



Safari Sense

Kenya Travel Guide

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The Kenya Experience

Can any one mental snapshot encapsulate the Kenyan experience? Thousands upon thousands of wildebeest that march in mindless unison on the annual migration through the Maasai Mara, perhaps? Or a family of elephants wading across the lush swamps of the Amboseli? What about a pride of well-fed lions sunbathing on the grassy plains of Laikipia? Certainly, it is such images that tend to spring to mind when one thinks of Kenya.

And properly so!

Mission:

*Inspire Sustainable Luxury
And Adventure Travel For
Nature Conservation*



Why Travel with us

Safari Sense was born out of a passion for Africa and positions itself as the home of the original Kenya safari, incorporating the nostalgic feel of the golden days of exploration and discovery, with a dash of luxury for the ultimate African adventure experience.

Starting out as a blog in 2010, we've since evolved to specialize in organizing and managing individual or group and corporate safaris, holidays and events within Kenya that are of wildlife importance, cultural benefits, historical

significance, and which promote sustainable tourism.

We strive to provide you with the best the country has to offer. Working in coordination with well-established and highly-regarded local tour operators, we ensure the highest quality of service throughout your safari.

Our tour leaders are enthusiastic professionals, with a vast knowledge of the local fauna and flora. We also make sure that all the vehicles provided for your transportation

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(4-wheel drive, mini-buses, open-roof vehicles...) offer the maximum level of comfort and safety. From 5-star lodges to mobile camping, there are several types of accommodations and safari experiences we can help you choose from when planning your trip.

As professionals, we're aware that "one size doesn't fit all" when it comes to planning a trip in Kenya. As our goal is to meet and exceed your expectations, we specialize in designing custom-made adventures reflecting your interests, preferences and budget.



A Kenyan Adventure

The reason for going on safari for many people is the need to reach out and touch the wild. The allure of spending time in the sun and under the stars is one many want to experience. Nothing beats the feeling of coming face to face with Africa's storybook animals roaming free in their natural habitat.

Kenya undoubtedly offers some of the world's finest game-viewing experiences across a highly varied range of parks and national reserves; but there is so much more to see and do in what many regard as Africa's most compelling destination.

First of all, there are many different ways to see and enjoy Kenya's renowned wildlife. Options include where to stay, which parks to visit and how best to view animals.

Probably Africa's most impressive wildlife spectacle is the Great Migration, said to be the largest mass movement of land mammals on the planet. The migration involves millions of wildebeest and smaller numbers of zebra as they make their way from the southern Serengeti to the northern edge of the Maasai Mara National Reserve. Many safari travellers go to Kenya purely to experience this unique phenomenon, which takes place from late July to



September.

Balloon safaris can enhance any safari. Each day, more than a dozen balloons slowly rise from sites across the Mara. Take-off of the sun and then see creatures begin to stir in their natural habitat. The

hour-long flights are one of life's truly great experiences. After landing, guests enjoy a breakfast in the bush.

In some parks, night game drives offer a chance to view the nocturnal life of the bush

– the time, in fact, when many animals not normally seen in daylight hours are active.

The ideal safari experience would have an itinerary that includes all the three game viewing areas in Kenya. National parks are managed by the National government while game reserves are under county governments. The two still offer by far the best places for rich wildlife

experience.

Private conservancies provide Kenya's most high-end safari destination with luxury accommodations, and opportunity for activities like walking, horse riding and biking, which are not allowed in the parks and game reserves.

Alternatively as an extension to your safari, Kenya's coastline is utterly gorgeous, home to some heaving resorts but many more quiet and idyllic beaches – the places you'll always remember as your own slice of paradise. Reefs proliferate all along the coastline and the diving and snorkeling here rank among the best in East Africa.

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*We travel not to escape life,
but for life not to escape us.* –
Anon.



Diverse Experiences

KENYA CLASSIC SAFARI

Kenya Classic safari will see the client exploring the most popular Kenya safaris destinations with breathtaking views and amazing wildlife.

From the majestic snow-capped mountain peaks and windswept savannah, to the gently undulating contours of the highlands the rich vibrant heritage of Kenya captivates and fascinates all those who visit.

Straddling the equator, with the rugged slopes of Mount Kenya keeping

a watchful eye, Kenya is blessed with a natural backdrop of undeniable beauty, whose shifting landscape sets the scene for unique experiences and lasting memories.

A Classic Kenya safari vacation includes Nairobi, and popular parks Amboseli, Lake Nakuru, and Maasai Mara.



Things to consider when planning a Kenya Safari

- What kind of safari you would like to experience (luxury, tented camp, camping, group packages, private departures)
- Wildlife preferences.
- The best time to go on safari.
- Your budget



CULTURAL & ADVENTURE TOURS

Culture and adventure itineraries not only allow the clients to engage in adventure activities, but also to actively participate in the lives of the local people to have a first hand authentic experience of their culture.

These include tours of urban

areas, particularly historic or large cities and their cultural facilities such as museums and theaters.

They can also include tourism in rural areas showcasing the traditions of indigenous cultural communities and their values and lifestyle.



CUSTOMIZED TRIPS & HONEYMOON PACKAGES

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*Wherever you go,
go with your heart.*

Small customized private tours offer the most captivating and lifelong memorable travel experiences in Kenya.

We offer amazing tailor-made personalized tour services with appreciation of the fact that no two human beings are exactly the same.

We value unique individual trip needs and desires.

In the most beautiful locations in Kenya, we offer a variety of honeymoon venues providing first-class facilities and excellent service, taking care of the important arrangements to ensure a lovely experience for the wedding couple.



NATURAL SCIENCE EXPEDITIONS

For wildlife conservation projects, our natural science expeditions involve the monitoring and conservation of Kenya's unique wildlife and plant species.

Whether as an individual researcher or a part of a team, our expeditions involve accommodation in comfortable field stations and use of off-road vehicles.

Activities are varied including camera trapping, target species searches and counts, transect and species identification work, as well as data entry.





Itineraries & Holidays

Bush Escape

Bush Escape takes you to Samburu, located at Kenya's North Frontier, where herds of elephant, Grevy zebra, Beisa oryx and the odd Somali ostrich are the highlights. Lions and leopards occur, and also at Lake Nakuru where there is guaranteed rhino sightings and the flamingo spectacle. Maasai Mara offers the best chance of viewing all the Big 5 at one destination.

DAY 1

Nairobi - Shaba/ Samburu
Breakfast at the Hotel. Early morning depart for drive North to Samburu/Shaba National Park arriving at the respective Lodge/Camp for lunch. Late afternoon game viewing drive. Dinner and overnight at the LODGE/ CAMP.

DAY 2

Samburu/ Shaba
Morning and late afternoon game viewing drives in this beautiful National Reserve. All meals and overnight at the LODGE /CAMP.

DAY 3

Samburu/ Shaba - Lake Nakuru

Early breakfast at depart for the Rift Valley arriving for lunch at a Lodge/Camp in Lake Nakuru National Park. Late afternoon game viewing & bird watching drive. Dinner and overnight at the LODGE/CAMP.

DAY 4

Lake Nakuru - Maasai Mara
After breakfast commence drive west past Mount Longonot and via Narok to the Maasai Mara National Reserve to arrive for lunch at the respective Lodge/ Camp. Late afternoon game viewing drive. Dinner & overnight at the LODGE/ CAMP.

DAY 5

Maasai Mara

Morning and late afternoon game viewing drive in this Reserve, with spectacular sceneries and diverse wildlife. All meals and overnight at the LODGE/ CAMP.

DAY 6

Maasai Mara - Nairobi -

Depart
After breakfast at the Lodge/Camp, embark on your return journey to Nairobi. On arrival in the early afternoon, you will be dropped off at a hotel (use

of the room is excluded). Transferred to Jomo Kenyatta International Airport for scheduled International departure flight, 03 HOURS PRIOR TO FLIGHT DEPARTURE TIME. Optional - at an additional cost, clients

can return to Nairobi from Maasai Mara on a scheduled light aircraft flight, departing Maasai Mara at about 11.00hrs to arrive Nairobi's Wilson Airport at 12.15hrs

TRIP INCLUDES

All transfers as per itinerary
Accommodation and meal plans at all destinations as per itinerary
Transportation during safari in 8-seater Land

Cruiser/ Land Rover (use of the vehicle as per quotation)

Park entrance fees
A bilingual guide whilst on excursions, safari, transfers, and for briefings in

Nairobi/ Mombasa

TRIP EXCLUDES

Christmas and New Year Supplements when applicable
Visa fees (US\$ 50 per

person) and international return flights

Items of a personal nature such as telephone calls, tobacco, and drinks
Gratuities to drivers/guides and tips to porters & dining room staff

Kili-to-Mara

Get hypnotized by the highest point in Africa - Mt. Kilimanjaro - in the midst of herds of elephant & giraffe at Amboseli. Let flamingoes charm you at Lake Nakuru while looking out for the odd rhino, and catch all the Big 5 plus possible hunts at Maasai Mara.

DAY 1

Nairobi - Amboseli

Breakfast, early morning depart for the drive via Namanga to Amboseli National Park, to arrive for lunch at the respective Lodge. Late afternoon game viewing drive. Dinner and overnight at the LODGE / CAMP.

DAY 2

Ambles - Lake Nakuru

Breakfast at the lodge, en-route game drive as you return to Nairobi. Lunch at a Nairobi restaurant. Thereafter proceed to Lake Nakuru National Park, afternoon game drive. Dinner and overnight at the LODGE / CAMP.



DAY 3
Lake Nakuru - Maasai Mara
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DAY 5

Maasai Mara - Nairobi -
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All transfers as per itinerary
Accommodation and meal plans at all destinations as per itinerary
Transportation during safari in 8-seater Land Cruiser/ Land Rover (use of the vehicle as per quotation)
Park entrance fees
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Dust & Sand

Everything about Amboseli is big. It is a land of giants, of vast dry plains where the horizons seem limit-less, of huge herds of elephants and, most impressive giant of all, Mount Kilimanjaro, Africa's highest mountain. Tsavo West National Park is famous for the man-eating lions of Tsavo that preyed upon linesmen building the Great Uganda Railway at the turn of the century.

DAY 1

Nairobi - Amboseli

On arrival at Jomo Kenyatta Airport (by latest 0700 hrs) met and drive via Namanga to Amboseli National Park, to arrive for lunch at the respective Lodge. Late afternoon game viewing drive. Dinner and overnight at the LODGE / CAMP.

DAY 2

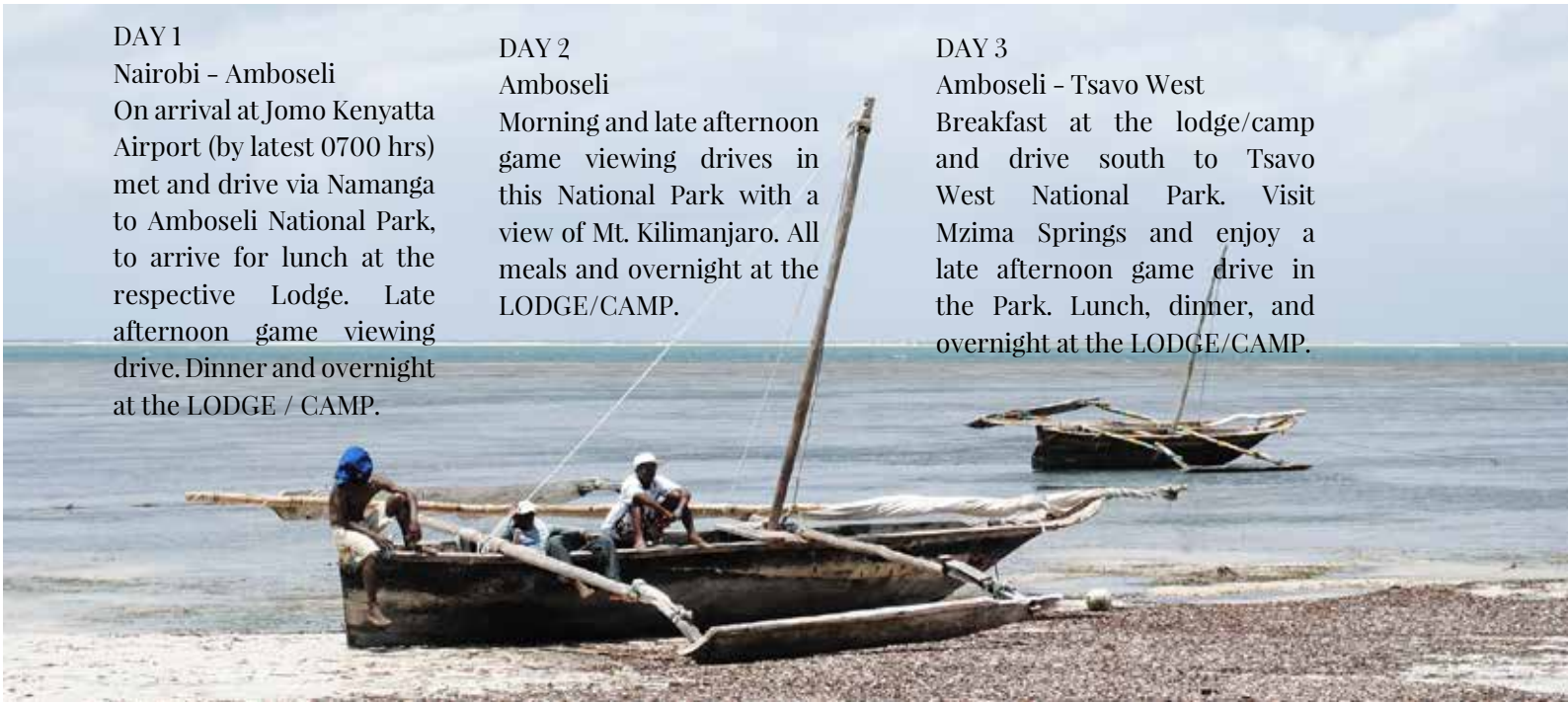
Amboseli

Morning and late afternoon game viewing drives in this National Park with a view of Mt. Kilimanjaro. All meals and overnight at the LODGE/CAMP.

DAY 3

Amboseli - Tsavo West

Breakfast at the lodge/camp and drive south to Tsavo West National Park. Visit Mzima Springs and enjoy a late afternoon game drive in the Park. Lunch, dinner, and overnight at the LODGE/CAMP.



DAY 4

Tsavo West – Mombasa
After breakfast depart for Mombasa with an en-route game drive on arrival drop off at your hotel. Optional-
Return to Nairobi & depart

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All transfers as per itinerary
Accommodation and meal plans at all destinations as per itinerary
Transportation during safari in 8-seater Land

Cruiser/ Land Rover (use of the vehicle as per quotation)
Park entrance fees
A bilingual guide whilst on excursions, safari, transfers, and for briefings in Nairobi/ Mombasa

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Safari Simba

Safari Simba takes you close to the Big 5 with guaranteed rhino sightings at Lake Nakuru, and a possible lion hunt at Maasai Mara!

DAY 1

Nairobi - Lake Nakuru

In the morning (by 09.00hrs), depart for the Rift Valley arriving for lunch at a Lodge in Lake Nakuru National Park. Late afternoon game viewing & bird watching drive. Dinner and overnight at the LODGE / CAMP.

DAY 2

Lake Nakuru - Maasai Mara

After breakfast commence drive west past Mount Longonot and via Narok to the Maasai Mara National

Reserve to arrive for lunch at the respective Lodge/ Camp. Late afternoon game viewing drive. Dinner & overnight at the LODGE / CAMP.

DAY 3

Maasai Mara

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DAY 4

Maasai Mara - Nairobi - Depart

After breakfast at the Lodge/Camp, embark on your return journey to Nairobi. Transferred to Jomo Kenyatta International Airport for scheduled International departure flight. 03 HOURS PRIOR TO FLIGHT DEPARTURE TIME.

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Rift Waters

This safari combines two major lakes in the Rift Valley, Lakes Naivasha & Nakuru, the former a tranquil fresh water lake suitable for boating, and the later being a famous destination known for flamingoes and rhinos.

DAY 1

Nairobi - Naivasha

Depart Nairobi to Lake Naivasha. Stop enroute at the Great Rift Valley for its stunning views. Arrive at your lodge by 11am. Proceed to enjoy an exciting 1 hour guided boat ride on the lake, where you can see some of the lake's

wildlife including Hippo, as well as the Fish Eagles that prey on the lake's smaller fish. Return to the lodge for Lunch - rest of the afternoon at leisure. Dinner and overnight at your Lodge.

DAY 2

Naivasha - Nakuru

After a breakfast, depart to Lake Nakuru National Park, a bird and rhino sanctuary and also a World Heritage site. Stop enroute at the Great Rift Valley for the stunning views. Arrive before lunch. The afternoon gamedrives allows spotting of the unrivalled wildlife

in the park. Dinner and overnight at your Lodge.

DAY 3

Nakuru - Nairobi

Depart for Nairobi after early morning gamedrive and breakfast. Arrive Nairobi by lunchtime, drop off.

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All transfers as per itinerary

Accommodation and meal plans at all destinations as per itinerary

Transportation during safari in 8-seater Land

Cruiser/ Land Rover (use of the vehicle as per quotation)

Park entrance fees

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Meet the Team



Ernest

Our volunteer Editor-in-Chief and freelance guide is a professional photographer who is passionate about wildlife conservation, sustainable tourism and community development. The travel bug bit him early in life and he has lived in, and traveled extensively to all corners of Kenya.

Well known and respected for his vast knowledge of the African bush, Ernest has been leading safaris for over 12 years and is a committed conservationist with a passion for birds and emerging technologies.

A digital communication expert, he speaks English, Swahili and Russian, and is conversant in Spanish.



Lizz

Lizz is a professional with a demonstrated history of working in Client Relations and Administration with years combined of local and international experience in customer service. She ensures the smooth alignment between the business processes and provides expert advice for holiday options while overseeing incoming prospective enquires.

Lizz manages our clients' experiences and maintains the day-to-day operations of Safari Sense.



Tamara

Tamara thrives in her passion for delivering customer-focused services and unique holiday packages. She manages and implements our brand communications and end-to-end campaigns, gathering insights and articulating and implementing recommendations to drive brand performance.

Tamara develops, manages, and implements sales and marketing strategies for Safari Sense's key target markets.

Terms & Conditions

Air Transportation: If you desire, when booking your trip, Safari Sense will endeavor to arrange the best air fare available in the category you request. The airline tickets issued by the airlines concerned shall constitute the sole contract between these airlines and the passenger and/or tour members of any of these tours. Should you cancel your trip or change air reservations before or after departure, cancellation penalties may apply.

Accommodations: All quoted tour prices include accommodations based on double occupancy. There is a supplemental fee for single occupancy accommodations.

Meals: Meals are included in the tour price as stated in the itinerary and price list.

Baggage: You may take along two normal size pieces of luggage, not exceeding a total of 44 lbs. per person. On charter flights in Africa the baggage allowance may be less. Arrangements have been made for safe storage while on tour. However, all baggage is at the tour member's risk while on tour. We highly recommend baggage insurance.

Gratuities, Taxes and Entrances Fees: Charges for hotel taxes are included, as well as entrance fees to places of interest specified in the itinerary, unless otherwise indicated. All wildlife reserves daily fees are included in the itinerary although additional charges may have to be paid locally in some cases. In Africa, tips to driver-guides and escorts are not included and are at your discretion.

Not Included in Quoted Tour Prices: The following items are not included in quoted tour prices: costs of obtaining passports or visas; personal expenses such as beverages, laundry and room service, unless specifically noted in your itinerary; gratuities to your safari escort, camp staff, driver-guides; excess baggage fees; communication charges; airport departure taxes; meals not specified in your itinerary; any airfares unless specifically noted in your itinerary; and personal insurance coverage.

Reservations and Payments: A deposit of 25% of the total tour price is required at the time of booking a tour. The remainder of the total quoted tour price is due 60 days before the departure date. If your reservation is made within 60 days of departure, the entire cost of the trip must be paid on confirmation. Accepted methods of payment include check, money order, wire transfer or credit card.

Cancellations and Refunds: Cancellations received more than 60 days prior to departure will be subject to loss of deposit. Cancellations received less than sixty

days prior to departure will be subject to the following forfeit fees: 60 - 30 days, 40% of tour cost; 29-16 days, 60% of tour cost; less than 16 days, 100% of tour cost. No refunds are given for: lost travel time or substitution of facilities and/or accommodations; itineraries amended after departure; not appearing for any accommodation, tour, game viewing or other booked activities; and/or cutting short the booked itinerary for any reason.

Insurance: We require that you obtain a short-term travelers insurance policy to cover trip cancellation, baggage loss, accident, and medical emergencies. Travelers insurance is available through Safari Sense or your travel agent.

Limitations of Liability: Safari Sense, its Owners, Out tters, Agents and Employees give notice that they act only as agent for the owners, contractors and suppliers providing means of transportation and/or all related travel services and assumes no responsibility whatsoever for injury, personal illness, loss or damage to person or property in connection with any service resulting directly from: act of God; detention; annoyance; delays; expenses arising from quarantine; strikes; thefts; pilferage; force majeure; failure of any means of conveyance to arrive or depart as scheduled; civil disturbances; terrorism; government restrictions or regulations; and discrepancies or changes in hotel services in which it has no control.

Safari Sense and/or its local operators reserve the right to make reasonable changes in the itinerary when deemed advisable for the comfort and safety of passengers. This includes but is not limited to:

Substitution of hotels, alteration of the itinerary, and reversing the order of the places to be visited. Safari Sense and its local operators, their tours and/or suppliers of services, and other cooperating agencies reserve the right to remove anyone from a safari without refund who acts in a manner which is unsafe for themselves, or inconsiderate or unsafe to fellow travelers, and/or who ignores the requests of their guide(s) to act in a safe and responsible manner. On advancement of deposit to Safari Sense, the depositor agrees to be bound by the above recited terms and conditions.

Risks: Safari Sense draws your attention to the fact that there are certain inherent risks involved with adventure travel, and the client accepts them at his/her own risk.

