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ONCE IN A LIFETIME SAFARI
ITINERARY
7 DAY KENYA/ 6 DAY TANZANIA SAFARI

Day 00 - (Nairobi)



Upon your arrival at the Jomo Kenyatta International Airport in Nairobi and after clearing customs and immigration formalities, you will be met by a Once In A Lifetime Wildlife Safari Representative. Our agent will transfer you to the Nairobi Safari Club for a relaxing overnight stay in Nairobi.

OVERNIGHT AT NAIROBI SAFARI CLUB

Day 01 – (Nairobi / Amboseli National Park)

At 8:00, your Once In A Lifetime Safari guide will meet you and your wife at the Nairobi Safari Club. After you depart Nairobi, you will head south for approximately 3 ½ hours taking you across the beautiful and seemingly never ending - Athi plains.

Once you turn east, you will enter Kenya's Amboseli National Park which is located at the foot of the majestic Mount Kilimanjaro. Amboseli is the home to a wealth of wildlife but it is famously known for its mighty African elephants. Following the 250 kilometers (155 miles) drive, you will check into the Amboseli Sopa Lodge where you will have a fantastic lunch.



As you enter the Park, you will notice the snowcapped peak of Kilimanjaro which dominates every aspect of Amboseli. This Park is one of Kenya's most famous National treasures. Amboseli only covers 392 sq km, but despite its small size and its fragile ecosystem, it supports a wide range of mammals (well over 50 of the larger species) and birds (over 400 species). Years ago, this was the locale around which such famous writers as Ernest Hemingway and Robert Ruark spun their stories of big-game hunting in the wilds of Africa.



The snows of Mount Kilimanjaro, white and crystalline, form a majestic backdrop to one of the region's most spectacular displays of wildlife - lion, elephant, leopard, rhino, cheetah, buffalo and hosts of plains' game, creating Kenya's most sought after photographer's paradise.

Following lunch and at approximately 3:00, your Once In A Lifetime wildlife representative will escort you on an adventurous afternoon Safari game drive. During your expedition, you will visit the nearby water-hole where you will observe an abundance of different wildlife species.

Upon the completion of your exciting adventure, you will return back to the Lodge and where you will be

treated to fabulous dinner. Following dinner, you might opt to relax near the open fire pit and enjoy a conversation with your fellow explorer.

OVERNIGHT AT AMBOSELI SOPA LODGE

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Day 02 – (Amboseli National Park)

After your hearty morning breakfast served at the Sopa Lodge, a full day will be spent exploring this most distinctive and wonderful National Park.

One of the interesting and spectacular facts regarding Amboseli is its abundant and vast number of animal species.

During both your morning and afternoon expedition, you will see Buffaloes, lions, gazelles, cheetahs, wildebeest, hyena, jackals, warthogs, zebras, Masai giraffes and baboons.

Around the mid-day hour, your Once In A Lifetime Safari guide will stop for a unique picnic lunch.



You will return to the Lodge $\frac{1}{2}$ hour prior to the sun setting. After you freshen up from your day's adventure, you might elect to relax in the Amboseli Sopa Lodge's lounge area. This will provide you with the opportunity to enjoy a book or play a game of cards prior to your evening dinner.

Following dinner, you might once again might to relax next to the open fire pit and discuss your day's exploration.

OVERNIGHT AT AMBOSELI SOPA LODGE

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Day 03 – (Amboseli National Park / Lake Nakuru)

At 7:00 and after an early morning breakfast, we will depart Amboseli and proceed southward to Lake Nakuru National park. Along the way to this beautiful Park, we will stop for a delicious

picnic lunch. The distance to Lake Nakuru from Amboseli is 410 km's and will take approximately 6 hours.



Nakuru's wildlife can be easily observed through-out the entire park. This wildlife includes Water Buffalo, Leopard, Lion, Rothschild's Giraffe, Black and White Colobus Monkey in the forests and animals like the Eland, Steinbok, Impala, Chandler's Reedbuck, and Dikdik in the Bushland. Finally, Rock Hyrax and the Klipspringer are found on the cliffs and escarpment.

Upon your arrival, you will partake in an afternoon game drive within our overland vehicle to savor the feast of wildlife on the lake shores

and on the cliffs of Lake Nakuru.

Following the completion of your afternoon Safari game drive, your wildlife representative will transfer you to the Sunbird Lodge which is located 20 minutes from the Park. After your check-in, you will be able to relax prior to a delicious evening diner.

Nakuru's Sunbird Lodge is small and exclusive; the property is located between Gilgil and Nakuru in the Great Rift Valley and set in 55 acres of grounds on the shores of Lake Elementaita.

This Lodge is named after one of the more than 450 species of birds in this area. The Sunbird lodge has spectacular views over Lake Elementaita and guests can experience the amazing sunsets from the verandahs of the cottages.

OVERNIGHT AT SUNBIRD LODGE



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Day 04 – (Lake Nakuru National Park / Masai Mara National Reserve)

After your early morning breakfast at the Sunbird Lodge, you will depart the flamingo fringed Lake Nakuru and proceed southwards and turn right at Maai Mahiu to ascend up and over the top of the Mau Escarpment then proceeding to the Masai Mara National Reserve. This adventurous drive is approximately 230 km's and will take 4 hours.



Outstanding in every way, the Masai Mara National Reserve is the most well known game park in Kenya and is located on the northern edge of the Serengeti Plain. Here you can see wide varieties and vast volumes of wildlife, 57 of the 450 recorded bird species are birds of prey. There are breathtaking areas of beautiful grasslands, rolling hills, wonderful acacia trees and a variety of lush bush areas.

Upon arrival at Masai Mara, your Safari Representative will drive you to Mara Sopa Lodge located within the Masai Mara Reserve; lunch will be served followed by an afternoon game drive.

During your drive, you most likely will see Cheetahs, Hyenas, Giraffes, Lions, Hippos, Leopards, Jackals, Wildebeests, Gazelles, Impalas, Hartbeests, Vultures, Eagles, Falcons, Ostriches, Zebras and much more. Both lunch and dinner will be served at Sopa Lodge.

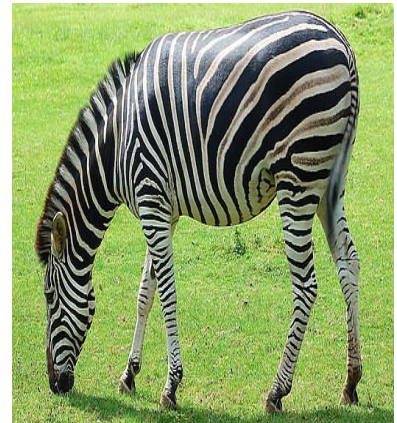
OVERNIGHT AT MARA SOPA LODGE

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Day 05 – (Masai Mara National Reserve)

Following breakfast, you will once again begin your morning exciting exploration. As you progress in your journey, you will understand why this Reserve is called the most beautiful places in Kenya.

Upon the completion of your morning adventure, you will return to the Sopa Lodge where you can relax for the rest of morning and early afternoon hours. Perhaps you might want to take a dip in the swimming pool, play a hand of Cards or just get to know some of your fellow Safari explorers. Later in the afternoon, you will return to the savannah in search for members of the BIG 5 game family.



Due to the Sunset being short on the East African coast, you will return to the Lodge $\frac{1}{2}$ hour prior to the sun setting. However prior to your return, your Once In A Lifetime Safari Wildlife representative will try to position you for the most spectacular Serengeti Plain sunset event you will ever see. All meals will be served at Mara Sopa Lodge.

OVERNIGHT AT MARA SOPA LODGE

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Day 06 – (Maasai Mara Village / Masai Mara National Reserve)

After a leisurely breakfast, we will depart the Mara Sopa Lodge facility and travel a short distance to a unique Maasai Mara bushman village. The Maasai are a nomadic people and are known particularly noted for their handcrafted beadwork.



Male members of the tribe are herdsman and use cattle as capital to exchange for their necessities'. The Maasai diet consists of drinking a mix of cow's blood and milk along with other local delicacies.

Most of their food is obtain by young men hunting within the savannah plain with custom made spears. While the men of the tribe are out hunting, the women stay at the village and assist with the construction of their huts. Young Maasai men leave the tribe at an early age and live off the land in small groups for several

years. As they mature, it is the custom for many of them to become warriors as part of their passage to adulthood.

On occasion, many of the young Maasai warriors stay living in the bush and become wild. It is well known that the Maasai tribes' people are very well versed on the local plants. Many species of the local vegetation is utilized for medical treatment of different ailments.

Once you have completed your visitation of the Maasai Village, we will return back to the Lodge for lunch. The remaining part of your afternoon will be at your leisure. At 16:00, we will journey back out to the Reserve for another beautiful late afternoon Safari adventure. All meals will be served at the Mara Sopa Lodge.

OVERNIGHT AT MARA SOPA LODGE

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Day 07 – (Masai Mara National Reserve / Tanzania Border)

After an early morning breakfast at the Sopa Mara dining facility, we depart the Tented Lodge and begin our 9 hour journey. Your drive will be you to the Serengeti crossing at the Sirari border of Tanzania. Along the way to the Sirari/ Isebania Tanzania border, we will stop for a picnic lunch. Upon arrival at the Tanzania border, you will be transferred to your Tanzania Safari agent.

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***VALIDITY –**

Kenya Safari Guest Accommodations' and Travel Expense

US \$ Per Person sharing double room (Includes \$340 USD Adult Kenya Park Fees)
(Above fare is quoted with a 3.5% cash discount included)

TRANSFER RATES

Jomo Kenyatta International Airport to Nairobi Safari Club: USD\$40
(Minimum of 2 PAX)

**All quoted rates are based upon 2010 fees and availability at the time of booking. Once In A Lifetime Safari LTD/LLC shall be held harmless for any changes or cancelation of accommodations and or excursions. Prior to receiving final payment, quoted packages rates are not guaranteed and can be modified. Rate structure is based upon 2 Guest sharing Micro-Van.

SAFARI COST INCLUDES

- Full board Double accommodations during Safari adventure in Lodges/Camps as described in itinerary.
- ***Exclusive use of a Safari Vehicle (2 Guest minimum)*** during your 7 day Safari adventure as described in itinerary.
- Transportation during Safari adventure in a custom made 06-seater safari microbus (07 window seats) with a roof hatch for enhanced game viewing and photography
- Services of an English speaking driver/guide
- ***Kenya Game Reserve/Park Entrance Fees***
- Bottled mineral water on safari vehicle for use during game drives.
- Safari briefing in Nairobi.

NOT INCLUDED IN SAFARI RATE

- Domestic flights
- International flights
- International departure taxes
- Drinks
- Visa fees
- Tips and gratuities to driver/guide, porters, bar and waiters
- Travel insurance.
- Any other item of a personal nature
- Optional Mara Balloon Flight \$450/person

Day 07 – (Masai Mara Reserve / Tanzania Border / Serengeti Plains)

Once we arrive at the Tanzania Border, you will change Safari drivers and vehicles. After the transfer has been finalized and the immigration process has been completed, we will proceed through the Serengeti plains region arriving Kijereshi Tented Camp. Upon our arrival and for the remainder of the day, you will be at your leisure to explore the surrounding area.



Besides the natural attractions, Kijereshi Tented Camp offers a total of 12 Tents set in an area of green Lush plains, surrounded by indigenous trees. The facilities also include a restaurant which serves an excellent international cuisine, buffet and table d'hote, a barbecue area and pool side's snack bar.

It also excels in an extremely well-stocked bar; along with a very friendly and hospitable staff. For your entertainment, there is TV and wildlife video shows in an enjoyable and delightful atmosphere. Additional features include a spacious lounge which is tastefully decorated in authentic African style, a game room, swimming pool and curio shop. A fantastic diner will be

served at the Kijereshi Tented Camp dining facility.

OVERNIGHT AT KIJERESHI TENTED CAMP

(B, L, D)

Day 08 – (Serengeti Plains)

Subsequent to morning breakfast, your wildlife representative will escort you on a full Safari day in the Serengeti National Park.

This National Park is one of Tanzania's oldest and most popular parks. It has been recognized by the World Heritage organization as the 7th wonder of the World. The Serengeti Plain is also famed for its massive annual migration, where over six million animals will appear on the open plains.

During the migration season, more than 200,000 zebra and 300,000 Thomson's gazelle join the wildebeest's trek for fresh grazing areas.

However, even when the migration is at its minimum, the Serengeti Plain offers the best game-viewing regions in Africa. You will observe great herds of buffalo, smaller groups of elephants, giraffes, eland, topi, kongoni, impala and Grant's gazelle.



For your enjoyment, at the mid-day hour your Safari guide will serve a unique picnic lunch. After the completion of each afternoon game drive, your guide will bring you back to the Kijereshi

Tented Camp so you can relax and have a delicious evening diner.

OVERNIGHT AT KIJERESHI TENTED CAMP

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Day 09 – (Serengeti National Park / Ngorongoro Region)



Upon the completion of your breakfast, you will depart the Kijereshi Tented Camp and take a final exploration of the amazing Serengeti National Park. After your morning Safari drive, we will head towards the Ngorongoro Conservation Area.

Along the way to Ngorongoro, we will stop for a delicious picnic lunch. We will also

have a short visit at the Olduvai Gorge.

During our stopover at the gorge, you will hear an informative lecture on the Tanzania ancestors. After your brief visit, we will continue on our journey ultimately arriving at our destination the Bougainvillea Safari Lodge for your over-night stay.

This luxury tented camp is located on the outskirts of Karatu town about midway between Lake Manyara and the Ngorongoro Crater.

Currently, the Bougainvillea Safari Lodge has twenty-four cottages. Each cozy room has mosquito-netted king or twin beds, a fireplace, large bathroom with shower and a veranda from which to enjoy the views of our lush tropical gardens. Your delicious evening dinner will be served in the Bougainvillea dining facility.

OVERNIGHT AT BOUGAINVILLEA SAFARI LODGE



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Day 10 – (Ngorongoro Crater)



After your morning breakfast at the Bougainvillea Safari Lodge, we will drive to the edge of the amazing Ngorongoro crater. Upon our arrival, you will be escorted to the floor of this amazing crater for a wonderful sightseeing tour. Approximately at noon, we will stop at a wonderful location for delicious picnic lunch.

Following lunch, you will continue to explore this very exotic area. If weather permits, we hopefully will be able to view the most wonderful avian wildlife that the area has to offer. Most of the variety of bird's in Ngorongoro are seasonal and

are influenced by the ratio of soda water versus fresh water.

It has been noted that soda water is the largest expanse of water found in Lake Magadi which is located on the crater floor. The lake is alkaline due to deposits of volcanic ash thrown out by surrounding volcanoes. Ngorongoro crater also supports up to 25,000 large mammals. Many Grazing species dominate the region, especially zebra and wildebeest.

Other species which accounts for almost half of the animals in the region are gazelle, buffalo, eland, hartebeest and wart hog. Giraffe mostly avoid the region due to the insufficient food source at tree level.

Along with the Giraffe, Topi are also scarce because they compete directly with wildebeest. An odd feature of the crater is the elephants which are almost exclusively bulls. Breeding herds comprising of large numbers of females and young with a few attendant older males are probably unable to find sufficient quality food in the crater.



At 16:00 and after your exploration of Ngorongoro, we will start our journey out of the crater and return back to Bougainvillea Safari Lodge for another wonderful dinner and evening under the Tanzania stars.

OVERNIGHT AT BOUGAINVILLEA SAFARI LODGE

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Day 11 – (Ngorongoro Crater / Tarangire National Park)



a variety of different animal species.

After your hearty 7:00 morning breakfast at the Bougainvillea Safari Lodge. We will depart the lodge at 8:00 and journey to Tarangire National Park. The main highlight within Tarangire is the mighty elephant.

During the dry season June thru December, the elephant will mass along the river in enormous numbers where the viewing is amongst the finest in Africa. However even during the January thru May green season, the park is beautiful and has an abundance of

During our Tarangire Park exploration, we will stop and enjoy a delicious mid-day picnic lunch. At approximately 17:30, we will depart Tarangire and travel to Maramboi Tented Camp for our overnight lodging accommodations'.

Maramboi Tented Camp is situated in a beautiful location on the shores of Lake Manyara. It is an approximate 18 km drive from Tarangire National Park and is located in a 25,000 hectare concession area run by the local Maasai tribesmen. Every tent is very spacious, many with ensuite facilities and a private verandah. Within each tent, there are either twin or king size beds with lighting that is provided by solar energy.



The bar and dining area has views across to the Lake Manyara shore and beyond. Also located at this wonderful facility, is a swimming pool which overlooks the Savannah plains.

OVERNIGHT AT MARAMBOI TENYED CAMP

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Day 12 – (Tarangire National Park/ Arusha Town)

After your breakfast at the Maramboi Tented Camp, we will start the leisurely drive back to Arusha Town. Upon your arrival at Arusha Town you will partake in a mid-day lunch. Following lunch, you will be transferred to Kilimanjaro International airport. Upon your arrival at the airport you will be assisted with the check-in process for your departure flight and your Safari Agent will bid you farewell.

END OF SERVICE...

****VALIDITY –**

Tanzania Safari Guest Accommodations' and Travel Expense

US \$ Adult per Person Sharing Double room

(Above fare is quoted with a 3.5% cash discount included)

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TANZANIA SAFARI & ZANZIBAR COST INCLUDES:

- Full board accommodation during Safari adventure in Lodges/Camps as described in itinerary.
- **Exclusive** use of Safari Vehicle during your 6 day Tanzania Safari adventure as described in itinerary (Minimum 2 Passengers).
- Utilization of a 4X4 Landcruiser for Tanzania Safari expedition providing a enhanced game viewing and photography
- Services of an English speaking driver/guide
- **Game Reserve/Park Entrance Fees**
- Bottled mineral water on safari vehicle for use during game drives.
- Safari briefing in Tanzania

NOT INCLUDED IN SAFARI RATE:

- International flights
- International departure taxes
- Drinks
- Visa fees
- Tips and gratuities to driver/guide, porters, bar and waiters
- Travel insurance.
- Any other item of a personal nature

