



9Days Simba Safari

Accommodation in any of the below listed options

Transport using either 4x4 Safari Vans or 4X4 Landcruisers

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

Optional Safari extensions available at the end of the main itinerary for consideration

Itinerary at a glance

Day	Location	Supplier/Hotel	Meal Plan	Activity
Day 1	Arrival in Nairobi City	Tamarind Tree Hotel	BB	Trsf
Day 2	Aberdare or Mt. Kenya N. Park	Ark Lodge or Serena Mountain Lodge	LDBB	P
Day 3	Samburu Game Reserve	Samburu Simba Lodge	LDBB	P
Day 4	Samburu Game Reserve	Samburu Simba Lodge	LDBB	AP
Day 5	Lake Nakuru National Park	Lake Nakuru Lodge	LDBB	P
Day 6	Mara Game Reserve	Mara Simba Lodge	LDBB	P
Day 7	Mara Game Reserve	Mara Simba Lodge	LDBB	AP
Day 8	Lake Naivasha	Lake Naivasha Simba lodge	LDBB	Boat Ride
Day 9	Take Extensions or Departure back home	N/A	BB	Trsf

Optional Safari Extensions

Options	Locations	Accommodation	Meal Plan	Notes
Option 1	2-Nights at Amboseli National Park	Amboseli Sopa Lodge	LDBB	See safari for Details
Option 2	2-Nights at Tsavo East and West	Amboseli Sopa Lodge	LDBB	See safari for Details
Option 3	4-Nights at Tsavo East & West Amboseli	Ashnil/ Kilaguni/ Sopa	LDBB	See safari for Details
Option 4	5-Nights on Beach at Dream of Zanzibar	Dream of Zanzibar	AI	See safari for Details
Option 5	5-Nights on Beach at Baobab in Diani	Baobab Beach Resort	AI	See safari for Details
Option 6	5-Nights on Beach at Sandies in Malindi	Sandies Tropical Resort	AI	See safari for Details
Option 7	5-Nights on Beach at Voyager in Mombasa	Voyager Beach Resort	AI	See safari for Details

See separate itinerary with prices or contact sales@trailsof africa.co.ke for full details of the extensions.

Key: L-Lunch, D-Dinner, BB-Bed and breakfast, LDBB-Lunch, dinner, bed and breakfast, Trsf-Transfer, E-Early morning game drive, A-Morning game drive, P-Afternoon game drive, HDS-Half Day sightseeing, FDS-Full Day Sightseeing.

Full Itinerary

Day 1: Arrival and Overnight in Nairobi

Arrive in Jomo Kenyatta International Airport in the evening. Meet safari driver-guide and transfer to your city hotel for overnight. Lunch and Dinner on own arrangements; pay direct.

Overnight at Tamarind Tree Hotel – Hotel booked on BB

Hotel website: <http://tamarindtree-hotels.com/>

Meals: No meals today.

Day 2: Nairobi to Aberdares National Park or Mount Kenya National Park

Breakfast at your city hotel, Tour Briefing at the hotel reception lobby and depart for either Aberdares National Park or to Mount Kenya National Park. Along the way, we shall have panoramic views of coffee farms and tea farms before arriving at either Aberdares National Park or to Mount Kenya National Park in time for lunch.

Description of 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 while at Treetops lodge, Aberdares 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!

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 <http://trailsafrica.co.ke/aberdare-national-park/>

Mount Kenya National Park

Located within Mount Kenya National Park, approximately 193 kilometers and a two-and-a-half-hour drive from Nairobi, the Serena Mountain Lodge, nestled in a woody area of the Mount Kenya National Park at a height of 2134 meters above sea level. The lodge towers over the mountainous peaks of Mount Kenya where you can view the spectacular game, regularly viewed at the waterhole daily. The panoramas surrounding Serena Mountain Lodge will delight you with their dramatic features. By day, cool, clear mountain air and sweeping views across the treetops beckon with opportunity for discovery and exploration. The African night is enlivened by the sounds of the forest animals. You can view the game even closer as they feed at the water hole, by visiting the specially built and constructed viewing bunker connected to the lodge from a short tunnel. An open-air deck gazes down to a water hole bustling with elephant and buffalo herds.

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

For more details about Mount Kenya National Park click <http://trailsafrica.co.ke/mount-kenya-national-park/>

Dinner and overnight at The Ark Lodge for those going to Aberdares – Hotel booked on FB

Hotel website: <https://thearkkenya.com/>

Dinner and overnight at Serena Mountain Lodge for those going to Mount Kenya – Hotel booked on FB

Hotel website: <https://www.serenahotels.com/serenamountainlodge/en/default.html>

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

Day 3: Aberdares National Park or Mount Kenya 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.

Birdlife is as plentiful as wildlife at Samburu National Reserve, which boasts over **350 different species of birds**

including vultures, kingfishers, marabouts, 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 Game Reserve, click on this link <http://trailsofafrica.co.ke/samburu-game-reserve/>

Dinner and overnight at Samburu Simba Lodge – Hotel booked on FB

Hotel website: <http://www.simbalodges.com/samburu-simba-lodge#>

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

Day 4: Full Day in Samburu Game Reserve

Breakfast in the hotel and depart for a full day game drive with picnic lunch boxes or enjoy morning and afternoon.

Alternatively, enjoy game drives in Samburu Game Reserve with lunch break in between the game drives.

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

Dinner and overnight at Samburu Simba Lodge – Hotel booked on FB

Hotel website: <http://www.simbalodges.com/samburu-simba-lodge#>

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

Day 5: Samburu Game Reserve to Nakuru National Park

Breakfast in the hotel and drive to Lake Nakuru National Park heading straight for a game drive in Lake Nakuru National Park. **Lake Nakuru national Park:** 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 <http://trailsofafrica.co.ke/lake-nakuru-national-park/>

Dinner and overnight at Lake Nakuru Lodge – Hotel booked on FB

Hotel website: <https://lakenakurulodge.com/>

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

Day 6: 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.

***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)*

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://trailsof africa.co.ke/masai-mara-game-reserve/>

Dinner and overnight at Mara Simba Lodge – Hotel booked on FB

Hotel website: <http://www.simbalodges.com/mara-simba-lodge>

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

Day 7: 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. Cost Per Person: \$480. (Price guaranteed with advanced booking)*

Dinner and overnight at Mara Simba Lodge – Hotel booked on FB

Hotel website: <http://www.simbalodges.com/mara-simba-lodge>

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

Day 8: Masai Mara Game Reserve to Lake Naivasha

After breakfast drive to Lake Naivasha arriving for lunch.
After lunch enjoy afternoon boat ride and bird watching in Lake Naivasha.

Dinner and overnight at Lake Naivasha Simba Lodge – Hotel booked on FB

Hotel website: <http://www.simbalodges.com/lake-naivasha-simba-lodge>

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

Day 9: Take Extensions or Departure back home

Breakfast in the hotel and drive to Nairobi, Optional lunch at a city restaurant (own arrangement-pay direct)
Take Extensions or transfer to airport in time for your home bound flight

Meals: Breakfast only.

*****end of our services, wishing you an excellent safari*****

Cost Per person sharing using either of the listed options of hotels above. Prices are in USD (\$). Ground Transport using either Safari Vans or 4X4 Landcruisers,

Option 1: Cost per Person Sharing in USD using 4x4 Safari Van for Transportation

Dates/Seasons and Number of Pax per car	2pax	3pax	4pax	5pax	6pax	Teen Rate	Child Rate	SRS
Cost per person from 01 st July to 31 st Aug 2023	3,255	2,970	2,830	2,745	2,685	2,040	1,360	922
Cost per person from 01 st Sept to 31 st Oct 2023	3,055	2,770	2,630	2,545	2,485	1,840	1,255	735
Cost per person from 01 st Nov to 15 th Dec 2023	2,870	2,585	2,445	2,360	2,305	1,655	1,165	643
Cost per person from 16 th Dec to 02 nd Jan 2024	2,918	2,635	2,495	2,410	2,355	1,705	1,190	675

Option 2: Cost per Person Sharing in USD using 4x4 Safari Landcruisers for Transportation

Dates/Seasons and Number of Pax per car	2pax	3pax	4pax	5pax	6pax	Teen Rate	Child Rate	SRS
Cost per person from 01 st July to 31 st Aug 2023	3,865	3,380	3,135	2,990	2,890	2,040	1,360	925
Cost per person from 01 st Sept to 31 st Oct 2023	3,665	3,180	2,935	2,790	2,670	1,840	1,255	735
Cost per person from 01 st Nov to 15 th Dec 2023	3,480	2,995	2,750	2,605	2,505	1,655	1,165	645
Cost per person from 16 th Dec to 02 nd Jan 2024	3,530	3,040	2,800	2,655	2,555	1,705	1,190	680

Please Note the Following:

- **** Add Christmas Supplement** of **\$50** 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 will 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**.

Optional extensions after main safari: See separate itinerary with prices

Options	Program duration and destinations	Accommodation
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Option 1	2-Nights at Amboseli National Park.	Amboseli Sopa Lodge
Option 2	2-Nights at Tsavo East and West.	Ashnil in Tsavo East & Kilaguni Serena in Tsavo West
Option 3	4-Nights at Amboseli Tsavo East & West	Amboseli Sopa Lodge, Ashnil Lodge & Kilaguni Serena
Option 4	5-Nights on Beach at Dream of Zanzibar	Dream of Zanzibar Deluxe Rooms
Option 5	5-Nights on Beach at Baobab in Diani	Baobab Beach Resort
Option 6	5-Nights on Beach at Sandies in Malindi	Sandies Tropical Village Beach Resort
Option 7	5-Nights on Beach at Voyager in Mombasa	Voyager Beach Resort

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- **Supplement for using 4x4 Safari Landcruiser:** For clients preferring to use 4x4 Safari Landcruisers instead of 4x4 Safari Vans, the above quote supplements will apply per person for the whole trip (not per day).
- **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:

- Arrival and departure airport **transfers** in Nairobi.
- 1 nights stay in Nairobi on **Bed and Breakfast**.
- 1 night stay in Aberdares or Mount Kenya 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**.
- 1 night stay in Lake Naivasha on **Full Board Basis**.
- Custom-made **Safari Vehicles**.
- 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

Services excluded in the cost:

- All International Flights/local Flights + Taxes.
- Balloon Safari in Masai Mara.

- Visa fees, Travel & Personal accident insurance.
- Meals in Nairobi on arrival and departure day.
- Excursions & activities not mentioned in this program.
- Personal expenses e.g. laundry, telephone calls, Drinks.
- Tips and gratuities.
- Flight direct from Masai Mara to Mombasa: US \$429*

*prices are subject to confirmation at the time of booking and paying.

Thank you for choosing us
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