



IDYLLIC SAMBURU TO TSAVO SAFARI

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 Jomo Kenyatta International Airport

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

Pick-up point Day 01: JKIA

Drop off point: JKIA/City Centre

From Gerenuk browsing vertically in the Samburu, to the resident hippos of the Mara River, this is an exhilarating safari.

Day 01 Nairobi - Samburu Game Reserve

Leave Nairobi after an early breakfast for Samburu, heading north, you pass near Thika and continue north through some breathtaking scenery dotted with rushing mountain streams and fields of tea and coffee. You will stop in Nanyuki town for lunch before continuing north, eventually reaching a dusty outpost known as Isiolo, the last major stop on the journey into the remote northern frontier district. From here it's a fairly short hop to Samburu. Arrival at the lodge in time for lunch and then depart for an afternoon game drive returning to the lodge as the sun sets.

Overnight at **Samburu Sopa Lodge** on a full board basis.

Day 02 Samburu Game Reserve

Early morning game drive is followed by breakfast, and time to relax by the lodge pool or the terrace overlooking the river. After lunch there will be another game drive returning to the lodge as the sun sets.

Overnight at **Samburu Sopa Lodge** on a full board basis.

Day 03 Samburu Game Reserve – Lake Nakuru

Leaving Samburu behind, travel south through Isiolo, crossing the northernmost foothills of Mount Kenya, until you get to the town of Nanyuki. Head north-west towards Nyahururu, before turning 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 programme of activities and evening entertainment.

Day 04 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 **Mara Sopa Lodge** on a full board basis.

Day 05 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 Sopa Lodge** on a full board basis.

Day 06 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. You continue towards Nairobi where you will be dropped off at Eka Hotel where you are booked on a bed and breakfast basis.

Overnight at **Eka Hotel** on bed and breakfast.

Day 07 Nairobi - Amboseli

After breakfast you will now head South towards Amboseli . On arrival, check into Amboseli Sopa Lodge in time for lunch. In the afternoon, there will be a game drive in the park until sunset.

Overnight at **Amboseli Sopa Lodge** on a full board basis.

Day 08 Amboseli

Early morning and afternoon game drives in Amboseli National Park.

Overnight at **Amboseli Sopa Lodge** on a full board basis.

Day 09 Amboseli National Park – Tsavo West National Park

Following an early morning game drive, the rest of the morning is at leisure followed by lunch at the lodge. Following Lunch, depart to Tsavo West. The journey takes you east, across the spectacular Shetani lava flow, a reminder of the molten outpouring that spilled down the scenic slopes of the nearby Chyulu Hills over the last three centuries. A zig-zagging road through scrub thorn and acacia leads you into Tsavo National Park, which together (East and West) form the largest of Kenya's parks. On arrival, enjoy game-viewing en route to your lodge arrive at your lodge as the sun sets.

Overnight at **Kilaguni Serena Safari Lodge** on a full board basis.

Kilaguni Serena Safari Lodge

Superbly situated in the lee of Mount Kilimanjaro and sheltered by the volcanic splendour of the Chyulu Hills, this classic stone-built lodge overlooks its own water hole, which is visited daily by elephants, buffalos and a wide variety of plains game. One of the first lodges ever to be built in a national park, the lodge is cool, tranquil and hushed for optimum game-viewing. It is also ideally placed for visits to all the park's prime attractions.

Faced in volcanic stone and utilising the natural rocky outcrops of a valley known as 'the place of the young rhino', from which it takes its name, the lodge features a thatched central dining area and a rock-built bar, with a viewing terrace looking directly down on to the waterhole.

All the spacious en-suite rooms have their own verandas, some overlooking the waterhole, some the Chyulu Hills, which are one of the world's youngest volcanic ranges. As for activities, the lodge offers numerous game drives, guided walks, bush breakfasts, volcano climbs and trips to Mzima Springs, a set of crystal-clear ponds, fed by the melt waters of Mount Kilimanjaro, in which the many hippos can be viewed from a submerged chamber.

Day 10 Tsavo West National Park – Taita Hills Game Reserve

This morning enjoy a game drive in the park, including a visit to Mzima Springs with its underwater viewing holes. Following lunch at the lodge, continue to Taita Hills Game Sanctuary for rest of the afternoon at leisure, viewing game from lodge's underground hide or from the lodge balconies.

Overnight at **Sarova Saltlick Game Lodge** on full board basis

Saltlick Lodge

Salt Lick Lodge is located in the heart of a private Wildlife Sanctuary which lies adjacent to Tsavo National Park, therefore playing an increasingly important role in the protection and conservation of Kenya's wildlife heritage. The entire lodge is raised on stilts, providing 24-hour game viewing opportunities from any corner of the lodge. The rooms are built in two storey blocks from a central pod and linked together by elevated platforms – overlooking a salt slick and small waterhole. Each room is spacious and beautifully appointed, featuring exquisite ethnic décor in keeping with the Tsavo environment Rooms are spacious and have all the necessary modern conveniences. The restaurant, bar

and main balconies have views over the water hole and salt lick, which is constantly in use by local park residents. There is also an underground hide for closer encounters.

Day 11 Taita Hills – Mombasa

Following breakfast, depart on a morning game drive in Taita Hills Game Sanctuary. Lunch will be provided at Sarova Taita Hills Game Lodge before continuing your journey to Nairobi, aiming to reach Nairobi by evening.

End of services

Cost Includes:

- Safari and game drives in private Toyota Land cruiser or Mini Bus
- Services of a professional English speaking safari driver
- All transfers as specified
- Meals & accommodation as specified above
- All park fees and government taxes
- ½ liter bottled mineral water per person per day on safari

Cost Excludes:

- Visas and International flights
- Airport taxes
- Driver guide gratuities
- Drinks unless specified
- Dining rooms tips and portorage
- Personal travel, baggage and medical insurance
- Telephone bills, laundry and any items of a personal nature
- Balloon safari

Additional remarks

- Cancellation policy as per agent's agreement
- We may have to reroute the itinerary or accommodation 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**

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 15 kgs and 65x46cm.

Excess luggage can be handed over to the representative at the time of briefing. It will be handed over to you on your return from safari.