



IDYLLIC MT KENYA MARA ADVENTURE SAFARI A (KEEKOROK)

Operating in safari Minibus on shared basis

Days of Operation: Thursday

Pick-up point Day 01: Crowne Plaza Hotel

Drop off point: Crowne Plaza Hotel

Day 1

Pick up from Jomo Kenyatta International Airport and transferred to Crowne Plaza Hotel.

Overnight at **Crowne Plaza Hotel** on bed and breakfast basis.

Day 2 Nairobi – Aberdares

Travelling north from Nairobi through the lush farming communities from Thika to Nyeri, the landscape drops away to the west into the Great Rift Valley, creating a dramatic back-drop to the journey. The bird-watching and views around Mt Kenya and the lakes are spectacular, while the big-game in Masai Mara is unforgettable.

Drive north into the forests of the Aberdare Mountain range arriving at Outspan for lunch and then afternoon transfer to Treetops. This is a tree lodge set in a forest glade with a waterhole that attracts all sorts of wildlife during the day and night. The waterhole is floodlit and there is an underground viewing platform.

Overnight at **Treetops Lodge** on a full board basis.

Treetops - the Aberdares

Treetops is Kenya's original tree lodge, legendary for its historical royal connection, for the animals it attracts and for the sheer joy of exploring a tree house visited by rhino, elephant, buffalo, lion, bushbuck, waterbuck and many other species. Guests generally depart the Outspan after lunch for the ten-mile drive to Treetops. Here, guests are met by a ranger who advises guests on common sense rules of behavior necessary for safety and good animal viewing. The lodge rises dramatically out of the ground on stilts and overlooks a water hole and salt lick. It has four decks and a rooftop-viewing platform. Solely dedicated to game viewing, the accommodation is compact and cozy. At 6,450 feet above sea level it is chilly at night at all times of the year, especially from June to September. During these months, you will need sweaters

and hats for comfort and warmth. The bedrooms are small, neat and cozy, like cabins on board a ship. Dinner is served at refectory tables with bench seating which is intimate, relaxed and very friendly.

Day 3 Aberdares - Lake Nakuru

An early morning start first takes you north-west heading towards Nyahururu followed by travel in a southerly direction to your next destination, the spectacular Lake Nakuru. Once in the park, view game en route to the lodge. Following lunch and a siesta, there is an afternoon game drive returning to the lodge as the sun sets. The national park, known for its birdlife, offers a possibility to view flamingoes. It is also home to Black and White rhinos as well as the endangered Rothschild Giraffe.

Overnight at **Sarova Lion Hill Lodge** on a full board basis.

Sarova Lion Hill Lodge

Sarova Lion Hill Game Lodge is nestled along the Lion Hill overlooking the spectacular flamingo pink rimmed Lake Nakuru. Its location affords panoramic views of the lake and the picturesque Lake Nakuru National Park. A short two-hour drive from Nairobi, Sarova Lion Hill Game Lodge is a favourite with residents and visitors to Kenya. The Lodge is cleverly laid out in such a way that most rooms and sitting areas afford stunning views of the lake and the park. The Lodge incorporates natural landscaping with tall acacia trees, winding walkways and greens dotted with bird feeds.

Day 4 Lake Nakuru - Masai Mara Game Reserve

After an early morning breakfast, drive to Narok town via Mai-Mahiu with a brief a rest stop and proceed on to Mara arriving in time for lunch at the Lodge. After lunch, depart for an afternoon game drive returning back to the lodge as the sun sets.

Overnight at **Keekorok Lodge** on a full board basis.

Keekorok Lodge - the Masai Mara

Keekorok Lodge was opened in 1965 and lies at the southern end of Masai Mara National Reserve, approximately 280 kilometres from Nairobi. It is sited in the direct path of the annual migration and was the first lodge to be built in the Mara. At the height of the migration, Keekorok is surrounded by a swarming mass of animals and there is hardly need to go on a game drive. Keekorok's charm lies in the liberal use of local building materials. Sand stone, cedar wood and other indigenous materials are used in all rooms and public areas. In front of the lodge there is a 300m elevated walkway that meanders through a small riverine forest to a small bar at one end. This overlooks a dam where resident hippo and other game are regularly seen. There are no fences around Keekorok and it is not uncommon to see elephant and buffalo on the perimeter of the grounds or even strolling in. Though there are watchmen on the constant look out!

Day 5 Masai Mara Game Reserve

Early morning and afternoon game drives. (It is possible to pre-book an optional early morning Balloon Safari)

Overnight at **Keekorok Lodge** on a full board basis.

Day 6 Masai Mara Game Reserve - Nairobi

After breakfast depart the Masai Mara and head across acres of rolling wheat and barley farms to Narok, the district headquarters of this part of Maasailand. From here cross the vast plains on the floor of the Rift Valley whilst keeping an eye out for herds of giraffe and gazelle before heading up the rift escarpment. Arrive into Kenya's bustling capital in the early afternoon. Once in the city, clients will be dropped off at the drop off point in the city centre for ongoing travel arrangements.

Suggested Optional Nairobi Excursions on return to Nairobi ex- Safari
Lunch or Dinner at Carnivore
Out of Africa Excursion

Shopping trip to Utamaduni and Kazuri Bead Factory
Use of designated Lounge

(Please refer to separate local excursion rate sheet for pricing and other Nairobi local excursions).

***Due to road and traffic conditions, in order to maintain the scheduled departure timings, it is recommended that clients arrive a day prior to the programme and book a pre-night. All clients must be at the pick-up point in time for briefing. The safari will continue without clients that have not arrived by the departure time and additional costs incurred to arrange for the clients to meet up with the safari group, will need to be borne directly by client on the ground.

Extra transfer requests applicable as per below (min 2 pax):
Please refer to transfer document for list of hotels within or outside city centre

*For clients not staying at the featured pick up hotel, supplementary cost applicable:

Day 01 Pick-up from a city centre hotel USD 23.00 NETT per person

Day 01 Pick-up hotel outside city centre or Airport USD 30.00 NETT per person

*For clients requiring drop off post safari at alternate hotel:

Drop off at hotel within city centre or Airport USD 23.00 NETT per person

Drop off at hotel outside city centre USD 30.00 NETT per person

Child and Third Adult Policy

- Children under 7 not permitted.
- One child aged 7-11 sharing with 2 adults pays 55% of safari cost
- Children aged 7-11 in own room pay 75% of safari cost
- Third adult sharing pays per person sharing cost
- Children pay 50% of festive supplements
- Transfer Supplements – children under 12yrs travelling with 2 Adults pay 50%

Cost Includes

- Meet and greet services
- All transport and game drives on safari sector will be in a safari minibus with pop-up roof (maximum 7 passengers) with a Bi-lingual English speaking driver-guide on shared basis
- Guaranteed window seat
- Meals and accommodation as specified
- All park fees and government taxes
- ½ litre bottle mineral water per person per day on game drives

Cost Excludes

- Airport Transfers
- Visas and international flights
- Airport taxes (clients pay direct)

- Driver-guide gratuities
- Drinks, dining rooms tips, portorage
- Personal travel, baggage and medical insurance
- Telephone bill, laundry and any items of a personal nature
- Balloon Safari

Additional remarks

- Cancellation policy as per agent's agreement or as per our printed Price Guide if no fixed contract is in place. Please request any further information on this if required.
- We may have to re-route the itinerary or accommodate in similar lodges in case of non-availability.
- Prices for domestic flights, airport taxes or park fees may be changed without prior notice. This is beyond our control and any increase levied will be passed to you.

Passenger Information

- Passengers should bring only soft sided bags**
- The tour is modular and combines with other tours so there may be need for clients to change vehicles on occasion

****Luggage**

Due to limited luggage space in vehicles, suitcases are unsuitable for scheduled road safaris. We recommend luggage packed in inexpensive barrel/sausage bags or soft sided bags not exceeding 15kgs and 65x46 cm.

Excess luggage can be handed over to the representative at time of briefing. It will be handed over to you on your return from safari. Additional costs may apply to pick up drop off luggage at specific points.