

#### MT KENYA MARA ADVENTURE SAFARI A (MARA SIMBA)

Operating in safari Minibus or 4X4 on shared basis /Days of Operation: Any

Safari Departure and Arrival timings:

Safari Briefing: Day 01 at 0800hrs (approx.) at Eka Hotel

Returns on Day 18 at 1800hrs approx. (onward flights to be booked 1800hrs onwards)

Pick-up point Day 01: Eka Hotel Drop off point: JKIA/City Centre

#### Dav 1 - Nairobi

Pick up from Jomo Kenyatta International Airport and transferred to Eka Hotel. Overnight at **Eka Hotel** on bed and breakfast basis.

## Day 2 Nairobi – Aberdares

Clients to make own way to pick-up hotel (listed above) in Nairobi in time for safari briefing and drive north and 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 Lake Nakuru Lodge on a full board basis.

#### Lake Nakuru Lodge

Lake Nakuru Lodge is situated in the heart of one of Kenya's most densely populated wetland National Parks, (Ramsar site) only two leisurely hours' drive from Nairobi, through beautiful forested uplands and passing a series of lakes. On the outskirts of the bustling market town of Nakuru lies a truly remarkable national park which has achieved international fame. Both black and white rhino are being given a new lease of life in this 188 sq.km, fully-fenced park - and they are carefully protected. The present rhino population is over 50 and continuing to multiply. The Rothschild giraffe is another rarity and the park has its fair share of buffalo, leopard, zebra, eland, waterbuck and lion. Lake Nakuru Lodge is in the south-east ecological niche of the park, with commanding views of the lake and the flamingos for which it is justly famous. Lush gardens surround the lodge and cottages. There is a good program of activities and evening entertainment.

### 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 to the lodge as the sun sets.

Overnight at Mara Simba Lodge on a full board basis.

#### Mara Simba Lodge

Whether you want a boost of rejuvenation or simply escape for the weekend to unwind, check into Mara Simba lodge to achieve your wellness goals. Indulge in exceptional culinary experiences and entertain yourself at the bar, revive yourself as you surrender to the pleasures of life at this truly alluring destination. The luxurious accommodation afford supreme privacy and luxury with 3 types of accommodations to choose from that make the most of the bush environs. Incredible and personalised game drives bring you extremely close to the fascinating Big Five. Enjoy the watch of the great migration across the Mara River between July and September every year.

### 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 Mara Simba 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 Masailand. 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.

\*\*\*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.

# **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, porterage
- 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.