

KENYA VENTURE SAFARI

ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Day 1: Guests met on arrival at Jomo Kenyatta International Airport (Nairobi). Assistance through customs and immigration. Transfer (by 4 x4 vehicle) to Emakoko Lodge Overnight at Emakoko Lodge **Day 2**: Transfer (by 4 x4) to Wilson Airport, scheduled light aircraft transfer Wilson Airport to Amboseli. Game drive transfer to Tortillas Camp arriving in time for lunch, Afternoon game drive on Kitirwa Conservancy. Overnight at Tortillas Camp

Day 3: Full day shared game drive in Amboseli National Park with picnic lunch, afternoon / night drive on Kitirwa Conservancy. Overnight at Tortillas Camp

Day 4: Depart after breakfast, Scheduled light aircraft transfer Amboseli to Wilson Airport and then Wilson Airport to Lewa. Game drive transfer to Lewa Wilderness Lodge in time for lunch. Afternoon game drive and night drive on Lewa Conservancy. Overnight Lewa Wilderness Lodge

Day 5: Full day shared game drive and other included activities on Lewa Conservancy. Overnight Lewa Wilderness Lodge

Day 6: Full day shared game drive and other included activities on Lewa Conservancy. Overnight Lewa Wilderness Lodge

Day 7: Enjoy breakfast and depart to Lewa Airstrip. Scheduled light aircraft transfer Lewa to Mara. Game drive transfer to Naboisho Camp. Lunch. Afternoon game drive and night drive on Naboisho Conservancy. Overnight Naboisho Camp

Day 8: Full day game drives in the Maasai Mara Game Reserve with picnic lunch. Overnight Naboisho Camp

Day 9: Full day game drives and other included activities on Naboisho Conservancy. Overnight Naboisho Camp

Day 10: Enjoy breakfast. Transfer to Naboisho Airstrip. Scheduled light aircraft transfer Mara to Wilson Airport. Minivan transfer to Ole Sereni Hotel. Day room at Ole Sereni Hotel and then minivan transfer to Jomo Kenyatta International Airport

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The Small Print

These rates are based on a package per person sharing with a minimum of 2 persons and are subject to change due to airfare increases, hotel rate increases, currency exchange fluctuations and any other unforeseen circumstances, without prior notice

Reservation terms and conditions are dictated by Journeys of Distinction (Pty) Ltd and apply to all bookings. Please feel free to contact us should you require a copy.

Please arrange your own visas, prior to your arrival.

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The Emakoko Lodge

The Emakoko is a boutique lodge uniquely positioned on the edge of the Nairobi National Park. It is located a short 45 minute drive from either of Nairobi's airports. The drive through the park itself, with its beautiful scenery and abundance of plains game is a spectacular way to start any East African safari.

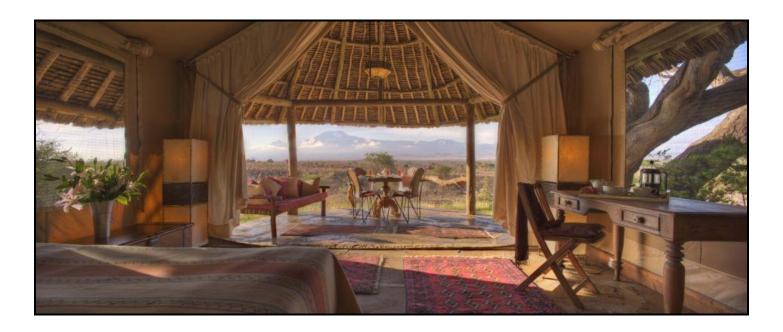
The Nairobi National Park, despite its proximity to the capital city of Kenya, boasts a spectacular assortment of birds and wildlife, with over 400 species of bird recorded in one day. With an excellent possibility of spotting four of the Big Five, many Nairobi residents find the lodge a perfect antidote to the hustle and bustle of city life.

With only 10 rooms The Emakoko offers an exclusive and personal environment for our guests to enjoy. Five rooms are situated at the main level and five built into the cliff face higher up. The climb to the upper rooms is worth it for the spectacular views!

The room designs and interiors are designed for comfort, from huge, luxurious beds to the black-out curtains. Each room has its own private veranda.

The Emakoko allows people to start and finish their safari in the wildlife environment they have traveled so far to enjoy. Within 15 minutes of clearing customs one can be viewing game in Nairobi National park.

The only "transfer" delays likely to be encountered en route to or from The Emakoko are the natural pauses to watch a pride of lions or waiting for a Rhino or journey of Giraffe to cross the road.



Tortillas Camp

The area is famous for the dramatic views of Kilimanjaro, the highest free standing mountain in the world, and the highest peak on the African continent. Kilimanjaro at 19,340ft or 5,894m rises dramatically out of the 4000ft (1,200m) Amboseli plains. An extinct volcano with two peaks, rocky Mwenzi and Kibo a crater rim. The glaciers on the mountain are slowly disappearing with global warming, but it remains snow capped as any precipitation on the mountain settles as snow. Despite being in Tanzania, the best views of the mountain are from Amboseli, with Tortilis Camp on a south-west hillside facing the mountain, having the most dramatic views of all.

Amboseli is famous for its magnificent elephants, which have been studied for over 20 years by Cynthia Moss. Tortilis guides know the individual elephants, and their family relationships – plus the territory of resident lions and other local fauna. They have exclusive access to the 30,000 acre Kitirua conservancy and know every hyena den, the seasonal flowers, migratory birds. Tortilis Camp walking guides are Maasai from the area, and have been walking in this wilderness since they were very young. They enjoy sharing their knowledge of the small things, tracks, traditional uses of herbs and the Masai way of life.

With the majestic backdrop of Africa's highest mountain, and the world's highest free-standing mountain, Tortilis Camp is widely regarded as the prime location for witnessing the majesty of snow-capped Kilimanjaro. Tortilis Camp is named after the flat-topped, umbrella thorn tree that surrounds the camp, the Acacia Tortilis.

The tents are all spacious, with king or twin beds and elegant en suite bathrooms. There is a main lounge, bar and dining area, all exquisitely built with natural materials and thatched roofs, with magnificent views of Kilimanjaro.



Situated near the base of Mt. Kenya – Africa's second tallest mountain – Lewa Wilderness is one of Kenya's oldest and most private safari ventures. The Craig family has passed down from one generation to the next a distinct passion for wildlife, conservation and tourism, and they proudly continue to run Lewa Wilderness lodge and Walking Wild camel safaris. This place is as much a home as it is a truly unique and personal safari experience.

The lodge only has nine exclusive rooms: six cottages tucked into the hillside overlooking Lewa's Eastern Marania Valley, plus three garden cottages set amidst the beautiful green lawns.

Each cottage is tastefully decorated with some of the Craig's own antique and handmade furniture, giving each rustic charm and the character of a ranch homestead.

At Lewa Wilderness, game viewing is not just done by vehicle. Activities on offer include guided walks, scenic flights, horse back riding, camel riding, and much more.

Guests are welcome to go for a walk with one of the trained Maasai guides to enjoy the environment from a different perspective. There is nothing more thrilling than watching rhino or elephant grazing in the morning light whilst you are on foot, or following the tracks of a leopard. Walks can be as easy or as hard as you like.

The advantage of being located in the Lewa Wildlife Conservancy is that guests are surrounded by rich game viewing opportunities without the crowds. There is a very good chance of seeing all of the "Big Five" and Lewa is one of the only game parks where visitors are almost guaranteed to see the endangered black and white rhinos while on safari. With the backdrop of snow-capped Mount Kenya and the diversity of scenery from open plains, rolling hills, valleys, escarpments and rivers, Lewa is a magical place to game drive for the ultimate Kenyan safari experience.

By staying at Lewa Wilderness, guests are automatically supporting the Lewa Wildlife Conservancy and all of the conservation and community development efforts.

Other activities: -

Ngare Ndare Forest and Waterfalls

The nearby Ngare Ndare Forest offers a different ecosystem to explore, with a treetop canopy walk and spectacular waterfalls where you can swim and enjoy a picnic lunch.

Il Ngwesi Maasai Village

For those guests interested in the local traditional culture, there is an authentic Maasai village where guests can spend the day enjoying a unique experience interacting with amazing people.

Pepo la Tumaini

Lewa Wilderness supports an HIV/AIDS orphanage, clinic and senior school, Pepo la Tumaini, in the nearby town of Isiolo. Guests are welcome to visit the school and meet the children. Learn more at www.tumainitrust.org

Lewa Crafts

Lewa Wilderness provides employment and training to local people through Lewa Crafts Furniture and Kifuma Weaving project. All of the beautiful furniture in the lodge is designed and created in our workshop, fashioned out of salvaged acacia wood and crafted into unique designs. The carpet weaving uses natural wool, spun and woven by hand into beautiful rugs for sale in our gift shop. Guests are welcome to visit both projects and see the craftsmanship at first hand.



Naboisho Camp

Set in the 210km² private Mara Naboisho Conservancy, Naiboisho Camp offers spectacular game viewing, from the herds of antelope that dot the plains of this wilderness corridor throughout the year to the high concentrations of predators, including lion and cheetah.

But the real magic of Naboisho is its sheer exclusivity – you will experience a level of safari solitude and

serenity simply unheard of in the busy Serengeti and Masai Mara reserves. With just nine spacious tented suites, Naboisho is an intimate and elegant safari camp that balances your wilderness experience with discreet creature comforts.

Designed to take full advantage of its wilderness surrounds, Naboisho Camp is superbly comfortable. At the main communal area, the thatched lounge and dining room provide a splendid vantage point of the nearby waterhole, and meals are served to sights and sounds of the Kenyan wilderness. High levels of personalised service from a team that has worked together for many years create the warm yet understated hospitality that is the hallmark of Naboisho Camp

The nine generous tented suites offer comfortable king-sized beds (twin beds are available) and private facilities with indoor and outdoor hot running showers and flushing toilets. Each suite benefits from a private veranda furnished with a day bed – for the ultimate in post game-drive relaxation.

The Mara Naboisho Conservancy is not governed by the same rules as the national reserves, so there is the flexibility to see and experience something truly profound on safari at Naboisho. The activities at Naboisho Camp make the most of this unrivalled access to pristine wilderness: bush walks, off-road safaris, overnight fly camps, night drives and wilderness picnics are activities you could only dream of in the national reserves. The guides at Naboisho are adept at offering a deeper understanding of this complex ecosystem, making it an ideal choice for experienced safari travellers on their second or third visit to Africa, who are seeking a more profound experience.

Game drives

Twice daily game drives with passionate and highly knowledgeable guides are offered from Naboisho, as well as the chance to search for the elusive nocturnal creatures of the conservancy on a night drive. Off-road driving is possible on the privately owned land for once-in-a-lifetime sightings and excellent photo opportunities. Our guides take you in seven-seater open game-viewing vehicles or closed vehicles that seat five. All the vehicles have power points where you can recharge your devices, and are fitted with fridges to keep your drinks deliciously frosty.

Walking safaris

Discover the smaller ecosystems that tend to pass unnoticed from a vehicle: explore the bush by foot, accompanied by an expert armed guide and Maasai tracker.

Bush picnics

Leave camp with the rising sun at dawn and enjoy a packed breakfast or lunch to maximise your game-viewing time.

Cultural & community visits

Arrange a visit to one of the nearby Maasai villages to learn more about the magnificent culture that has defined this corner of Africa for centuries.

Research projects

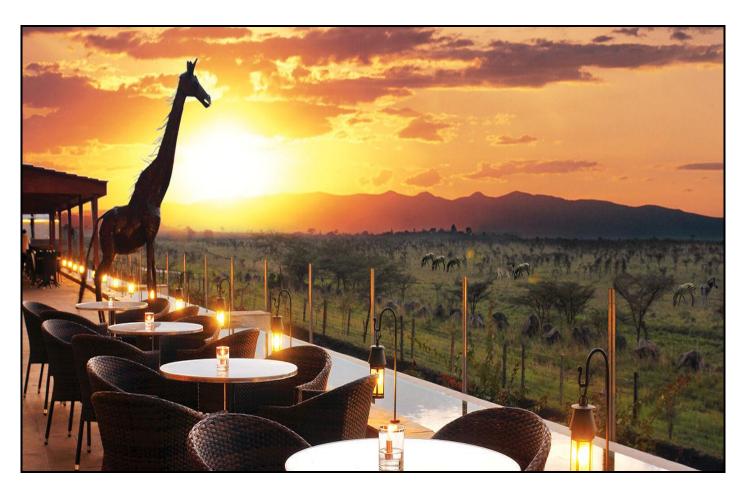
With Naboisho's focus on conservation, a number of research programmes are conducted within the conservancy, and resident researchers can sometimes be available to share their exciting findings with guests in the camp.

Hot-air balloon safaris

This is a romantic and evocative way to experience the wilderness of East Africa. Nothing can beat the feeling of gliding silently over the game-filled plains on a balloon safari, as the early-morning sun rises over the horizon. (at an additional cost)

Horse ridina

They say four legs are better than two, so what better way to experience the bush than on horseback? Ride out across the open plains with the wind in your hair and watch dazzles of zebra and towers of giraffe from atop your stallion.



Ole Sereni Hotel

With the stunning greens and golds of Nairobi National Park's landscape punctuated by giraffe, zebra, antelope and buffalo lounging near our waterhole, the views alone make Ole-Sereni one-of-a-kind. Add to that the convenience of our location, between Nairobi's international and regional airports, and our world-class restaurants, conferencing facilities and spa, and you get a hotel that perfectly complements the experience of East Africa, whether you're enjoying the area's natural beauty or vibrant business environment.