

7Days Across Kenya Scheduled Deluxe Safari Scheduled Safari Departing Every Saturday of the Week: Min 2Pax Accommodation in the listed hotels in the program

Safari Prices are Valid from 3rd Jan 2023 to 2nd Jan 2024

Itinerary at a glance

Day	Location	Accommodation	Meal Plan
Day 1	Aberdares N. Park	The Ark Lodge	Full board
Day 2	Samburu Game Reserve	Samburu Simba Lodge	Full board
Day 3	Samburu Game Reserve	Samburu Simba Lodge	Full board
Day 4	Lake Nakuru N. Park	Lake Nakuru Sopa Lodge	Full board
Day 5	Mara Game Reserve	Basecamp Masai Mara	Full board
Day 6	Mara Game Reserve	Basecamp Masai Mara	Full board
Day 7	Departure	N/A	BB

Aberdares National Park: is a land of fortune and diversity. The Park got its name from Lord Aberdares, one of the founder members of the Royal Geographical Society. Located in the central highlands, west of Mount Kenya and 160kms from Nairobi, the foothills of the Aberdares National Park is covered with huge trees, which, as you go higher, gradually give way to bamboo forests. From about 3, 000 meters upward the landscape consists primarily of alpine moorland which gives way to an area of grass land with, from time to time, giant lobelias presenting an attractive contrast. Try this destination of fortunes.-and who knows? You might be the next one queen or king!

Full Itinerary

Day 1: Arrival in Nairobi and Drive to Aberdares National Park

Arrive in Jomo Kenyatta International Airport, flight TBA. Meet driver-guide and after safari briefing, drive to Aberdares National Park. Well known to the world as the home of succession where in came a princess and out went the Queen of England.

Lunch at the hotel and enjoy your afternoon and evening watching wildlife from the hotel terrace as they come to drink water at the waterhole.

For more details about Aberdares National Park click <u>http://trailsofafrica.co.ke/aberdares-national-park/</u>

Attractions in Aberdares: The major physical attractions: Lesatima and Kinangop peaks, numerous waterfalls, Twin & Elephant hills, Table Mounts, black rhinos, elephant, buffalo, giant forest hog, lion, leopard, baboon, black & white colobus and sykes monkeys are abundant. Bird viewing is incredible with over 250 species of birds recorded. **Dinner and overnight at The Ark Lodge in Aberdares: Booked on Full Board basis.**

Hotel Website: https://marasa.net/the-ark/

Meals: Lunch, Dinner and Breakfast the following day, at the hotel.

Day 2: Aberdares National Park to Samburu Game Reserve

After breakfast drive to Samburu Game Reserve arriving for lunch. Afternoon game drives in Samburu Game Reserve. Samburu National Reserve was one of the two areas in which conservationists George and Joy Adamson raised **Elsa the Lioness**. Their story was made famous by the bestselling book and award-winning movie "Born Free.

Samburu National Reserve is situated on the banks of the Ewaso Ngiro River in the dry northern Kenya and neighbors the homes of the Samburu tribe of Kenya, a tribe known for their remote culture, pastoral and nomadic way of life. The presence, of the Ewaso Ngiro River - and its shady trees - attracts plenty of wildlife. Giraffe, large herds of elephants, buffalo, gerenuks, gazelle, waterbuck and zebra (including the endangered Grevy's zebra) from the surrounding savannah plains trek to the water, Lion, leopard and cheetah are also quite easy to spot, thanks in part to the lack of grass cover. The reserve provides the opportunity to see wildlife that only lives in the dry north of Kenya; namely: the long necked gerenuk, Grevy's zebra, reticulated giraffe and Beisa onyx. The elusive Kenya leopard is often known to visit the park, especially in the evenings.

<u>Birdlife</u> is as plentiful as wildlife at Samburu National Reserve, which boasts over **350 different species of birds** including vultures, kingfishers, marabous, bateleurs, guinea fowl, Somali ostriches and others.

Optional visit to a Samburu Cultural Village at US \$35 (price guaranteed only with advanced booking)

For more details about Samburu Reserve, click on this link <u>http://trailsofafrica.co.ke/samburu-game-reserve/</u>

Dinner and overnight at Samburu Simba Lodge. Booked on Full Board Basis.

Hotel Website: <u>http://www.simbalodges.com/samburu-simba-lodge</u> **Meals:** Lunch, Dinner and Breakfast the following day, at the hotel.

Day 3: Full Day in Samburu Game Reserve

Breakfast in the hotel and depart for a full day game drive with picnic lunch boxes. Alternatively, enjoy game drives in Samburu Game Reserve with lunch break in between the game drives. The Samburu Game Reserve offers what is arguably Kenya's greatest – and least changed – encounter with the wild Africa of yesteryear. This is the home of the Samburu tribe, cousins of the Maasai, who share the same nomadic, cattle-herding existence, and an even stricter adherence to their age-old rites and customs.

For more details about Samburu Reserve, click on this link http://trailsofafrica.co.ke/samburu-game-reserve/

Dinner and overnight at the same hotels mentioned on day 2 above in Samburu

Day 4: Samburu Game Reserve to Lake Nakuru National Park

After breakfast drive to Lake Nakuru National Park heading straight for a game drive in Lake Nakuru National Park.

<u>Lake Nakuru national Park</u>: Established in 1961 and gazette in 1968 as a National Park, the park has Kenya's largest population of rhinos. The park is home to Lion Hills, Makalia waterfalls, unique vegetation, Picturesque landscape, yellow acacia woodlands and a wide range of birds most famous being Flamingoes and Pelicans. Located in the Great Rift Valley Lake System, the park is also as an ecologically significant region having been named a RAMSAR Site and Important Bird Area. Covering 73 square miles (188 square kilometers), Lake Nakuru is world famous for flamingos, and was created a National Park to protect, its stunning flocks of lesser flamingo which literally turn its shores pink. These are the millions of flamingoes seeking their food in the salty deep-green waters of Lake Nakuru. The park is indeed a birds' paradise hosting over 500 species.

Animals include: Thomson gazelles, Grants gazelles, impalas, waterbucks, giraffes, buffaloes or even black rhino, leopards and about 450 birds species in total. Buffalo, leopard, lion, Rothschild Giraffe, White and Black Colobus

monkey are plentiful in the forest. The bush lands offer eland, Steinbok, impala, Chandler's Reedbuck and dik dik, whilst rock hyrax and klipspringer occupy the cliffs and escarpment.

For more details about Lake Nakuru National Park click <u>http://trailsofafrica.co.ke/lake-nakuru-national-park/</u>

Dinner and overnight at Lake Nakuru Sopa Lodge. Booked on Full Board Basis. Hotel Website: <u>https://sopalodges.com/lake-nakuru-sopa-lodge/the-lodge</u> **Meals:** Lunch, Dinner and Breakfast the following day, at the hotel.

Day 5: Lake Nakuru to Masai Mara Game Reserve

After breakfast drive to Masai Mara Game Reserve, Lunch at your hotel and enjoy afternoon game drive in the Game Reserve.

Masai Mara Game Reserve: The Reserve, the Land of Big Cat Diary and Disney's African Cats, is considered a "must see" for any new and repeat visitor traveling on a safari to Kenya. It is on the "to do" list for many Kenyans and visitors alike because the park is graced by a wide variety of unique and exquisite wildlife and birds. Masai Mara is the best place to see the "Big Five" animals (elephants, lions, leopards, rhinos and buffalo).

Home of the Great Wildebeest Migration: The location of the 'Annual Great Wildebeest Migration' – one of the natural wonders of the world – is a gloriously beautiful, wildlife-rich savannah landscape. The annual wildebeest migration from June to October consists of over 1.5 million wildebeests, gazelles gnus and Zebras roar converge at the border of Tanzania's Serengeti and Kenya's Masai Mara making a spectacular entrance in a surging column of life that stretches from horizon to horizon, before finally plunging wildly into the raging waters of the Mara River, creating a frenzy as the fight against swift currents and waiting hungry crocodiles takes priority. Those that survive crocodiles and raging waters cross over to the patiently waiting predators such as hyenas, jackals, leopards and lions for another survival battle.

Wildlife – The Mara is known as one of the finest wildlife destinations in the World. There is an excellent chance of seeing the Big 5, cheetah, serval, hyena, bat-eared foxes, black-backed and side-striped jackals, hippo, crocodile, baboons, warthog, topi, eland, Thompson's gazelle, Grant's etc For more details about Masai Mara Game Reserve click http://trailsofafrica.co.ke/masai-mara-game-reserve/

Optional Afternoon Visit to a Masai Cultural Village: This afternoon, join the Masai dancers donning their African regalia and the jingling on their feet, flow by the rhythm of African beats and dance to their tunes that will leave you refreshed. Cost is \$25 per person. (Price guaranteed only with advanced booking)

Dinner and overnight at Basecamp Masai Mara Lodge. Booked on Full Board Basis. Hotel Website: <u>https://www.basecampexplorer.com/kenya/hotels/basecamp-masai-mara/</u> Meals: Lunch, Dinner and Breakfast the following day, at the hotel.

Day 6: Full Day in Masai Mara Game Reserve

Breakfast in the hotel and depart for a full day game drive with picnic lunch boxes or enjoy morning and afternoon game drives in Masai Mara Game Reserve with lunch break in between the game drives.

Optional Masai Mara Balloon Ride: for those going for the balloon safari, you will be going for the early morning balloon, you will be picked at the hotel by the Balloon Company at 5.30am and drive to the balloon launch site where you will gather for takeoff. Enjoy early morning ballooning over the plains, getting a bird's eye view of the game below as the sun creeps slowly over the horizon. After approximately one hour aloft, the balloon lands while a breakfast is being prepared for us nearby. The smell of bacon, sausages and eggs drift on the breeze as we sample exotic Kenyan fruits and homemade pastries and, if you wish, glasses of bubbly to toast our flight, a tradition initiated by the Montgolfier brothers. <u>Cost Per Person: \$480.</u> (Price guaranteed with advanced booking)

Dinner and overnight at either of the hotels mentioned on day 5 above in Masai Mara

Day 7: Departure

Breakfast in the hotel and drive to Nairobi, Optional lunch at a city restaurant (own arrangement-Pay direct). Transfer to airport in time for your home bound flight.

Meals: Breakfast Only.

Price Breakdown Based Group Sizes and Seasons in 2023

OPTION 1: Ground Transportation using 4x4 Safari Van,

Cost Per person sharing using listed hotels in this program. Prices are in USD (\$).

Number of Pax sharing in each Safari Car and cost per person sharing in US \$									
Seasonality Dates	2pax	Зрах	4pax	5pax	брах	Teen Rate	Child Rate	SRS	
01 Apr to 31 June 2023*	2,564	2,330	2,215	2,145	2,098	2,083	1,052	235	
01 July to 31 31 Oct 2023	2,927	2,693	2,577	2,507	2,460	1,820	1,235	482	
01 Nov to 20 Dec 2023	2,730	2,497	2,380	2,310	2,264	1,624	1,135	440	
21 Dec 21 to 02 Jan 2024**	2,877	2,643	2,527	2,457	2,410	1,770	1,210	454	

OPTION 2: Ground Transportation using 4x4 Safari Landcruiser,

Net Cost Per person sharing using listed hotels in this program. Prices are in USD (\$).

Number of Pax sharing in each Safari Car and cost per person sharing in US \$									
Seasonality Dates	2pax	Зрах	4pax	5pax	брах	Teen Rate	Child Rate	SRS	
01Apr to 31 June 2023*	3,002	2,623	2,433	2,320	2,245	1,458	1,052	234	
01 July to 31 Oct 2023	3,408	3,014	2,818	2,699	2,620	1,820	1,235	482	
01 Nov to 20 Dec 2023	3,168	2,790	2,600	2,485	2,410	1,635	1,135	440	
21 Dec 21 to 02 Jan 2024**	3,315	2,935	2,745	2,635	2,555	1,770	1,210	455	

Please Note the Following:

- ** Add Christmas Supplement of <u>\$60</u> per person per night for holidays/vacations from 24th Dec 2023 to 01st Jan 2024 Nights.
- Teen Rate is the cost for a teenage kid aged 12yrs to 17yrs sharing in a twin/double room with another teen or with an adult.
- Kids Rate is the cost for a child from 3yrs to 11yrs sharing with 2 adults in a room.
- One Adult and a child in a room: If 1 adult shares a room with one child, the child will pay the applicable child rate while the adult ill pay the single room rate.

- Bookings for Easter and Christmas Periods: For any bookings touching on Easter and Christmas periods, we advise you check for availability with us first before confirming to clients due to high demand for rooms on those dates.
- SRS Means Single Room Supplement. It is the extra cost charged for every client to be in Single room.
- Sitting capacity per car: Each safari car; both 4x4 Safari Vans and 4x4 Safari Landcruisers carry a maximum of 6pax each with each client having a seat next to a window for maximum game viewing and photography.
- Arrival and departure airport transfer is based on the assumption that all clients come together in the same flight. If not, a discounted charge for one-way Airport to hotel transfer will be US \$50 per transfer.

During the safari, we cover the following for you:

- 1 night stay in Aberdares National Park on Full Board Basis.
- 2 nights stay in Samburu game Reserve on Full Board Basis.
- 1 night stay in Lake Nakuru National Park on Full Board Basis.
- 2 nights stay in Masai Mara game Reserve on Full Board Basis.
- Custom-made Safari Vehicles with pop up roof top for game viewing and photography.
- All clients are guaranteed a window seat with each car carrying a maximum 6Pax.
- We offer **Safari game drives** as per the itinerary.
- National Park and Game Reserve entrance fees are covered.
- English-speaking drivers will guide and inform you during the safari.
- Throughout the safari, we ensure you have **drinking water**.
- Exclusive **private use** of the vehicle for each group.
- Exclusive private safari chauffeur/guide for each group.
- We offer **24 hour support** throughout the safari, should you need anything

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