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7-Day Kenya's Finest Safari

From the magnificent lions that stalks the savanna to elusive leopards and fleet-footed cheetahs, Big Cats are treasured by many safari lovers. This safari takes you to the Kenyan wilderness and the wildlife haven in Maasai Mara. This one of the few safaris where spotting all the Big Five is guaranteed. Big Cat lovers have something to look forward to in this unique customized safari with our friendly and experienced big cat trackers.

Day 1: Nairobi-Samburu National Reserve

Leave Nairobi at 0700hrs driving through the central highlands and into the northern plains with stunning views across the slopes of the Mt. Kenya arriving in Samburu National Reserve on time for lunch. Enjoy an afternoon game drive that introduces you to this beautiful park, that is home to the famous (Samburu Special Five) very rare species which include; Baisy Oryx, Grevy's zebra, Gerenuk, blue-necked Somali ostrich, and Reticulated giraffe. The herds of elephants in this reserve will stun you. The Ewaso Ngiro river provides an excellent spot for game viewing.

- Main Destination: Samburu National Reserve
- Accommodation: <u>Samburu Sopa Lodge</u> Mid-range lodge located inside Samburu NR
- Meals & Drinks: Lunch & dinner (Breakfast not included)

Day 2: Samburu National Reserve

Dawn breaks in golden bands as we start our day in the bush by scanning the surroundings from our lodge's veranda with a cup of steaming coffee in hand. Before the dew is off the grass, we're off in pursuit of the elephants, lions, leopards, and cheetahs that thrive in the reserve's grasslands and acacia woodlands. The day is spent in alternating pursuits of exploration in the bush and relaxation in the lodge.

- Main Destination: <u>Samburu National Reserve</u>
- Accommodation: <u>Samburu Sopa Lodge</u> Mid-range lodge located inside Samburu NR
- Meals & Drinks: All meals included

Day 3: Samburu National Reserve- Ol Pejeta Conservancy

Depart from Samburu National Reserve after breakfast and travel to the exotic Sweetwaters Serena Tented Camp in the secluded heart of Ol Pejeta Ranch and Rhino Reserve. Here, these magnificent beasts are given sanctuary from those who would take their lives to sell their horns. The Jane Goodall Institute operates a remarkable Chimpanzee Sanctuary where we meet the primates face to- face and our camp also overlooks one of the busiest waterholes in the area and offers elephant, giraffe and myriad plains game. This is Africa as Teddy Roosevelt saw it years ago when he led one of the first safaris to tour Africa in comfort and splendor; our tents at Sweetwaters Serena TentedCamp will remind us of this bygone era. Overnight at Sweetwaters Serena Tented Camp Drive time: $2\frac{1}{2}$ hrs Evening game drive – 3.00 p.m. to 6.45 p.m.

- Main Destination: <u>Ol Pejeta Conservancy</u> (Laikipia)
- Accommodation: <u>Sweetwaters Serena Camp</u> Luxury tented camp located inside Ol Pejeta
- Meals & Drinks: All meals included

Day 4: Samburu National Reserve -Lake Nakuru

Rise up early for your last game drive and return to the camp for breakfast. Leave Ol Pajeta Consevancy after breakfast and head to Lake Nakuru National Park with stopovers at the stunning Thompson Falls (Nyahururu) at 1100hrs and Great Rift Valley View Point(Subukia) 1200hrs arriving on time for lunch and later proceed for an afternoon game you'll view the millions of pink flamingos that color this lake pink. Lake Nakuru is one of the Rhino sanctuaries in Kenya and therefore viewing rhinos in the wild is possible.

- Main Destination: Lake Nakuru National Park
- Accommodation: Flamingo Hill Camp Mid-range tented camp located inside Lake Nakuru NP
- Meals & Drinks: All meals included

Day 5: Lake Nakuru - Masai Mara National Reserve

Enjoy an early morning game drive at dawn, returning to your lodge for breakfast at 0730 hrs. After your breakfast depart Lake Nakuru National Park and drive south to reach the game abundant Masai Mara in time for lunch. An afternoon game drive in this magical environment reveals the giant herds of plains game and the numerous predators that have made the reserve so famous.

- Main Destination: Masai Mara National Reserve
- Accommodation: <u>Masai Mara Sopa Lodge</u> Mid-range lodge located inside Masai Mara NR
- Meals & Drinks: All meals included

Day 6: Maasai Mara National Reserve

The Masai Mara is Kenya's finest wildlife sanctuary; everything about this reserve is outstanding. The wildlife is abundant and the gentle rolling grassland ensures that animals are never out of sight. Birds too are prolific, including migrant birds and 53 bird of prey species. The wildlife is far from being confined within the reserve boundaries and an even larger area, generally referred to as the 'dispersal area', extends north and east of the game reserve. The first sight of this park is breathtaking. Here the great herds of shuffling elephants browse among the rich tree-studded grasslands with an occasional sighting of a solitary and ill-tempered rhino; thousands of plains herbivores such as Thompson's and Grant's gazelle, Topi, and eland offer a rich choice of food for the dominant predators: lion, leopard, and cheetah all hunt in this pristine wilderness.

- Main Destination: Masai Mara National Reserve
- Accommodation: <u>Masai Mara Sopa Lodge</u> Mid-range lodge located inside Masai Mara NR
- Meals & Drinks: All meals included

Day 7: Masai Mara National Reserve - Nairobi

Rise up at first light and head for your last game drive in the reserve returning to the lodge for breakfast which is a perfect way to cap off your visit to the Maasai Mara National Reserve; depart for Nairobi with souvenir shopping along the way arriving in Nairobi in the afternoon.

- Main Destination: Nairobi Airport
- Accommodation: No accommodation (End of tour)
- Meals & Drinks: Breakfast (Lunch & dinner not included)

Included

- Park fees (For non-residents)
- All activities (Unless labeled as optional)
- All accommodation (Unless listed as upgrade)
- A professional driver/guide
- All transportation (Unless labeled as optional)
- All Taxes/VAT
- Meals (As specified in the day-by-day section)
- Drinking water (On all days)

Excluded

- International flights (From/to home)
- Roundtrip airport transfer
- Additional accommodation before and at the end of the tour
- Tips (Tipping guideline US\$10.00 pp per day)
- Personal items (Souvenirs, travel insurance, visa fees, etc.)

- Government imposed increase of taxes and/or park fees
 Some meals (As specified in the day-by-day section)

Price \$ 2080 per person