart of Sandton, just 5 minutes walk from the exclusive shopping centers of Sandton City, Nelson Mandela Square, Village Walk and the Sandton Convention Center.

Facilities: The Garden Grill offers buffet breakfast daily and Riffs Bar and Grill is a new restaurant where guests can enjoy a variety of delicious meals. Leisure facilities include an outdoor pool.

Accommodation: 444 spacious en suite bedrooms with shower-bath combination, satellite TV, telephone and modem connection.

Board Basis: Breakfast included.

Transfer Time: Approximately 30 minutes from OR Tambo International Airport.

Prices from \$75 per person per night.

So MUCH MORE

Optional Activities

- > Montecasino Gaming and Entertainment Complex – 14 km from hotel
- > City tours
- > Vodaworld Driving Range – 16km from hotel



Kruger National Park

Kruger National Park lies to the northeast of South Africa along the border with Mozambique. Covering over 7,700 square miles, this world-famous game reserve offers endless game watching opportunities and ranks amongst the best in Africa. There are plenty of lodges and camps within the park which can be used as part of your self-drive holiday. Alternatively, stay at one of the many luxury tented camps and lodges that lie outside the park gates in private concessions, but within the Greater Kruger area. These private camps and lodges offer exceptional game drives accompanied by game rangers, and usually offer other game viewing activities such as guided bush walks and night drives. A safari in the Kruger can be incorporated as part of a longer self-drive tour of South Africa, or is easily combined with a relaxing beach retreat in Mozambique, a vibrant stay in Cape Town or a few days of wonder and adrenaline-filled activities in Victoria Falls.

Kruger National Park is serviced by two airports – Hoedspruit in the north and Kruger Mpumalanga International Airport (KMIA) in the south. Both have regular flights to and from Johannesburg and Cape Town.

On arrival at the airport, travel to lodges is normally by road, which can take a few minutes to a few hours depending on location. Some of the private game reserves offer transfers via light aircraft.

On a self-drive holiday you will access the park via one of the gates situated around the park's boundary. Although dependent on the time of year the gates normally open between 5am and 6am. A conservation fee will be charged on entry. If you are not staying in one of the lodges in the park then you will need to leave before the gates shut in the evening.

If you are staying at one of the many private lodges, then activities are generally included as part of your stay. These can include early morning and evening game drives with an experienced and trained guide.

Staying in a private game lodge offers the option of luxury combined with the adventure of game viewing. The accommodation varies between each lodge, but generally they offer luxury chalets, lodges, suites or tented camps.

Facilities can include air-conditioning, private and shared plunge pools, viewing desks, en suite bathrooms and outdoor dining areas (bomas). Some accommodation is more suitable for families than others, please refer to individual accommodation descriptions for details.

Alternatively, Hazyview is a great place to base yourself for a safari, combining the bush with the character and charm of a local town with a number of restaurants and shops. See pages 40-41 for more details.



Southern Africa Contrasts

4 nights Cape Town – 2 nights Kruger National Park – 4 nights Livingstone

From the Fairest Cape with its exquisite coastal scenery, city sophistication, whale and dolphin spotting on the coastline, and a full-day wine tasting, to the wild reaches of Kruger National Park, the mighty Victoria Falls and magnificent Chobe National Park in Botswana, this is a truly glorious 11 days of contrasts.

This partly guided tour offers a convenient way to visit three countries in one vacation, South Africa, Zambia and Botswana, and showcases some of the most spectacular sights in each.

Day 1 Cape Town

On arrival at Cape Town airport, transfer to your hotel (30 km – approximately 30 minutes) and spend the rest of the day at leisure exploring the joys of the 'Mother City'. A perfect opportunity to visit the V&A Waterfront. Overnight: Protea Hotel President.

Day 2 Cape of Good Hope

Enjoy a full day sightseeing in South Africa's most popular tourist destination. Much of your journey is along the beautiful coastline, with majestic views of mountain and ocean. Visit Cape Point, one of the best spots in Cape Town for spotting whales and dolphins. On your return to the city, drive through the quaint naval village of Simon's Town. Overnight: Protea Hotel President. (b)

Day 3 Cape Winelands

Tour the Cape's famous wine making area, visiting two well known estates for wine tastings. Overnight: Protea Hotel President. (b)

Day 4 Cape Town

A full day at leisure to explore this incredible city which is Cape Town. Overnight: Protea Hotel President. (b)

Day 5 Kruger National Park

Transfer to the airport (30 km – approximately 30 minutes) for your flight to Kruger. On arrival, transfer to the world-famous Kruger National Park via Hazyview, where your safari begins (40 km – approximately 45 minutes). This afternoon board an open safari vehicle for your game drive. Enjoy your first night in this unique patch of African wilderness. Overnight: Nkambeni Private Camp. (b,d)

Day 6 Kruger National Park

Enjoy a morning game drive in the Kruger, return to the camp for an afternoon of relaxation. Overnight: Nkambeni Private Camp. (b,d)

Day 7 Kruger National Park–Livingstone

Tuck into a hearty breakfast before transferring to Kruger Mpumalanga International airport (40 km – approximately 45 minutes) for your flight to Livingstone in Zambia, where, on arrival, you will be met and transferred to your hotel (15 km – approximately 20 minutes). Overnight: Zambezi Sun. (b)

Day 8 Livingstone

Today is a leisurely day. Mid morning, meet your guide at the Day Activity Center for a guided tour of the world-famous Victoria Falls. Note that viewing is on the Zambian side. Afternoon at leisure to choose from any one of a number of activities and excursions available (payable locally). Overnight: Zambezi Sun. (b)

Day 9 Chobe–Livingstone

Early this morning you will be collected for a day of land- and water-based game viewing in neighbouring Botswana. Cruise down the mighty Chobe River which flows through the renowned Chobe National Park. Disembark and join an open safari vehicle for a drive through the Chobe Game Reserve with the chance of seeing more wildlife and birdlife. Lunch awaits you at a lodge overlooking the Chobe River. Return to Livingstone late afternoon. Overnight: Zambezi Sun. (b,l)

Day 10 Livingstone

Day at leisure. Enjoy the sunset and a sundowner on the Zambezi on board one of the finest boats on the river, the African Queen. Sip drinks whilst gazing at views of the wild African bush. Float past the Mosi-oa-Tunya National Park, and you're very likely to spot crocodiles, hippos, astonishing birdlife, perhaps elephants and whatever else comes down to the riverbank to drink. Overnight: Zambezi Sun. (b)

Day 11 Livingstone

After breakfast, transfer to Livingstone airport (15 km - approximately 20 minutes) for your homeward journey. (b)

Notes: A Multiple Entry Visa may be required for Zambia. Please check with the relevant authorities.

Where Next

Add to your experience by extending your vacation to one of these easy to combine destinations: Victoria Falls, Mozambique, Malawi, Seychelles, Mauritius or Dubai.



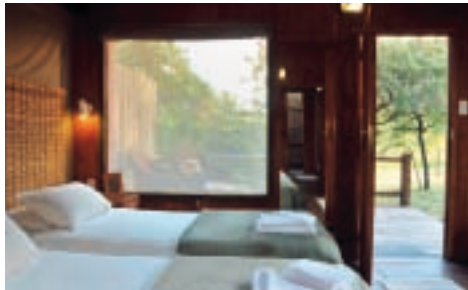


Protea Hotel President

Situated on Cape Town's Platinum Mile in the residential area of Bantry Bay, across the road from the promenade running alongside the Atlantic Ocean. The hotel is located just 10 minutes from the Victoria & Alfred Waterfront. The atmosphere is relaxed, yet professional. This is a resort in the city; for a leisurely vacation, there's no better choice of venue. Facilities include a restaurant and bar, swimming pool, beauty salon and curio shop. There are 349 spacious, air-conditioned rooms with satellite TV, wi-fi, telephone, safe, mini bar and hairdryer. Most rooms and suites overlook the Atlantic Ocean or Lion's Head.

Nkambeni Private Camp

This comfortable safari camp is in the Southern Kruger National Park, 40km from KMA airport and 25km from Hazyview. Facilities include a large dining room overlooking the swimming pool and a natural waterhole frequented by elephants and hippos. Weather permitting, meals can also be served in the boma. The Danger Ranger Bush Pub offers a unique braai lunch experience (on request). There are 146 large, air-conditioned tented chalets, with en suite bathrooms, tea/coffee making facilities and stunning views of the Kruger Park.



Zambezi Sun

A lively, informal hotel which captures the soul of Africa with its earth colored buildings and vibrant décor combined with a relaxed atmosphere. Ideal for families and young couples. The swimming pool area, which has an entertainment stage, is the perfect place to relax. The pool is overlooked by restaurants offering indoor buffet and alfresco dining. The children's camp is available to children aged between 2-12 and offers many activities. 212 air-conditioned rooms with private balcony/verandah, air-conditioning, safe, television & telephone.



Includes

10 breakfasts, 1 lunch and 2 dinners

Highlights

- > Cape Town
- > Winelands
- > Kruger National Park
- > Victoria Falls and Livingstone
- > Chobe National Park
- > River Cruise in Chobe

⚙️⚙️⚙️ Standard Partly Guided Tour (as page 34)

Departs Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday

Guide Prices From

February	\$2750
April-September	\$2480
October	\$2900

This tour can also be enjoyed as a deluxe, privately guided journey in your own air-conditioned vehicle. Using 5 star accommodation this exclusive tour will offer you all the sights with an additional level of luxury and intimacy.

⚙️⚙️⚙️ Deluxe Privately Guided

Departs Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday

Days	
1-4	Cape Town – Table Bay Hotel
5-6	Kruger National Park – Jock Safari Lodge
7-10	Livingstone – Royal Livingstone

Guide Prices From

February & October	\$4980
April-September	\$4805

Supplements

Single room and child prices on request.

Prices are in US\$ per person based on two adults sharing twin accommodation. They are intended as a guide and will be confirmed at the time of booking.





Top: Earth Lodge, Bush Lodge. Bottom: Selati Camp, Little Bush Camp.

Sabi Sand Game Reserve

Sabi Sand Game Reserve is a collection of private game reserves adjoining the unfenced Kruger National Park. The area is of outstanding natural beauty and one of the most abundant and diverse for wildlife in Africa. Sabi Sabi Private Game Reserve, situated within the Sabi Sand Game Reserve, offers four completely separate luxurious, all-suite, award-winning lodges with very distinct characters and atmospheres.

Transfer Time: Approximately 1 hour 30 minutes from Kruger Mpumalanga Airport. Flights to Sabi Sabi airstrip are recommended.
Board Basis: Three meals and two game drives and an escorted walk per full day plus selected drinks included.

So MUCH MORE Added Value: Sundowner drinks during safari.
 Complimentary return transfers from Sabi Sabi airstrip.



Earth Lodge – Sabi Sabi CONNOISSEUR COLLECTION

A bountiful game reserve boasting panoramic views of the bushveld and hundreds of species of animals, birds and plants. Earth Lodge is almost invisible in the landscape and is unique, with organic architecture, breaking from the traditional style of lodge, while offering outstanding facilities and service.
Facilities: Offers an indoor & outdoor dining area, boma & bar. Leisure facilities include a lounge, boutique curio shop, wine cellar, secluded library, meditation garden and Amani Spa.
Accommodation: 13 air-conditioned suites, including the Amber Presidential Suite, with en suite bathroom, outdoor and indoor showers, dressing room, safe, mini bar, tea/coffee making facilities, study, private patio and plunge pool.
 Prices from \$1070 per person per night.

Bush Lodge – Sabi Sabi ⚙⚙⚙⚙⚙

Bush Lodge is a vibrant and social lodge ideal for families, offering warmth and personal service.
Facilities: Offers two swimming pools, an open air boma, curio shop and Amani Spa. The Elefun center is a fully equipped children's center within the lodge. With fun and safe activities for children aged 4 – 12. Children can enjoy their own specially designed game drives, bush walks and talks.
Accommodation: 25 air-conditioned suites including the Mandleve Presidential Suite with en suite bathroom, outdoor and indoor showers, dressing room, safe, mini bar and patio.
 Prices from \$645 per person per night.

Selati Camp – Sabi Sabi ⚙⚙⚙⚙⚙

A bountiful game reserve boasting panoramic views of the bushveld and hundreds of species of animals, birds and plants. This luxurious lodge is tucked away in a secluded location.
Facilities: Offers a dining area, boma, bar, outdoor pool and lounge.
Accommodation: Eight air-conditioned suites including the LM Honeymoon suite and Ivory Presidential suite with private bath, outdoor and indoor showers, dressing room, safe, mini bar and patio.
 Prices from \$645 per person per night.

Little Bush Camp – Sabi Sabi ⚙⚙⚙⚙⚙

Nestling in the shade of indigenous riverine trees on the banks of the Msuthlu River lies Little Bush Camp which offers luxury accommodation for family, friends, or small groups. Exuding the same warmth and effortless hospitality that characterizes Bush Lodge, Little Bush Camp offers unparalleled intimacy and seclusion.
Facilities: Include a boma, dining veranda, full bar facilities, swimming pool and lounge.
Accommodation: Six luxury air-conditioned suites, each with a private viewing deck and private spa bath overlooking the riverbed, decorated in contemporary African design, complete with full bathroom, indoor and outdoor showers and luxury furnishings.
 Prices from \$610 per person per night.



Elephant Plains, Arathusa Safari Lodge, Idube Private Game Reserve

Sabi Sand Private Game Reserve

It is common to see the 'big 5' in Sabi Sand plus many other species of mammals, birds and reptiles. Whichever accommodation you opt for, whether standard or luxury, you will enjoy the services of experienced guides who will make your safari come to life. Because the reserve is outside the restrictions of the Kruger National Park, trying other game viewing activities is highly recommended. Typically private lodges and camps will offer experiences such as bush walks, night drives and sundowners or romantic bush dinners under a starry African sky. Visit Sabi Sand as part of a self-drive itinerary or simply fly in for a few days before jetting off to Cape Town, or combining with the stunning beaches in Mozambique.

Elephant Plains Game Lodge ⚙⚙⚙⚙

Situated on the Manyeleti riverbed and overlooking a permanent waterhole, this lodge, with its traditional rustic African feel, is the ideal place to relax.

Facilities: The main lodge houses the reception, dining room, wine cellar, library, bar and lounge. Leisure facilities include swimming pool, gym and African health spa.

Accommodation: 24 guests can stay in a variety of accommodation including luxury suites, rondavels situated in landscaped gardens or a romantic and secluded honeymoon suite. All rooms feature air-conditioning, overhead fans, mini bar and tea/coffee making facilities.

Board Basis: Breakfast, lunch, dinner, bush walks and two game drives per full day included.

Transfer Time: Approximately 1 hour 15 minutes from Hoedspruit airport or 3 hours from Kruger Mpumalanga Airport.

Prices from \$210 per person per night.

So MUCH MORE

Optional Activities

> Guided bush walks

Arathusa Safari Lodge ⚙⚙⚙⚙

The camp is intimate and open-plan, designed to blend harmoniously with the adjacent waterhole and African bush.

Facilities: An infinity swimming pool overlooks the waterhole and is the perfect spot for wildlife viewing. Delectable meals are served alfresco overlooking the waterhole, or in the dining room. There is also a luxury spa overlooking the waterhole.

Accommodation: The 9 thatched standard rooms are located within the camp's perimeter around the waterhole. Each has an en suite bathroom with bath and separate indoor & outdoor showers, and a veranda. Twin rooms may also be arranged. There are 4 luxury rooms which are remote and exclusive, offering more privacy. Each has a plunge pool and lounge area. Additional amenities include a stocked mini bar, an electronic safe, hairdryer, air-conditioning, telephone and tea/coffee making facilities.

Board Basis: Breakfast, lunch, dinner, bush walks and two game drives per full day included.

Transfer Time: Approximately 3 hours from Kruger Mpumalanga Airport.

Prices from \$325 per person per night.

So MUCH MORE

Added Value: Sundowner drinks during safari.

Idube Private Game Reserve ⚙⚙⚙⚙

This small, exclusive lodge offers a genuine bush experience. Idube Private Game Reserve is dedicated to giving guests a genuine and informative experience in a friendly, relaxed atmosphere.

Facilities: Dinner is served in either the boma or bush camp, lit by lanterns, firelight and overhead stars, creating an ambience that is uniquely African. Enjoy a naturally landscaped boulder pool, lounge, gym, game drives and walks.

Accommodation: Eight chalets with en suite bathroom and outdoor shower. Each chalet has air-conditioning, overhead fans, safe and tea/coffee making facilities. 2 luxury chalets, the Makubela Suites, reached by a private walkway. Each suite has its own private splash pool, an indoor and outdoor shower and a game viewing deck.

Board Basis: Breakfast, lunch, dinner, bush walks and two game drives per full day included.

Transfer Time: Approximately 1 hour 30 minutes from Kruger Mpumalanga Airport.

Prices from \$415 per person per night.

So MUCH MORE

Added Value: Sundowner drinks during safari.



Kapama Karula, Kapama Buffalo Camp, Kapama River Lodge

Kapama Game Reserve

Settled between the majestic Drakensberg Mountains and the Greater Kruger National Park, Kapama is the largest single-owner game reserve in the region. From rolling hills to riverine forest, the reserve's vast natural diversity provides home to over 42 species of mammal including lions, leopards, rhinos, buffalos and elephants, and over 300 species of birds. Kapama has three separate properties, all in different, yet equally stunning surroundings, and all offering exceptional service.

Board Basis: Breakfast, lunch, dinner, and two daily game drives included.
Transfer Time: Approximately 10 minutes from Hoedspruit Airport.

Kapama Karula ★★★★★

Set on the banks of the perennial Klaserie River is the reserve's most secluded and prestigious lodge, Kapama Karula. Meaning 'place of peace' in the local language, Kapama Karula exudes calmness and depicts the pinnacle of luxury safari accommodation. The meandering river running through the camp enhances the sense of tranquility at this elegant and luxurious safari lodge.

Location: Greater Kruger National Park.

Facilities: Dining room, lounge, bar, open-air boma, pool and pool deck, all with unrestricted views of the Klaserie River.

Accommodation: Two luxury air-conditioned tents, 5 suites and 5 superior suites featuring indoor and outdoor showers, climate control and tea/coffee making facilities. All 10 suites feature a sparkling private pool.

Prices from \$350 per person per night.

So MUCH MORE

Optional Activities

- > Wellness Center
- > Elephant Back Safari
- > Elephant Interaction
- > Romantic sleep out in Kapama Game Reserve
- > Photographic Safaris
- > Hot Air Ballooning

Kapama Buffalo Camp ★★★★★

Reminiscent of a traditional African safari camp from a bygone era, Buffalo Camp offers the ultimate luxurious tented accommodation experience. Built from natural stone and wood, the luxury game lodge has an old world atmosphere while being completely contemporary. All comforts are catered for in the plush tented suites and throughout this carefully appointed luxury safari lodge.

Location: Greater Kruger National Park.

Facilities: Lounge/dining room, bar, pool and boma are surrounded by an indigenous garden.

Accommodation: 10 luxury canvas tents are set on stilts amongst the canopies of ancient trees which line a seasonal riverbed. Each tent features a well stocked mini bar, Nespresso coffee machine and en suite bathroom.

Prices from \$340 per person per night.

So MUCH MORE

Optional Activities

- > Wellness Center
- > Elephant Back Safari
- > Elephant Interaction
- > Romantic sleep out in Kapama Game Reserve
- > Photographic Safaris
- > Hot Air Ballooning

Kapama River Lodge ★★★★★

Within the expansive Kapama Private Game Reserve, River Lodge epitomises five-star accommodation. The majestic northern Drakensberg Mountains form the backdrop to the 64 suite River Lodge, which is positioned along a bend of the seasonal Kapama River. It is the largest luxury lodge in the region and is stylishly furnished to ensure an unforgettable African safari experience.

Location: Greater Kruger National Park region.

Facilities: There are multiple dining areas including the boma and the river bed, there is also a sophisticated spa and wellness center, pool and pool deck, bar and a state-of-the-art multi-functional venue.

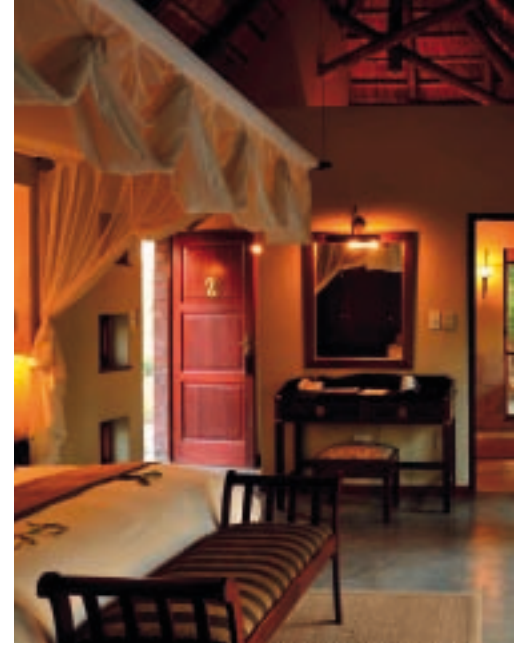
Accommodation: 40 Standard Suites, 20 Spa Suites, 2 Family Spa Suites and 2 Royal Suites, each featuring full en suite bathrooms, tea/coffee making facilities, mini bar/fridge and climate control air-conditioner.

Prices from \$280 per person per night.

So MUCH MORE

Optional Activities

- > Wellness Center
- > Elephant Back Safari
- > Elephant Interaction
- > Romantic sleep out in Kapama Game Reserve
- > Photographic Safaris
- > Hot Air Ballooning



Jock Safari Lodge, Fitzpatrick's at Jock Safari Lodge, Imbali Safari Lodge

Kruger National Park

Kruger National Park is South Africa's most exciting and famous African safari destination. Unlike in the private reserves, night game drives are not permitted, however, drives in the park in the early morning and late afternoon are thrilling with the chance to see the 'big five'.

Jock Safari Lodge ⚙️⚙️⚙️⚙️⚙️

Jock Safari Lodge located in Kruger National Park, incorporates the romance and elegance of the past colonial era, and reflects in its unique style, the indigenous Zulu and Shangaan cultures.

Location: Situated on the Mitomeni and Biyamiti Rivers, within the southern reaches of the Kruger National Park.

Facilities: Offers a dining area, boma and bar. Leisure facilities include an outdoor pool, game viewing deck, lounge, library, curio shop and relaxation retreat.

Accommodation: 12 air-conditioned suites with open-plan bath, outdoor shower, private plunge pool, safe, mini bar and tea/coffee making facilities. Suites (2 adults).

Board Basis: Breakfast, lunch, dinner and two game drives per full day included.

Transfer Time: Approximately 1 hour 30 minutes from Kruger Mpumalanga Airport and 1 hour from Skukuza Airstrip.

Prices from \$415 per person per night.

So MUCH MORE

- Optional Activities**
- > Guided walks
 - > Birdwatching

Fitzpatrick's at Jock Safari Lodge ⚙️⚙️⚙️⚙️⚙️

Fitzpatrick's Lodge, part of the Jock family of lodges, is smaller than Jock Safari Lodge and is perfect for small groups and families. The personal service and an intimate atmosphere make this a great choice.

Location: In a beautiful setting on the Mitomeni and Biyamiti Rivers, within the southern reaches of the Kruger National Park.

Facilities: There is a central lounge with large bay windows. Enjoy alfresco and indoor dining facilities. Relax next to the scenic pool, watch wild animals in the surrounding bush. Children of all ages are welcome and there's a special program to entertain them. Children from 4 years of age are welcome on game drives.

Accommodation: There are three luxurious suites with en suite bathroom and outdoor shower, hairdryer, telephone, ceiling fan, tea/coffee making facilities, mini bar and safe.

Board Basis: Breakfast, lunch, dinner and two game drives per full day included.

Transfer Time: Approximately 1 hour 30 minutes from Kruger Mpumalanga Airport and 1 hour from Skukuza Airstrip.

Prices from \$390 per person per night.

So MUCH MORE

- Optional Activities**
- > Kids safari course
 - > Walking safaris
 - > Frogging safaris
 - > Spa treatments

Imbali Safari Lodge ⚙️⚙️⚙️⚙️⚙️

The lodge is decorated with an emphasis on comfort and a colonial era of opulence. With wildlife wandering through the unfenced areas of the camp, Imbali is a romantic reminder of the character of the bush. A waterhole adjacent to the camp offers wonderful game and bird viewing from the decks.

Location: Set on the Nwatsitswonto River in the heart of the renowned Kruger National Park, south east of Kruger's Orpen Gate.

Facilities: There is a colonial-style lounge with leather sofas and cosy fireplaces. A varied menu of delicious cuisine is freshly prepared. Guests can dine in the privacy of their suite or enjoy a more formal silver service dining experience at the lodge. The lodge offers African spa treatments.

Accommodation: The 12 suites are beautifully appointed with only the finest furniture and imported linen, spacious deck and private jacuzzi or plunge pool with views of the riverbed and the plains beyond.

Board Basis: Breakfast, lunch, dinner and two game drives per full day included.

Transfer Time: Approximately 3 hours from Kruger Mpumalanga Airport or 1 hour 30 minutes from Hoedspruit Airport.

Prices from \$355 per person per night.

So MUCH MORE

- Optional Activities**
- > Guided walks



God's Window, Mjejane River Lodge, Hippo Hollow Country Estate

Hazyview

The advantage of staying in Hazyview instead of inside the Kruger National Park or one of the other private lodges, is that along with easy access to game viewing in the park, there are many more activities and experiences you can enjoy.

A variety of fascinating half-day, full-day and evening tours are available to enable you to experience some of the great diversity the region has to offer. Please call for further details and prices.

Game Drives: Open vehicle safari in the Kruger National Park – available as full day, morning or afternoon.

Game Walks: Walk in a wilderness area within the Kruger National Park, accompanied by a National Parks Trails Ranger – half day

Panorama Route Tour: An excellent opportunity to see some of Mpumalanga's most spectacular scenery – full day

Endangered Wildlife Experience: Discover the splendor of the third largest canyon in the world before an in-depth tour of the Hoedspruit Endangered Species Center – full day

Shangaan River Club Dinner: As the sun sets visit the village of the Shangaan people, where you will be treated to a performance of traditional song and dance, before enjoying a delicious traditional dinner.

African Night Experience: A late afternoon/evening game drive in an open vehicle in the Kruger National Park, including traditional South African dinner braai (barbeque) – weather permitting.

Elephant Whispers: Meet, feed and interact with rescued elephants at Elephant Whispers, on the banks of the Sabi River – 1 hour.

Mjejane River Lodge ⚙⚙⚙⚙

Perched on the banks of one of the Kruger National Park's greatest rivers, the Crocodile River, Mjejane River Lodge is surrounded by tens of thousands of hectares of raw African wilderness.

Location: Adjacent to the southern boundary of Kruger National Park.

Facilities: A restaurant with an outdoor dining area, a lounge and a swimming pool.

Accommodation: A small intimate lodge with just 10 air-conditioned rooms, all with en suite bathroom, hairdryer, mini bar, telephone, television, tea/coffee making facilities and a patio overlooking the Crocodile River.

Board Basis: Breakfast, lunch, dinner and 2 game drives per full day included.

Transfer Time: Approximately 1 hour from Kruger Mpumalanga Airport.

Prices from \$195 per person per night.

So MUCH MORE

Optional Activities

- > Walking safaris
- > Custom-made bush experiences
- > Horse riding
- > Mountain biking

Hippo Hollow Country Estate ⚙⚙⚙⚙

Hippo Hollow Country Estate offers a tranquil environment with lush indigenous gardens, situated on the banks of the Sabie River, ideal for exploring Kruger National Park.

Location: Nestled on the banks of the Sabie River, 2km outside Hazyview.

Facilities: An à la carte restaurant and two swimming pools are set amongst the lush gardens.

Accommodation: There are 37 thatched semi self-catering chalets, 26 hotel rooms and 28 deluxe rooms, which either overlook the picturesque gardens with its 2 swimming pools or the mighty Sabie River.

Board Basis: Breakfast included.

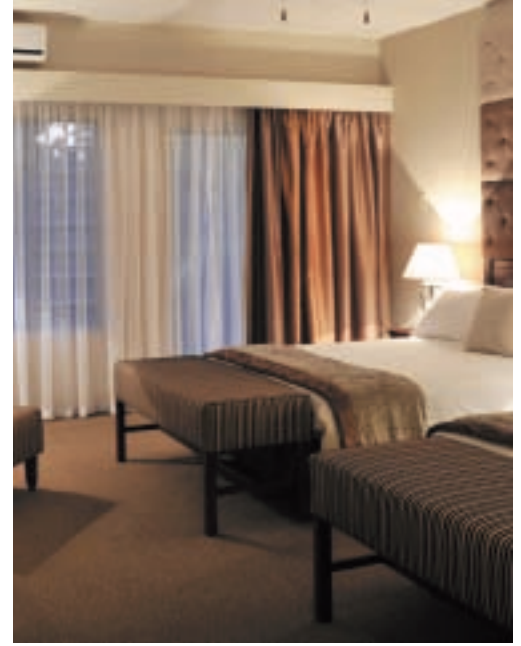
Transfer Time: Approximately 45 minutes from Kruger Mpumalanga Airport.

Prices from \$70 per person per night.

So MUCH MORE

Optional Activities

- > Elephant rides
- > Elephant interaction
- > Helicopter flights



Perry's Bridge Hollow Boutique Hotel, Protea Hotel Kruger Gate, Protea Hotel Hazyview

Hazyview

Perry's Bridge Hollow Boutique Hotel ⚙️⚙️⚙️⚙️

The hotel's proximity to the Kruger National Park, the airport and the Panorama Route makes it the ideal venue to rest whilst discovering the Lowveld.

Location: Situated only minutes from the Kruger National Park and a short drive to the Panorama Route.

Facilities: A restaurant, bar and a swimming pool.

Accommodation: 34 air-conditioned rooms and suites with spacious bathrooms, outdoor showers, satellite TV, mini bar, safe, fridge, tea/coffee making facilities and patio.

Board Basis: Breakfast included.

Transfer Time: Approximately 30 minutes from Kruger Mpumalanga Airport.

Prices from \$85 per person per night.

So MUCH MORE

Optional Activities

- > Elephant rides
- > Elephant interaction
- > Helicopter flights

Protea Hotel Kruger Gate ⚙️⚙️⚙️⚙️

A blend of rustic African charm and modern conveniences, set within peaceful surrounds.

Location: Situated 100 meters outside the Kruger National Park main entrance.

Facilities: Offers two restaurants, two bomas (outdoor eating areas) and a main bar. Leisure facilities include an outdoor pool, tennis, volleyball, miniature golf and game viewing deck overlooking the Sabie River.

Accommodation: 96 air-conditioned rooms with bath, mini bar, safe, tea/coffee making facilities. Family rooms (2 adults and 2 children).

Board Basis: Breakfast and dinner included.

Transfer Time: Approximately 1 hour 30 minutes from Kruger Mpumalanga Airport.

Prices from \$120 per person per night.

So MUCH MORE

Optional Activities

- > Bird watching
- > The Panorama Route
- > Skukuza Golf Course
- > Quad-biking
- > White water rafting
- > Moholoholo Cultural Village

Protea Hotel Hazyview ⚙️⚙️⚙️

Close to Kruger National Park, the Protea Hotel Hazyview is perfectly positioned for exploring this enchanting region.

Location: In the heart of the lush Mpumalanga Lowveld and only 15 minutes drive from the Kruger National Park.

Facilities: A restaurant and terrace or barbeque fare in the boma. Relax at the pool or enjoy sundowners in the exclusive Maroela Bar and Lounge. A children's play park plus children's program during holiday periods.

Accommodation: 83 spacious and comfortable rooms overlook the lush gardens with an abundance of birdlife. All rooms are en suite and offer air-conditioning, satellite TV, electronic safes, hairdryer and tea/coffee making facilities.

Board Basis: Breakfast included.

Transfer Time: Approximately 45 minutes from Kruger Mpumalanga Airport.

Prices from \$75 per person per night.

So MUCH MORE

Free Nights: Pay for 2 nights and get 1 night free – valid for Sunday to Thursday only.





Zambia

Zambia is home to the spectacular Victoria Falls which can be seen in all its splendor during the highest flows from May to June. During October to December the flow is at its lowest, allowing you closer photographic access. Livingstone and the area around the Falls offers a variety of attractions throughout the year (see page 46 for hotels in Livingstone and page 47 for hotels in Victoria Falls Town, Zimbabwe).

Zambia also boasts some of the most abundant wildlife in Africa which can be viewed on traditional game drives or by walking safaris in South Luangwa, or by water-based activities on the Lower Zambezi River. The prime wildlife regions are mostly concentrated around the Luangwa, Kafue and Zambezi rivers which provide rich grassy habitats for a variety of animals.

Our featured safaris operate mostly in the drier months from May to October, allowing access to the more remote corners of Zambia's National Parks. Whilst South Luangwa, the country's premier game viewing destination, has camps that are open year round, it is the remote bush camps open in these drier months, that have earned this Park a reputation as one of Africa's finest wilderness areas. The Lower Zambezi and the Kafue National Parks also have a number of small and very personalized camps offering some spectacular game viewing.

Travel during the wetter months from November to March is still possible and we can suggest some alternative itineraries that tend to combine vehicle safaris with boating rather than walking.

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Glimpses of Zambia ☀️☀️☀️☀️

South Luangwa National Park – Livingstone

Combine one of the finest National Parks in Southern Africa with the magnificence of the Victoria Falls. The South Luangwa National Park is certainly Zambia's premier wildlife destination and is widely regarded as one of Africa's last great untamed wildernesses. It is home to large herds of elephants and buffaloes as well as a great variety of predator and prey species, and has one of the densest populations of leopards found anywhere on the continent.

OPTION 1

Day 1 South Luangwa National Park

Met on arrival at Lusaka Airport and assisted to your connecting flight to Mfuwe in South Luangwa (approximately 1 hour and 10 minutes). On arrival transfer to the camp. This afternoon you will venture out on your first safari drive, returning after dark with a spotlight in search of nocturnal species that will not be seen by day. Overnight: Flatdogs Luxury Camp. (l,d)

Days 2-4 South Luangwa National Park

You will enjoy early morning and late afternoon game drives. Overnight: Flatdogs Luxury Camp. (b,l,d)

Day 5 South Luangwa National Park

Travel up the western bank of the Luangwa River (approximately 3 hours) to Lion Camp in the northern sector away from any other camps. Your game viewing will be either on foot or from open safari vehicles. Night drives from this camp are often very rewarding. Overnight: Lion Camp. (b,l,d)

Days 6-7 South Luangwa National Park

Enjoy your game viewing either on foot or in open safari vehicles in South Luangwa around the open dambos interspersed with attractive ox-bow lagoons. Overnight: Lion Camp. (b,l,d)

Day 8 Livingstone

Today you will drive through the park towards Mfuwe for the light aircraft flight to Lusaka (approximately 1 hour and 10 minutes) and connect with your light aircraft flight to Livingstone (approximately 1 hour and 10 minutes). On arrival in Livingstone transfer to Chundukwa River Lodge (approximately 30 minutes), set on a bank overlooking the Zambezi River 22 kilometers up-stream from Victoria Falls. Overnight: Chundukwa River Lodge. (b)

Day 9 Livingstone

Free time to relax and enjoy optional activities and the beautiful surroundings. Overnight: Chundukwa River Lodge. (b)

Day 10 Livingstone

After breakfast transfer to Livingstone airport (approximately 30 minutes) in time to connect with your onward travel arrangements. (b)

15 kg luggage allowance on all light aircraft.

Children under 12 years are not permitted at Lion Camp.

OPTION 2

Day 1 South Luangwa National Park

Fly by light aircraft from Lusaka to Mfuwe, South Luangwa and then road transfer to your camp. Afternoon game activity. Overnight: Flatdogs Luxury Camp. (l,d)

Days 2-5 South Luangwa National Park

Morning and afternoon game activities in search of wildlife in this superb national park. Overnight: Flatdogs Luxury Camp. (b,l,d)

DAY 6 Livingstone

Fly by light aircraft from Mfuwe to Livingstone via Lusaka (plane change). Road transfer to Chundukwa River Lodge. Overnight: Chundukwa River Lodge. (b)

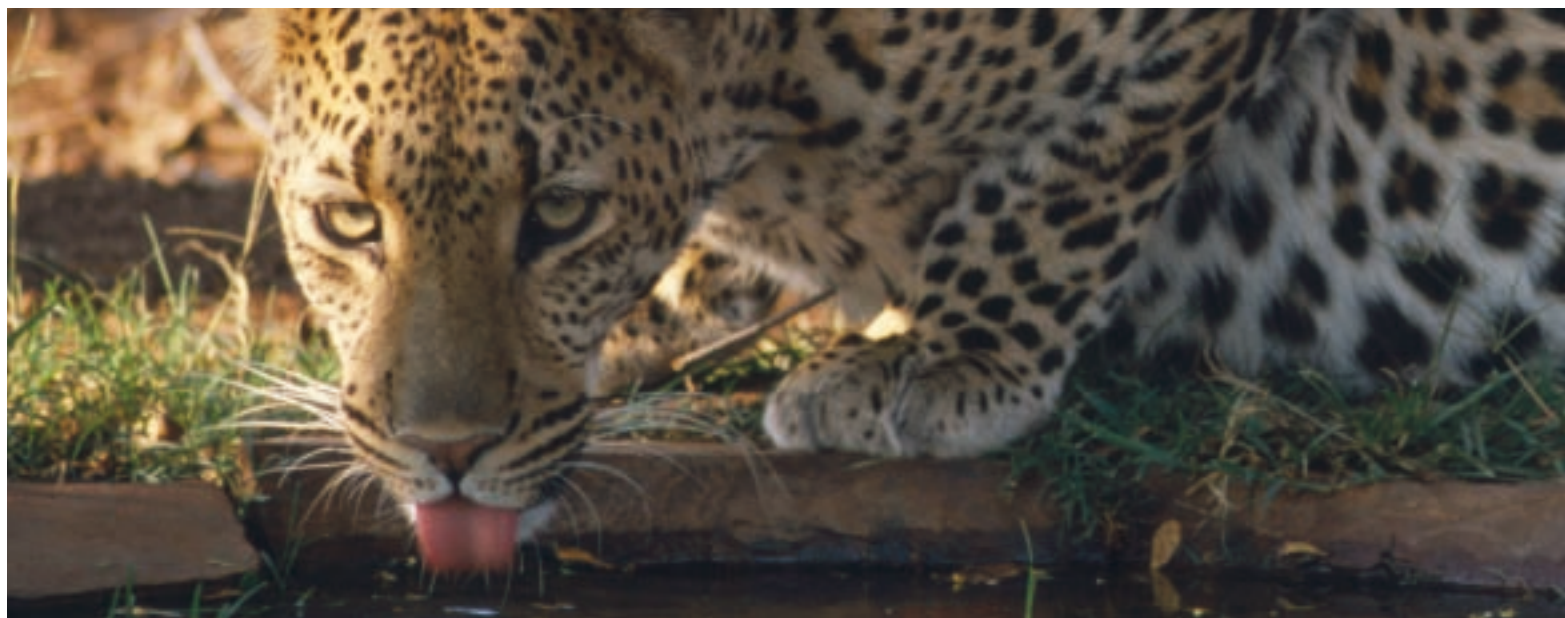
DAY 7 Livingstone

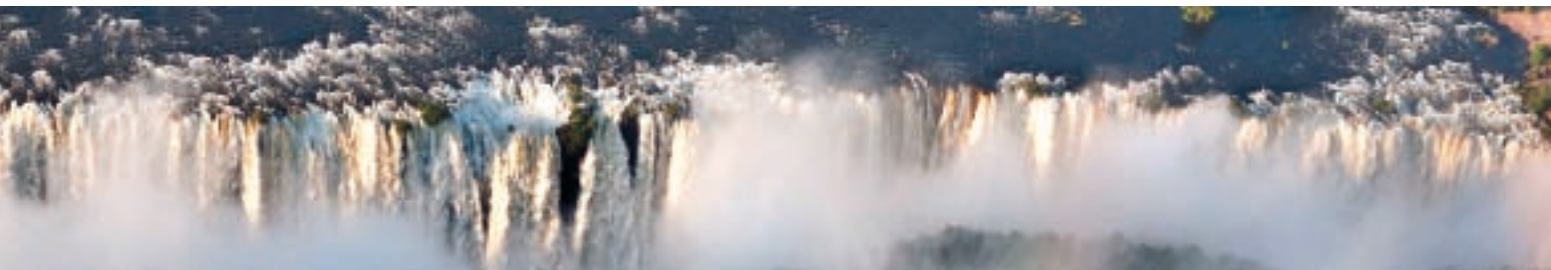
Day at leisure to relax or enjoy some of the many optional activities available. Overnight: Chundukwa River Lodge. (b)

DAY 8 Livingstone

Transfer to Livingstone airport in time to connect with your onward travel arrangements. (b)

15 kg luggage allowance on all light aircraft.





Flatdogs Luxury Camp

Flatdogs Camp is an excellent, affordable, independent camp overlooking the Luangwa River. It is one of the only 'family friendly' camps in Luangwa; children and infants are welcome year round. It is situated adjacent to the main entrance of the South Luangwa National Park.

There are 6 chalet rooms as well as 6 safari tents. The safari tents are set on platforms overlooking the river. A welcoming bar and dining area where meals can be enjoyed under the thatch, at the courtyard tables or garden area overlooking the river. There is also a small curio shop.

Lion Camp

The position of this camp, on the west bank of the Luangwa River, is its strongest asset. The camp is surrounded by lagoon and rich riverine vegetation which heightens your game viewing experience.

The 10 canvas and thatch chalets are en suite with shower and are raised on stilts overlooking an ox-bow lagoon. Each is connected to the central area by a wooden walkway that is several meters above ground.

Facilities include a small infinity pool on the deck in front of the camp's central area, plus a library and small shop. Children under 12 years are not permitted at this camp.



Chundukwa River Lodge

Chundukwa River Lodge is in a fantastic position, 20km upstream from Victoria Falls, and is home to spectacular river wildlife and birdlife. The camp is staffed by locals who can really add color to your experience.

There are 5 open fronted chalets made of natural materials raised overlooking the river. There is also a 2 bedroomed family chalet. All the chalets have uninterrupted river views, mosquito nets, fans and en suite bathrooms.

Facilities include a dining area, camp fire and plunge pool.



Includes

- > Game activities
- > Option 1: 9 breakfasts, 7 lunches and 7 dinners
- > Option 2: 7 breakfasts, 5 lunches and 5 dinners

Highlights

- > South Luangwa National Park
- > Livingstone
- > After dark game drive

⚙️⚙️⚙️ Glimpses of Zambia

Option 1 (9 nights)

Departs Daily

Guide Prices From

June-October \$5680

Children under 12 years of age are not permitted on this safari.

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Option 2 (7 nights)

Departs Daily

Guide Prices From

February-March & May \$3410

June-October \$4070

Supplements

Single room and child prices on request.

Prices are in US\$ per person based on two adults sharing twin accommodation. They are intended as a guide and will be confirmed at the time of booking.





Top: Tongabezi Lodge, Sindabezi Island Camp. Bottom: Waterberry Lodge, Chundukwa River Lodge.

Livingstone, Zambia

Livingstone Town, named after missionary and explorer David Livingstone, is located about 10 km from the Zambian side of Victoria Falls. Not only are the Falls and all the associated activities within easy reach, the town houses The Livingstone Museum, the oldest museum in Zambia. Also worth a visit is the bustling Maramba Market, which sells everything from vegetables and cooking pots to handicrafts and colorful fabric.

Tongabezi Lodge ⚙⚙⚙⚙⚙

Tongabezi Lodge is upstream from the famous Victoria Falls offering a true African ambience.
Location: On the banks of the Zambezi River just upstream of Victoria Falls.
Facilities: Dining room, lounge and pub area and a swimming pool.
Accommodation: 5 river cottages and 5 houses (open to the elements on one side) all with en suite bath and shower.
Board Basis: Breakfast, lunch, dinner and all drinks except champagne, premium wines and liqueurs.
Transfer Time: Approximately 20 minutes from Livingstone Airport.
 Prices from \$505 per person per night.

So MUCH MORE

- Optional Activities**
- > Sunrise/sunset boat trip on the Zambezi
 - > Guided canoeing excursion depending on water levels and hippo activity
 - > Visit to Victoria Falls on Zambian side
 - > Game drive in the Mosi-Oa-Tunya National Park (excluding park fees)

Sindabezi Island Camp ⚙⚙⚙⚙⚙

On a small island about 10 minutes boat ride downstream from its parent camp Tongabezi.
Location: An idyllic, exclusive camp on a private isle in the Zambezi River.
Facilities: Brunch is usually served on a raised deck under the tree canopy whilst dinners are set on an open sandy patch at the end of the island under the incredible African night sky. Starry nights can be really quite impressive.
Accommodation: 5 open-fronted chalets each individually designed, the honeymoon chalet has its own shaded beach in front where private meals can be taken, but each of the rooms is quite special in its own right.
Board Basis: Breakfast, lunch and dinner included.
Transfer Time: Approximately 20 minutes from Livingstone Airport.
 Prices from \$445 per person per night.

So MUCH MORE

- Optional Activities**
- > Canoeing on the Zambezi
 - > Island lunch
 - > Sanpan floating candlelit dinner
 - > Visit to Mukuni Park
 - > Sunrise and sunset boating
 - > Visit to Victoria Falls
 - > Guided bush walks

Waterberry Lodge ⚙⚙⚙⚙

A small, friendly, informal lodge, close to Victoria Falls, yet in the heart of the wild.
Location: In a breathtaking secluded position on the banks of the Zambezi River.
Facilities: Bar, dining area, swimming pool, sign posted nature trail around the lake.
Accommodation: Seven rooms are in thatched cottages with own decks for relaxation. They have en suite bathrooms, mosquito nets and fans.
Board Basis: Breakfast, lunch and dinner included.
Transfer Time: Approximately 30 minutes from Livingstone Airport.
 Prices from \$315 per person per night.

So MUCH MORE

- Optional Activities**
- > A sunset cruise

Chundukwa River Lodge ⚙⚙⚙

Chundukwa River Lodge is in a fantastic position near Victoria Falls, and is home to spectacular river wildlife and birdlife.
Location: Approximately 20 km upstream from Victoria Falls.
Facilities: Facilities include a dining area, camp fire and plunge pool.
Accommodation: There are 5 open fronted chalets made of natural materials raised overlooking the river. There is also a 2 bedroomed family chalet. All the chalets have uninterrupted river views, mosquito nets, fans and en suite bathrooms.
Board Basis: Breakfast, lunch and dinner included.
Transfer Time: Approximately 35 minutes from Livingstone Airport.
 Prices from \$190 per person per night.

So MUCH MORE

- Optional Activities**
- > Rhino walks
 - > Croc & snake park
 - > Golf & tennis
 - > Curio markets
 - > Museums
 - > African Queen cruise
 - > Elephant back Safari



Top: The Elephant Camp, Victoria Falls Hotel. Bottom: Ilala Lodge, A'Zambezi River Lodge.

Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe

Victoria Falls in Zimbabwe is known as 'the adventure capital' of Africa. There are a multitude of activities available in and around the Falls. Some of the more popular trips include a helicopter flight over the Falls and the Zambezi River, a tour of Chobe National Park to see the wildlife, cultural tours, elephant back safaris and sunset cruises. Plus, for that rush of adrenaline, there's white water rafting, bungee jumping and more.

The Elephant Camp ⚙️⚙️⚙️⚙️

An exclusive property in Victoria Falls National Park with game opportunities and easy access to the mighty Victoria Falls.
Location: Victoria Falls in a private concession within the Victoria Falls National Park.
Facilities: Lounge, bar, and dining area on an elevated deck.
Accommodation: 9 luxury tented suites all have their own private decks and plunge pools. The suites are all en suite with indoor and outdoor showers, baths, private lounge, mini bar, tea/coffee facilities, fans and air-conditioning.
Board Basis: Breakfast included. Optional full board basis is also available.
Transfer Time: Approximately 25 minutes from Victoria Falls International Airport.
Prices from \$390 per person per night.

So MUCH MORE

- Optional Activities**
- > Meet the Wild Horizons elephants
 - > Bungi & Gorge swing
 - > Helicopter over the Falls
 - > Microlight – The Flight of the Angels

Victoria Falls Hotel ⚙️⚙️⚙️⚙️

A charming historic hotel in picturesque gardens, overlooking the Victoria Falls bridge and the gorges below.
Location: 10 minute walk from Victoria Falls.
Facilities: 3 restaurants, swimming pool, Internet, curio shop and hairdresser.
Accommodation: 180 rooms in colonial style with 4-poster beds and antique furniture. En suite bathroom, TV, safe and mini bar.
Board Basis: Breakfast included.
Transfer Time: Approximately 30 minutes from Victoria Falls International Airport.
Prices from \$170 per person per night.

So MUCH MORE

- Optional Activities**
- > Sundowner cruise
 - > Helicopter flight over Victoria Falls (6-Seater)
 - > Bungee jumping
 - > White water rafting
 - > Golf – 18-hole Championship course at The Elephant Hills Resort about 5km away

Ilala Lodge ⚙️⚙️⚙️

A boutique hotel in elegant surroundings with easy access to the mighty Victoria Falls.
Location: Within easy walking distance of Victoria Falls and the town center.
Facilities: Restaurant, bar, swimming pool and spa.
Accommodation: 30 rooms all with en suite bathrooms with separate shower, air-conditioning, overhead fan, satellite TV, safe, hairdryer and tea/coffee making facilities.
Board Basis: Breakfast included.
Transfer Time: Approximately 30 minutes from Victoria Falls International Airport.
Prices from \$125 per person per night.

So MUCH MORE

- Optional Activities**
- > Crocodile farm
 - > Ra-Ikane luxury cruise boat with fine cuisine and refreshments on the Zambezi

A'Zambezi River Lodge ⚙️⚙️⚙️

The Lodge, with its traditional thatch architecture, is just 5 km from the famous Victoria Falls.
Location: Situated on the banks of the Zambezi River in Zimbabwe.
Facilities: A swimming pool, children's playground and a courtesy shuttle service to and from the Falls/town.
Accommodation: 83 comfortable, air-conditioned en suite rooms. Family and inter-connecting rooms are also available. Each room has TV, telephone and tea/coffee making facilities. Safety deposit boxes are available at reception.
Board Basis: Breakfast included.
Transfer Time: Approximately 30 minutes from Victoria Falls International Airport.
Prices from \$125 per person per night.

So MUCH MORE

- Optional Activities**
- > Guided tour of Victoria Falls
 - > Boat cruises on the Zambezi River
 - > Game drives
 - > Game walks
 - > Crocodile farm



Botswana

Situated in the heart of Southern Africa, Botswana is a country of unimaginable beauty and undoubtedly one of the greatest safari destinations for spotting wildlife against a backdrop of true wilderness.

The most accessible destination is the Chobe National Park, offering some of the most reliable big game viewing in a bush environment. The national park flanks the banks of the Chobe River where you can slow the pace on a river cruise or houseboat, observing the large elephant herds the area is famed for.

The Okavango Delta lies deep in northern Botswana, and starts life as floodwater falling over Angola's highlands before trickling through the delta and slowly filling the sparkling channels and backwaters. This unique habitat is an oasis for animals and birds. The landscape is best experienced by gliding through the hippo-carved channels in a mokoro, a traditional canoe.

Above the Okavango Delta lies the exclusive private concessions of the Linyanti, which have become famous for being one of the best places in Africa to spot the endangered wild dog.

In complete contrast to the Okavango are the Makgadikgadi Salt Pans and the Kalahari Desert. The arid grasslands of the central Kalahari offer the opportunity to spot desert-adapted species plus the famous black-maned Kalahari lions and other predators such as cheetah and the rare brown hyena.

The Makgadikgadi Salt Pans is a unique landscape of blinding white salt flats stretching to all horizons. This area is best explored on quad bike with pans sleep outs providing truly memorable sunrises and sunsets in an area uninhabitable by wildlife. Visits to meerkats on the edges of the pans and wildlife viewing in the surrounding grasslands, through which Africa's second largest zebra and wildebeest migration passes (seasonal) are also possible, as well as cultural visits to the san bushmen.

With such a diverse range of landscapes, habitats and experiences on offer, Botswana has something to suit all tastes.

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Three Rivers Safari

2 nights Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe or Livingstone, Zambia
2 nights Chobe – 2 nights Okavango Delta



Three rivers which have created spectacular sights and wonderful wildlife experiences. The mighty Zambezi's most spectacular feature is the beautiful and awe-inspiring Victoria Falls. The Chobe River front is a remarkable wildlife area, arguably the best place in Africa to see elephants and spectacular sunsets. Finally, the mysterious Okavango River with no outlet to the sea, creating a stunning oasis, rich in wildlife, in the Kalahari Desert.

The Three Rivers Safari offers the chance to visit some of the most prolific wildlife areas in Zambia and Botswana, taking in three National Parks, a variety of game viewing activities and the flexibility to see as little or as much of these areas as you would like. Although the safari is based around rivers, there are plenty of opportunities for land game drives, so you really will be getting the best of both worlds.

We offer 3 options on this safari: 3 star, 4 star and 5 star. On the 3 and 4 star options the 1st night is spent in Victoria Falls and on the 5 star option it is spent in Livingstone.

Day 1 Livingstone or Victoria Falls

Met on arrival at Livingstone or Victoria Falls airport and transferred by road to your hotel in Livingstone or Victoria Falls (approximately 20 km) your base for the next two nights.

Livingstone is a historic colonial town famous for its proximity to the Victoria Falls. A shopping tour in Livingstone offers the opportunity to experience a local flavor, while guests can also enjoy a wide range of activities from the adventurous to the more relaxed such as fishing and sunset cruises.

Victoria Falls town lies off the southern bank of the mighty Zambezi River at the eastern end of the Victoria Falls. This tourist town is easy to explore on foot and also offers a wide range of activities centered around the Falls and River. Both towns offer easy access to viewing the Victoria Falls.

Day 2 Livingstone or Victoria Falls

Enjoy another day in and around either Livingstone or Victoria Falls town where there is plenty to do and see. (b)

Day 3 Chobe

After breakfast, drive to the Botswana border and complete the border formalities before proceeding by road to your lodge in the Chobe area for the next two nights (approximately 70 km). Transfer from Livingstone is by road and boat or by road from Victoria Falls. Enjoy an afternoon game activity. (b,l,d)

Day 4 Chobe

Another day in the beautiful Chobe National Park, where you can enjoy both land and water-based game viewing activities. (b,l,d)

Day 5 Okavango Delta

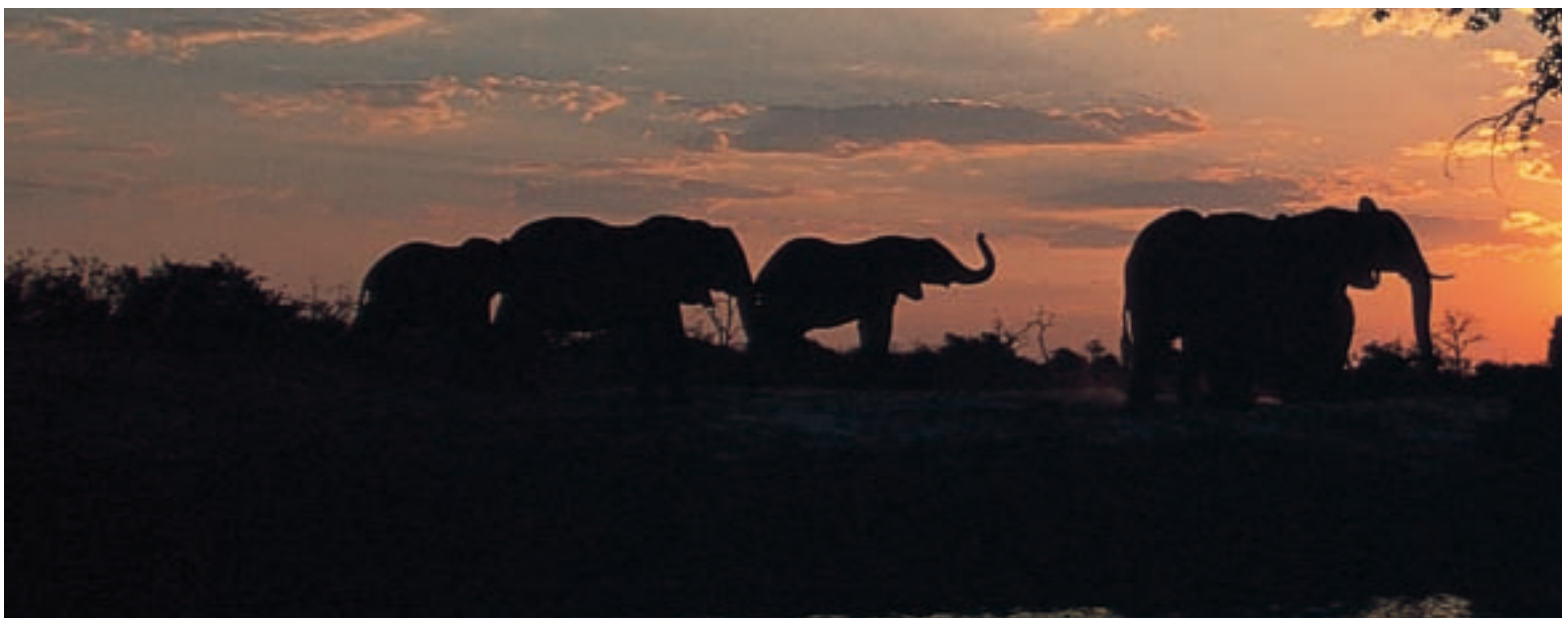
After breakfast transfer by road to Kasane Airport and fly by light aircraft (approximately 1 hour) to your camp for the next two nights. Enjoy an afternoon game activity. (b,l,d)

Day 6 Okavango Delta

Today you can enjoy a number of game viewing activities in the splendid Okavango Delta, a unique habitat for animals and birds. Some of the activities offered are open vehicle game drives, guided walks, bird watching and game viewing in mokoros, types of canoes. (b,l,d)

Day 7 Maun

Following the morning activity (time permitting), transfer to the airstrip and fly by light aircraft to Maun for your onward travel arrangements. (b)





Chobe Chilwero

A luxurious riverside retreat located in the heart of the bush, with the only full spa on the Botswana safari circuit. Bordering Chobe National Park, this wonderful lodge sits above the Chobe River with panoramic views across the islands and flood plains.

The 15 air-conditioned luxury thatched cottages each have en suite facilities, private garden with hammock, private balcony, mosquito nets, ceiling fan and mini bar. The main area has an elegant lounge and dining room. There is also a split level pool and spa.



Chobe Safari Lodge

A large, international style lodge on the border of Chobe National Park. Adjacent to Chobe National Park, close to Kasane Town in northeast Botswana.

There are 46 safari rooms and 22 river rooms all with air-conditioning, en suite bath and shower facilities, as well as TV and telephone. Eight rondavels also have ceiling fans.

The central area overlooks the river and features a large swimming pool, buffet restaurant, bar, curio shop, internet café, squash court, and beauty spa.



Baines' Camp

This luxurious camp is Sanctuary's smallest and most intimate camp. It is set in a grove of trees in a private concession on the border of the Moremi Game Reserve in the Okavango Delta.

There are 5 luxurious suites with en suite bathrooms and four poster beds. Should you wish, your bed can be wheeled out onto your private deck to enjoy a night under the stars.

The camp has a swimming pool and a wide viewing deck surrounding the eating area.



Includes

6 breakfasts, 4 lunches and 4 dinners

Highlights

- > Mosi Oa Tunya National Park
- > Cruise on the Chobe River
- > Mokoro safari in the Okavango Delta

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Days

- 1-2 Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe – A'Zambezi River Lodge
- 3-4 Chobe – Chobe Safari Lodge
- 5-6 Okavango/Moremi – Sango Safari Camp

Guide Prices From

April	\$3085
July-October	\$3320

⚙️⚙️⚙️ Three Rivers Safari

Days

- 1-2 Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe – Ilala Lodge
- 3-4 Chobe – Elephant Valley Lodge
- 5-6 Okavango Delta – Banoka Bush Camp

Guide Prices From

April	\$4270
July-October	\$5040

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Days

- 1-2 Livingstone, Zambia – Sussi Lodge
- 3-4 Chobe – Chobe Chilwero
- 5-6 Okavango Delta – Baines' Camp

Guide Prices From

April	\$7150
July-October	\$7460

Supplements

Single room and child prices on request. Prices are in US\$ per person based on two adults sharing twin accommodation. They are intended as a guide and will be confirmed at the time of booking.



Botswana Focus

2 nights Okavango Delta – 2 nights Moremi – 2 nights Chobe – 2 nights Victoria Falls

This superb eight-night safari will enchant and delight you. Discover the Okavango Delta where permanent lagoons and deep channels have created a unique habitat for a multitude of animals and birds. Moremi is said to be one of the most beautiful reserves in Africa, and offers spectacular game viewing and bird watching. The Chobe is one of Africa's most stunning rivers, and supports a diversity and concentration of wildlife unparalleled anywhere else in the country. Finally, cross into Zimbabwe to Victoria Falls, where along with visiting the spectacular Falls, there is a host of activities for all to enjoy.

Days 1-2 Okavango Delta

Met on arrival at Maun Airport, and assisted for your flight to camp where you will stay for two nights. Overnight: Kanana Camp. (b,l,d)

Activities at Kanana include day and night game drives in open 4x4 safari vehicles, game viewing on mokoro excursions, guided walks, fishing, motor boating and sunset cruises. The waterways are lined with reeds and dotted with papyrus and tree islands in this picturesque and tranquil part of the delta. Water levels vary throughout the year and therefore so does the focus of activities. The camp managers will advise the best options during your stay. A

wide variety of game frequent the islands around Kanana Camp including impalas, lechwes, leopards, lions and elephants and you may be lucky to see sitatungas whilst boating.

Birding all year round is exceptional with regular sightings of Pels fishing owl amongst many others. Kanana Camp is one of the few camps in the Delta to have access to a private heronry where many migratory water birds come to nest from July onwards. Birds you may encounter at the heronry include marabou, yellow-bill and open-bill storks. The sight of thousands of nesting birds is mesmerizing and an experience you will not forget.

Days 3-4 Moremi Game Reserve

After an early morning activity and breakfast (time permitting), you will fly by light aircraft from Kanana to Camp Okuti, where you will stay for two nights. Overnight Camp Okuti. (b,l,d)

Activities offered are game drives in open safari vehicles exploring the diverse range of habitats within the reserve – from open floodplains to belts of mopane woodland. You can also venture out onto the open waters of the Okavango by motorboat, visiting the Xakanaxa Lagoon and beyond up to the seasonal heronry at Gadikwe. Moremi Game Reserve offers some of the most spectacular game viewing in Botswana and guests may encounter breeding herds of elephants, a hunting lioness or a sleeping pride of lions, grazing impalas, kudu and much more.

Days 5-6 Chobe National Park

Following the morning activity (time permitting), you will be transferred by road to Xakanaxa Airstrip for a flight to Kasane Airport, followed by a road transfer to Muchenje

Lodge where you will stay for two nights. Overnight: Muchenje Safari Lodge. (b,l,d)

Activities offered at Muchenje Lodge are walking safaris in the private reserve adjacent to Chobe National Park, allowing guests to explore the intricacies of the bush, plants, insects and big game. Game drives, both in the reserve surrounding the lodge as well as in the Chobe National Park, are conducted in open 4x4 safari vehicles with qualified professional guides. Alternatively, you can experience game viewing by motorboat on the Chobe River passing bathing herds of elephants, hippos, crocodiles and amazing bird life. For those on longer stays, fishing and interior drives to the remotest parts of central Chobe can be arranged through the lodge.

Days 7-8 Victoria Falls

After breakfast drive to Ilala Lodge in Victoria Falls (approximately 2 hours) where you will stay for 2 nights. Overnight: Ilala Lodge. (b)

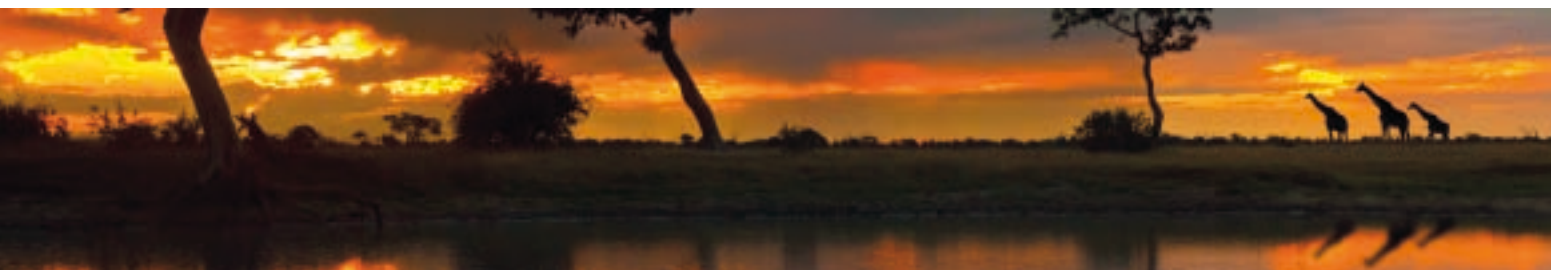
Ilala Lodge is situated close to the Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe, as well as to the town center. Wild animals are often seen grazing on the hotel lawns as the National Park borders the front of the property.

Day 9 Victoria Falls

Road transfer from Ilala Lodge to Victoria Falls Airport for your onward arrangements. (b)

Kanana and Okuti Camps are closed for the months of January and February, during these months they will be substituted with Kwara Camp and Xakanaxa Camp.





Muchenje Lodge

Muchenje is an intimate, privately owned lodge situated at the western boundaries of the famous Chobe National Park. The lodge has stunning panoramic views overlooking the Chobe River and floodplains. A maximum of 20 guests in 10 spacious twin-bedded, thatched chalets overlooking the Chobe floodplains. Each en suite room is exquisitely furnished with an African ambience and a private balcony. Facilities include a dining area, bar, viewing platforms and decks, a small gift shop and a swimming pool.

Kanana Camp

A beautifully designed lodge nestling among towering ebony, acacia and sausage trees, offering excellent water activities. Kanana Camp is situated in the South West Okavango by the Xudum River, in a private concession within the inner reaches of the Delta. The 8 luxury tents are built on stilts to facilitate views of the floodplain. Each tent has en suite facilities and a private balcony. The main camp has a viewing deck, small swimming pool, gift shop and heronry.



Eagle Island Camp

Eagle Island Camp overlooks a lagoon fed by the tranquil waterways of the Okavanga Delta and is surrounded by lila palms in a superbly pristine natural location, on the island of Xaxaba. The 12 luxury tents are built on raised wooden platforms. Each tent has an en suite bathroom, air-conditioning, 4-poster bed, mini bar, safe, hairdryer and furnished decks with superb views. Facilities include an open-air, under-cover dining and lounge area, swimming pool, a bar, library and laundry service.



For full descriptions of all properties used in this itinerary please see www.somak.com



Includes

8 breakfasts, 6 lunches and 6 dinners
Drinks (except at Victoria Falls)

Highlights

- > Okavango Delta
- > Moremi Game Reserve
- > Chobe National Park
- > Victoria Falls

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(as page 52)
Departs Daily

Guide Prices From

February	\$4295
March-June	\$5335
July-October	\$6470

This tour can also be enjoyed as a deluxe 4+ star option.

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- Days
- 1-2 Okavango Delta – Eagle Island Camp
 - 3-4 Khwai Community Area – Khwai River Lodge
 - 5-6 Chobe National Park – Savute Elephant Camp
 - 7-8 Victoria Falls – Elephant Camp

Guide Prices From

February	\$7055
March-June	\$8915
July-October	\$9920

Supplements

Single room and child prices on request. Prices are in US\$ per person based on two adults sharing twin accommodation. They are intended as a guide and will be confirmed at the time of booking.



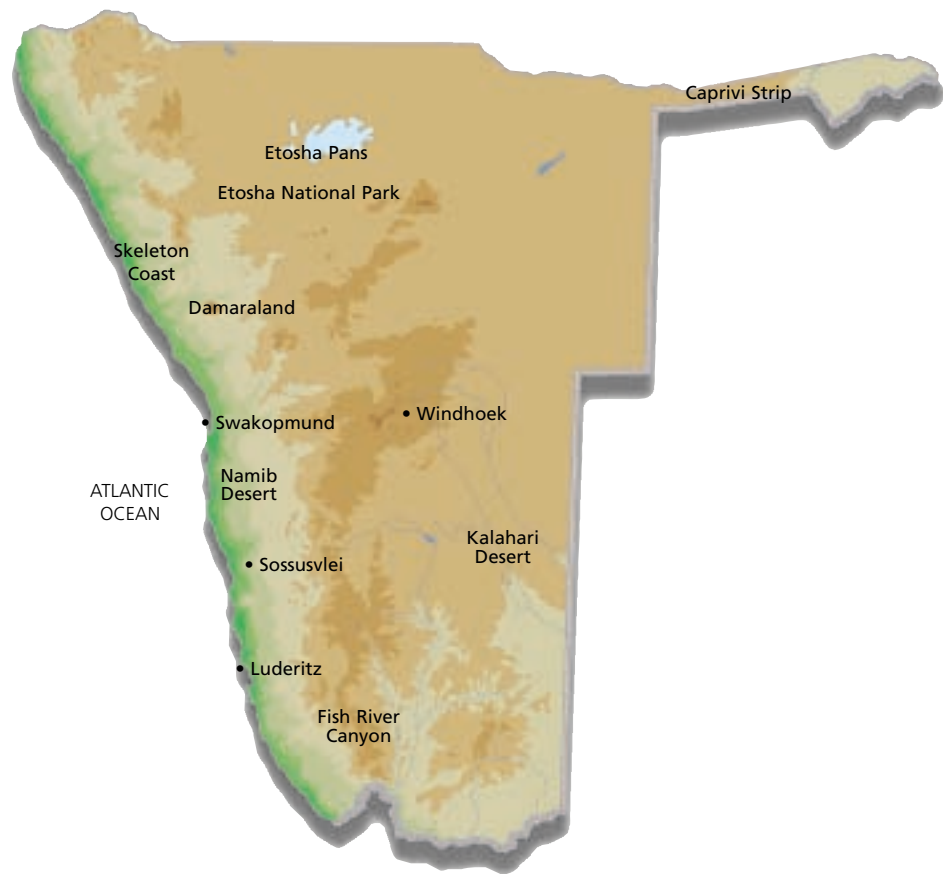
Namibia

Wedged between the Kalahari and the South Atlantic, lies a sparsely populated dreamland, a vast wilderness of stark, arid landscapes, rugged coastlines and ever-changing colors.

Climb the highest sand dunes in the world. Descend to the floor of the deepest canyon in Africa. Journey into the past at one of Africa's richest rock art sites, and watch wildlife shimmer against one of the most spectacular pans on earth. Explore the oldest, driest desert in the world and immerse yourself in the silence.

Highlights include the vast expanse of the Namib desert, the wildlife-rich Etosha salt pan, the eerily beautiful Skeleton Coast and the towering sand dunes of Sossusvlei.

Namibia is a photographer's dream with wild seascapes, rugged mountains, lonely deserts and stunning wildlife, where striking deserts and piercing blue skies are common landscape scenes. You can discover the beauty and charms of Namibia by air, flying in light aircraft, or by road in a small group or with your own private driver-guide, or on a self-drive basis.



Namibian Discovery ☀️☀️☀️☀️

1 night Windhoek – 3 nights Etosha – 2 nights Damaraland – 2 nights Swakopmund – 2 nights Sossusvlei

This tour visits all of Namibia's 'hot-spots' including Etosha National Park, the country's greatest wildlife reserve. Then on to Damaraland, a mountainous wilderness region renowned for its outstanding natural beauty. Travel to Swakopmund with its colonial architecture, atmospheric streets and delicious seafood, then finally to Sossusvlei in the heart of the Namib Desert and home to the world's tallest sand dunes, some of which tower over 300 meters high. Watching the changing mood and colors at sunrise and sunset is one of Namibia's highlights.

This is a shared tour with a maximum of 16 people.

Day 1 Monday Windhoek

Met on arrival at Windhoek airport and transferred to your hotel. The remainder of the day is free to explore. Overnight: Safari Court Hotel, or similar.

Day 2 Tuesday Etosha National Park

Meet with other members of the group and travel via Okahandja to Etosha National Park (400 km – approximately 5 hours 30 minutes). Overnight: Etosha Rest Camp, or similar. (b,d)

Day 3 Wednesday Etosha National Park

A full day game drive in a closed vehicle. Overnight: Etosha Rest Camp, or similar. (b,d)

Day 4 Thursday Etosha National Park

A day in search of game in Etosha. After lunch at a rest camp (payable locally), continue west through the park to the gate, then travel 70 km – approximately 1 hour, to your accommodation. Overnight: Namatubis Guest Farm, or similar. (b,d)

Day 5 Friday Damaraland

An early start to see the highlights of Damaraland – one of the last true wilderness areas in Africa. Head through Outjo, to Khorixas, the capital of this region. Next pass through scenic landscapes and Damara villages before reaching the Petrified Forest. Arrive at your lodge at lunch time (250 km – approximately 3 hours 30 minutes). Overnight: Damara Mopane Lodge, or similar. (b,d)

Day 6 Saturday Damaraland

Today visit the rock engravings at Twyfelfontein, the fascinating geological features such as the Organ Pipes and Burnt Mountain. Afternoon at leisure. Overnight: Damara Mopane Lodge, or similar. (b,d)

Day 7 Sunday Swakopmund

Continue to Henties Bay, then proceed to the charming coastal resort of Swakopmund where the remainder of the day is at leisure (350 km – approximately 5 hours). Overnight: Hotel Eberwein, or similar. (b)

Day 8 Monday Swakopmund

Day at leisure to take part in the many exciting activities in Swakopmund. An exciting option is a living desert tour where you learn about the creatures that live in the desert. Overnight: Hotel Eberwein, or similar. (b)

Day 9 Tuesday Sossusvlei

Morning visits to Welwitchia and Moon Landscape en route to the Namib Desert (350 km – approximately 5 hours). Overnight: Namib Desert Lodge, or similar. (b,d)

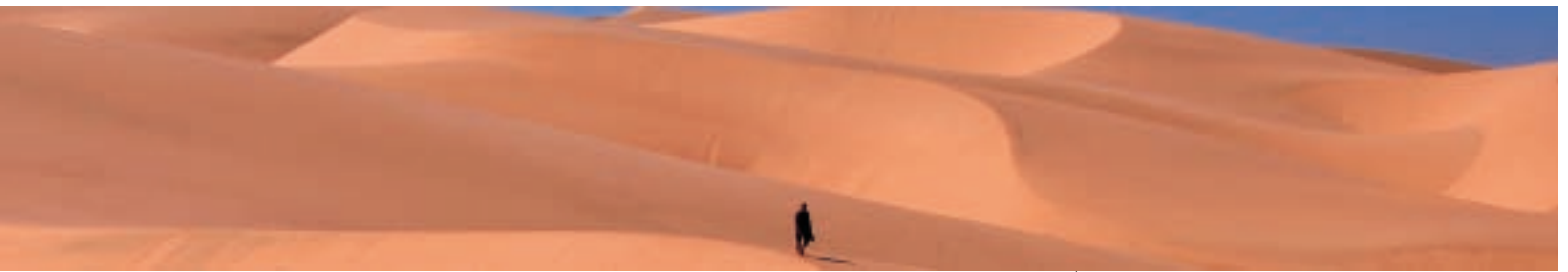
Day 10 Wednesday Sossusvlei

Visit the dunes at Sossusvlei, with the opportunity to climb to the top before returning to the lodge. Overnight: Namib Desert Lodge, or similar. (b,d)

Day 11 Thursday Windhoek

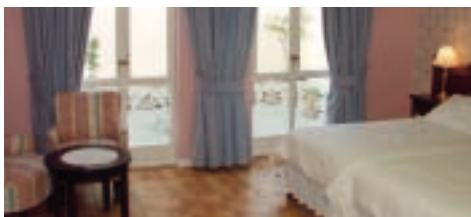
Drive through the scenic Spreetshoogte Pass and on to Windhoek airport (350 km – approximately 5 hours) for your onward journey. (b)





Damara Mopane Lodge

Built under mopane trees and connected by a labyrinth of paths, the main building and chalets of the lodge look like an African village. Near Twyfelfontein, Damaraland. Each of the 60 air-conditioned double room chalets sits in a vegetable and herb garden surrounded by a low wall. Facilities include a buffet restaurant, lounge, bar and swimming pool.



Namib Desert Lodge

At the foot of a red sandstone cliff, an ideal starting point for excursions into the Sossusvlei region. Situated in Sossusvlei, north of Sesriem the entrance to the Namib desert park. 46 rooms with en suite bath/shower, fans and a verandah. Facilities include a restaurant and a swimming pool.



Safari Court Hotel

This is a large, fairly modern hotel, in the residential district of Windhoek close to Eros (domestic) Airport. There are 215 well appointed rooms and suites. Facilities include the Acacia Restaurant, the Welwitschia Restaurant, beer garden and patio, the Steakhouse, Palms Bar, Flamingo Bar and Pool Bar.



Hotel Eberwein

Built in 1909 and converted into a first class hotel in 1999. Set amidst turn-of-the-century buildings, just a short stroll from the beach. There are 16 rooms with a bath or shower, TV, telephone, mini bar and hairdryer, plus underfloor heating. Facilities include a cosy lounge with a selection of South African wines and local beer on tap.



Includes

- > 10 breakfasts and 7 dinners
- > Driver-guide throughout
- > Air-conditioned minibus or microbus

Highlights

- > Visit to local market – Okahandja
- > Game viewing – Etosha National Park
- > Visit to the Petrified Forest – Damaraland
- > Discover rock engravings – Twyfelfontein
- > Explore the charming town of Swakopmund
- > Visit the ancient Welwitschia Mirabilis and the Moon Landscape
- > Visit to the Dunes – Sossusvlei
- > Scenic drive through Spretshoogte Pass

Optional Tours

- > Living Desert tours
- > Hot-air ballooning in Sossusvlei
- > Scenic flights
- > Quad biking in Swakopmund

Namibian Discovery

10 Nights

Departs Monday

Guide Prices From

February-June	\$3370
July-October	\$3645

Supplements

Single room and child prices on request.

Prices are in US\$ per person based on two adults sharing twin accommodation. They are intended as a guide and will be confirmed at the time of booking.

Kenya & Tanzania

Welcome to the heart of Africa, home of the safari.

Kenya and Tanzania offer an abundance of wildlife and amazing scenery, which will enthrall and captivate you. Both also boast wonderful, exotic beaches and warm, friendly people.





Your Safari Choice

Your choice of safari includes joining a small group to travel together by road, or traveling independently between parks by road or air. We offer an unrivaled range of fixed and flexible itineraries, so we are sure to have the right holiday for you.

Shared Safaris by Road

These depart on set days, and vehicles are shared with other guests. Somak minibuses in Kenya carry a maximum of six guests, thereby guaranteeing a window seat and access to the game viewing hatch. Premier safari minibuses for up to four guests, standard safari minibuses and 4-wheel drive vehicles for your exclusive use are available at a supplement. 4-wheel drive vehicles carrying four or six guests are used in Tanzania.

Custom-made Safaris

For complete flexibility in departure days, choice of game parks, lodges or camps and duration. You can choose to safari by road in your own exclusive vehicle, or fly between game parks, or a combination of both. Flying by light aircraft reduces traveling time and reveals the true majesty of Africa from a different perspective.

Families

Children often love the excitement of real game viewing and are welcome on many of our safaris. We recommend families book a vehicle for their exclusive use.

Please see pages 108-109 for important information about safaris.

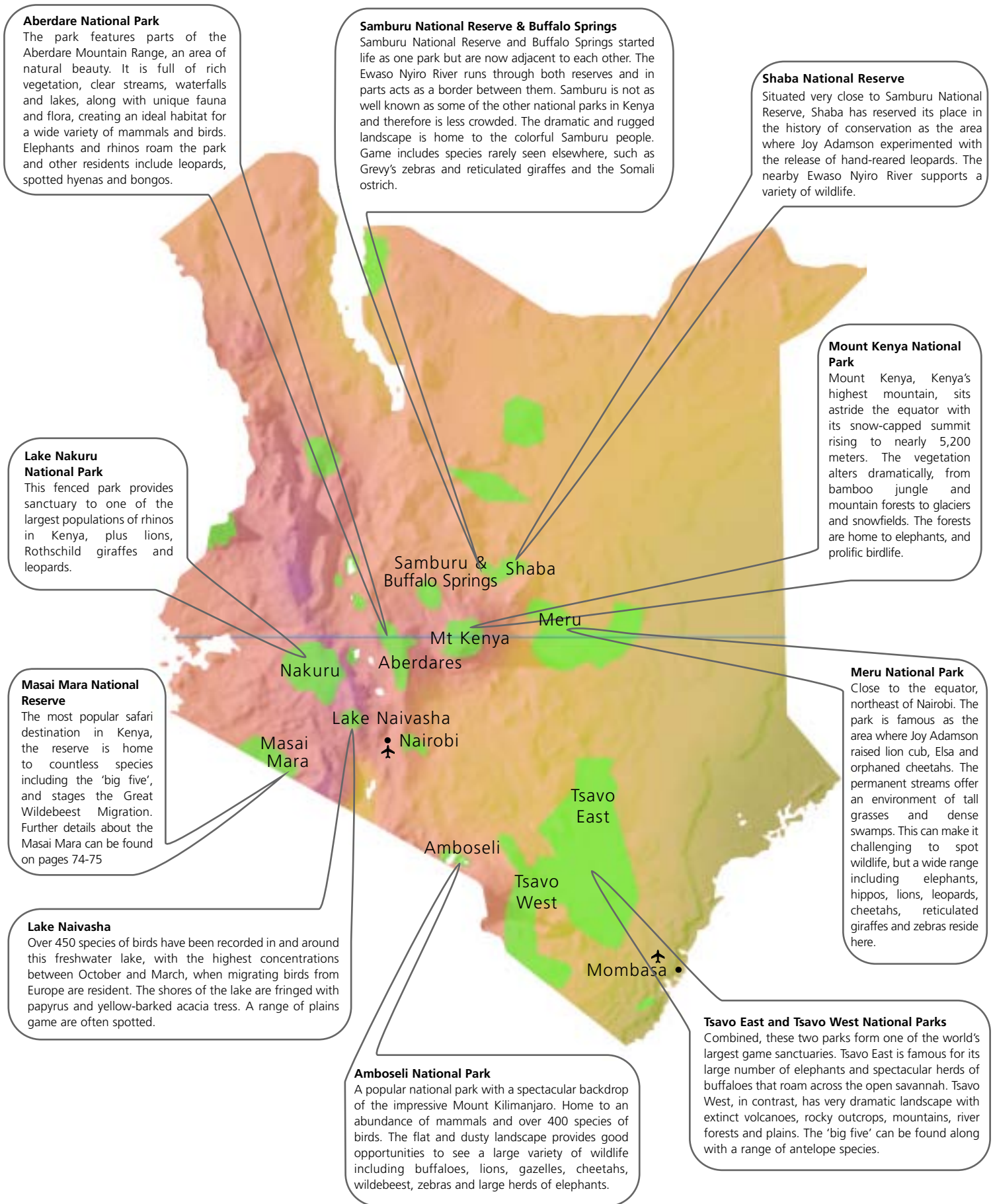


Kenya

Straddling the equator, lapped by the crystal waters of the Indian Ocean and encompassing majestic mountains and endless plains, Kenya is one of the few remaining wildernesses in which to see amazing wildlife. With over 50 game parks, Kenya is home to the most beautiful landscapes. This ancient land also hosts a kaleidoscope of ethnic groups, creating a vibrant and colorful nation.



Kenya Game Parks



Map locations are approximate and are not intended to be definitive.



Nairobi

Nairobi, the capital of Kenya, is one of Africa's largest cities. It is almost 6,000 ft above sea level, enjoys a moderate climate, and as it's located close to the equator, there is very little difference between its two seasons, wet and dry.

Whilst Nairobi is predominantly a stopover destination, it does have the unique tourist feature of a National Park bordering a capital city. The National Park is home to many animals including lions, giraffes, black rhinos and over 400 species of birds.

Many safaris include leisure time in Nairobi, which is the perfect opportunity to take advantage of some of the excursions that are available.

The Carnivore Restaurant (lunch or dinner) – famous for its succulent steaks and mouth-watering barbecue dishes, including local game meats.

Karen Blixen Museum & Giraffe Center – set in beautiful grounds, Karen Blixen's former home is now a museum. The Giraffe Center is dedicated to the protection of the endangered Rothschild giraffes which can be fed from a raised observation platform.

Daphne Sheldrick's Elephant Orphanage – orphaned baby elephants from all over Kenya are looked after here. Visitors are allowed daily 11am-12pm. Donations are welcomed.





Giraffe Manor, Nairobi Tented Camp, Ole-Sereni Hotel

Nairobi

Giraffe Manor CONNOISSEUR COLLECTION

Giraffe Manor is an elegant, personally hosted, small and exclusive hotel, famous for its resident herd of giraffes. It offers a rich blend of comfortable accommodation and highly trained, friendly staff, as well as one of Nairobi's finest kitchens. Giraffe Manor is surrounded by 140 acres of indigenous forest just outside Nairobi. As well as the giraffes, the property is also home to many species of birds, large families of warthogs and the elusive bushbuck.

Location: 12 miles from Nairobi city center.

Facilities: Enjoy the new formal English garden where guests can relax and enjoy some outdoor living.

Accommodation: A limited number of guests can stay at Giraffe Manor, which is quite grand but not at all overwhelming. The house comprises six bedrooms, each named after resident giraffes (past and present). Each bedroom has an en suite bathroom, some are double, some are twin. The sixth room is a family suite which can sleep a family of five and is also suitable for the less mobile. Please note the rooms cannot be locked from the outside.

Board Basis: Breakfast, lunch and dinner included, wine with lunch and dinner, laundry services and entrance to the Giraffe Center. Don't miss breakfast, the ultimate theater is revealed when the giraffes approach the sun room and interact with guests at the breakfast table.

Transfer Time: Approximately 40 minutes from Nairobi International airport.

Please note check in time is strictly from 11.00am onwards and check out at 10.00am.

Prices from \$610 per person per night.

Nairobi Tented Camp ⚙️⚙️⚙️⚙️

Nairobi Tented Camp is the first and only accommodation to be built within the confines of Nairobi National Park. The camp is built on environmentally conscious principles and has little impact on its surroundings. Nairobi National Park boasts over 500 species of birds, giraffes, lions, leopards, cheetahs and is best known for its breeding population of black and white rhinos.

Location: Nairobi National Park.

Facilities: A central mess tent where meals are served, small library, hammocks for relaxing.

Accommodation: There are 8 luxury twin or double tents each with en suite facilities and a verandah.

Board Basis: Breakfast, lunch, dinner, soft drinks, local wine and beer and game drives.

Transfer Time: Approximately 1 hour from Nairobi International airport.

Prices from \$305 per person per night.

Ole-Sereni Hotel ⚙️⚙️⚙️

Ole-Sereni (place of tranquility), overlooks the famous Nairobi National Park. It combines the best aspects of a modern city hotel with a traditional game lodge. Guests of the Ole-Sereni can often see animals at the waterhole from the restaurant, bars and swimming pool area.

Location: Overlooking the Nairobi National Park, the Ole-Sereni is conveniently positioned between the airport and the city.

Facilities: A selection of three restaurants and bars offering a wide range of cuisine. They are all positioned on the 300ft verandah overlooking the waterhole and skyline of Nairobi. Leisure facilities include a heated swimming pool and modern health club with fully equipped gym, aerobics room, sauna, steam room, massage center and unisex hairdressing salon. 24-hour room service, laundry/dry cleaning services and gift shop are all available.

Accommodation: 132 air-conditioned rooms and 2 suites with en suite bath/shower, tea/coffee making facilities, mini bar, safe, internet and direct dial telephone with an automatic wake up system.

Board Basis: Breakfast included.

Transfer Time: Approximately 15 minutes from Nairobi airport.

Prices from \$215 per person per night.

Cheetah Safari ☀☀☀☀☀

1 night Nairobi – 2 nights Aberdares – 2 nights Samburu – 1 Lake Naivasha – 2 nights Masai Mara

A traditional 8-night safari visiting Samburu, home to unique wildlife, followed by the Rift Valley Lakes where pink flamingoes often tint the horizon. The final destination is the Masai Mara where vast numbers of plains game and spectacular big cats reside.

This itinerary starts in the Aberdares Range followed by Samburu, home to some of the most unique wildlife in Kenya and a host of birds. Your stay is at the delightful Ashnil Samburu Camp, spread out along the shady banks of the Ewaso Nyiro River, under a thick stand of doum palms and acacia trees that are a feature of the area.

The safari route takes you to Lake Naivasha and Lake Nakuru. Around Lake Nakuru a game reserve has been created where the endangered black rhino is protected and may be seen along with antelope, giraffes, lions and hyenas.

Finally, the magnificent Masai Mara, famed for its vast numbers of plains game and the spectacular big cats. Here you stay in the luxury Ashnil Mara Camp, which offers an unrivaled position for wildlife spotting, and is close to the action during the annual wildebeest migration.

Day 1 Sunday Nairobi

Met at Nairobi airport and transferred to the Ole-Sereni Hotel for overnight.

Day 2 Monday Aberdares

After breakfast depart for the Aberdares (180 km – approximately 4 hours). Arrive in time for lunch and spend the afternoon relaxing, or on a nature walk with the resident naturalist (weather permitting). Overnight: Aberdare Country Club. (b,l,d)

Day 3 Tuesday Samburu

Drive north across the equator to the Samburu National Reserve (190 km – approximately 4 hours). Lunch. Late afternoon game drive. Overnight: Ashnil Samburu Camp. (b,l,d)

Day 4 Wednesday Samburu

Morning and late afternoon game drives in this open savannah which is traversed by the Ewaso Nyiro River. Overnight: Ashnil Samburu Camp. (b,l,d)

Day 5 Thursday 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. (b,l,d)

Day 6 Friday Lake Nakuru–Lake Naivasha

After breakfast, descend into the Great Rift Valley and continue to Lake Nakuru Lodge (240 km – approximately

4 hours) for lunch. Afternoon game drive in the national park. Drive to Lake Naivasha (80 km – approximately 1 hour). Overnight: Lake Naivasha Sopa Lodge. (b,l,d)

Day 7 Saturday 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. (b,l,d)

Day 8 Sunday Masai Mara

Enjoy an early morning game drive followed by breakfast at the camp. 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. (b,l,d)

Day 9 Monday Extension or USA

After breakfast, return to Nairobi by road (300 km – 5 hours), or fly from the Mara to Nairobi: morning flight (from \$295); lunch in the Mara and afternoon flight (from \$420). Proceed with your chosen extension (see ‘where next’) or return to the USA. (b)

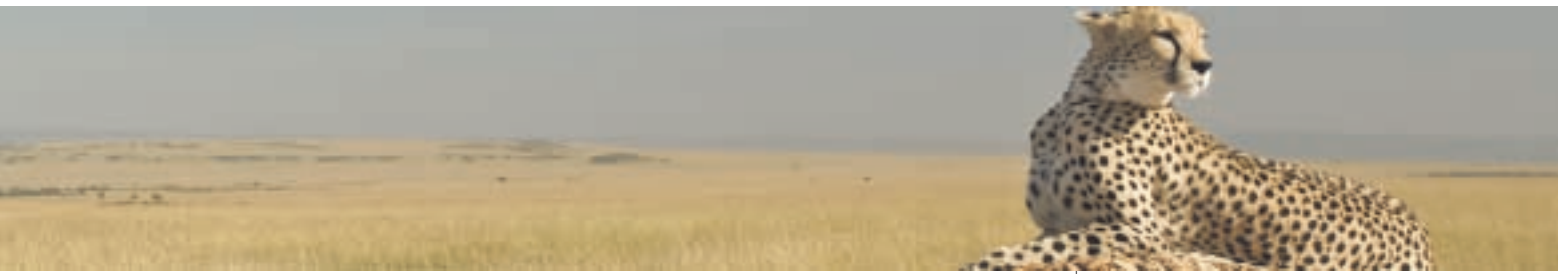
Alternatively, fly directly from the Mara to Mombasa, including lunch in the Mara (from \$575).

15kg luggage allowance on all light aircraft.

Where Next

Complement your Cheetah Safari with a beach stay on the Kenya Coast, Zanzibar, Seychelles or Mauritius. Gorilla trekking in Rwanda is a superb addition to a safari – see pages 92-93.





Aberdare Country Club

Nestled on the slopes of Mwegu Hill, Aberdare Country Club has the charm of a private home combined with the comforts of a country inn.

There's a dining room and a comfortable lounge-bar with a lovely fireplace. There's a swimming pool with a pool bar, a 9-hole golf course, putting green and tennis courts. 24 double and 24 twin rooms in cosy cottages, with en suite bathroom, tea/coffee making facilities and views of the gardens/forest. There are also 4 family cottages and a suite.

Ashnil Samburu Camp

Set on the riverbank, south of the Ewaso Nyiro River, in Buffalo Game Reserve. A stay here offers unrivaled game viewing, with the river drawing wildlife to its banks.

The camp has a restaurant, bar and verandah deck overlooking the river. Leisure facilities include a pool and massage service.

The 30 luxury tents spread across the lush grounds, have a fan, shower room and terrace.



Serena Mountain Lodge

This super lodge, part of the renowned Serena group, offers a matchless game viewing opportunity, whilst combining a glorious panorama of mountain vistas with the primordial splendors of an ancient rainforest.

Offers a dining room, relaxing beauty treatments, a shop, nature walks & a private waterhole & salt lick, which acts as a magnet for the region's wildlife, especially elephants.

42 rooms furnished with indigenous wood and African art, en suite bath/shower and a spacious verandah overlooking the waterhole, where there is never a dull moment.

Lake Naivasha Sopa Lodge

The lodge is set amongst beautiful gardens and extensive grounds stretching to the edge of Lake Naivasha. The main areas of the lodge are spacious and luxurious with large windows affording extensive views. There is a large swimming pool with kids' pool. The lodge has 84 spacious rooms in two-story stylish African rondavels with verandahs or balconies.



Ashnil Mara Camp

Perfectly positioned at the confluence of the Mara and Olkeju Rivers in the Masai Mara Reserve. There is a restaurant serving buffet meals, plus there is an open-air bar. There is a modern lounge, an inviting swimming pool and a souvenir shop. 44 twin/double tents which are beautifully designed and carefully crafted, with shower, wc and a safe.



Mara Ballooning Option from \$480



An exciting alternative to your morning game drive. Up before dawn and drive to the balloon launch site. Once the balloon is inflated, sail away on an exhilarating flight for about an hour. A 'bubbly' breakfast with all the trimmings is served where you touchdown.

Includes

- > 8 breakfasts, 7 lunches and 7 dinners
- > Exclusive to Somak – free Hippo Pool breakfast at Ashnil Mara Camp (weather permitting and not available if ballooning option is chosen)
- > Game drives in 4-wheel drive vehicle
- > Guaranteed window seat

Exclusive Safari Vehicles

per person supplement

Passengers	
2	\$670
3	\$370
4	\$140
5	\$110
6	\$65

Cheetah Safari 8 Nights

Guide Prices From

February-April	\$2390
May-June	\$2040
July-October	\$2590
November	\$2260

Supplements

Single room and child prices on request. Children under 8 are not permitted on this safari.

Prices are in US\$ per person based on two adults sharing twin accommodation. They are intended as a guide and will be confirmed at the time of booking.

Please see pages 108-109 for important safari information.

Serena Explorer ☀☀☀☀☀

1 night Nairobi – 2 nights Sweetwaters – 2 nights Lake Elementeita – 2 nights Masai Mara



This exciting 7-night safari, which is conducted in a 4-wheel drive vehicle, will ensure encounters with a superb amount of animals and birdlife, whilst you are comfortably accommodated in award-winning Serena properties.

Sweetwaters is in the private Ol Pejeta Conservancy, set in the extensive savannah grasslands and riverine forests that border the Ewaso Nyiro River. At the forefront of the Kenyan conservancy program, Ol Pejeta boasts the largest black rhino sanctuary in East Africa, hosts the only chimpanzee sanctuary in Kenya, and shelters large numbers of rare and endangered species.

Then travel to Lake Elementeita in the Great Rift Valley, where there is a wide variety of bird life. The small and exclusive Lake Elementeita Serena Camp, which opened in July 2011, offers spectacular views over the landscape to the lake.

Finally, the magnificent Masai Mara, home to countless species including the 'big five'.

Day 1 Sunday Nairobi

Met at Nairobi airport and transferred to the Nairobi Serena Hotel for overnight.

Day 2 Monday Sweetwaters

After breakfast drive to your camp at Sweetwaters in time for lunch (220 km – approximately 3 hours 30 minutes). The afternoon is at leisure. A selection of optional excursions are available (payable locally). Overnight: Sweetwaters Serena Camp. (b,l,d)

Day 3 Tuesday Sweetwaters

Enjoy an early morning game drive in the wonderful Sweetwaters Sanctuary. After breakfast, time to relax before lunch. An afternoon game drive with visits to the delightful Chimp and Rhino sanctuary. Overnight: Sweetwaters Serena Camp. (b,l,d)

Day 4 Wednesday Lake Elementeita

After breakfast drive to Lake Elementeita, a bird lovers paradise where an estimated 300 bird species have been spotted (265 km – approximately 3 hours 30 minutes). Enjoy lunch and some leisure time, maybe a swim in the pool or a relaxing massage. An afternoon game drive in Soysambu Conservancy with a chance to encounter some of the birds and wildlife that abound. Overnight: Lake Elementeita Serena Camp. (b,l,d)

Day 5 Thursday Lake Elementeita

Enjoy a Lake Breakfast where delicious fare is served beside Lake Elementeita whilst you enjoy the fabulous scenery. The rest of the day is at leisure, with the chance to enjoy one of the varied optional excursions on offer (payable locally). Alternatively, you can enjoy a game drive in Lake Nakuru National Park (book and pay for prior to departure – \$250 per person). This fenced park

provides sanctuary to one of the largest populations of rhinos in Kenya, plus it is home to lions, Rothschild giraffes and leopards. Overnight: Lake Elementeita Serena Camp. (b,l,d)

Day 6 Friday Masai Mara

After breakfast drive to the world-famous Masai Mara in time for lunch at the fabulous Mara Serena Lodge (360 km – approximately 5 hours 30 minutes). In the afternoon enjoy an exciting game drive in this game-filled park. Overnight: Mara Serena Safari Lodge. (b,l,d)

Day 7 Saturday Masai Mara

A further day in the magnificent Masai Mara. Enjoy a game drive followed by breakfast at the camp, or an early morning balloon safari over the Mara followed by a 'bubbly' bush breakfast (payable locally). The rest of the morning is at leisure before lunch and a game drive. Overnight: Mara Serena Safari Lodge. (b,l,d)

Day 8 Sunday Extension or USA

After breakfast drive to Nairobi (335 km – approximately 5 hours), or fly from the Mara to Nairobi: morning flight (from \$295) or lunch in the Mara and afternoon flight (from \$420). Proceed with your chosen extension or return to the USA. (b)

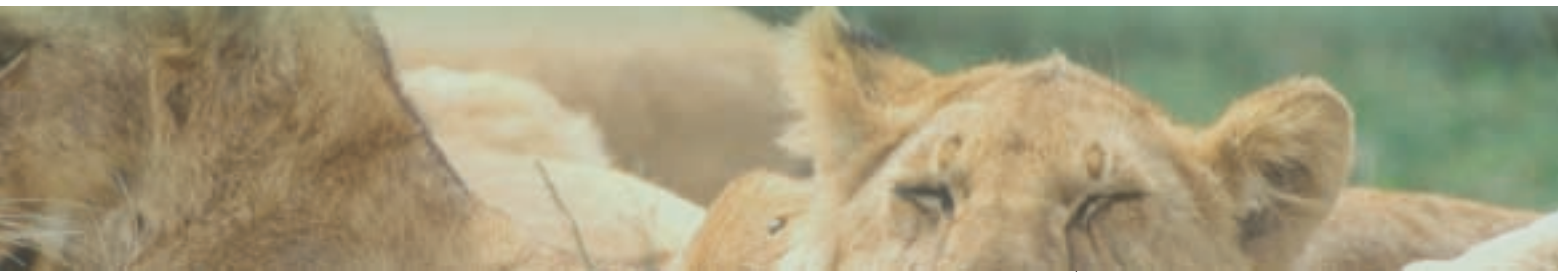
Alternatively, fly directly from the Mara to Mombasa, including lunch in the Mara (from \$575).

Light aircraft baggage allowance – 15 kgs.

Where Next

Complement your Serena Explorer safari with a beach stay on the Kenya Coast, Zanzibar or Mauritius. Gorilla trekking in Rwanda is a superb addition to a safari – see pages 92-93.





Sweetwaters Serena Camp

A sheltered oasis, designed to offer a charming blend of under-canvas ambience and uncompromising luxury. This tented camp is in a class of its own. In 2013 Sweetwaters Tented Camp underwent an extensive refurbishment of the public areas, which has made a significant improvement. As a private reserve it allows unforgettable pleasures such as night game drives, guided bush & bird walks and camel riding across the plains teeming with game. The 50 tents are luxurious, with en suite bathrooms and views over the waterhole.

Lake Elmenteita Serena Camp

Serena's newest luxury camp is situated within the Soysambu Conservancy. It offers spectacular views of Lake Elmenteita where thousands of pelicans and flamingoes gather to feed at the shallow waters. The main area has a restaurant serving excellent food and a lounge area. Leisure facilities include a swimming pool and a spa offering massage and beauty treatments. The 24 tents have en suite bathrooms, telephone, mini bar, safe and private verandah with views of the lake. The Flamingo suite has a spacious lounge, jacuzzi and a prime lake view.



Mara Serena Lodge

The Mara Serena Lodge is set high on a bush-cloaked hill, embraced by arcing vistas and washed by a sea of richly rolling grasslands. The lodge stands center-stage to one of Africa's most dramatic wildlife arenas and has a ringside seat for the greatest wildlife show on earth, the legendary migration of the wildebeest. The restaurant serves delicious international cuisine, buffets and barbecues plus authentic African dishes. Relax in the lounge and bar or cool off in the pool. The 74 guest rooms have en suite bathrooms and a private balcony.



**Mara Ballooning Option
from \$605**

An exciting alternative to your morning game drive. Up before dawn and drive to the balloon launch site. Once the balloon is inflated, sail away on an exhilarating flight for about an hour. A 'bubbly' breakfast with all the trimmings is served where you touchdown.



Includes

- > 7 breakfasts, 6 lunches and 6 dinners
- > Game drives in 4-wheel drive vehicle
- > Guaranteed window seat

Exclusive Safari Vehicles

per person supplement

Passengers	
2	\$695
3	\$310
4	\$120
5	\$80
6	\$50

**Serena Explorer
7 Nights**

Guide Prices From

February-April	\$2235
May-June	\$2195
July-October	\$2565
November	\$2235

Supplements

Single room and child prices on request. Children under 8 are not permitted on this safari.

Prices are in US\$ per person based on two adults sharing twin accommodation. They are intended as a guide and will be confirmed at the time of booking.

Please see pages 108-109 for important safari information.

Kili Safari ☀☀☀☀

1 night Nairobi – 2 nights Amboseli – 1 night Lake Naivasha – 2 nights Masai Mara



A short itinerary packed with interest providing an exciting overview of Kenya and her wildlife. There are no age restrictions for children at the lodges, which makes this an ideal choice for families.

Exclusive buses for sole use of families are available at a reasonable supplement.

Amboseli is home to an abundance of mammals and over 400 species of birds. Plains game, lions, cheetahs and vast herds of elephants wander freely. The area is dominated by the stunning spectacle of Mount Kilimanjaro.

At Lake Naivasha there is plenty for all the family to do. Not only can you go horse riding or cycling, but the main attractions are the 450 species of birds which have been recorded in and around this freshwater lake.

Finally into the world-famous Masai Mara, one of the world's most enthralling wildlife theaters. The reserve plays host to countless species, including the 'big five' (lion, leopard, elephant, rhino and buffalo) and the incredible spectacle of the annual wildebeest migration.

Day 1 Saturday Nairobi

Met at Nairobi airport and transferred to the Ole-Sereni Hotel for overnight.

Day 2 Sunday Amboseli

After breakfast depart for Amboseli (250 km – approximately 4 hours). After lunch enjoy an afternoon game drive. Overnight: Ol Tukai Lodge. (b,l,d)

Day 3 Monday Amboseli

An early morning game drive in this popular national park with the spectacular backdrop of Mount Kilimanjaro. Enjoy breakfast at the lodge with time to relax or take a dip in the pool. After a leisurely lunch enjoy an afternoon game drive. Overnight: Ol Tukai Lodge. (b,l,d)

Day 4 Tuesday Lake Naivasha

After breakfast drive to the beautiful Lake Naivasha, arriving in time for lunch (350 km – approximately 5 hours). The rest of the day is at leisure, maybe take a dip in the pool, catch up on some reading, or just soak up the sun. Overnight: Lake Naivasha Country Club. (b,l,d)

Day 5 Wednesday Masai Mara

After an early breakfast depart for your journey to the Masai Mara Game Reserve (270 km – approximately 5 hours 30 minutes). Afternoon game drive. Overnight: Keekorok Lodge. (b,l,d)

Day 6 Thursday Masai Mara

Enjoy an early morning game drive followed by breakfast at the lodge, or take an early morning balloon flight over the Mara followed by a 'bubbly' bush breakfast (optional extra). Later take an afternoon game drive. Overnight: Keekorok Lodge. (b,l,d)

Day 7 Friday Extension or USA

Return to Nairobi (300 km – approximately 6 hours), or fly from the Mara to Nairobi: morning flight (from \$295); lunch in the Mara and afternoon flight (from \$420). Proceed with your chosen extension (see 'where next') or return to the USA. (b)

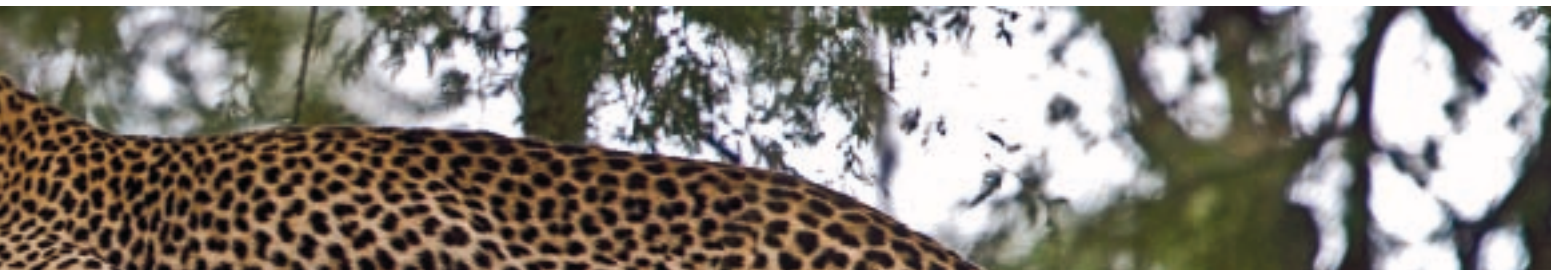
Alternatively, fly directly from the Mara to Mombasa, including lunch in the Mara (from \$575).

15kg luggage allowance on all light aircraft.

Where Next

Complement your Kili Safari with a beach stay on the Kenya Coast, Zanzibar, Seychelles or Mauritius. Gorilla trekking in Rwanda is a superb addition to a safari – see pages 92-93.





Lake Naivasha Country Club

Set in 30 acres of green lawns with acacia and pepper trees, this old colonial style property offers comfortable accommodation. The hotel offers a wonderful mix of tranquility in serene surroundings, and a varied number of sporting activities for both the energetic and the more laid back.

The main area includes a lounge with fireplace, bar and alfresco dining. Leisure facilities include a swimming pool, pool bar, snooker room and curio shop. There are 42 en suite rooms and 8 cottages.



Ol Tukai Lodge

Situated at the foot of Mount Kilimanjaro, the lodge is made of wood, local slate and stone, blending into the African savannah.

The lodge has a restaurant opening onto a verandah, a lounge and two bars. Leisure facilities include a swimming pool, table tennis, massage salon and a shop. A special children's menu and early supper is also available. The resident Masai will be glad to entertain your children with traditional folk stories whilst you enjoy a relaxing dinner. There are 80 rooms with en suite shower, telephone and safe.



Keekorok Lodge

One of the first lodges in the Masai Mara Game Reserve. There's always plenty of activity around the waterhole, but during the migration the lodge is enveloped by the swarming mass of animals.

Facilities include a main restaurant serving international and local delicacies, three bars including the Hippo Bar, a café and a TV lounge. Leisure facilities include an outdoor swimming pool.

There are 87 rooms, 10 chalets and 2 suites with en suite bath and private balcony.

Mara Ballooning Option from \$480



An exciting alternative to your morning game drive. Up before dawn and drive to the balloon launch site. Once the balloon is inflated, sail away on an exhilarating flight for about an hour. A 'bubbly' breakfast with all the trimmings is served where you touchdown.



Includes

- > 6 breakfasts, 5 lunches and 5 dinners
- > Guaranteed window seat

Ideal For

- > Families – a short itinerary packed with plenty of interest
- > Combining Amboseli and the Masai Mara
- > Stunning views of Mount Kilimanjaro (weather permitting)

Exclusive Safari Vehicles

per person supplement

Passengers	Premier	Standard	4x4
2	\$400	n/a	\$735
3	\$185	n/a	\$405
4	\$70	n/a	\$250
5	n/a	\$60	\$140
6	n/a	\$50	\$70

Kili Safari 6 Nights

Guide Prices From

February-April	\$1780
May-June	\$1510
July-October	\$1850
November	\$1590

Supplements

Single room and child prices on request. Prices are in US\$ per person based on two adults sharing twin accommodation. They are intended as a guide and will be confirmed at the time of booking.

Please see pages 108-109 for important safari information.

Thorn Tree Safari ☀☀☀☀

1 night Nairobi – 1 night Aberdares – 1 night Lake Naivasha – 2 nights Masai Mara

A popular short safari including the famous game viewing lodge, Treetops, and the world-famous game reserve, the Masai Mara. This five-night safari offers a wonderful combination of mountain scenery and plains dotted with game.

Relax in Nairobi or enjoy one of the many interesting excursions available.

Then onto the Aberdares, a picturesque park full of rich vegetation, clear streams, waterfalls and lakes, along with unique fauna and flora.

Travel to Lake Nakuru and Lake Naivasha where a multitude of bird species have been recorded. The fenced Lake Nakuru National Park provides sanctuary to one of the largest populations of rhinos in Kenya.

Finally, the Masai Mara, the most popular safari destination in Kenya, and the home of an amazing amount of wildlife. Here you have a great chance of seeing the 'big five' and herds of plains game.

Day 1 Monday Nairobi

Met at Nairobi airport and transferred to the Ole-Sereni Hotel for overnight.

Day 2 Tuesday Aberdares

After breakfast depart for lunch at the Outspan Hotel in the Aberdares (180 km – approximately 4 hours). Continue onto Treetops, the world renowned rustic tree house which is legendary for its historic royal connection. The rest of the afternoon is at leisure. Overnight: Treetops. (b,l,d)

Day 3 Wednesday Lake Nakuru–Lake Naivasha

Drive to Lake Nakuru (180 km – approximately 4 hours). Enjoy a game drive in Lake Nakuru National Park, sanctuary to one of the largest populations of rhinos in Kenya, plus Rothschild's giraffes, leopards and lions. After lunch at Lake Nakuru Lodge, continue your journey to Lake Naivasha (80 km – approximately 2 hours), where over 450 species of birds have been recorded. Overnight: Lake Naivasha Country Club. (b,l,d)

Day 4 Thursday Masai Mara

Drive to the magnificent Masai Mara (270 km – approximately 5 hours 30 minutes), home to countless animal species including the 'big five' and a multitude of plains game. Lunch at your lodge followed by an afternoon game drive. Overnight: Keekorok Lodge. (b,l,d)

Day 5 Friday Masai Mara

Enjoy an early morning game drive with further opportunities to see the superb wildlife, followed by breakfast at the lodge, or take an early morning balloon flight over the Mara followed by a 'bubbly' bush breakfast (optional extra). A second game drive will take place in the late afternoon. Overnight: Keekorok Lodge. (b,l,d)

Day 6 Saturday Extension or USA

Return to Nairobi (300 km – approximately 6 hours), or fly from the Mara to Nairobi: morning flight (from \$295); lunch in the Mara and afternoon flight (from \$420). Proceed with your chosen extension (see 'where next') or return to the USA. (b)

Alternatively, fly directly from the Mara to Mombasa, including lunch in the Mara (from \$575).

15kg luggage allowance on all light aircraft.

Where Next

Complement your Thorn Tree Safari with a beach stay on the Kenya Coast, Zanzibar, Seychelles or Mauritius. Gorilla trekking in Rwanda is a superb addition to a safari – see pages 92-93.





Lake Naivasha Country Club

Set in 30 acres of green lawns with acacia and pepper trees, this old colonial style property offers comfortable accommodation. The hotel offers a wonderful mix of tranquility in serene surroundings, and a varied number of sporting activities for both the energetic and the more laid back. The main area includes a lounge with fireplace, bar and alfresco dining. Leisure facilities include a swimming pool, pool bar, snooker room and curio shop. There are 42 en suite rooms and 8 cottages.



Treetops

In the magnificent Aberdare National Park, Treetops, the world-renowned rustic tree house, legendary for its historical royal connection, reopened in April 2012 following an extensive refurbishment program. The waterhole is visited by many animals including elephants, rhinos and buffaloes, which can be viewed from the rooms and viewing platforms. Facilities include a restaurant, lounge and two bars. 33 en suite rooms and 3 suites, each with a bathroom including a bathtub with shower. Suites are spacious with an extended sitting area.



Keekorok Lodge

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Includes

- > 5 breakfasts, 4 lunches and 4 dinners
- > Guaranteed window seat

Exclusive Safari Vehicles

per person supplement

Passengers	Premier	Standard	4x4
2	\$330	n/a	\$605
3	\$155	n/a	\$330
4	\$65	n/a	\$200
5	n/a	\$55	\$115
6	n/a	\$45	\$65

Thorn Tree Safari 5 Nights

Guide Prices From

February-April	\$1510
May-June	\$1340
July-October	\$1600
November	\$1420

Supplements

Single room and child prices on request. Children under 8 are not permitted on this safari.

Prices are in US\$ per person based on two adults sharing twin accommodation. They are intended as a guide and will be confirmed at the time of booking.

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Masai Mara

Masai Mara Ecosystem

One of the most popular destinations in Kenya is the Masai Mara Ecosystem which offers amazing scenery and an abundance of wildlife including the 'big five'. The 370,00 acre ecosystem is an extension of Tanzania's Serengeti National Park, and being unfenced, wildlife can roam freely between the two countries.

There are lots of opportunities to spot a variety of wildlife all year round, but an amazing natural spectacle that many visitors are fortunate enough to see is the Great Migration. Thousands of wildebeest and zebras make the annual journey across the Kenya and Tanzania border, to cross the Mara River.

The Masai Mara Ecosystem is divided into several areas which include:

The Masai Mara National Reserve

The Reserve borders with Tanzania and is the key place to view the world-famous wildebeest migration. The Mara River running north to south through the reserve separates the west area of the reserve, known as the Mara Triangle, from the east. These two areas have separate entrance fees and are administered differently, so if you want to visit both areas you may be required to pay an additional entrance fee. The area has an amazing concentration of wildlife, particularly when the migratory wildebeest and zebras are grazing on the lush plains from June to October (exact timings are dependent on rainfall). There are a number of lodges and camps to choose from when staying in the Mara, with some in key locations along the Mara River, close to known migration crossing points.

The Masai Mara & Private Conservancies

Surrounding the Masai Mara National Reserve are a number of private conservancies of varying sizes. Some of the conservancies place limits on the number of beds and restrict access to only guests of the lodges and camps. They offer guided bush walks and night game drives, all of which contribute to an unrivaled safari experience.

We offer accommodation in three key private conservancies:

Mara North Conservancy

Covering 79,073 acres, this conservancy borders part of the Masai Mara National Reserve and is a beautiful wilderness area with rich vegetation and open savannah. The conservancy is a partnership between camps and Masai landowners who continue to live within this area with their homesteads and livestock. This partnership ensures that visitors to the area receive an exclusive safari experience with low vehicle density game drives.

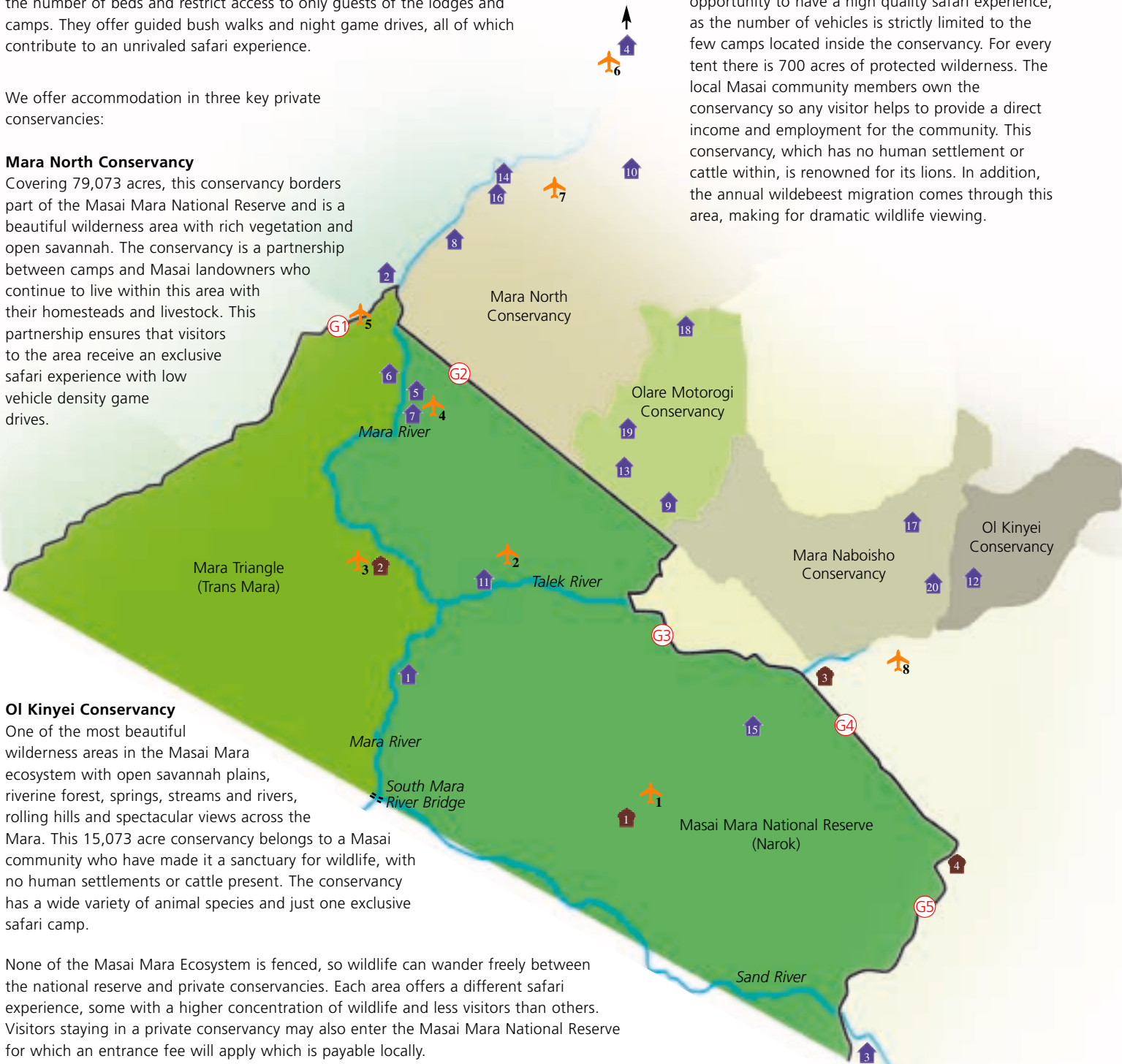
Oi Kinyei Conservancy

One of the most beautiful wilderness areas in the Masai Mara ecosystem with open savannah plains, riverine forest, springs, streams and rivers, rolling hills and spectacular views across the Mara. This 15,073 acre conservancy belongs to a Masai community who have made it a sanctuary for wildlife, with no human settlements or cattle present. The conservancy has a wide variety of animal species and just one exclusive safari camp.

None of the Masai Mara Ecosystem is fenced, so wildlife can wander freely between the national reserve and private conservancies. Each area offers a different safari experience, some with a higher concentration of wildlife and less visitors than others. Visitors staying in a private conservancy may also enter the Masai Mara National Reserve for which an entrance fee will apply which is payable locally.

Olare Motorogi Conservancy

This expansive 32,123 acre area offers visitors the opportunity to have a high quality safari experience, as the number of vehicles is strictly limited to the few camps located inside the conservancy. For every tent there is 700 acres of protected wilderness. The local Masai community members own the conservancy so any visitor helps to provide a direct income and employment for the community. This conservancy, which has no human settlement or cattle within, is renowned for its lions. In addition, the annual wildebeest migration comes through this area, making for dramatic wildlife viewing.



Camps

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| 1 Ashnil Mara Camp | 11 Mara Intrepids Camp |
| 2 Beyond Bateleur Camp | 12 Porini Mara Camp |
| 3 Cottars 1920s Safari Camp | 13 Porini Lion Camp |
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Lodges

- 1 Keekorok Lodge
- 2 Mara Serena Safari Lodge
- 3 Mara Simba Lodge
- 4 Mara Sopa Lodge

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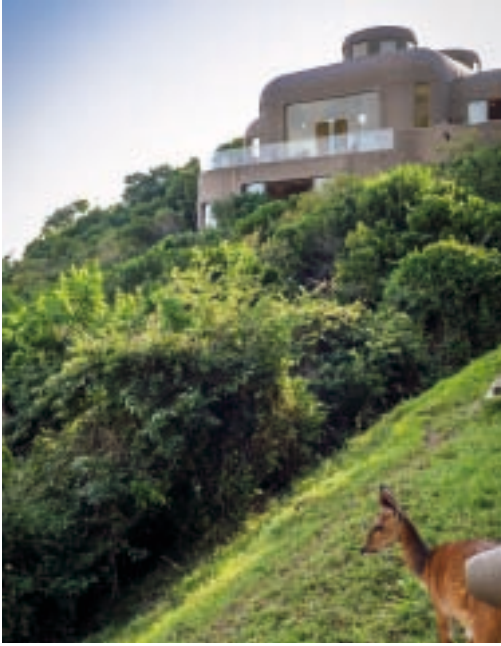
- 1 Oloololo Gate
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Map and locations are approximate and are not intended to be definitive.



Mara Serena Lodge, Ashnil Mara Camp, Mara Intrepids

Masai Mara

Mara Serena Lodge

The Serena lodge is set high on a bush-cloaked hill, embraced by arcing vistas and washed by a sea of richly rolling grasslands. The lodge stands center-stage to one of Africa's most dramatic wildlife arenas and has a ringside seat for the greatest wildlife show on earth, the legendary migration of the wildebeest. The Mara Serena Safari Lodge benefitted from an extensive refurbishment to the public areas in 2013. These include the arrival lobby, reception, gift shop, bar lounge, terrace and the Maisha Spa & Gym. The dining area has been expanded to incorporate the bar, a new coffee station and lounge, plus a terrace and courtyard have been created.

Facilities: Offers a restaurant serving sumptuous international cuisine, buffets and barbecues alongside authentic African dishes, a lounge and bar. Leisure facilities include a swimming pool, game drives, hot air balloon flights, massage and Masai dancing.

Accommodation: 74 guest rooms with en suite bathrooms and private balcony (2 adults and 1 child).

Board Basis: Breakfast, lunch and dinner included.

Prices from \$455 per person per night.

Ashnil Mara Camp

Welcome to Ashnil Mara Camp, perfectly positioned at the confluence of the Mara and Olkeju Rivers in the Masai Mara National Reserve. This camp offers discerning travelers 44 superb tents which sit alongside the riverbank and offer luxurious accommodation. This is an unrivaled position for wildlife spotting, and is close to the action during the annual wildebeest migration. The lodge is located within the world-famous Masai Mara Game Reserve.

Facilities: The restaurant serves buffet meals, while the open-air bar serves a wide selection of beers, cocktails and liqueurs. There is a modern lounge decorated with a special African touch. This is a great place to pass time and relax. In the evenings, enjoy the breathtaking sunset and discuss the day's wildlife sightings. There is a beautiful, inviting swimming pool and a souvenir shop.

Accommodation: 44 twin/double tents which are beautifully designed and carefully crafted, with shower, wc and a safe.

Board Basis: Breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Prices from \$250 per person per night.

Mara Intrepids

Sitting above a sweeping bend in the Talek River, at the convergence of the Masai Mara's four game viewing areas, the camp enjoys one of the most spectacular locations in the world's best-known wilderness. The camp 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. Situated in the center of the Masai Mara National Reserve, on the banks of the Talek River, near one of the major wildlife migration crossings.

Facilities: Offers a restaurant serving classic cuisine and an elevated game viewing platform with drinks service. Leisure facilities include a freeform swimming pool with sunbathing terrace, kids' club, bush boutique with souvenirs and safari essentials, star gazing with a resident expert, game drives, cultural tours of neighbouring Masai villages, dawn hot air balloon safaris, fishing trips to Lake Victoria and lectures and slide shows on culture and wildlife.

Accommodation: 30 elegant tents spread over a large riverside site with modern en suite bathrooms with hot showers (2 adults and 1 child). Two family units (two tents adjoined by a living area).

Board Basis: Breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Prices from \$300 per person per night.



&Beyond Bateleur Camp, Royal Mara Safari Lodge, Karen Blixen Camp

Masai Mara Private Conservancies

&Beyond Bateleur Camp CONNOISSEUR COLLECTION

Set on the fringes of a riverine forest, overlooking the vast, game-filled plains of the Mara, this tented camp offers world-class style in the African bush. In addition to an excellent year-round concentration of animals, the camp lies directly in the path of Africa's spectacular Great Migration of hundreds of thousands of wildebeest and zebra from the Serengeti, Tanzania, to the Masai Mara in Kenya. This is indeed nature at her most theatrical, offering an unsurpassed African wildlife experience. Situated at the foot of the Oolololo Escarpment on the western border of the Masai Mara Reserve in southwestern Kenya.

Facilities: A private butler will serve delicious Pan-African cuisine in the dining area, on the verandah or in a romantic setting under the stars. Bush breakfasts, sundowners and candlelit dinners offer an unforgettable experience of the African bush. Leisure facilities include a lap pool, curio shop, game drives, night game drives, guided nature walks, Masai community visits and lectures and hot-air ballooning.

Accommodation: 18 tents, 9 in each intimate camp, with showers and private decks.

Board Basis: Breakfast, lunch, dinner, soft drinks, house wines, local brand spirits, beers, teas & coffees and laundry.

Prices from \$1370 per person per night.

Royal Mara Safari Lodge ⚙️⚙️⚙️⚙️

This superb lodge, in a spectacular location, just outside the Masai Mara Game Reserve, in Koyiaki Group Ranch, is directly on the wildebeest migration route, near the two most famous Mara River crossing points. The area plays host to herds of elephants, buffaloes and giraffes, plus prides of lions and the wallowing hippos at 'Hippo Bend Lagoon'. Royal Mara guests are spoilt as they sunbathe on the open verandah in chaises longues or dine on delicious haute cuisine along the riverfront, whilst watching the hippos wallow in the water. On the banks of the Mara River, in the northwest of the Masai Mara ecosystem.

Facilities: Offers fine food in the dining area and varied wildlife dining arrangements plus in-suite dining. High quality meals and all bakery items and desserts are prepared daily. Activities include game drives in 4WD vehicles, escorted walking safaris, wildlife viewing in the camp grounds, Masai village excursions and school visits.

Accommodation: 8 luxury riverfront suites (3 adults) which are positioned on raised wooden decks with protective railings (hippos sometimes graze between the suites after sundown). All suites have hand-carved king-size or double beds, carved desks, dining table, en suite bathroom with shower, mini bar, electronic safe, lounge area and verandah with chaise longue. The tent canvas wall frontage can be opened completely to afford a spectacular open river view.

Board Basis: Breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Prices from \$400 per person per night.

Karen Blixen Camp ⚙️⚙️⚙️⚙️

Offering an authentic 'yesteryear' experience for visitors wishing to gain that little extra from their safari. Set on the banks of the Mara River where zebras, elephants and hippos come to drink throughout the day. Long gone are the days when staying in a tented camp meant roughing it. You will find that the Karen Blixen Camp experience is a step back in time with the luxury of today. Situated on the border of the Masai Mara Reserve, with the great Mara plains behind the camp and the impressive escarpment and Mara River in front.

Facilities: Offers a restaurant and bar. Leisure facilities include a swimming pool, wellness treatments by the resident masseuse, plus day and night game drives.

Accommodation: 22 spacious tents (2 adults and 2 children) set on large mahogany platforms – each with outdoor shower and verandah on which you can enjoy an afternoon siesta or take in the wonderful surroundings. The tents are comfortably furnished for the ultimate in camping luxury. 19 tents are placed along the riverbank, and 3 are on raised platforms offering incredible views of the area.

Board Basis: Breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Prices from \$420 per person per night.



Top: Ashnil Samburu Camp, Saruni Samburu. Bottom: Larsens Camp, Elephant Bedroom

Samburu

Ashnil Samburu Camp ⚙️⚙️⚙️⚙️⚙️

In a perfect position on the river bank, this camp is a wonderful choice for your stay in Kenya. Set south of Ewaso Nyiro River, in Buffalo Springs Game Reserve, Samburu; a stay here gives you unrivalled access to game viewing. The camp is home to just 30 luxury tents, all circular, and carefully spread throughout the lush ground. A lovely pool is a welcome place to cool off. By day there are guided walks, and to relax there is a massage tent and sundowners are offered at night.

Facilities: Offers a restaurant, bar and a verandah deck overlooking the river. Leisure facilities include an outdoor pool, guided nature walks and massages.

Accommodation: 30 twin/double tents with fan, private shower room, safe and terrace.

Board Basis: Breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Prices from \$250 per person per night.

Saruni Samburu ⚙️⚙️⚙️⚙️⚙️

A beautiful, small property surrounded by 95,000 hectares of private wildlife conservancy, and perched on top of a spectacular viewpoint. Situated in the Kalama Wildlife Conservancy, bordering the Samburu National Reserve.

Facilities: Offers private dining, bush meals and sundowners. Leisure facilities include a swimming pool, day and night game drives, guided bush walks, cultural visits, and Samburu Wellbeing Space. The 'Warrior for the Week' program must be booked prior to departure, and provides children with the opportunity to learn bush crafts and Samburu traditions. Drawing safaris must also be booked prior to departure and are led by professional artists, to picturesque locations.

Accommodation: There are 4 houses, 2 of which are family houses, and 2 are 1 bedroom houses. All houses are spacious with en suite bathroom, dressing room, seating/dining area.

Board Basis: Breakfast, lunch, dinner, soft drinks, beers and house wines included.

Prices from \$845 per person per night.

Larsens Camp ⚙️⚙️⚙️⚙️⚙️

Larsens Camp, a member of Small Luxury Hotels of the World, is set on the banks of the Ewaso Nyiro River. It is a boutique tented camp with casual colonial elegance and a surprising degree of comfort. Situated on the banks of the Ewaso Nyiro River in Samburu National Reserve, and on the border of the old Northern Frontier Province.

Facilities: Offers a dining room serving sumptuous dinners, a river front deck for breakfast and lunch and a bar lounge. Leisure facilities include a swimming pool, jacuzzi, game drives, samburu dancing, bird walks, Eseriani Spa and a gift shop.

Accommodation: 20 airy tents decorated in chic style, with en suite bathroom with a shower (2 adults and 1 child).

Board Basis: Breakfast, lunch and dinner included.

Prices from \$480 per person per night.

Elephant Bedroom ⚙️⚙️⚙️⚙️⚙️

Surrounded by doum palms and other beautiful indigenous trees and shrubs, sits this small and exclusive camp, all furnished in rustic African style while offering all the comforts expected of a luxury camp. Huge herds of elephants, prides of lions or the solitary leopard, amongst other game, are regular visitors around the camp providing excellent game viewing in a spectacular scenic background of rugged rolling hills. Set on the banks of the Ewaso Nyiro River in Samburu National Reserve.

Facilities: Offers a dining area and lounge serving alfresco breakfasts, candlelit gourmet dinners set either under the African sky or inside the well appointed dining area. Leisure facilities include game drives, bush walking safari, lecture by Samburu naturalist, sundowners, bush breakfast and bush lunch.

Accommodation: 12 tents with en suite bathroom and large verandah (2 adults and 1 child).

Board Basis: Breakfast, lunch, dinner and afternoon tea/coffee included. Drinks package available at a supplement.

Prices from \$650 per person per night.



Tortilis Camp, Amboseli Serena Lodge, Ol Tukai Lodge

Amboseli

Tortilis Camp ⚙⚙⚙⚙⚙

Tortilis Camp is named after the tortilis acacia tree and is a charming rustic tented camp built into the side of a hill, facing the foothills of Africa's highest mountain, Kilimanjaro. The friendly staff, drawn from the local Masai community, are dedicated to offering a truly memorable stay. Game drives, guided bush walks, bush meals and sundowners are conducted both inside the park and within a private 30,000 acre game concession. Situated on the edge of Amboseli National Game Reserve, on the southern border of Kenya, renowned for having the best views of Mount Kilimanjaro.

Facilities: Offers a spacious dining room, bush breakfasts, hilltop sundowners and delicious recipes taken from the family cookbook and served with fresh salads and herbs grown in the camp. Leisure facilities include a swimming pool, game drives, bush walks and massages.

Accommodation: 16 spacious tents with king or twin beds, each with an en elegant en suite bathroom with shower, and a large verandah (2 adults and 1 child). There is also a family tent with a large verandah, which has 1 double en suite bedroom and 1 twin en suite bedroom, both of which can fit one extra bed for children under the age of 16 years.

Board Basis: Breakfast, lunch, afternoon tea with homemade cakes/biscuits and dinner.

Prices from \$600 per person per night.

Amboseli Serena Lodge ⚙⚙⚙⚙⚙

The lodge is framed against the glorious backdrop of the snow-capped peaks of Mount Kilimanjaro and surrounded by miles of rolling grasslands, patrolled by vast herds of elephants. Secluded within a grove of acacia trees, the lodge looks out over the golden savannah plains, with uninterrupted views of the mountain. Close by are a series of emerald green swamps, which are fed by the melting snows of Kilimanjaro. With very few other sources of water in this otherwise starkly beautiful but arid park, they attract huge numbers of elephants, hippos, buffalos and plains game.

Facilities: The central dining area, offering international cuisine, buffets and barbeques, is reached by a timbered bridge over a melt-water stream, while the lounge and bar feature a broad terrace and a blazing fire-pit where evening cocktails can be enjoyed. At the heart of the lodge, is a free-form swimming pool; to either side of which stretch the rooms. Leisure facilities include game drives, sundowners, traditional feasts and tribal dancing. There is a gift shop where souvenirs can be purchased. Board Games and a library of Africana books are also available. Guided nature walks or bird-watching walks can be arranged, as can visits to local Masai villages with the chance to buy Masai handicrafts.

Accommodation: 92 air-conditioned rooms with bath/shower facilities (2 adults and 1 child). Family rooms and suites are also available. Each room is housed in a single story building opening directly on to the grounds, each reflecting a Masai manyatta theme with hand-painted wall frescos.

Board Basis: Breakfast, lunch and dinner included.

Prices from \$385 per person per night.

Ol Tukai Lodge ⚙⚙⚙⚙⚙

Lying at the foot of Mount Kilimanjaro, among yellow barked acacia trees and cream slate, this lodge blends perfectly into the African savannah and is in a marvellous spot for elephant watching. Constructed in true Masai style, the architecture is unobtrusive with lots of wood, local slate and stone.

Facilities: The restaurant opens onto a verandah, and on most days elephants, zebras and buffaloes can be spotted meters away from the fence whilst you eat your meal. Theme nights are held throughout the week and include barbecues and Swahili fish menus. Indian and vegetarian meals are also a speciality. There is a Pool Bar, an open-air Elephant Bar above which is a roof level deck offering a splendid panorama of the marshlands and Mount Kilimanjaro. Leisure facilities include a swimming pool with pool deck, table tennis, a selection of board games and a massage salon.

Accommodation: 80 luxury twin rooms with terraces and views of the wetlands or Mount Kilimanjaro. All rooms have en suite shower, telephone & safe. The exclusive Kibo Villa is also available, a self-contained log cabin with three luxurious en suite rooms, roof terrace and jacuzzi. Children are welcome at Ol Tukai. Most bedrooms can accommodate an extra bed and baby cots are available on request. A special children's menu and early supper is also available. Our resident Masai will be glad to entertain your children with traditional folk stories whilst you enjoy a relaxing dinner.

Board Basis: Breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Prices from \$300 per person per night.

Flying Safaris

Masai Mara, Samburu

Flying safaris are a superb way to combine different game parks without losing too much time traveling. They are flexible itineraries which allow you to depart on any day of the week, choose your destinations and favorite accommodation and stay for as long as you wish.

This flying safari offers an incredible journey incorporating the more remote parts of Samburu and the world-famous plains of the Masai Mara. The six-night itinerary begins in Samburu National Reserve, home to some of the most unique wildlife in Kenya and a host of birds. The Masai Mara offers plenty of opportunities to spot plains game and the 'big five'.

Out of Africa

Day 1 Daily Nairobi

Met at Nairobi airport and transferred to your accommodation. Relax in Nairobi or enjoy one of the many interesting excursions available. Overnight at your chosen accommodation.

Day 2 Samburu

Transfer to Wilson airport and fly by light aircraft to Samburu (approximately 1 hour 15 minutes) and transfer to your accommodation. After lunch enjoy a late afternoon game drive in Samburu National Reserve, where the rugged landscape is home to the colorful Samburu people. The reserve is also home to a myriad wildlife including species rarely seen elsewhere. Overnight at your chosen accommodation. (b, l, d)

Days 3–4 Samburu

Enjoy two further days with morning and afternoon game drives with time to relax in between, or enjoy some of the optional activities on offer. Overnight at your chosen accommodation. (b, l, d)

Day 5 Masai Mara

After an early breakfast fly to the magnificent Masai Mara (approximately 1 hour 30 minutes). The Mara is the most popular safari destination in Kenya for very good

reason; an abundance of game and the 'big five' roam the plains. Afternoon game drive. Overnight at your chosen accommodation. (b, l, d)

Days 6–7 Masai Mara

Two further days with more game drives in this amazing world-famous game reserve. Overnight at your chosen accommodation. (b, l, d)

Day 8 Extension or USA

Fly to Nairobi in the morning (approximately 1 hour). Or lunch in the Mara, then an afternoon flight (from \$150). Proceed with your chosen extension (see 'where next') or return to the USA.

Alternatively, enjoy lunch in the Mara and then fly to Mombasa (from \$415) and transfer to your chosen beach hotel. (b)

15 kg luggage allowance on all light aircraft.

Where Next

Complement your Flying Safari with a beach stay on the Kenya Coast, Zanzibar, Seychelles or Mauritius. Gorilla trekking in Rwanda is a superb addition to a safari – see pages 92-93.

For a full selection of accommodation see our website www.somak.com/usa





Flying Mara

Day 1 Daily Nairobi

Met at Nairobi airport and transferred to your accommodation. Relax in Nairobi or enjoy one of the many interesting excursions available. Overnight at your chosen accommodation.

Day 2 Masai Mara

Transfer to Wilson airport and fly by light aircraft to the Masai Mara (approximately 1 hour) and transfer to your lodge or camp. After lunch enjoy a late afternoon game drive. Overnight at your chosen accommodation. (b,l,d)

Days 3–4 Masai Mara

Enjoy two further days with morning and afternoon game drives. Overnight at your chosen accommodation. (b,l,d)

Day 5 Extension or USA

Fly to Nairobi in the morning (approximately 1 hour). Or lunch in the Mara, then an afternoon flight (from \$150). Proceed with your chosen extension (see 'where next') or return to the USA. Alternatively, enjoy lunch in the Mara and then fly to Mombasa (from \$415) and transfer to your chosen beach hotel. (b)

Flying Samburu

Day 1 Daily Nairobi

Met at Nairobi airport and transferred to your accommodation. Relax in Nairobi or enjoy one of the many interesting excursions available. Overnight at your chosen accommodation.

Day 2 Samburu

Transfer to Wilson airport and fly by light aircraft to Samburu (approximately 1 hour 15 minutes). Transfer to your lodge or camp. Relax after lunch, then embark on a late afternoon game drive. Overnight at your chosen accommodation. (l,d)

Days 3–4 Samburu

Two further days with morning and afternoon game drives with time to relax in between. Overnight at your chosen accommodation. (b,l,d)

Day 5 Extension or USA

Fly by light aircraft to Nairobi (approximately 1 hour 15 minutes). Proceed with your chosen extension (see 'where next') or return to the USA. (b)

Includes

- > Breakfasts, lunches and dinners as shown
- > Game drives in 4-wheel drive vehicle
- > Flights by light aircraft

Ideal for

- > Keeping traveling time to a minimum
- > Spotting unique wildlife and a variety of birds

Luggage allowance is strictly 15kg on all light aircraft.

Out of Africa 7 Nights

1 Night Ole Sereni, 3 Nights Ashnil Samburu Camp, 3 Nights Ashnil Mara Camp

Guide Prices From

February-June	\$2705
July-October	\$3850
November	\$2850



Mara Ballooning Option from \$480

An exciting alternative to your morning game drive. Up before dawn and drive to the balloon launch site. Once the balloon is inflated, sail away on an exhilarating flight for about an hour. A 'bubbly' breakfast with all the trimmings is served where you touchdown.

Flying Mara 4 Nights

1 Night Ole Sereni, 3 Nights Ashnil Mara Camp

Guide Prices From

February-June	\$1380
July-October	\$1995
November	\$1380

Flying Samburu 4 Nights

1 Night Ole Sereni, 3 Nights Ashnil Samburu Camp

Guide Prices From

February-June	\$1400
July-October	\$1895
November	\$1400

Supplements

Single room and child prices on request.

Prices are in US\$ per person based on two adults sharing twin accommodation. They are intended as a guide and will be confirmed at the time of booking.

Please see pages 108-109 for important safari information.



Heritage Flying Safari ☀☀☀☀☀

1 night Nairobi – 2 nights Samburu – 2 nights Lake Naivasha – 2 nights Masai Mara



Intrepids camps offer a unique combination of stunning views, superb accommodation, and fantastic game viewing adventures. With expert safari guides and an array of cultural, sporting and family activities, it's a great choice for a family safari. This itinerary is fully flexible and the number of days at each location can be changed.

Samburu Intrepids is renowned as a pioneer of luxury camping and is situated on the banks of the Uwaso Nyiro River. The acclaimed Adventurers' Club offers a uniquely educational safari experience for children.

Perched on the Eburu escarpment, overlooking the sparkling waters of Lake Naivasha and the sweeping floor of the world's largest valley, the Great Rift Valley Lodge and Golf Resort enjoys incredible views and also offers an Adventurers' Club for children.

The Mara Intrepids enjoys one of the most spectacular locations in the Mara and also has an Adventurers' Club for children.

Day 1 Daily Nairobi

Met at Nairobi airport and transferred to your accommodation for a day at leisure or choose from a selection of optional excursions. Overnight: Nairobi Serena Hotel.

Day 2 Samburu

After an early breakfast fly to the Samburu National Reserve (approximately 1 hour) and enjoy lunch at your lodge before a late afternoon game drive. Overnight: Samburu Intrepids. (b,l,d)

Day 3 Samburu

Early morning and late afternoon game drives. Overnight: Samburu Intrepids. (b,l,d)

Day 4 Lake Naivasha

After breakfast fly to Wilson airport (approximately 1 hour 10 minutes). Enjoy a picnic lunch. Fly to Naivasha Loldia airstrip, Lake Naivasha (approximately 20 minutes) and transfer to your lodge. Overnight: Great Rift Valley Lodge and Golf Resort. (b,l,d)

Day 5 Lake Naivasha

Following breakfast, enjoy a half-day trip to Lake Nakuru National Park. The afternoon is spent at leisure to enjoy the optional activities at the lodge, including boating and fishing on Lake Naivasha, tennis, a driving range and an 18-hole golf course (book and pay locally). Overnight: Great Rift Valley Lodge and Golf Resort. (b,l,d)

Day 6 Masai Mara

This morning enjoy a boat trip on Lake Naivasha. After lunch transfer to the airstrip for a light aircraft flight to the Masai Mara (approximately 40 minutes). On arrival enjoy an afternoon game drive. Overnight: Mara Intrepids. (b,l,d)

Day 7 Masai Mara

Enjoy an early morning game drive followed by breakfast, or an early morning balloon flight over the Mara followed by a 'bubbly' bush breakfast (optional extra). Late afternoon game drive. Overnight: Mara Intrepids. (b,l,d)

Day 8 Extension or USA

Fly by light aircraft in the morning to Nairobi (approximately 1 hour) or on the afternoon flight, including lunch in the Mara \$150. Proceed with your chosen extension (see 'where next') or return to the USA. (b)

Alternatively, fly directly from the Mara to Mombasa, including lunch in the Mara \$415.

15 kg luggage allowance on all light aircraft.

Where Next

Complement your Heritage Flying Safari with a beach stay on the Kenya Coast, Zanzibar or Mauritius. Gorilla trekking in Rwanda is a superb addition to a safari – see pages 92-93.





Great Rift Valley Lodge & Golf Resort

The lodge, built around an 18-hole golf course, offers spectacular views. It is perched on the panoramic shoulder of the Eburu escarpment, overlooking the sparkling waters of Lake Naivasha. Facilities include dining on the clubhouse terraces, two bars, a lounge and bush breakfasts and sundowners. Leisure facilities include a swimming pool, tennis court and bush walks. The 30 lodge rooms have en suite bathrooms. The resort also features 40 three-tier three-bedroomed villas.



Samburu Intrepids

A luxurious tented camp perched on the banks of the Ewaso Nyiro River in Samburu. Facilities include a riverfront dining deck, bush breakfasts and dinners, romantic sundowners and open-air lounge area. Leisure facilities include swimming pool with sunbathing terrace, star gazing, camel and walking safaris. Each of the 30 modern tents has an en suite bathroom.



Mara Intrepids

Just a short drive from the Mara River and sitting above a sweeping bend in the Talek River, the camp enjoys one of the most spectacular locations in the Masai Mara. Leisure facilities include a freeform swimming pool with sunbathing terrace, and star gazing with a resident expert guide. 30 elegant tents with modern en suite bathrooms are spread over the riverside site.

Mara Ballooning Option from \$480



An exciting alternative to your morning game drive. Up before dawn and drive to the balloon launch site. Once the balloon is inflated, sail away on an exhilarating flight for about an hour. A 'bubbly' breakfast with all the trimmings is served where you touchdown.



Families

Families enjoy very special holidays at Intrepids safari lodges and camps. Kids' and teens' safari clubs are available, offering educational programs for children of all ages, run by highly trained children's guides. Each property has a fully equipped Adventure Center, with interactive displays on local animals and habitats and on local communities and their cultures.

The Adventurers' Club offers all children between the ages of 4 and 11 a unique close encounter with the African wilderness.

The Young Rangers Club is for children aged 12 – 17 wishing to experience the African wilderness and learn from qualified guides.

The clubs provide amazing opportunities for children of all ages to experience nature whilst being in the care of staff with specialist training.

Includes

- > 7 breakfasts, 6 lunches and 6 dinners
- > Boat trip on Lake Naivasha
- > Game drives in 4-wheel drive vehicle
- > Guaranteed window seat

Heritage Flying Safari 7 Nights

Guide Prices From

February-April	\$3520
May-June	\$2930
July-October	\$4225
November	\$3520

Supplements

Single room and child prices on request.

Prices are in US\$ per person based on two adults sharing twin accommodation. They are intended as a guide and will be confirmed at the time of booking.

Please see pages 108-109 for important safari information.

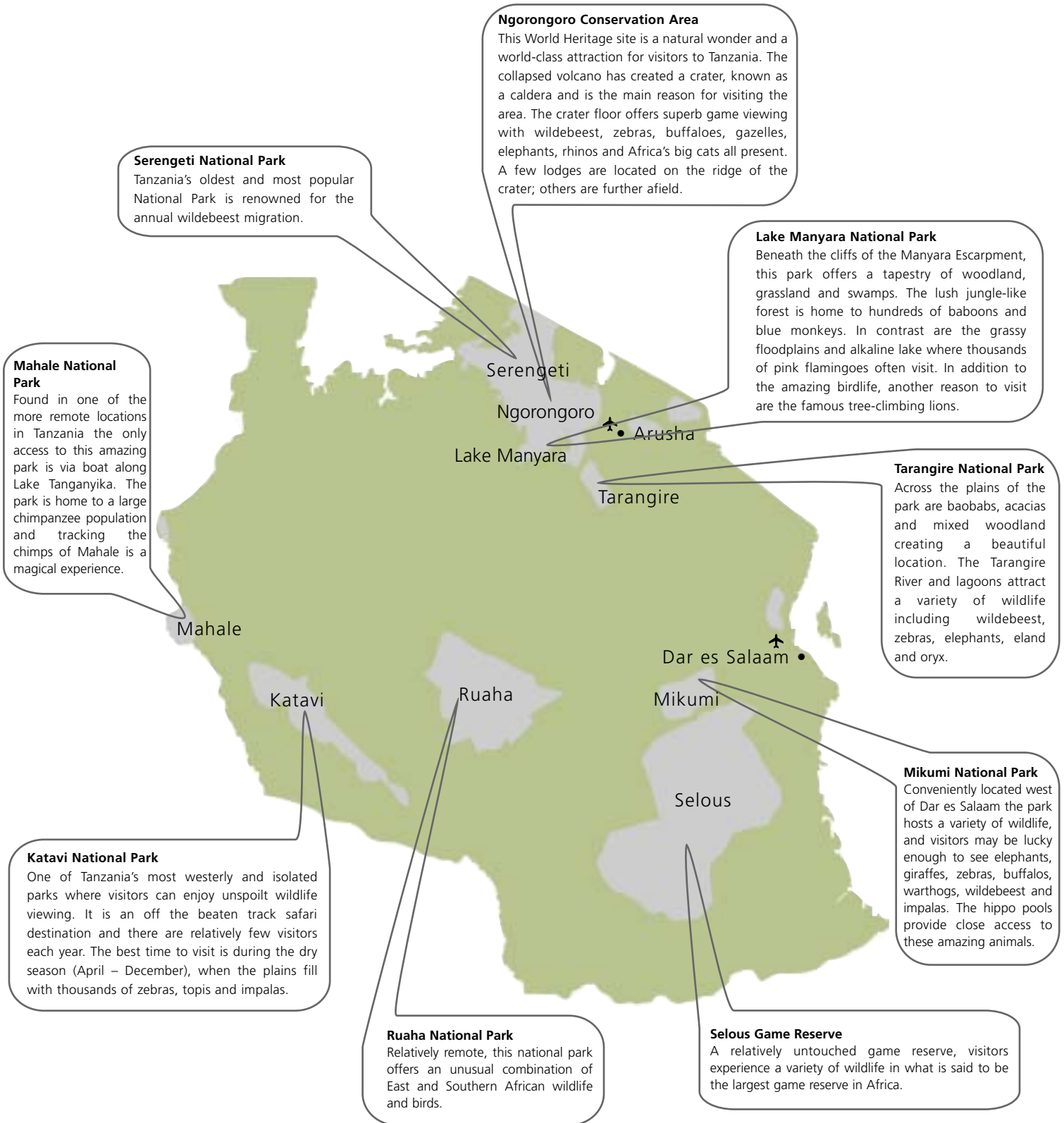


Tanzania

A vast country blessed with big game, idyllic beaches and Africa's highest mountain, Mount Kilimanjaro. The annual wildebeest migration crosses the Serengeti in the north, and in the south is the vast wilderness of Selous. Zanzibar offers tranquil beaches and the warm waters of the Indian Ocean.



Tanzania Game Parks



Map locations are approximate and are not intended to be definitive.

The Great Migration ☀☀☀☀☀

8 nights Kenya – 6 nights Tanzania

This magnificent tour combines a popular safari in Kenya with one of our best selling safaris in Tanzania. It includes key areas of the migration path between the Serengeti and the Masai Mara, and you may even be lucky enough to witness one of nature's great events, the Great Wildebeest Migration.

Day 1 Sunday Nairobi

Met at Nairobi airport and transferred to the Ole-Sereni Hotel for overnight.

Day 2 Monday Aberdares

After breakfast depart for the Aberdares (180 km – approximately 4 hours). Arrive in time for lunch and spend the afternoon relaxing, or on a nature walk with the resident naturalist (weather permitting). Overnight: Aberdare Country Club. (b,l,d)

Day 3 Tuesday Samburu

Drive north across the equator to the Samburu National Reserve (190 km – approximately 4 hours). Lunch. Afternoon game drive. Overnight: Ashnil Samburu Camp. (b,l,d)

Day 4 Wednesday Samburu

Morning and late afternoon game drives in this open savannah which is traversed by the Ewaso Nyiro River. Overnight: Ashnil Samburu Camp. (b,l,d)

Day 5 Thursday 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. (b,l,d)

Day 6 Friday Lake Nakuru–Lake Naivasha

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

Day 7 Saturday Masai Mara

Drive to the Masai Mara (320 km – approximately 5 hours 30 minutes). Arrive in time for lunch followed by an afternoon game drive. Overnight: Ashnil Mara Camp. (b,l,d)

Day 8 Sunday 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. (b,l,d)

Day 9 Monday Arusha

Drive to Nairobi for lunch (360 km – approximately 6 hours), or fly by light aircraft to Nairobi (from \$295, 15kg luggage allowance). Transfer to Nairobi airport for an evening flight to Kilimanjaro. Transfer to Serena Mountain Village for dinner and overnight. (b,l,d)

Day 10 Tuesday Lake Manyara

After breakfast drive to Lake Manyara National Park, famous for its tree-climbing lions (150 km – approximately 2 hours 30 minutes). Your lodge commands panoramic views across the floor of the Great Rift Valley. Here you have time to relax before an afternoon game drive. Overnight: Lake Manyara Serena Lodge. (b,l,d)

Day 11 Wednesday Serengeti

Drive to the world-famous Serengeti National Park with game viewing en route (235 km – approximately 5 hours). Overnight: Serengeti Serena Lodge. (b,l,d)

Day 12 Thursday Serengeti

Enjoy an early morning game drive followed by breakfast at the lodge. Or take an early morning balloon flight over the Serengeti followed by a 'bubbly' bush breakfast (optional extra). Later enjoy an afternoon game drive. Overnight: Serengeti Serena Lodge. (b,l,d)

Day 13 Friday Ngorongoro

Drive to the Ngorongoro Crater via Olduvai Gorge (200 km – approximately 4 hours). Lunch at your lodge which is perched on the jagged rim of the Crater. The afternoon is at leisure. Overnight: Ngorongoro Serena Lodge. (b,l,d)

Day 14 Saturday Ngorongoro

Drive down into the Crater for a half-day of game viewing. This extinct volcano plays host to wildebeest, zebras, buffaloes, gazelles, elephants, rhinos and big cats. Visit a local Masai village (time permitting). Overnight: Ngorongoro Serena Lodge. (b,l,d)

Day 15 Sunday Extension or USA

Return to Arusha (200 km – approximately 3 hours 30 minutes). Lunch at a local restaurant. Transfer to the airport for your flight to Nairobi. Proceed with your chosen extension (see 'where next') or return to the USA. (b,l)

Alternatively, there is the option to fly from Arusha to Zanzibar for your beach extension (from \$465).

15 kg luggage allowance on all light aircraft.

Where Next

Complement your Great Migration Safari with a beach stay on the Kenya Coast, Zanzibar, Seychelles or Mauritius. Gorilla trekking in Rwanda is a superb addition to a safari – see pages 92-93.





Lake Manyara Serena Lodge

A unique lodge situated on the bluff of a dramatic ochre and terracotta streaked cliff. The lodge has a dining room and swimming pool and offers game drives, canoeing, boat trips, visits to a local village and day trips to nearby Ngorongoro Crater. The 67 rooms all have an en suite bathroom and a verandah.



Ngorongoro Serena Lodge

Perched on the rim of the crater this architectural masterpiece blends with the surroundings. The lodge offers luxury, timeless splendor and ethnic style. A dining area, bar and library are available. Leisure facilities include beauty treatments, guided walks, visits to a Masai village and cultural talks. The 75 deluxe rooms have an en suite bathroom and terrace.

For descriptions of the Kenya properties used in this itinerary please see page 67.



Serena Mountain Village

Hidden in the depths of a tree-shaded coffee plantation, this lodge is a haven of calm and serenity, just outside the hustle and bustle of Arusha. Offers a dining room, bar and lounge area in an old colonial farmhouse. Guests can enjoy panoramic views over Lake Duluti from the wide timbered decks. The 42 thatched rooms all have an en suite bathroom and verandah.



Serengeti Serena Lodge

Inspired by a traditional African village, rich in local atmosphere, set high on a hill with views of the Serengeti plains. The lodge has a bar and a dining room serving local specialities and internationally themed dishes. Leisure facilities include a swimming pool and African gift shop. The 66 thatched huts are furnished with authentic African furniture and handicrafts and have an en suite bathroom and balcony.



Includes

- > 14 breakfasts, 14 lunches and 13 dinners
- > Guaranteed window seat in 4-wheel drive safari vehicle
- > Exclusive to Somak – free Hippo Pool breakfast at Ashnil Mara Camp (weather permitting and not available if balloon option in the Mara is chosen)

4x4 Safari Vehicles

Exclusive per person supplement	Passengers
2	\$1290
3	\$650
4	\$245
5	\$200
6	\$135

The Great Migration 14 Nights

Guide Prices From

February-April	\$4675
May-June	\$5365
July-October	\$5915
November	\$4840

Supplements

Single room and child prices on request. Children under 8 are not permitted on this safari.

Prices are in US\$ per person based on two adults sharing twin accommodation. They are intended as a guide and will be confirmed at the time of booking.

Please see pages 108-109 for important safari information.

Mara & Serengeti Ballooning Options Masai Mara from \$480 Serengeti from \$520



An exciting alternative to your morning game drive. Up before dawn and drive to the balloon launch site. After the balloon is inflated, climb aboard and sail away on an exhilarating flight for about an hour. A 'bubbly' breakfast with all the trimmings is served where you touchdown.

Serena Serengeti ☀️☀️☀️☀️☀️

1 night Arusha – 1 night Lake Manyara – 2 nights Serengeti – 2 nights Ngorongoro



An extraordinary journey through contrasting landscapes with excellent opportunities for game viewing in Lake Manyara, the Serengeti and the Ngorongoro Crater.

Lake Manyara is an unusual park in the shadow of the Great Rift Valley, whose reddish brown escarpment wall looms on the eastern horizon. The park is well known for its tree-climbing lions, who may be seen sleeping off the heat of the day on a branch instead of a shady spot on the ground.

Then onto the world-famous Serengeti National Park, where vast open savannahs are dotted with acacia trees and a few rocky hillocks. The Serengeti is Tanzania's largest and best-known national park, with a massive concentration of migratory animals who move around the park according to the availability of food.

The Ngorongoro Crater is the world's largest unbroken volcanic caldera whose steep sides form a natural enclosure for a wide variety of wildlife. An estimated 25,000 animals, including the 'big five' inhabit the interior of the crater.

Accommodation is in Serena properties which are situated in some of the finest locations in the parks.

Day 1 Monday Arusha

Met at Kilimanjaro airport and transferred to Serena Mountain Village (approximately 45 minutes), a haven of calm and serenity away from the hustle and bustle of Arusha. Overnight: Serena Mountain Village. (l,d)

Day 2 Tuesday Lake Manyara

After breakfast drive to Lake Manyara National Park, famous for its tree-climbing lions (150 km – approximately 2 hours 30 minutes). Your lodge commands panoramic views across the floor of the Great Rift Valley. Here you have time to relax before an afternoon game drive. Overnight: Lake Manyara Serena Lodge. (b,l,d)

Day 3 Wednesday Serengeti

Drive to the world-famous Serengeti National Park with game viewing en route (235 km – approximately 5 hours). Overnight: Serengeti Serena Lodge. (b,l,d)

Day 4 Thursday Serengeti

Enjoy an early morning game drive followed by breakfast at the lodge. Or take an early morning balloon flight over the Serengeti followed by a 'bubbly' bush breakfast (optional extra). Later enjoy an afternoon game drive. Overnight: Serengeti Serena Lodge. (b,l,d)

Day 5 Friday Ngorongoro

Drive to the Ngorongoro Crater via Olduvai Gorge (200 km – approximately 4 hours). Lunch at your lodge which is perched on the jagged rim of the Crater. The afternoon is at leisure. Overnight: Ngorongoro Serena Lodge. (b,l,d)

Day 6 Saturday Ngorongoro

Drive down into the Crater for a half-day of game viewing. This extinct volcano plays host to wildebeest, zebras, buffaloes, gazelles, elephants, rhinos and big cats. Visit a local Masai village (time permitting). Overnight: Ngorongoro Serena Lodge. (b,l,d)

Day 7 Sunday Extension or USA

Return to Arusha (200 km – approximately 3 hours 30 minutes). Lunch at a local restaurant. Transfer to the Kilimanjaro airport and proceed with your chosen extension (see 'where next') or return to the USA. (b,l)

Alternatively, there is the option to fly from Arusha to Zanzibar for your beach extension (from \$465).

Mara Extension: Fly to Nairobi for overnight at your chosen accommodation. Fly to the Masai Mara for two nights at the lodge or camp of your choice, including game drives. Return by light aircraft to Nairobi (from \$1950).

15 kg luggage allowance on all light aircraft.

Where Next

Complement your Serena Serengeti Safari with a beach stay on the Kenya Coast, Zanzibar, Seychelles or Mauritius. Gorilla trekking in Rwanda is a superb addition to a safari – see pages 92-93.





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Ngorongoro Serena Lodge

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Serengeti Ballooning Option from \$520



An exciting alternative to your morning game drive. Up before dawn and drive to the balloon launch site. Once the balloon is inflated, sail away on an exhilarating flight for about an hour. A 'bubbly' breakfast with all the trimmings is served where you touchdown.



Includes

- > 6 breakfasts, 7 lunches and 6 dinners
- > 4-wheel drive safari vehicle
- > Guaranteed window seat

4x4 Safari Vehicles

Exclusive per person supplement
Passengers

2	\$620
3	\$280
4	\$105
5	\$90
6	\$70

Serena Serengeti 6 Nights

Guide Prices From

February-April	\$1685
May-October	\$2725
November	\$1980

Supplements

Single room and child prices on request.

Prices are in US\$ per person based on two adults sharing twin accommodation. They are intended as a guide and will be confirmed at the time of booking.

Please see pages 108-109 for important safari information

Elewana Safari CONNOISSEUR COLLECTION

Arusha – Tarangire – Ngorongoro – Serengeti



This safari is offered by road, or by flying in Elewana's very own executive-class aircraft, with slight differences to the itinerary. Both options offer a true 'Out of Africa' experience each traveling through contrasting landscapes with stays in some of the finest accommodation on the safari circuit.

Elewana Safari by Air

Travel in style and comfort in Elewana's Cessna Grand Caravan aircraft, with 9 executive seats. Road transfers and game drives are in safari cruisers equipped with binoculars, guide and reference books, cool box and refreshments, bush lunch awnings and power points to charge your batteries. This safari departs on alternate days.

Day 1 Arusha

Met at Kilimanjaro airport and transferred to Arusha Coffee Lodge for lunch (approximately 1 hour 30 minutes). Enjoy dinner and a complimentary upgrade to Plantation Suite. (l,d)

Day 2 Tarangire

After breakfast tour the nearby coffee estate followed by lunch in the gardens. Transfer to Arusha airport for your Elewana Sky flight to Tarangire (approximately 25 minutes). On arrival enjoy an afternoon game drive in Tarangire National Park. Overnight: Tarangire Treetops. (b,l,d)

Day 3 Tarangire

Take an early morning balloon flight over Tarangire, followed by a 'bubbly' breakfast (optional extra). Visit a traditional Masai village in the morning or take an early morning guided game walk. After lunch enjoy an

afternoon game drive in the Tarangire National Park, Followed by sundowners and a night game drive. Overnight: Tarangire Treetops. (b,l,d)

Day 4 Ngorongoro

After breakfast, a game drive through Tarangire National Park, stopping for a sumptuous picnic lunch. Later transfer to the Kuro Tarangire airstrip for your flight to Manyara (approximately 20 minutes). Transfer to The Manor at Ngorongoro for overnight. (b,l,d)

Day 5 Ngorongoro

After breakfast drive down to explore the Ngorongoro Crater. Enjoy a picnic hamper lunch on the crater floor. Overnight: Manor at Ngorongoro. (b,l,d)

Day 6 Serengeti

Today's options include a game drive in Lake Manyara National Park, a spa treatment, horse riding, cycling, a tour of the estate or simply relaxing at the Manor. After lunch transfer to the airstrip at Manyara for your Elewana Sky flight to the Serengeti (approximately 40 minutes). Afternoon game drive and arrive at your camp in time for sundowners. Overnight: Serengeti Migration Camp. (b,l,d)

Day 7 Serengeti

A full day exploring this famous reserve with lunch in the Serengeti bush. Overnight: Serengeti Migration Camp. (b,l,d)

Day 8 Arusha

After breakfast explore the banks of the Grumeti River on a guided game walk. After lunch drive to the airstrip (approximately 1 hour) for your Elewana Sky flight back to Arusha (approximately 1 hour). Met and transferred to your accommodation, with a complimentary upgrade to a Plantation Suite. Overnight: Arusha Coffee Lodge. (b,l,d)

Day 9 Extension or USA

After breakfast you may choose from a selection of activities including a visit to the Tanzanite Museum, the Cultural

Heritage Art Gallery or the colorful Masai Market. Transfer to Kilimanjaro airport for your flight to Nairobi (approximately 1 hour 30 minutes). Proceed with your chosen extension (see 'where next') or return to the USA. (b,l)

Alternatively, there is the option to fly from Arusha to Zanzibar on days 8 or 9 for your beach extension.

15 kg luggage allowance on all light aircraft (extra luggage can be stored at Arusha Coffee Lodge).

Where Next

Complement your Elewana Safari with a beach stay on the Kenya Coast, Zanzibar, Seychelles or Mauritius. Gorilla trekking in Rwanda is a superb addition to a safari – see pages 92-93.

Tarangire Ballooning Option from \$620



An exciting alternative to your morning game drive. Up before dawn and drive to the balloon launch site. Once the balloon is inflated, sail away on an exhilarating flight for about an hour. A 'bubbly' breakfast with all the trimmings is served where you touchdown.





Elewana Safari by Road

On this option, transfers and game drives are conducted by your own personal driver-guide throughout your safari, in a standard 4-wheel drive safari vehicle.

Day 1 Arusha

Met at Kilimanjaro airport and transferred to Arusha Coffee Lodge (55km – approximately 1 hour). (l,d)

Day 2 Tarangire

After breakfast drive to Tarangire National Park (130km – approximately 2 hours 30 minutes). Lunch at your lodge. Afternoon game drive. Overnight: Tarangire Treetops. (b,l,d)

Day 3 Tarangire

Early morning and late afternoon game drives. Optional activities such as game walks and night game drives are available at an extra cost. (b,l,d)

Day 4 Ngorongoro

After breakfast drive to Karatu and the Ngorongoro Highlands (200km – approximately 3 hours 30 minutes). Lunch at the Manor with the afternoon at leisure. Overnight: Manor at Ngorongoro. (b,l,d)

Day 5 Ngorongoro

After breakfast drive into the crater for a half-day (50km – approximately 1 hour) followed by a visit to a local Masai village (time permitting). (b,l,d)



Tarangire Treetops

Situated in a private game reserve on the border of the Tarangire National Park, with views to Lake Manyara and the Rift Valley. A bar, viewing platform, lobby and dining area overlook a waterhole plus a boma-style dining area. Offers a swimming pool, game walks, night game drives and bush dining. 20 luxury elevated 'tree house' bedrooms, each with en suite bath/shower and private viewing deck.



Serengeti Migration Camp

Hidden among a group of rocky kopjes in northern Serengeti, the camp exudes decadence reminiscent of old Africa. The restaurant overlooks the Grumeti River, whilst the lounge and sunset deck enjoy views over the hills and river. Leisure activities include a swimming pool, game drives and game walks. Each of the 20 guest tents have an en suite bathroom, shower, fan and private verandah with views to the Serengeti.

Day 6 Serengeti

After breakfast drive to the Serengeti National Park, with a brief stop at the Olduvai Gorge and a picnic lunch en route (270km – approximately 5 hours). Arrive at your camp in the late afternoon. Overnight: Serengeti Migration Camp. (b,l,d)

Day 7 Serengeti

Early morning and late afternoon game drives. Overnight: Serengeti Migration Camp. (b,l,d)

Day 8 Extension or USA

Early morning game drive followed by breakfast. Transfer to the airstrip (30km – approximately 30 minutes) for your flight by light aircraft to Arusha (approximately 1 hour). Lunch at a local restaurant. Transfer to Kilimanjaro airport and proceed with your chosen beach extension (see 'where next') or return to the USA. (b,l)

Alternatively, there is the option to fly from Arusha to Zanzibar for your beach extension (from \$465).

Arusha Coffee Lodge

This exclusive lodge, on the edge of Arusha town, is designed around the farm's original coffee plantation home. A dining room overlooking a water feature, a breakfast garden, a traditional colonial styled bar and a lounge with open fireplace. Leisure activities include a swimming pool and children's play area. The 18 plantation houses have split level lounge areas, with en suite bath/shower.



Manor at Ngorongoro

The Manor is reminiscent of an elegant, up-country farm home. The dining conservatory serves continental and African cuisine. Facilities include a lounge, bar, snooker room, wine cellar, horseback riding, mountain biking, a swimming pool and massage room. The 10 guest cottages each feature an open fireplace, private courtyard, deck and en suite bathroom.



Includes

- > Meals as per itineraries
- > 4-wheel drive safari vehicle
- > Guaranteed window seat

Elewana Safari by Air 8 Nights

Guide Prices From

February-March	\$6825
April-May	\$6045
June-October	\$6825
November	\$6389

Elewana Safari by Road 7 Nights

Guide Prices From

February-March	\$5320
April-May	\$4420
June-October	\$5339
November	\$5035

Supplements

Single room and child prices on request.

Prices are in US\$ per person based on two adults sharing twin accommodation. They are intended as a guide and will be confirmed at the time of booking.

Please see pages 108-109 for important safari information.



Rwanda

Described as 'the land of a thousand hills' Rwanda is a land of great diversity and beauty and enjoys six volcanoes, 23 lakes and numerous rivers, some forming the source of the great River Nile.

Rwanda boasts a variety of wildlife; the Parc National de Volcans, in the north is home to one third of the world's population of endangered mountain gorillas. The gorillas can be seen in their natural habitat at very close range.

A gorilla visit can be anything from a one to four hour trek through the forest, led by experienced trackers who have spent their lives in or close to the forest. The enchanting trek will have you weaving through overhanging vines, moss-covered hagenia trees and giant lobelias.

You may even spot golden monkeys or see buffalo, bush duiker and a wide variety of bird life. However, nothing can prepare you for one of the greatest wildlife experiences on earth, that of spending some time with the gentle giant gorillas, as they go about their daily life, feeding, playing, resting and raising their young.

Parc National des Volcans: This park, with its densely forested Virunga volcanoes, is the definitive place to track the rare and captivating mountain gorillas. The area is one of the most beautiful in all of Africa. It is here that Dian Fossey spent a lot of her time working to protect the endangered gorilla, as chronicled in her book 'Gorillas in the Mist'.

Nyungwe National Park: Situated in southeast Rwanda, this is East Africa's largest protected high altitude rainforest, with a diverse range of trees and flowering plants. Nyungwe is home to 13 primate species, including the chimpanzee. The park also has almost 300 bird species, many of which are only found in the montane forests on the Albertine Rift.



Lake Kivu is the largest of numerous freshwater lakes in Rwanda. The lake's sandy shores are bordered by steep sided hills, making for stunning scenery and perfect for relaxation after gorilla trekking. Also, it is only two hours by road from the Parc National des Volcans. Three towns lie along the lakeshore – Gisenyi to the north, Kibuye in the middle and Cyangugu to the south.

Rwanda Safaris



For the ultimate wildlife experience it doesn't get any better than an exhilarating safari combined with gorilla trekking and watching the antics of the chimpanzees in Rwanda. With easy flight connections from Nairobi, Rwanda is the perfect complement to a Kenya or Tanzania safari.

Gorillas in the Wild

Day 1 Daily Nairobi

After your Kenya or Tanzania safari transfer to Ole-Sereni Hotel in Nairobi for overnight.

Day 2 Kigali – Parc National de Volcans

After breakfast transfer to the airport for your flight to Kigali. Met and driven to Musanze in the northwest part of Rwanda (110km – approximately 2 hours 30 minutes) and then on to your chosen lodge. (b,l,d)

Day 3 Parc National de Volcans – Gorilla Trekking

A very early morning transfer to the Park Office for gorilla trekking formalities before starting your trek. Treks vary in duration depending on which gorilla group you are assigned to. After locating your assigned gorilla group, you will spend approximately one hour in their company before heading back down the volcano slopes. Lunch at the lodge with the afternoon to relax. Overnight at your chosen lodge. (b,l,d)

Day 4 Kigali

Another opportunity for gorilla trekking or a Golden Monkey trek (optional extras), or morning at leisure at your lodge. After lunch drive back to Kigali. Overnight: Kigali Serena Hotel. (b,l)

Day 5 Nairobi

Transfer to Kigali airport and fly to Nairobi. (b)

Prices from \$3255

Chimps & Gorillas

Day 1 Daily Nairobi

After your Kenya or Tanzania safari transfer to Ole-Sereni Hotel for overnight.

Day 2 Kigali – Nyungwe National Park

After breakfast depart for the airport for your flight to Kigali. Drive to Huye for lunch (150 km – approximately 2 hours 30 minutes). If time permits, visit the Rwanda National Museum. Drive to Nyungwe National park (150 km – 3 hours 30 minutes). Overnight at your chosen accommodation. (b,l,d)

Day 3 Nyungwe National Park – Chimps Trekking

After a very early wake up call, depart for a hike into Nyungwe Forest in search of chimps, Colobus monkeys and forest birds. In the afternoon relax or enjoy optional activities offered by the lodge and the park. Overnight at your chosen accommodation. (b,l,d)

Day 4 Nyungwe National Park – Lake Kivu

After breakfast drive to Karongi, on the shores of Lake Kivu and then on to your chosen accommodation (approximately 3 hours 30 minutes to Cormoran Lodge and 6 hours to Lake Kivu Serena Lodge). Lake Kivu is the largest of all the lakes that fill the valleys of Rwanda. If time permits take a boat ride to visit nearby islands (optional extra). Overnight at your chosen accommodation. (b,l,d)

Day 5 Karongi – Parc National de Volcans

Spend the morning at the Lake. After lunch drive to Musanze in the northwest part of Rwanda, the main base for gorilla tracking (170 km – approximately 4 hours 30 minutes). Overnight at your chosen accommodation. (b,l,d)

Day 6 Parc National de Volcans – Gorilla Trekking

A very early morning transfer to the Park Office for gorilla trekking formalities before starting your trek. Treks vary in duration depending on which gorilla group you are assigned to. After locating your gorilla group, you will spend approximately one hour in their company before heading back down the volcano slopes. Lunch at the lodge with the afternoon to relax. Overnight at your chosen accommodation. (b,l,d)

Day 7 Nairobi

Drive to Kigali (approximately 2 hours 30 minutes). Fly to Nairobi. (b)

Prices from \$4500

Please see page 109 for important notes regarding Gorilla Trekking.





Manda Bay •
MANDA ISLAND
The Majlis •
LAMU ISLAND
Kipungani Explorer •

• Diamonds Dream of Africa
MALINDI
WATAMU
Hemingways •
Turtle Bay Beach Club •

• Serena Beach Hotel & Spa
• Bamburi Beach Hotel
• Travellers Beach/Club Hotel
• Sarova Whitesands Beach Resort
• Voyager Beach Resort

Likoni Ferry •
MOMBASA TOWN

• Indian Ocean Beach Resort
• Southern Palms Beach Hotel
• AfroChic
• Swahili Beach Resort
• Baobab Beach Resort & Spa
• Pinewood Village Beach Resort
• The Sands at Nomad

Map locations are approximate and are not intended to be definitive.

Kenya Coast

Almost 500 kilometers of tranquil white beaches, golden sand dunes, warm turquoise water, archaeological treasures and idyllic secluded islands, all steeped in an evocative culture that stretches back centuries.

Mombasa is the second largest city in Kenya, located on an island separated from the mainland by two creeks, beyond which are the popular beach resorts of North and South Mombasa. North Mombasa is reached via Nyali Bridge; South Mombasa on the Likoni Ferry.

Malindi and Watamu are a few hours north of Mombasa. Both offer excellent coral reefs with some of the best diving in Kenya. Malindi is particularly popular with Italian tourists.

Further north is Lamu Archipelago, a small group of islands, each offering a peaceful retreat with endless beaches and crystal clear waters, and a way of life reminiscent of a bygone era.



Safari from the coast

A wide range of tours and excursions can be booked locally with our representatives, but you may wish to pre-book a short safari to ensure availability and avoid disappointment in resort.

Tsavo and Amboseli, two of Kenya's premier game parks, are within easy reach of Kenya's Coast. Tsavo East and West combined form one of Africa's largest game sanctuaries, home to an array of bird and animal species; Amboseli lies in the shadow of Africa's highest mountain, Kilimanjaro, a beautiful backdrop to your wildlife snaps (weather permitting!)

Tsavo Explorer

2 nights from \$475, full board

This short safari departs every Thursday from your beach hotel. It includes an afternoon game drive in Tsavo East and morning and afternoon game drives in Tsavo West, usually with a visit to Mzima Springs. Stay at Ashnil Aruba Lodge and Kilaguni Serena Lodge.

Parks and Peaks

3 nights from \$755, full board

Combine Tsavo West, Amboseli and Tsavo East. Departs on Friday from your beach hotel with an afternoon game drive and a visit to Mzima Springs in Tsavo West. Afternoon and morning game drives are also enjoyed in Amboseli and Tsavo East National Parks. Stay at Kilaguni Serena Lodge, Amboseli Serena Lodge and Ashnil Aruba Lodge.



Hemingways, Serena Beach Hotel & Spa

Mombasa

Hemingways CONNOISSEUR COLLECTION Watamu

A member of the 'Small Luxury Hotels of the World', Hemingways Resort, part of the Hemingways Collection, is a luxury property in Watamu Bay, an unrivaled Kenyan setting. The white sands of the bay and its crystal waters form Kenya's finest stretch of beach. There are coral reefs to marvel at, the ruins of ancient Gedi to be explored, marlin and sailfish to be caught, and of course, Hemingways resort in which to be indulged.

Location: Situated on the beachfront in Watamu National Marine Park.

Facilities: A main restaurant and a sea front à la carte restaurant and 2 bars. Gentlemen are required to wear long trousers and a tailored shirt in the restaurant and bar in the evenings. Leisure facilities include two outdoor freshwater pools, a spa and salon center, tennis, gym & TV/video room and a gift and jewelry shop. Water sports include snorkeling trips, scuba diving, kayaking, kite surfing, wake boarding and big game fishing. Further activities include sunset dhow sundowner cocktail on Mida Creek and cycling in Aruboko Sukoke. Complimentary shuttle to Malindi for shopping. From May to September the beaches in Watamu are subject to seaweed and tidal variance. Water sports are subject to weather conditions in May and June.

Accommodation: 76 sea view air-conditioned rooms with bath and/or shower, fan, safe, mini bar, tea/coffee making facilities, hairdryer and a balcony or verandah. 26 superior rooms (3 adults) overlook the ocean, pool or gardens. 44 deluxe rooms, 18 of which are in the south wing, are family sized (4 adults), and offer the easiest access to the hotel's gardens and beach. 2 executive suites, 4 junior suites.

Board Basis: Breakfast, dinner and afternoon tea included.

Transfer Time: Approximately 2 hours 30 minutes from Mombasa airport. Approximately 30 minutes from Malindi airport.

Price from: \$110 per person per night

So MUCH MORE

Honeymooners: Receive a bouquet of roses, a bottle of sparkling wine and a fruit basket in room on arrival, and a free room upgrade (subject to availability).

Added Value: Snorkeling trips to the Marine Park (excluding KWS entry fee). Trips to Malindi and the Gedi Ruins (entrance fee payable locally).

Serena Beach Hotel & Spa Mombasa

Designed to resemble a 13th century Swahili town, complete with winding lanes, carved balconies, fountains and market squares, this property, part of the respected Serena group, provides an oasis of tranquility. In addition there is a good mix of water sports, world-class cuisine and evening entertainment. The hotel, situated in lush gardens, is set back from the powder white sands and shimmering waters of the Mombasa National Marine Park.

Location: Situated on the north coast of Mombasa.

Facilities: A choice of three restaurants, two bars, a lounge and an ice cream parlor, plus regular evening entertainment. Leisure facilities include an outdoor pool with swim-up bar, tennis, gym, mini-golf, squash, beach volleyball and Maisha Spa. Water sports include scuba diving, deep-sea fishing, windsurfing, snorkeling, glass-bottom boat trips and catamaran sailing. A complimentary shuttle is provided to Mombasa town.

Accommodation: 164 air-conditioned rooms with bath, satellite TV, safe, mini bar, hairdryer and patio or balcony. Village rooms (3 adults). Village sea view rooms (3 adults) and garden rooms which are larger and have a separate bath and shower (3 adults) are also available.

Board Basis: Breakfast and dinner included.

Transfer Time: Approximately 45 minutes from Mombasa airport.

Price from: \$100 per person per night

So MUCH MORE

Honeymooners & Anniversary Couples: All honeymooners & Gold & Silver wedding anniversary couples will receive a bottle of wine and a 10% discount on the accommodation.

Copy of marriage certificate will be required upon check-in.

Spa Offer: 15% discount on all spa treatments.



Swahili Beach Resort, Sarova Whitesands Beach Resort & Spa, Pinewood Beach Resort & Spa

Mombasa

Swahili Beach Resort ⚙️⚙️⚙️⚙️ Mombasa

A blend of African, Arabic and Indian architectural influences, all of which have been fused to create this vibrant hotel. Opened in December 2011, the Swahili Beach Resort offers an air of sophistication and elegance on the Kenya coast.

Location: Situated on the south coast of Mombasa on Diani Beach.

Facilities: A choice of restaurants providing smart and casual dining. There is an Indian restaurant, a seafood restaurant plus a beachfront snack bar and a coffee shop. There are four bars including a swim-up pool bar and cocktail bar. A children's club offers daily activities on request. Leisure facilities include an eight-tier swimming pool, plus a seafront spa and fitness center with five treatment rooms. The water sports center and PADI dive school offer a range of activities and courses.

Accommodation: 140 air-conditioned rooms and suites are furnished in a contemporary Swahili style, with bath and shower, television, wi-fi, mini bar, tea/coffee making facilities and a terrace. Standard rooms (2 adults) are in the main building and have garden or pool views. Superior rooms (2 adults & 2 children) are located on the higher floors, are more spacious and have views of the ocean. The executive suites (2 adults & 2 children) have a lounge and views of the ocean.

Board Basis: Breakfast and dinner included.

Transfer Time: Approximately 90-minute drive from Mombasa airport plus a short ferry ride. Approximately 15 minutes from Ukunda airstrip.

Price from: \$80 per person per night

Sarova Whitesands Beach Resort & Spa ⚙️⚙️⚙️⚙️ Mombasa

Set in 22 acres of manicured gardens on a 350 meter long beach. The resort offers high standards of service.

Location: Situated on the north coast of Mombasa.

Facilities: There are 2 buffet restaurants, an à la carte restaurant and pizzeria and a sea food restaurant, three bars and a disco with regular live entertainment. Leisure facilities include five swimming pools, kids' pool and water slide, children's club (aged 4-12 years), teens' club, tennis, gym, beach volleyball, games room & spa. Water sports include glass-bottom boat trips, scuba diving, jet-skiing, pedaloes, windsurfing, snorkeling, kayaking and catamaran. Free wi-fi for all guests.

Accommodation: 338 air-conditioned rooms with bath/shower, satellite TV, safe, mini bar, hairdryer, tea/coffee making facilities and balcony or verandah with pool or sea view (some standard rooms have partial sea view). Standard rooms (3 adults). Palm rooms (3 adults) which are larger and have a mini bar, and sea front rooms (3 adults), are also available.

Board Basis: Breakfast and dinner included.

All inclusive option available, please see www.somak.com/usa for full details..

Transfer Time: Approximately 40 minutes from Mombasa airport.

Price from: \$70 per person per night

Pinewood Beach Resort & Spa ⚙️⚙️⚙️⚙️ Mombasa

A boutique hotel set in a lush forest landscape, offering guests a variety of things to do and a relaxed atmosphere.

Location: Situated on the south coast of Mombasa.

Facilities: A main restaurant, a beach restaurant serving dinner twice a week, and a grill & bistro serving lunch. Three bars. Facilities include a swimming pool with bar, gym, kids' club, tennis, squash, table tennis, beauty salon, bike tour, boutique and The Amani Spa. A dive center offers a variety of water sports.

Accommodation: 58 air-conditioned rooms and suites with en suite shower, ceiling fan, safe and balcony. Deluxe rooms (3 adults) are on the first floor. Suites (3 adults) are on the ground floor, they have a hairdryer, are more spacious, and feature a kitchen with services of a personal chef for dinner, living room and a large verandah.

Board Basis: Breakfast & dinner included. All inclusive option available, please see www.somak.com/usa for full details.

Transfer Time: Approximately a 1 hour 45 minute drive from Mombasa airport plus a short ferry transfer. Approximately a 20-minute drive from Ukunda airstrip.

Price from: \$80 per person per night

So MUCH MORE

Honeymooners: Stay 7 nights or more and receive flowers, a bottle of wine and a 30-minute massage per couple.

So MUCH MORE

Honeymooners: Receive fruit/flowers on arrival, bottle of house wine at the Lido Seafood Grill, mineral water daily in room and upgrade to superior room (subject to availability on check-in).

So MUCH MORE

Honeymooners: Stay 10 nights or more and receive floral archway, wine on arrival, private beach dinner and one 30-minute massage for bride and groom.

Long Stay Bonus: Stay 14 nights or more and receive a private beach dinner and one 30-minute massage per stay.



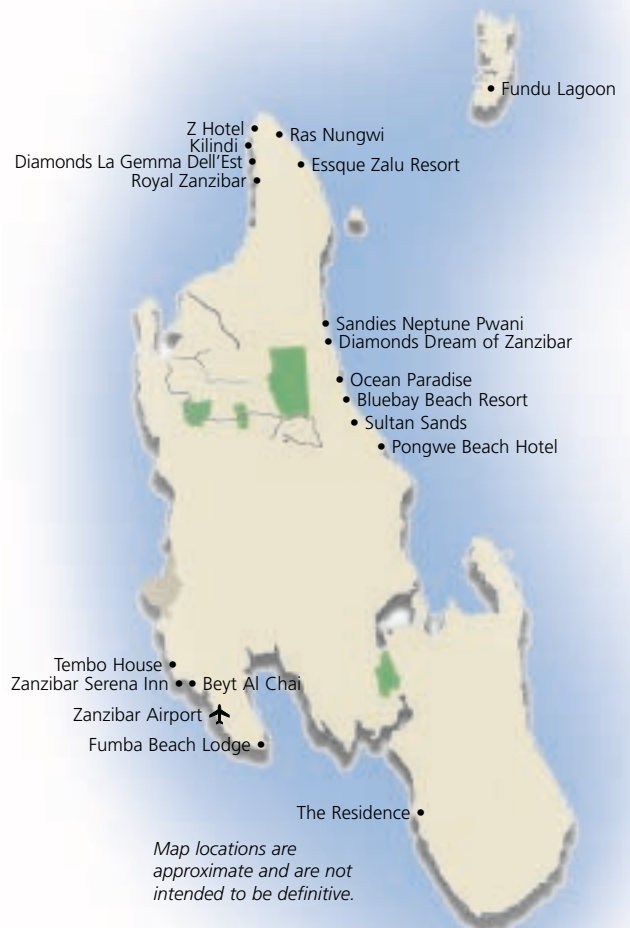
Zanzibar

Welcome to Zanzibar, one of the most beautiful archipelagos in the Indian Ocean. Over centuries different cultures have influenced Zanzibar and today a fascinating experience awaits you in the 'Spice Islands'.

Zanzibar's beaches are among the best in the world. At the northern tip of the island, Nungwi beach is an ideal diving location and is one of the livelier areas. This laid back beach town is a popular destination for tourists, and there are plenty of hotels, bars and restaurants to choose from.

On the east coast you will find charming fishing villages and locals living a simple life. The beaches here include Matemwe, Pwani Mchangani, Kiwengwa, Uroa, Bwejuu and Jambiani. The sea is generally fairly shallow here – at high tide it can cover the beach and at low tide it almost disappears.

The island is home to unique forest reserves and plantations with fruit and vegetables, and the intriguing Stone Town, steeped in history. Zanzibar also boasts several small offshore islands ideal for day-trips including Changu, Chapwani, Chumbe and Bawe.



Excursions

Many trips to Stone Town, the forest, farms and other islands are available including:

Stone Town Tour

Learn more about the ancient history with a tour of Stone Town, wander through the narrow streets and barter for goods at the market.

Spice Tour

This tour guarantees a unique experience to pick, smell and savor fruit and spices indigenous to the island.

Jozani Forest

Visit the only remaining natural forest on the island. Take a relaxing walk and hear the mystical tales associated with the forest and the chance to spot the most famous inhabitant, the rare red colobus monkey.

Selous Safari – 2 nights from \$1899, full board

Day 1 Transfer to Zanzibar airport for light aircraft flight to the Selous Game Reserve (approximately 1 hour 15 minutes). Met and transferred to your chosen camp. Lunch followed by an afternoon game activity. Overnight at the camp. (l,d)

Day 2 Early morning game activity followed by breakfast at the camp. Rest of the morning at leisure. After lunch enjoy a late afternoon game drive. Overnight at the camp. (b,l,d)

Day 3 After breakfast, transfer to the airstrip for your flight back to Zanzibar. (b)





Zanzibar Serena Inn, Tembo House, Kilindi

Zanzibar

Zanzibar Serena Inn ⚙️⚙️⚙️⚙️⚙️ Stonetown

Washed by the aquamarine waters of the Zanzibar Channel, the Zanzibar Serena Inn is a haven of tranquility amongst the bustle of Zanzibar. It is flanked by an exotic mix of sultans' palaces, Portuguese forts, ancient dhow harbors and bright bazaars. Faithfully restored and lavishly embellished, the interior design is a fusion of authenticity and opulence that reflects the very essence of Zanzibar. Each bedroom is cool, white, and constructed in the traditional design of a Swahili house.

Location: On the seafront of ancient Stone Town.

Facilities: A restaurant, coffee shop, bar and evening entertainment. Leisure facilities include a pool, gift shop and beauty therapy parlor. Water sports are available at the nearby beaches, these include diving, snorkeling, sunset boat trips. A complimentary shuttle is provided to and from Serena Mangapwani Beach Club.

Accommodation: 51 air-conditioned rooms with bath, satellite TV, safe, mini bar, hairdryer, mosquito net and a private balcony. Standard rooms (2 adults) have a partial ocean view. Prime view rooms, (2 adults) which have a hammock and a full ocean view, are also available.

Board Basis: Breakfast included.

Transfer Time: Approximately 10 minutes from Zanzibar airport.

Price from: \$170 per person per night

Tembo House ⚙️⚙️⚙️ Stonetown

Tembo House is an impressive white stone building in the heart of Stone Town, by the picturesque seafront. Formerly the American Consulate in Zanzibar, the building has seen many uses in its long history but now provides comfortable accommodation in a great location.

Location: Positioned on the picturesque seafront amongst the bustle of the Shangani district, on the western side of Stone Town.

Facilities: Inner courtyard with pool, two pool decks, beach front restaurant and laundry service.

Accommodation: 36 spacious rooms and 4 apartments. A combination of single, double, twin and family rooms are available. All rooms are equipped with air-conditioning, ceiling fan, mosquito nets, cable television, free Wi-Fi connection, telephone, fridge/mini bar and en suite bathroom.

Board Basis: Breakfast Included.

Transfer Time: Approximately 10 minutes from Zanzibar airport.

Price from: \$80 per person per night

Kilindi CONNOISSEUR COLLECTION Zanzibar Beach

This boutique hotel, set on a secluded beach on the northwest coast of Zanzibar, offers stunning accommodation in the perfect romantic island getaway. The villas are spread across 34 acres of tropical gardens and all have views across the sparkling warm waters of the Indian Ocean.

Location: The resort is set on a magnificent beach extending 500 meters on the northwest coast of Zanzibar.

Facilities: Indoor and outdoor dining areas and romantic beach or poolside dinners and butler service. A cocktail bar with waterfall feature, and a Shisha lounge are ideal places to relax. Leisure facilities include a T-shaped infinity pool and the Kilindi's Spa.

Accommodation: 15 pavilion suites (2 adults) and 1 double room pavilion suite (2 bedrooms – 4 adults) each set in their own private gardens, with private plunge pool, an open-air lounge and a spacious wet room with rain shower.

Board Basis: All Inclusive – price includes:

Meals & Snacks: Breakfast, lunch, dinner, room service and snacks.

Drinks: Soft drinks, cocktails, a choice of house wines, local spirits, water, tea and coffee (excludes champagne, cellar wines and imported spirits). Laundry also included.

Transfer Time: Approximately 50 minutes from Zanzibar Airport.

Children under 16 years are not permitted.

Price from: \$570 per person per night



Diamonds Dream of Zanzibar, Bluebay Beach Resort & Spa, Pongwe Beach Hotel

Zanzibar

Diamonds Dream of Zanzibar ⚙️⚙️⚙️⚙️ Zanzibar Beach

The property, set amongst tropical gardens, offers a good choice of water sports and other activities. It is exotic and modern, with the interior décor by an Italian designer.

Location: Situated in Kiwengwa, on the northeast coast of Zanzibar.

Facilities: Three restaurants and a pizzeria (open for dinner only) and an à la carte restaurant (at extra cost) plus three bars. Leisure facilities include two pools, fitness center, The Mvua African Rain Spa, tennis, beach volleyball, table tennis and a host of water sports.

Accommodation: 157 air-conditioned rooms with en suite bathroom with walk-in shower, TV, DVD and CD player, safe, mini bar, hairdryer and tea/coffee making facilities. Deluxe room (2 adults and 1 child). Junior suites and three beach villas are also available.

Board Basis: All Inclusive – price includes:

Meals & Snacks: Buffet breakfast, lunch & dinner, afternoon tea, coffee and pastries. Dinner included at the Asian restaurant, Pizzeria, and the African Restaurant.

Drinks: Soft drinks, local beer, house wines, tea & coffee. Bar open until 1.00am.

Transfer Time: Approximately 50 minutes from Zanzibar airport.

Price from: \$130 per person per night

Bluebay Beach Resort & Spa ⚙️⚙️⚙️⚙️ Zanzibar Beach

The Bluebay is a first-class resort on a fine beach. Carefully and tastefully decorated in a Zanzibari style with a wide range of facilities.

Location: In Kiwengwa on the east coast of Zanzibar.

Facilities: Two restaurants and two bars. Leisure facilities include an outdoor pool with jacuzzi, kids' pool, kids' club (aged 2-12 years), tennis, fitness center, and the Oasis Spa. Water sports include scuba diving, sailing, windsurfing, canoeing, snorkeling and deep-sea fishing. Guests can also enjoy the facilities of Sultan Sands Island Resort, next door.

Accommodation: 112 air-conditioned rooms with shower, ceiling fan, satellite TV, mini bar, tea/coffee making facilities, hairdryer, terrace and balcony or verandah. Superior rooms (3 adults) have partial sea views, junior suites (3 adults) have a separate seating area. Sultan suites (3 adults) are on the beach, have butler service and an 8 foot 'sultan-size bed'.

Board Basis: Breakfast, lunch and dinner included.

Transfer Time: Approximately 50 minutes from Zanzibar airport.

Price from: \$90 per person per night

Pongwe Beach Hotel ⚙️⚙️⚙️⚙️ Zanzibar Beach

Set in a tranquil location; the ideal place to relax and enjoy Zanzibar's distinctive, mellow pace. Dive into the crystal clear waters of the Indian Ocean, or stretch out and soak up the sun on the beach. This is an ideal retreat for those looking for that extra special honeymoon, or a vacation with an air of exclusivity.

Location: Situated half way up the East Coast of Zanzibar.

Facilities: A restaurant and bar. Leisure facilities include an infinity swimming pool, mountain bikes, library, 4x4 jeep hire, indoor and outdoor games, visits to the historic Stone Town. Water sports include snorkeling, kayaking and a dhow cruise.

Accommodation: 16 Zanzibarian cottages with en suite Moroccan style walk-in showers, ceiling fans, traditional beds. The rooms have a terrace where guests can enjoy the sunrise and a leisurely breakfast. Three garden view rooms (2 adults and 1 child) and 12 beachfront rooms with seaview balconies (3 adults and 1 child). One family beachfront room with 2 inter-connecting rooms (4 adults).

Board Basis: Breakfast and dinner included.

Transfer Time: Approximately 1 hour from Zanzibar airport.

Price from: \$130 per person per night



Mauritius

Mauritius is an island of immense beauty with a breathtaking lush, central plateau, crowned with vast lofty mountains. The island boasts a cosmopolitan mix of people and a thriving capital city. It offers a natural beauty as well as outstanding deep-sea fishing, diving and a stunning coastline.

Le Prince Maurice

Experience the ultimate romantic hideaway, where stunning architectural design meets relaxed luxury.

Location: Situated on one of the most beautiful beaches on the east coast of Mauritius.

Facilities: There are four restaurants serving a selection of delectable cuisine, and four bars where you can relax with your favorite tipple. Two 18-hole championship golf courses are available at our sister hotel, Constance Belle Mare Plage, a short drive away. Spa de Constance offers a variety of relaxing and rejuvenating treatments. There is a swimming pool, lap pool, tennis, gym, children's club and shops. Water sports include water-skiing, windsurfing, kayaks, hobie cat sailing, laser sailing boats, pedalos, glass-bottom boat trips – snorkeling trips.

Accommodation: The 89 air-conditioned suites and villas, including 12 family suites, are all spacious, elegant and tastefully furnished and have en suite bathroom with separate shower. They are either individual or in 2-story thatched buildings set along the beach, in the garden facing the sea or built on stilts overlooking the natural fish reserve. All suites have: Wi-Fi, mini bar, hairdryer, DVD player, satellite TV, sitting area, balcony or terrace, telephone, Mac mini entertainment system with movies and music.

Board Basis: Breakfast and dinner included.

Transfer Time: Approximately 1 hour from Mauritius airport.

Prices from \$390 per night.





Heritage Awali Golf & Spa Resort, Sugar Beach Resort, La Pirogue Hotel

Heritage Awali Golf & Spa Resort ⚙⚙⚙⚙⚙

This stylish and sophisticated resort combines classic charm with contemporary chic, popular with couples and families.

Location: Situated against a mountain backdrop on the Domaine de Bel Ombre on the south coast of Mauritius.

Facilities: Four restaurants, a snack bar, two bars & evening entertainment. Leisure facilities include three pools, tennis, archery, table tennis, French bowling, kids' club (aged 3-11 years), Seven Colors African Spa Village, sauna & fitness center and an 18-hole golf course. Water sports include water-skiing, pedaloes, snorkeling, glass-bottom boat trips and windsurfing.

Accommodation: 160 air-conditioned rooms & suites with bath/shower, ceiling fan, mini bar, safe, hairdryer, tea/coffee making facilities, TV & balcony or terrace with views of the gardens, pools or sea. Deluxe rooms (3 adults or 2 adults and 2 children) which have either garden view or side seaview. Deluxe ocean view rooms (3 adults or 2 adults and 2 children), and deluxe beachfront rooms (3 adults or 2 adults and 2 children) are also available.

Board Basis: Awali all inclusive includes: Breakfast at Balafon Restaurant, lunch at Infinity Blue or Amafrooty Restaurant and dinner at a choice of Domaine de Bel Ombre restaurants. Cakes and pancakes at the Amafrooty Bar. Local and imported premium brand drinks, beers, French Champagne, soft drinks, juices and selected house wines. One Spa treatment per adult stay. Various water sport activities.

Transfer Time: Approximately 45 minutes from Mauritius airport.

Prices from \$220 per night.

Sugar Beach Resort ⚙⚙⚙⚙⚙

This resort offers a blend of elegance and relaxation and is a haven of refinement in the purest tradition of old plantation mansions.

Location: Nestled amongst 30 acres of tropical park near the village of Flic en Flac, on the west coast of Mauritius.

Facilities: Offers a choice of two restaurants, four bars, poolside bar & evening entertainment. Leisure facilities include an outdoor pool, tennis, croquet, badminton, volleyball, 9-hole putting green, table tennis, basketball, handball, billiards, kids' club (aged 2-11 years), beauty & fitness center. Water sports include scuba diving, deep-sea fishing, banana boats, tube rides, parasailing, full-day catamaran cruises, windsurfing, water-skiing, snorkeling trips, glass-bottom boat, water polo, canoeing, kayaking, hobiecats and pedaloes. Guests have access to two restaurants and all the leisure facilities at the neighbouring La Pirogue.

Accommodation: 238 air-conditioned rooms with private bath/shower, hairdryer, mini bar, safe, tea/coffee making facilities, satellite TV and a balcony or terrace with garden or sea view. Standard rooms (3 adults or 2 adults and 2 children). Beach Villas (3 adults or 2 adults and 2 children) which overlook the Indian Ocean, and deluxe suites (2 adults) which are more spacious with easy access to the beach, are also available.

Board Basis: Breakfast & dinner included.

Transfer Time: Approximately 1 hour from Mauritius airport.

Price from: \$160 per person per night

La Pirogue Hotel ⚙⚙⚙⚙⚙

Built in the style of a traditional Mauritian cottage, this resort is set amongst the palm-fringed beaches of Western Mauritius.

Location: Situated on the famous Flic en Flac beach on the western coast of the island.

Facilities: Two restaurants, two bars, poolside bar & evening entertainment. Leisure facilities include an outdoor pool, tennis, volleyball, badminton, basketball, handball, mini-football, table tennis, billiards, croquet, kids' club (aged 2-11 years), fitness center & mountain biking. Water sports include scuba diving, banana boats, tube rides, deep-sea fishing, parasailing, full-day catamaran cruise, kayaking, snorkeling trips, water-skiing, glass-bottom boat, windsurfing, laser sailing, pedaloes, canoeing & hobiecats. Guests have access to two restaurants & the leisure facilities at the neighbouring Sugar Beach Resort.

Accommodation: 248 air-conditioned rooms with private bath/shower, hairdryer, mini bar, safe, tea/coffee making facilities, satellite TV & terrace. Standard rooms (3 adults) have a garden view. Superior rooms (3 adults or 2 adults and 2 children) which overlook the Indian Ocean, & royal suites (2 adults) which are more spacious, are also available.

Board Basis: Breakfast & dinner included.

Transfer Time: Approximately 1 hour from Mauritius airport.

Price from: \$155 per person per night



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Ethiopia

Ethiopia 'the land of a thousand smiles', where you are assured of a warm welcome, a memorable vacation, and the experience of a lifetime. It is a land of contrasts and surprises, enchantment and wonder, remote and wild places, and a rich history. It is the home of friendly, cultured people descended from some of the world's oldest civilizations.

This is the home of the Ark of the Covenant and the fabled Queen of Sheba and the birthplace of coffee. The oldest known hominid skeleton was found in Ethiopia.

Ethiopia features some of the highest and most stunning places on the African continent, such as the jaggedly carved Simien Mountains, and some of the lowest, such as the sulphur fumaroles and lunar-like landscape of the Danakil Depression. It is also one of Africa's greatest cultural destinations, with no fewer than 10 UNESCO World Heritage sites, including the mystical rock-hewn churches of Lalibela.

There is just so much to see and do in Ethiopia that visitors will be spoilt for choice.

At Somak we can custom-make your perfect vacation in Ethiopia – call us for a quote.



Addis Ababa

Ethiopia's capital, located at an altitude of 2,440m (8,000ft) in the central highlands. Places worth visiting include the National Museum, the Menelik Palace, the Jubilee Palace, the Meskal (Revolution) Square, St George's Cathedral and the Ethnology Museum.

Aksum

The ancient royal capital of the earliest Ethiopian kingdom is renowned for its multi-storeyed ancient carved granite obelisks, its archaeological remains and its church, which claims to house the Lost Ark of the Covenant.

Blue Nile Falls

One of the most spectacular waterfalls in northern Africa, the Blue Nile Falls are situated about 35km (22 miles) from Bahar Dar.



Lalibela, Fasil Ghebbi, Dorze Lady

Dalol Depression and Ertale Active Volcano

One of the remotest spots and the lowest elevation on Earth has a unique land formation within the Great Rift Valley system. Even today, this part of the world is still unstable. It is extremely hot, with an average temperature of 50 degrees celsius. It is an inhospitable place with an extraordinarily colorful landscape.

Gondar

The ancient capital of Ethiopia (1632-1855) is the site of many ruined castles, including the grand Fasil Ghebbi – home to the country's emperors during the 17th and 18th centuries.

Lalibela

Famous for its 12th-century, rock-hewn churches, Lalibela is a must see. Bete Medhane Alem is believed to be the largest monolithic church in the world.

Semien Mountains

The mountainous highlands constitute one of the major ranges in Africa. The region includes many summits above 4,000 meters and culminates at its highest point in Ethiopia, Ras Dejen, at 4,630 meters, the fourth highest mountain in Africa. Various species of indigenous mammals are found here, such as Walia ibex, Semien fox and Gelada baboon. In addition, there are many indigenous bird and plant species.

The Bale Mountains

A high altitude plateau broken up by numerous spectacular volcanic plugs and peaks, beautiful alpine lakes and rushing mountain streams that descend into deep rocky gorges on their way to the lowlands below. As you climb up the mountains you will experience changes in vegetation, from juniper forests to heather moorlands and alpine meadows, which at various times of year are covered in an abundance of colorful wildflowers. Bale Mountains National Park is the largest Afro-Alpine habitat in the whole of the continent. It provides opportunities for unsurpassed

mountain walking, horse trekking and scenic driving, as well as the chance to view many of Ethiopia's endemic mammals, in particular the mountain nyala and Semien fox, and birds such as the thick-billed raven, wattled ibis, blue-winged goose and Rouget's rail.

Cultural Holidays

Ethiopia is a veritable mosaic of peoples; there are over 83 ethnic groups, each with its own language, several of which have not yet been classified by linguists. Although the original physical differences between the major ethnic groups have been blurred by centuries, if not millennia, of intermarriage, there remain many who are distinct and unique. There is a bounty of fascinating costumes, colorful ceremonies and celebrations, arts, crafts, music and dance that distinguishes Ethiopia as a diminutive Africa.

Visiting Ethnic Groups

To the west of Konso land (in the south of Ethiopia), toward the town of Jinka at the foot of the Mago National Park, the trail enters the bushy savanna of the Omo Valley. In this desolate region a number of different peoples lead nomadic or semi-nomadic lives. From the north of Turkana up to the Sudanese frontier, the Bume, the Karo, the Benna, the Hammer, the Geleb, the Mursi and other ethnic groups co-exist in a hostile territory isolated from and forgotten by the rest of Ethiopia and the world at large.

Flower/botany tours

Ethiopia is a country of great geographical diversity with high and rugged mountains, flat-topped plateaus, deep gorges, incised river valleys and rolling plains. The country is endowed with great ecological and biological diversity. The altitudinal variation provides a wide range of climatic conditions. This has created a diverse environment, home to a large number of flora and fauna. The flora of Ethiopia is very diverse and has a rich endemic element. It is estimated that between 6,500 and 7,000 species of plants grow in Ethiopia, of which about 12% are endemic, which are particularly prolific in the arid lowlands.

Fishing

You can fish the rivers and streams of the Bale Mountains and the many lakes in the Rift Valley. Local fishermen offer trips in their own boats. Dugout canoes or traditional papyrus boats can also be hired.

Hiking

Great areas to explore include the Semien Mountains National Park with its spectacular views and large variety of wildlife, the moorlands of the Bale Plateau, and the countryside around Lalibela.

Pony trekking

Riding through the Semien Mountains allows visitors to reach remote areas not accessible by car. Horses and mules still play an important part in transportation, and horse riding can be practised in most parts of Ethiopia.

Safaris

Ethiopia has 14 major wildlife reserves. Safaris are usually in 4-wheel drive vehicles, but walking safaris (with a guide) or traveling by mule are also possible.

Shopping

The Mercato, one of the largest markets in Africa, is situated in the western sector of Addis Ababa.

Swimming

Lake Langano has a resort, offering windsurfing and water-skiing. Natural springs in the Awash National Park and at Sodere Filwoha create pools highly valued for their therapeutic purposes, though they are not fully utilised.

Water Sports

Sailing and organised boat trips are available on Lake Tana, Ethiopia's largest lake, which contains 37 islands complete with numerous monasteries which can be visited. White water rafting is possible on parts of the Omo River and the Blue Nile.

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Please read the Holiday Guide and Booking Conditions carefully as these, together with other information contained in our brochure, form the terms and conditions of the contract between you and Somak Holidays ('Somak'). The Booking Conditions detail our responsibilities to you, and yours to us, and provide guidelines to cover circumstances which may arise.

We trust that you will thoroughly enjoy your vacation and sincerely hope that the experience will ensure that you will book with us again. The basis of a good vacation is the careful selection by you of your resort/hotel/ itinerary. Space in our brochure is restricted, hence we strongly recommend you seek supplementary and independent information from the applicable tourist offices, libraries, guide books and the internet, rather than rely solely upon the necessarily limited presentation of brochure information. We are happy to advise you generally, but the ultimate choice of holiday destination is yours.

ACCOMMODATION – Unless otherwise stated, accommodation is in standard twin/double rooms, although twin or double beds cannot be guaranteed. Specific room requirements cannot be guaranteed as the allocation of rooms is at the discretion of the hotel proprietor. Rooms are generally available between noon and 3pm, and are to be vacated between 10am and noon, irrespective of your arrival or departure times. Dayrooms, subject to availability and extra cost, may be available. A triple room is usually a twin/double room, with an additional bed of a folding, pull-out design, hence conditions may be cramped. The standard and location of single rooms is not always as good as twin/double rooms (even if a twin/double room is booked for sole occupancy). A supplement is usually payable whether the room allocated is a single or a twin room. Superior and deluxe rooms (or similar) may have the same facilities and be the same size, it may only be the view or position of the room that is different. In the tropics, be prepared to encounter insects (e.g. cockroaches, mosquitoes, ants, etc.) in your hotel room, especially at beach resorts where they are a natural occurrence and do not reflect the standard of hygiene and cleanliness. The term 'sea view' or similar means the sea can be seen from your room but may be at an angle or partially obscured due to foliage.

BROCHURE ACCURACY – Every care has been taken to ensure that the information in this brochure is accurate at the time of printing. The facilities described at a hotel and of tour itineraries are those that are typically available. It is conceivable that hoteliers may, without notice, decide to change facilities which may then be temporarily, or even permanently, unavailable for e.g. maintenance purposes or during periods of low occupancy. As a result of local conditions e.g. weather, time of year etc., safaris, tours or excursions may change from those advertised in our brochure/advised in your itinerary. Occasionally it is also necessary to change hotels/lodges/camps on tours. Such changes are beyond our control but when we are advised of any significant or long-term changes prior to your departure, we will try to notify you if practicable and time permitting.

BROCHURE PRICES – All prices in this brochure are in US\$ per person, based on two people sharing. The prices detailed in this brochure should be used as a guideline only, as it is possible that some of the prices contained within the brochure may have changed since it was printed. You will be informed of the actual price at the time of booking. All prices are based on special contract rates with suppliers,

and we will not make any adjustments should similar services be offered at a different price locally. Extra Night Prices: All per night prices shown are based on the actual dates that you occupy the accommodation. Number of nights stated indicate the actual number of nights spent in resort. Please see Booking Conditions (clause 3).

CHILD PRICES – Children under 12, sharing a room with two full paying adults, may receive a discount on their holiday. Child prices are available on request. Children must be under 12 on the return date of your holiday to qualify for a child reduction.

CUSTOMERS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS – Less developed destinations may lack even the simplest facilities e.g. ramps or lifts etc. and we cannot guarantee that the correct apparatus and necessary modifications exist in any accommodation outlined in our brochure. However, we do wish to provide every possible assistance and request that you provide full details in writing at the time of booking, so that we may assist with the planning of your holiday.

COMPLAINTS WHILST ON HOLIDAY – Please see Booking Conditions (clause 7). If you have reason to lodge a complaint whilst on holiday, it must be reported in writing to the representative, or your driver if on safari, for action to be taken in resort. Please retain a copy of the report lodged with the representative. It is unreasonable to take no action whilst on holiday and complain on return when it is too late for us to rectify the situation.

CREDIT CARDS – Payments made by credit cards overseas, may be subject to a handling fee. Services paid for by credit card will be subject to the applicable rate of exchange at the time the voucher is presented to the credit card company, and may differ from the rate prevailing on the date that the service was provided. Certain local banks may levy an additional charge.

CURRENCY & EXCHANGE – Some countries have restrictions on the importation and exportation of local currency. Please check with the relevant Embassy or High Commission. Never exchange money on the black market. Please ensure you have sufficient monies to cover all expenses whilst on holiday, as our local representatives are unable to help in the eventuality of having insufficient funds in resort.

ELECTRICITY AND WATER SUPPLY – At times, the demands on the local supplies of electricity and water may exceed the supply, with resultant power cuts, water shortages and/or problems with plumbing and drainage. Items usually affected include air-conditioning, running water (hot and cold), lighting and mini bars. Please note that occasionally these shortages may be for extended periods and may be distributed unevenly throughout the hotel/resort. Power and water rationing imposed by the local authorities may also take place at various resorts. Whilst electrical wiring standards do always meet local safety standards, on occasion they may be lower than those applicable in the USA. Tented accommodation on safari may utilise gas lighting and have basic bathrooms.

EXCURSIONS – Any excursions booked and paid for at your resort are operated by the local handling company and are subject to their booking conditions/cancellation charges. Refunds cannot be claimed from ourselves once you have returned to the USA as we are not party to the provision of the services. Local prices may vary. We strongly advise you to only book excursions from reputable and licensed local tour operators. Others may not be able to offer the same level of safety and security, and are often not adequately insured, or licensed. It should also be noted that some types of travel insurance do not cover claims arising from excursions and tours purchased in resort (in particular cancellation of such excursions and tours and losses suffered as a result of partaking in hazardous activities for which an additional premium was not paid).

HEALTH, SAFETY & SECURITY ABROAD – Whilst we only contract with reputable suppliers abroad, it is important to note that some countries and/or suppliers do not match USA health and safety standards. The applicable safety standards and regulations which apply overseas are those of the country concerned and as a result, general standards of safety, hygiene, fire precautions etc. can be different to those we take for granted in the USA. You are therefore advised to take great care when first venturing into unfamiliar buildings or surroundings. Upset stomachs are a common occurrence whilst abroad and can often be attributed to, for example, the change in climate or ice-cold drinks. Local hygiene and food preparation standards are not to blame as a mere change in diet and water can upset the stomach. Sensible precautions need to be taken especially with regard to raw food, drinking water and ice in drinks. We take your safety very seriously. Should the Foreign & Commonwealth Office advise that people should not visit a particular country, we will act upon this advice as appropriate. However, as media coverage indicates, many countries we feature are subject to political and economic instability. Crime against people and property are a fact of life throughout the world and hence it is important to be extra vigilant when visiting strange countries. You have the same responsibility for your personal safety and possessions abroad as you do at home. Avoid drawing attention to yourself by wearing expensive jewellery, carrying expensive camera equipment, publicly displaying large amounts of money etc. Do not leave valuables unattended and where possible store them in a safe. Always respect local customs, standards and sensibilities especially in areas of cultural and religious importance, as failure to do so may offend local inhabitants.

HOLIDAY AND FLIGHT CHANGES IN RESORT – Any changes that you might wish to make to your flight details or accommodation in resort are subject to availability and must be paid for locally. Should you decide to change your accommodation to another featured in our brochure, you will be charged the local rate and not as shown in our brochure. In addition, the original hotel may charge cancellation charges if you leave. Flights usually cannot be changed in resort except by buying new tickets (the cost may be recoverable from your insurers if there is a medical reason which necessitates the change).

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HOTEL FACILITIES – Please note that charges may be made for the use of hotel facilities such as golf, tennis, spa, water sports, children’s clubs, etc. Please contact us prior to booking if you have specific queries regarding facilities.

LUGGAGE ALLOWANCE – On safari, luggage storage space is limited and the allowance is usually 15kg - excess baggage will need to be stored.

MAINTENANCE WORK – Necessary renovation and maintenance work may be carried out at any time, although this work is kept away from guests as far as possible, to minimise any disturbance or inconvenience. (Also see ‘resort development’).

MEDICAL INFORMATION – You should ALWAYS consult your medical practitioner before traveling for confirmation of inoculations and or medication recommended for travel in your chosen destination.

MEALS – The standard of meals and services varies immensely, usually in line with the standard of accommodation booked. Meals that are included in your meal plan are usually taken in the main restaurant and will be a buffet or set menu. ‘A la carte’ meals and speciality restaurants are at additional cost. Breakfast is usually simple English or continental style. ‘Half Board’ is normally breakfast and buffet/set menu dinner. Some hotels offer a buffet dinner up to a certain voucher value which is at the discretion of the hotel and can be topped-up locally. ‘Full Board’ means breakfast, buffet/set menu lunch and buffet/set menu dinner. ‘All Inclusive’ – sometimes not all bars and restaurants are included and supplements may be charged for certain brands of drinks, speciality meals/restaurants. Hotels which include main meals generally commence with dinner on the day of arrival at your hotel and terminate with breakfast (on half board) or lunch (on full board – except for safaris which normally have breakfast as the final meal) on the day of departure, dependent on flight times. Meal supplements at peak seasons are obligatory, whether meals are taken or not.

MINIMUM/INSUFFICIENT NUMBERS – Safaris and tours may be subject to minimum numbers, and may be cancelled in the event that these are not met. You will then have the choice of booking an alternative holiday with us, though if the alternative is at additional cost the difference will be payable by you, or have a refund of monies paid. Such cancellations will usually be advised a minimum of 8 weeks before departure.

PHOTOGRAPHY – In many cultures it is polite to ask permission before taking a photograph of a person and you may be asked to pay to photograph people. Do not take photographs of airports, bridges, government offices or military buildings. Always check with your guide/representative/driver. Some countries may require you to register or bond your video equipment with customs on entry.

PUBLIC AND RELIGIOUS HOLIDAYS – Please note that services may be curtailed or limited during public holidays, and certain religious holidays. Such public or religious holidays can be called at very little or no prior notice.

REPRESENTATIVES – We employ the services of highly experienced local ground handling companies to oversee

all aspects of your holiday as booked in the USA. They will be your first point of contact should you experience any difficulties whilst on holiday and will endeavor to help. You will be met by an airport representative on arrival in your chosen destination who will provide you with local contact details. On a road safari, your driver-guide also acts as your representative. On a flying safari, the lodge or camp management will assist you and contact our local offices on your behalf if required.

RESORT DEVELOPMENT – Construction work can cause discomfort, vibration and noise at certain times in resorts. We have no control over building work and we are unable to anticipate the speed or extent to which such development may occur. Should we learn of specific developments at or close to your accommodation that are likely to affect the enjoyment of your holiday, we will do our best to contact you before departure. If we are of the opinion that the building works may reasonably be considered to seriously impair the enjoyment of your holiday, we shall offer you the opportunity to transfer to an alternative holiday of comparable type. If the alternative offered is at additional cost, the difference will be payable by you, or we will give you the option to cancel with a full refund of all monies paid.

ROADS – Conditions can be rough and journeys may be long and uncomfortable with infrequent breaks. We strongly recommend that you conduct further research to satisfy yourself that you and your party will be able to withstand the physical rigors involved. All distances and traveling times quoted are approximate and may vary for operational reasons. Driving times may take a lot longer than you would expect.

SCUBA DIVING – We strongly recommend that you only partake in this activity with a registered company that is affiliated to P.A.D.I., or a similar such organisation. It is dangerous to fly, or proceed to altitude, less than 48 hours after you have dived or diving within 48 hours of a flight. Please ensure that you have adequate insurance cover.

SWIMMING – Swimming along many coasts can be dangerous due to strong undercurrents and other elements. Please seek the advice of the local representative before venturing into the sea and avoid swimming in deserted areas. Do not let non-swimmers or children jump into a swimming pool without first checking the depth and means of exit.

TIPPING – Tipping is customary in many parts of Africa, but please note that it is entirely discretionary and we recommend that you only tip if you feel that you have received good service.

TOURS – SINGLE SUPPLEMENTS – The supplements are applicable for single occupancy if traveling with at least one other person. All tours can be taken by a single person traveling alone, but will incur a higher supplement, which is available on request.

TRAVEL ADVICE – All travelers should refer to the US Government website for travel alerts to certain countries, http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/tw/tw_1764.html

VALUE ADDED OFFERS – All ‘So much more’ offers, are available for holidays started and completed within the periods specified and all nights must be consecutive.

VISAS AND PASSPORTS – Visa information in this brochure is provided for USA passport holders who are citizens and residents of the USA. Non-USA passport holders should consult the relevant Embassy, High Commission or Consulate for visa details. It is the responsibility of all passengers to ensure that they hold the correct and valid documents, including visas for all countries to be visited. Failure to do so may result in your intended travel being curtailed or terminated, and Somak will not accept liability for your loss in such circumstances. All USA passport holders traveling to any country featured in this brochure require a 10-year passport, valid for at least 6 months on the date of your intended return to the USA. All passengers must carry their own travel documentation. All children traveling must be in possession of their own passport. If you are traveling to more than one country on your vacation you may be required to hold multiple entry visas. The time taken to process a visa varies tremendously, however, you should allow at least four weeks by post and two weeks if using a visa service. Personal callers normally obtain their visas on a ‘next-working-day’ basis, however, during busy periods such as Christmas, Easter and school holidays, considerable delays may occur in processing your visa. Generally, three passport-sized photographs are required. Note: False declarations on your visa form may result in you being denied entry to the country you intend visiting. Please note that the passport/visa requirements are for guidance only and are subject to change. Please check there have been no amendments.

WEATHER – Weather information is purely a guideline. Temperatures are shown in Celsius, rainfall in millimeters.

CAPE TOWN, South Africa – Average Temperature (°C) Average Rainfall (mm)												
JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	
26°	26°	25°	25°	19°	18°	17°	18°	18°	21°	23°	24°	
0	0	25	51	76	76	76	76	51	25	25	25	

MAUN, Botswana – Average Temperature (°C) Average Rainfall (mm)												
JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	
30°	30°	29°	27°	25°	24°	24°	26°	30°	33°	32°	31°	
102	76	76	25	15	0	0	0	10	25	51	76	

LIVINGSTONE, Zambia – Average Temperature (°C) Average Rainfall (mm)												
JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	
21°	21°	21°	18°	17°	16°	16°	18°	22°	24°	23°	22°	
229	203	152	25	10	0	0	0	11	25	102	152	

WINDHOEK, Namibia – Average Temperature (°C) Average Rainfall (mm)												
JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	
29°	28°	27°	25°	22°	20°	20°	23°	25°	29°	29°	30°	
76	76	76	51	15	0	0	0	0	10	15	51	

NAIROBI Average Temperature (°C) Average Rainfall (mm)												
JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	
25°	26°	25°	24°	22°	21°	21°	21°	21°	24°	23°	23°	
25	51	127	203	152	51	25	25	25	51	102	76	

MOMBASA Average Temperature (°C) Average Rainfall (mm)												
JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	
31°	31°	32°	32°	29°	28°	28°	28°	29°	30°	31°	31°	
25	25	51	203	330	152	102	51	51	76	102	51	

ARUSHA Average Temperature (°C) Average Rainfall (mm)												
JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	
33°	33°	32°	29°	27°	26°	26°	27°	29°	31°	32°	32°	
25	51	127	356	254	25	25	25	25	25	51	51	

ZANZIBAR Average Temperature (°C) Average Rainfall (mm)												
JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	
27°	27°	27°	26°	26°	25°	24°	25°	25°	25°	26°	28°	
76	76	127	381	254	51	51	51	51	76	76	152	

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CHOOSING A HOTEL

To assist you in selecting the accommodation that is most suitable for you, we have devised a ratings system based on our opinions and those of our customers, rather than local or international ratings.

CONNOISSEUR COLLECTION

The Somak Connoisseur Collection is a selection of the finest hotels and tours featured in our portfolio. The holidays within this brochure bearing the Connoisseur Collection logo, offer high levels of quality and exclusivity.

Sun Ratings

Somak's 'Sun' ratings give an overall view of a property and take account of factors such as accommodation, food, facilities and service.

☼☼☼☼

First-class standards of accommodation and service, usually with an excellent range of facilities.

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Good standards of accommodation and a range of facilities.

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Comfortable accommodation offering medium-class facilities.

As standards of accommodation vary from country to country, Somak's 'Sun' ratings reflect the standards to be expected within one particular country or region. It is generally not appropriate to compare ratings from one country to another.

SAFARI GUIDE

A safari is an incredible adventure that will introduce you to the wonders of Africa – friendly people, diverse and beautiful landscapes, and if you are lucky, many different animals and birds. However, this is not something that

should be undertaken lightly as often the distances covered are vast and journeys may be uncomfortable at times. We offer different types of safari, so please read the following information to enable you to choose the most appropriate one.

SHARED SAFARIS BY ROAD – These have fixed itineraries with set departure days. They are shared with a small group of travelers in a Somak microbus in Kenya and a 4-wheel drive vehicle in Tanzania. All guests are guaranteed a window seat and access to the game viewing hatch. We hold generous allocations of rooms on these set itineraries and so they are easy to book and confirm, although we would strongly recommend that you book early for the peak periods such as during the migration in the Masai Mara and the Serengeti as these periods are very popular.

For all these safaris there is the option to pay for the exclusive use of a safari vehicle. You can also choose to fly from the Masai Mara to Nairobi or Mombasa at the conclusion of your safari. Please see below for further information.

We have also showcased a number of suggested itineraries to help you choose your perfect safari. These can operate on any day of the week and can be tweaked to suit your requirements with extra days in any lodge or camp. We therefore do not hold allocations and each element has to be confirmed separately. Many suggestions can be found on our website www.somak.com/usa

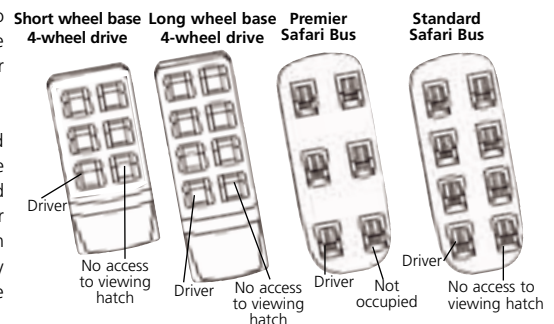
If you cannot find your perfect safari in the pages of this brochure or on our website, we can custom-make a personalized itinerary just for you, to create your dream vacation. This could be an adaptation of one of our classic or suggested itineraries, flying or by road, or a combination of both. You are limited only by practical considerations such as traveling times and flight networks, the availability of your chosen lodges or camps, and your budget. A selection of camps and

lodges throughout Kenya and Tanzania can found on our website www.somak.com/usa

A higher deposit may be required at time of booking for some lodges and camps.

YOUR SAFARI VEHICLE ON A SAFARI BY ROAD IN KENYA

Our safari vehicles are driven by expert driver-guides who accompany you throughout your safari. Somak minibuses in Kenya have game viewing hatches which are accessible from the rear seats, but not from the front passenger seat and are equipped with a cool box in which you can store your drinks. Our Shared Safaris by Road in Kenya use a maximum of six seats, thus guaranteeing you a window seat and access to the game viewing hatch. Four wheel drive vehicles are available for a supplement and seat up to four or six passengers. Tanzania safaris operate using 4-wheel drive vehicles accommodating four or six passengers.



On a Shared Safari by Road you can book a vehicle and driver-guide for the exclusive use of your party. This affords you greater flexibility with game viewing as you may have favorite animals that you would like to see or particular areas within a game park that you want to visit – although please bear in mind that no sighting of animals in the wild can be guaranteed! The applicable supplements to book an exclusive vehicle on a Shared Safari by Road are shown on the individual safari pages.

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If your party size is four or less guests, the exclusive vehicle in Kenya will normally be a Premier microbus. These vehicles have been specially adapted and only have four seats in the rear which allows for much greater leg room of 70-75cms and greater freedom to move around the vehicle and access the game viewing hatch when stationary and observing wildlife. Please note that the number of Premier minibuses is limited so we suggest you book early to avoid disappointment.

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. On long journeys comfort breaks will be taken, often at curio shops, but the facilities will be basic in nature.

Approximate distances and traveling times are shown between points on each itinerary. These should be used as a guideline only, as travel may take a lot longer than expected due to poor road conditions or stops to view game. Changes to itineraries, routings and camps or lodges are sometimes unavoidable, e.g. due to rainfall, and it may be necessary to drive greater distances. Local conditions may lead to last minute changes en route.

A number of our itineraries include flights or the option to take one or more flights – please see the 'Flying Safaris' section below for further information.

Please note that at present the road into the Masai Mara is in a very bad condition in places and the final section can be an uncomfortable journey taking a considerable time. On our Shared Safaris by Road we do offer the option to fly out of the Mara at the conclusion of your safari to Nairobi a supplement from \$295 or to Mombasa for a supplement from \$575 (prices only valid when pre-booked in the USA. Baggage allowance is restricted to 15 kg on light aircraft and should be in soft bags. When flying from the Masai Mara to Mombasa beach luggage cannot be stored at Somak House in Nairobi and so your luggage would be restricted to 15 kg for your entire holiday.

FLYING SAFARIS – Choosing a flying safari offers you complete flexibility, from which day you depart the USA to the combinations of destinations, game parks and lodges and camps you choose. Flying between each destination allows you to cover more ground in a shorter period of time. Flying safaris are fully flexible and the number of days at each location can be increased or decreased, therefore no allocation is held and all services are subject to availability (if any element is not available we will suggest the best alternative).

Flights are in light aircraft and the baggage allowance is strictly 15 kg per person and should be in soft bags. Where possible, additional luggage can be left at your hotel or at the Somak Lounge and retrieved after the safari. Depending on your routing a change of aircraft may be required as well as additional stops to pick up/drop off passengers en route to your final destination. Transfers and game drives will be provided by the lodge or camp in their vehicles and will be shared with other

guests. A window seat in safari vehicles is not guaranteed at some lodges and camps, although there is usually the option to pay for exclusive use of a safari vehicle (subject to availability). For total flexibility and exclusivity the internal light aircraft flights can be arranged on an exclusive charter basis for your party at a supplement. A higher deposit may be required at time of booking.

GAME DRIVES – A safari promises both excitement and the unexpected – close encounters with wild animals, bumpy roads and helping out when the odds are down. Every day on a Somak Safari is different with amazing experiences, but don't expect lazy days. Game-viewing activities when taken from your lodge or camp occur in the early morning (so book an early morning wake-up call!) and late afternoon, and usually lasts between one and two hours. Some game drives take place whilst driving from one lodge or camp to the next. Please note that game viewing is not an exact science and sightings of particular species cannot be guaranteed. At some lake lodges game drives are not provided, but optional excursions may be purchased locally. Game drives are not included at tree lodges, as they overlook waterholes and salt licks.

MEALS ON SAFARI – Guests booked on a Shared Safari by Road are often referred to as a group when traveling in the same vehicle or convoy of vehicles. Lodges and camps prefer to reserve tables in their dining areas to ensure that space is available, but unfortunately it is often not practical to allocate individual tables for every couple or family and so they usually assign tables to guests that are traveling together, even if they have not booked together.

CHILDREN – Children are welcome on selected safaris. On road safaris, we recommend that families with children book their own safari vehicle, to avoid concerns about disturbing fellow passengers. Children under the age of seven are not permitted at some lodges. Please refer to the itinerary pages for any restrictions for children on safaris.

WHAT TO TAKE ON SAFARI? A soft bag is best as there is limited space and luggage allowance is 15 kg. We recommend neutral colors, comfortable shoes, and warm clothing for early morning and evening game drives. Additional items to take include sunscreen, camera, binoculars, strong insect repellent and a hat.

BALLOONING – Instead of an early morning game drive you can enjoy an optional hot-air balloon flight over the Masai Mara or the Serengeti. Please ensure that your holiday insurance covers activities such as ballooning as many insurance policies require the payment of an additional premium to cover 'hazardous activities'. In the event of your ballooning being cancelled, we are unable to refund any such insurance premiums. Balloon flights will only operate in the event that your pilot judges the conditions to be safe and appropriate for your flight. Adverse weather conditions or other factors may lead to the cancellation of the balloon flight. As on any aircraft, the pilot reserves all rights in respect of the carriage of passengers and their luggage/equipment. A full refund of the cost of your balloon flight, if appropriate, will be provided in the event of cancellation as a result of matters beyond our control, but Somak will not pay any

compensation for disappointment as a result of the cancellation of your balloon flight. Should an additional ballooning excursion be booked that coincides with a pre-arranged game drive or bush breakfast, no refund for either will be available. Height and age restrictions apply – children under the age of 7 are usually not allowed; the minimum height restriction is 1.2 meters. Prices displayed are only valid when pre-booked in the USA.

SOMAK SAFARI LOUNGE – Guests can relax and recuperate in the comfortable Safari Lounge, the only one of its kind in East Africa. This is available to all Somak guests passing through Nairobi (time permitting), and is the perfect place to enjoy refreshments, an air-conditioned rest area and showers. Many guests consider this a huge benefit and comment on the welcome hot food and refreshing drinks. You can store your luggage here if you wish.

NAIROBI NOTE – In recent years traffic in Nairobi has expanded considerably and there are frequent and long delays due to traffic jams.

GORILLA TREKKING

Observing Gorillas in the wild is a very special experience and it is important to preserve these fantastic, endangered animals, so only a limited number of permits are available in each park. Every visitor must obtain a permit before they can embark on a trek, so it is essential to book well in advance. Permits need to be paid for at the initial booking stage and are non-refundable.

Anyone that embarks on a gorilla trek must be fit and in good health, as reaching the gorillas in their natural habitat can be tough, arduous and wet. To reach the gorillas requires trekking through thick forest at heights of up to 3,000m over sometimes difficult terrain. If on the day of your trek you are sick with a cold, flu or other contagious illness, visiting the gorillas will not be permitted and you may not be refunded the cost of the trek.

It is generally quite cold, particularly in the evening, so warm clothing is advised. Recommended clothing is long trousers and shirts when in the forest to avoid nettle stings. Sturdy walking shoes or hiking boots are essential. It frequently rains so take waterproof clothing and protection for your camera equipment.

Only one hour is allowed with the gorillas, at a distance of at least 7 meters. Flash photography is not allowed. Throughout the trek you will be accompanied by a ranger who will explain the rules and take you to the gorillas.

Of course there is no guarantee of seeing a gorilla as they are in their natural habitat.

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Your contract is with Somak Travel Limited trading as Somak Holidays, a company registered in the United Kingdom in 1968 – Registration no. 958261.

1. Your holiday contract: When you make a booking you undertake that you have the authority to accept and do accept these booking conditions on behalf of yourself and your party. A contract will exist upon the issue of our Confirmation Invoice. These conditions in conjunction with the information set out in our brochure form the entire agreement between Somak Holidays and yourself. Any advice/information given to you by your travel agent which is inconsistent with our brochure and these conditions will not form part of your contract with ourselves.

2. Data Protection: In order to process your booking, Somak will need to use personal information for you and other passengers included in your booking. This personal information may include each passenger's name, address, phone number, email address, passport number, credit/debit card number and sensitive information such as health, medical, dietary, mobility, religious or other special requirements. This personal information may be passed on to other suppliers of your travel arrangements in addition to public authorities such as customs and immigration, security and credit checking organizations, and otherwise as required by law. Similarly, we may also need to provide personal information to contractors who provide services to us or for us e.g. sending mail, processing payments, providing marketing assistance. This may involve sending personal information including sensitive information to other countries that may not afford the same level of protection of personal information. We may also use the personal information you provide us to review and improve the tours and services that we offer, and to contact you by post, email and/or telephone about other tours and services offered by Somak

3. Your holiday price: When you or your travel agent request a booking with Somak, if we are able to accept the booking, you must immediately pay a deposit of \$300 per person together with any applicable insurance premium. Occasionally you may be required to pay a sum greater than \$300, this is so that we can secure hotels or products on your behalf that must be paid for by Somak at the time we book them for you. The balance of the price of your travel arrangements must be paid at least 8 weeks before your departure date. If your booking is made within 8 weeks of departure, full payment including any insurance premiums is required at the time of booking. If the deposit is not paid on time, we reserve the right to cancel your travel arrangements. If the balance is not paid on time we shall retain your deposit and reserve the right to cancel your travel arrangements and levy the cancellation charges set out in clause 4 below. All monies you pay to the travel agent are held by them on our behalf at all times.

We reserve the right to change our prices at any time before you book, including any special offers which we may have from time-to-time, and which may or may not be the same as set out in our publicity material.

4. If you change your booking: If, after our confirmation invoice has been issued, you wish to change your travel arrangements in any way, for example, your chosen departure date or accommodation, we will do our utmost to make these changes but it may not always be possible.

Any request for changes MUST be in writing from the person who made the booking or your travel agent. You will be asked to pay an administration charge of \$50 per person per change, together with any further charges and/or supplements and/or costs we incur in making this alteration. You should be aware that these costs will increase the closer to the departure date that changes are made and you should therefore contact us as soon as possible. We may not be able to make alterations to your holiday arrangements within 21 days of departure without you incurring cancellation charges.

5. If you cancel your holiday: You, or any member of your party, may cancel your travel arrangements at any time. WRITTEN notification from the person who made the booking or your travel agent must be received at our offices. The following scale of cancellation will be payable depending on when the notification of cancellation is received:

56 days or more	Deposit only
55 – 43 days	30% of total holiday price
42 – 29 days	50% of total holiday price
28 – 15 days	75% of total holiday price
14 – 3 days	90% of total holiday price
Less than 3 days	100% of total holiday price

If some, but not all, party members cancel, additional charges may be payable by the remaining members (e.g. under occupancy charges).

Note: If the reason for your cancellation is covered under the terms of your insurance policy, you may be able to reclaim these charges.

6. If we change or cancel your holiday: It is unlikely that we will have to make any changes to your travel arrangements. However, we do plan the arrangements many months in advance and occasionally, therefore, it may be necessary to make changes and we reserve the right to do so at any time. Most of these changes will be minor and we will advise you or your travel agent of them if practicable and time permitting. Please note that carriers, timings and routings given in the brochure are for guidance only and may be subject to change. Such changes are deemed to be minor changes. Other examples of minor changes include alteration of your outward/return flights by less than 12 hours, changes to aircraft type, change of accommodation to another of the same standard, or change of airports within the same city area.

We also reserve the right in any circumstances to cancel your travel arrangements. For example, if the minimum number of clients required for a particular travel arrangement is not reached, we may have to cancel it. However, we will not cancel your travel arrangements less than 8 weeks before your departure date, except for reasons of force majeure or failure by you to pay the final balance. If it is necessary for us to cancel your travel arrangements for reasons other than force majeure and non-payment of the final balance, we will pay compensation to you as set out in this clause.

If we make a major change to your holiday, we will inform you or your travel agent as soon as reasonably possible if there is time before your departure. You will have the choice of either accepting the change of arrangements, accepting an offer of alternative travel arrangements from us, if available (with no amendment fee although subject to any difference in brochure price), or cancelling your booked holiday and receiving a full refund of all monies paid except for insurance premiums and/or amendment charges. In all cases, except where the major change arises due to reasons of force majeure, we will pay compensation as detailed below for the period before your departure within which the notice of cancellation or major change is notified to you:

56 days or more	Nil
55 – 43 days	\$20
42 – 29 days	\$40
28 – 15 days	\$60
Less than 15 days	\$100

'Force Majeure': This means any situation outside our control such as war or threat of war, riot, industrial dispute, technical or maintenance problems with means of transportation, re-scheduling or cancellation of flights by an airline or main charterer, terrorist activity, natural or nuclear disaster, fire, adverse weather conditions or other unforeseen circumstances that amount to force majeure.

As we do not control the day-to-day management of your accommodation it is possible that the reserved accommodation may not be suitable or available to you once you have arrived in resort. If this happens we will endeavor to provide accommodation of at least the same standard in the same resort area. If only accommodation of a lower standard is available then we will refund the difference of the brochure price between the accommodation booked and that available, together with compensation of \$100 per person.

7. If you have a complaint: If you have a problem during your holiday, you must, whilst in resort, inform the relevant supplier (e.g. your hotelier) and your resort representative as soon as possible and they will endeavor to put things right. You must also complete a Customer Report Form whilst in resort. If your complaint is not resolved locally, please follow it up within 28 days of your return home by writing to our Customer Services Department giving your booking reference and all other relevant information. Please keep your letter concise, to the point and typed if possible. This will assist us to quickly identify your concerns and speed up our response to you.

If you fail to report any problems whilst in resort we will have been deprived of the opportunity to investigate and rectify your complaint whilst you were there and this may affect any rights you may otherwise have had under this contract.

8. Behavior: Please note that your holiday arrangements will be terminated by ourselves or the suppliers concerned (e.g. airlines, hotels, tour leaders etc.) if you are behaving in such a way as to cause, or be likely to cause, danger or distress to others or damage to property. In this situation, Somak will not be liable to make any refund, pay any compensation, or meet any costs or expenses you incur as a result of your behavior. Please note that you are at all times subject to the laws of the country you are visiting and must respect local cultures and customs.

9. Conditions of carriage/accommodation: Each journey (whether undertaken or not) that you book by air, land or sea is governed by the conditions of the carrier which undertakes to provide that carriage. Some of these conditions limit or exclude liability and are often the subject of international agreements. Copies of applicable conditions are available for inspection at the offices of the carrier concerned or through ourselves. It is your own responsibility to reconfirm the onward or return sectors of any air journey with the carrier concerned or such carrier's duly authorised agents and according to such carrier's regulations. The outbound flight is reconfirmed by Somak Holidays prior to your departure. All accommodation booked by ourselves on your behalf is subject to the 'house rules' of the proprietor.

10. Insurance: It is imperative that you ensure that all of your party have adequate and appropriate insurance. You are free to choose your own policy but you must satisfy yourself that the policy is adequate for your needs, in particular for any activities you are contemplating during your holiday.

11. Documentation: Where travel and health documents are necessary to comply with the requirements of any country you may wish to visit, then it is your responsibility to procure them. If failure to obtain any such documents results in fines, surcharges or other financial penalty being imposed upon us then you shall reimburse us accordingly. You must be aware, by consulting your own doctor/primary health physician if necessary, of specific health precautions deemed prudent for the country/resort you intend to visit and obtain the appropriate medication/inoculations.

12. By making a booking with us you agree to the use and disclosure of the information you provide for the following purposes: to enable us to process your booking (when it may be transferred abroad), for market research and analysis, to prevent fraud and to enable us to contact you by letter, telephone or email.

13. Law and jurisdiction: The contract between us, and these booking conditions, are governed by and construed in accordance with English law. All parties agree to submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English Courts.

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