

Lake Nakuru - Nakuru National Park



KENYA

African wildlife
at its best!

Zebra - Masai Mara



Rothschild's giraffe - Nakuru National Park



Cheetah - Masai Mara



The Great Migration



Single Elephant - Masai Mara



Flamingos - Lake Nakuru



Rhinos - Nakuru National Park



A Masai Warrior - Masai Mara



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Travel

Day 1

Jambo! Upon arrival at the airport in Nairobi, you will be met by a tour representative who will greet you and provide assistance with the transfer to the hotel. The rest of the day is free to be spent at your leisure.

You can choose to explore the hidden sights of Nairobi, including the Karen Blixen Museum, the Giraffe Centre for an up close and personal encounter with these beautiful and majestically tall animals, the Daphne Sheldrick Foundation (open to the public from 1100 hours to 1200 hours) for a personal visit to see the baby elephants and rhinos who have been orphaned and are being hand reared to be released back into the wild.

On the other hand, you may just want to relax after your flight and simply enjoy the hotel facilities.

Overnight stay at the [Nairobi Serena Hotel](#) (5-star).



Day 2

Following breakfast, your driver/guide will meet you at the hotel at approximately 0630 hours and depart for your lodge in Samburu (approximately 6-hour drive), where you will be booked for a two-night stay on full-board basis. Arrive at the lodge in time for a late lunch and thereafter relax until the evening. You will then depart for a game drive.

Dinner and overnight stay at the [Ashnil Samburu Luxury Camp](#) (5-star).



Day 3

Following a morning tea/coffee, depart for a game drive, returning in time for breakfast. Following breakfast, spend the entire day at your leisure until lunch. After lunch, depart for a late afternoon game drive.

Samburu National Reserve is a national park teeming with wild life. Situated alongside the Ewaso Nyiro River, there is plenty to attract wildlife from the surrounding savannah plains. The reserve is rich with an abundance of rare northern specialist species such as the Grevy's zebra, Somali ostrich, reticulated giraffe, gengek and the Beisa Oryx (also referred to as the Samburu Special Five). The reserve is also popular with over 900 wild elephants. Large predators such as the lion, leopard and cheetah are undoubtedly star attractions (Kamunyak the miracle lioness that adopted the baby Oryx is a resident in the reserve).

Return to the lodge in time to freshen up for dinner. Dinner and overnight stay at the [Ashnil Samburu Luxury Camp](#) (5-star).



Day 4

After a leisurely breakfast, commence your drive to the Aberdares. The drive is approximately 4 hours. Attractions along the way include Kenya's highest mountain, Mount Kenya.

Arrive at the Aberdare Country club for lunch. Following lunch, you will be taken in the lodge vehicle for a game drive into the Aberdares and check into the Ark. Here you can view game from the privacy of your room or from the outside top terrace and the lounge area. It is a wonderfully relaxing way to enjoy all that the Kenyan wildlife has to offer.

The Aberdare National Park, with an area of 767 square kilometres, covers the higher areas of the Aberdare Mountain Ranges of Central Kenya, from an altitude of 1829 metres to over 4000 metres above sea level.

Wildlife easily observed in the park include the Black Rhino, leopard, baboon, black and white Colobus monkey and Sykes monkey. Rare sightings include those of lions, the golden cat and the bongo, an elusive forest antelope that lives in the bamboo.

Dinner and overnight stay at [Serena Mountain Lodge](#) (5-star).

Day 5

After morning breakfast, check out from the lodge and proceed to Lake Nakuru National Park (approximately a 4-hour drive) where you will enjoy a night's stay on a full-board basis.

Arrive at the lodge in time for lunch. Following lunch, depart for an afternoon game drive in the Nakuru National Park, a shallow alkaline lake that is world-renowned for its huge concentration of flamingos; at times, hundreds of thousands of these birds paint the lake in a pink, shimmering glow. The park boasts a huge variety of animals, including leopard which is often found snoozing on the branches of the magnificent yellow-barked acacias, lion, buffalo, hippo, waterbuck, warthog, baboon, the endangered Rothschild's giraffe only found in this park in Kenya, white rhino and the rare black rhino which is protected and guarded here. Enjoy game drives in the afternoon and return to the lodge around 1830 to freshen up before dinner.

Dinner and overnight stay at the [Lake Elmenteita Serena Camp](#) (5-star).



Day 6

After an early breakfast, your journey now takes you to the Masai Mara, Kenya's most famous wildlife reserve. The drive takes you down the Great Rift Valley, offering magnificent views over the wilderness and Mt. Longonot. The drive is around 4 hours to the gate. Arrive in time for lunch followed by an afternoon game viewing drive.

Dinner and overnight stay at the [Mara Serena Lodge](#) (5-star).



Day 7

Today spend a full day in the Masai Mara, arguably Kenya's most popular game reserve. Two game drives are arranged, one in the morning and one in the afternoon. Alternatively, you might take an early breakfast and then go out for the day and carry lunch boxes with you. The choice is yours and the best solution will be discussed between yourself and your guide.

The Masai Mara contains a profusion of all types of wildlife including the big five. A spectacle worth seeing is the annual migration of millions of wildebeests, zebras, and the gazelles from the Serengeti plains across the Tanzania border and the Mara River to reach Masai Mara grazing fields from late June. The game reserve abounds with birdlife. Approximately 450 odd species have been recorded.

Return in the evening to freshen up prior to dinner. Dinner and overnight stay at the [Mara Serena Lodge](#) (5-star).



Day 8

Following an early breakfast at the camp, bid farewell to the Mara as you set forth on your return journey to Nairobi. Drive back down the Great Rift Valley, passing the dormant volcano Mount Longonot. Keep an eye out for herds of giraffe and gazelle which head up the escarpment. Arrive in Kenya's bustling capital city Nairobi where you will be transferred to the Jomo Kenyatta International airport for your departure flight back home, carrying fond memories of Kenya, its sights and its people.



Tour Inclusions:

- Accommodation in standard rooms as described above (or similar) according to the option chosen
- Transport and game-drives in non-air-conditioned 7-seater safari minivan with pop-up roofs.
- Game-drives, excursions and sight-seeing activities as described in the itinerary.
- Activities (if any) as outlined in the itinerary.
- Transfers as indicated in the itinerary.
- Meals as indicated in the itinerary.
- Services of an English-speaking driver-guide.
- Relevant park entrance fees.
- Bottled water whilst on safari (2 half-litre bottles per person per day).

Tour Exclusions:

- International and domestic airfares.
- Personal expenses such as travel and medical insurance, excess baggage fee, communication charges that include emails, faxes and phone calls, beverages including water, soft drinks, alcoholic beverages or meals not included in the itinerary.
- Gratuity for portorage / waiters at hotels, camps and airports.
- Gratuity for your professional driver guide.
- Cost of obtaining passport and visas.
- Any optional tours or excursions not mentioned in the itinerary.
- Travel Insurance.

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