



## KENYA SAFARI AND CULTURE TOURS

10 DAYS-9 NIGHTS

### The Weather

Low Season (Mar–May)	Peak/High Season (Jun–Sep)	Shoulder (Oct–Feb)
<b>Heavy rains make secondary roads muddy and some areas inaccessible. It seldom rains all day, every day. Landscapes are lush and green. Some hotels close; others offer discounts.</b>	Weather is cooler and dry. Hotels in popular areas are full, with high-season prices. -Animal-spotting is easiest, as foliage is sparse and animals congregate around dwindling water sources. -Advised to carry some warm clothing.	Weather is hot, especially December through to February. From late October, the short rains (mvuli) fall and the kusi (seasonal trade wind) blows. High-season prices from mid-December to mid-January.

### What to Carry

1. Mosquito/Insect repellent
- 2. Yellow card vaccination**
3. Sun screen
4. Hat
5. Sun glasses

KEY: B-Breakfast

L-Lunch

D-Dinner



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### Itinerary

#### **Day 1 Arrival-Nairobi-Amboseli Approx 233km/ 4hrs B,L,D**

Board your flight and begin your journey to Kenya.

Arrive in Nairobi with early morning flight. Meet and assist with your designated local guide. Board your vehicle and begin your journey to Amboseli National park. On the way have picnic breakfast/hot breakfast(*depending with flight arrival*).

*Amboseli is one of the best wildlife viewing parks in the world. Arrive in time for hot lunch(*depending with flight arrival*). Uncover the natural wonders of Amboseli National Park with several wildlife. Against the backdrop of Africa's tallest mountain, **Mount Kilimanjaro 5898m watch elephants** and other "Big 5" game roam across the rolling Kenyan savannas on this unforgettable adventure.*



*Amboseli is also a good birding destination and more than 420 species have been recorded here. The swamps are great for water-associated birds such as egrets, herons, pelicans and crowned cranes. Large numbers of **flamingos** may be present. The grassland areas offer some interesting ground birds such as Hartlaub's bustard and the localized Pangani long claw.*

After lunch continue with evening game drive until sundown, then return to the lodge for Dinner and overnight at [\*\*Oltukai Lodge\*\*](#)

### **Highlights**

- Wild animals Heard of Elephants, Lions, Zebras, giraffes
- Highest Mountain in Africa, Mount Kilimanjaro
- Birds life like, Pink Flamingos (If weather allows)



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### DAY 2 Amboseli

B,L,D

Early morning game drive. *(Upon discussion with your guide)*

During the early morning game drive you can be lucky to see the carnivores ( lions, cheetah or leopards, hyenas) hunting or feasting on a prey.

Return to the lodge for breakfast

After breakfast continue with game drive/with picnic lunch so you enjoy your lunch among the bushes of Kenya with a nearby view of wildlife and birds.

Alternative return to the lodge for hot lunch, have some rest or swim in the crystal clear waters of the swimming pool at the lodge. The pool deck has sun beds for relaxation and soaking up the afternoon African sunshine before the evening game drive. Then in the evening embark on an evening game drive.

At sundown return to the lodge for dinner and overnight at [Oltukai Lodge](#)

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- Swimming at the lodge swimming pool



Pink Flamingos



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**DAY 3 Amboseli-Ol Pejeta Sweetwaters approx. 419km/8hrs B,L,D**

Morning call at 5 am  
At 6 am departure for Olpejeta sweet waters. Today you will carry picnic  
Breakfast from the lodge. Have your breakfast on the way. Stop by blue post for hot lunch.  
Arrive in Olpejeat late afternoon.



*Underneath the watchful eye of Mount Kenya, you can discover the unspoilt wilderness of Ol Pejeta Conservancy, famous for pioneering conservation projects and refuge for the last two northern white rhino remaining on the planet.*

*Not only is Ol Pejeta the largest black rhino sanctuary in the whole of East Africa, it is the only place in the region where you can see chimpanzee. It is also home to the Big Five, a mind-blowingly rich array of African game and over 200 migrant and resident bird species. The conservancy boasts one of the greatest game-to-area ratios of any reserve in Kenya in a pioneering and mutually beneficial land-management system.*

After evening game drive, check in at Serena sweet waters for dinner and overnight <https://www.serenahotels.com/serenasweetwaters/en/default.html>



### **Highlights**

- Magnificent view of Mt Kenya
- BIG FIVE animals in one small area
- Only place in East Africa to chimpanzee at a close range (might get a chance to feed them)
- A chance to see **white Rhino**, the only two remaining in the world.
- See wild animals from the balcony of your room

<http://time.com/5209390/sudan-rhino-rhinoceros-northern-white/>



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### DAY 4 Olpejeta-Samburu Wildlife Reserve

approx. 140km/2hrs

B,L,D

Breakfast at the lodge

After breakfast go for a game drive in Olpejeta Conservancy, see the **chimpanzee** and **the rare white rhino at a close range**. Also see a vast number of antelopes, gazel, giraffe, zebra among many other wild animals. In the afternoon return to the lodge for hot lunch. After hot lunch departure for Samburu National Reserve. Arrive in late afternoon, embark on a game drive enroute to your lodge.

*Samburu National Reserve is rich in wildlife with fame for abundance in rare northern specialist species such as the **Grevy Zebra, Somali Ostrich, Reticulated Giraffe, Gerenuk and the Beisa Oryx** (Also referred as Samburu*



**Beisa Oryx**

*Special). The reserve is also popular with a minimum of 900 elephants. Large predators such as the Lion, Leopard and Cheetah are an important attraction (Kamunyak the Miracle Lioness that adapted the baby Oryx is a resident in the reserve). Wild dog sightings are also a common attraction to this unique protected area. Birdlife is abundant*

*with over 450 species recorded. Birds of the arid northern bush country are augmented by a number of riverine forest species. Lesser Kestrel and the Taita Falcon are species of global conservation concern and they both utilize the reserve. Five species categorized as vulnerable have recorded in the reserve. These are African Darter, Great Egret, White-headed Vulture, Martial Eagle and the Yellow-billed Ox-pecker. Critically endangered species under CITES – Pancake tortoise (*malacochersus tornieri*) is found in the reserve.*

Arrive at the lodge in the evening for dinner and overnight at Samburu Simba Lodge

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



**Somali Ostrich**



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### Highlights

- Game drive in Samburu to see rare northern specialist species including the Grevy Zebra, Somali Ostrich, Reticulated Giraffe, Gerenuk and the Beisa Oryx
- Game drive in Olpejeta to see the rare white rhino, chimpanzee and many wild animals like lions, zebras, antelopes etc
- Night swim as you watch africa

### **DAY 5 Samburu B,L,D**

Early morning game drive

Return to the lodge for breakfast. After breakfast proceed with mid day game drive. Game drive will be spend searching for the big five, the **Samburu five** and observing the vast unspoiled scenery during morning and afternoon game viewing drive, watching crocodiles bask on muddy riverbanks and velvet monkeys frolic in the late afternoon sun.

In the afternoon return to the lodge for lunch. After lunch have some rest by the pool or a **siesta** in your lodge as you relax and enjoy African atmosphere

In the evening embark on an evening game drive. Visit Samburu village and get to learn their way of life. Continue with evening game drive as you return to your lodge

Dinner and overnight at Samburu simba lodge.

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

### **Highlight**

- Game drive in Samburu to see rare northern specialist species including the Grevy Zebra, Somali Ostrich, Reticulated Giraffe, Gerenuk and the Beisa Oryx (Samburu five)
- Afternoon Swimming pool
- Searching for big five
- Cultural tour



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### Day 6 Samburu-Naivasha      Approx 356km/8hrs      B,L,D

Breakfast at the lodge

After breakfast depart for Lake Naivasha. Arrive in Lake Naivasha in time for hot lunch. After lunch embark on a boat ride on lake Naivasha. Get a closer look at the hippos, antelopes, gazelle giraffes and other animals from a close look at crescent Island.

In the evening return to the lodge for dinner and overnight at Naivasha Simba lodge.

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

On the way pass through the **equator line and Thomson falls.**

*On Earth, the Equator is an imaginary line on the surface, equidistant from the North and South Poles, dividing the Earth into Northern and Southern Hemispheres. It is about 40,075 kilometers (24,901 mi) long, of which 78.7% lies across water and 21.3% over land. As the equator passes through Kenya, you have the chance to visit both the Northern Hemisphere and the Southern Hemisphere on the same safari and even on the same day. Kenya is among only 13 countries in the world that the equator passes through and with some of the most impressive landscapes and wildlife on earth, Kenya promises travelers an all-encompassing trip.*

*Lake Naivasha is one of the freshwater lakes in the Great Rift Valley. It is one of the best places to visit in Naivasha, to see the lake's dense population of hippos and birds. It is a fresh water lake that rest at an elevation of 1890 meters. Just beyond its shores are papyrus swamps, acacia woodlands, forests and unique geologic features that are remnants of the area's volcanic past. More than 450 distinct birdlife species have been identified. Lake Naivasha is one of the primary*



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*drinking holes for buffalos, zebras, elands, impalas, waterbucks and other grazers, as well as a favorite place for hippos to cool themselves during the day.*

*The crescent island has more animals per acre than any other Kenyan Park, hence many film companies have been to the Island to film the herds of Wildebeest, Waterbuck, Zebra and Gazelle. In the evening return to the lodge*



*In 1880, Joseph Thomson, a Scottish explorer was travelling across East Africa when he stumbled on something that fascinated him. A water fall just near the equator in a dense forest on the fringes of Mt Kenya and the Great Rift Valley was a site to behold. He named it after himself.*

### Highlight

- Boat Ride to see hippos
- Close encounter with giraffes, antelops, zebras on crescent island
- Magnificent scenery of the lake and the surrounding.
- Equator line
- Thomson falls

### Day 7 Naivasha-Maasai Mara

Approx 131/2hrs B,L,D



Maasai People

After breakfast Deperture for Maasai mara Arrive in Maasai Mara for lunch with enroutre game drive

On the way pass by **maasai Boma**. An authentic glimpse into the distinctive Maasai culture is now accessible to Eco-tourists in Kenya. Preservation of their proud traditions has set the Maasai apart from other indigenous groups in Kenya, and embodies a side of Africa with which

few outsiders can contact. This visit will offer visitors a memorable oppourtunity to interactively experience the Masai way of life through dancing singing or



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dress up in masai traditional costumes and ornaments. See for yourselves how maasai houses look like inside, be amazed the way a small hut can accommodate so much. (Traditional family dwelling).

Arrive in Mara for lunch. After lunch continue with afternoon/evening game drive.

At sundown return to the lodge for dinner and overnight at Mara samba lodge <http://www.simbalodges.com/mara-simba-lodge>

### DAY 8 Maasai Mara

B,L,D

Go for early morning game drive

Return to the lodge for breakfast/carry your picnic box breakfast

After breakfast embark on a full day game drive in Maasai Mara in search for migration and the **big five**. During lunch time you will have your picnic lunch on designated areas within the reserve. **/ return to the lodge for hot lunch and siesta.**

Maasai Mara is named in honour of the Maasai people who call this corner of Africa home, the Mara is world renowned for its exceptional populations of lion, leopard, cheetah, herds-a-thousand-strong of buffalo, the rare black rhino and of course the thriving elephants. In approximately July of each year, the Great Migration arrives for an annual four-month stay. There are at least ten crossing spots on the Mara River alone, where you may be lucky enough to catch this breath-taking spectacle.



### Highlights

- Search for Wildebeest Migration
- Search for Big five



cheetah



Elephant



Buffalo



Lion



Rhino



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### DAY 9 Maasai Mara

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Another full day game drive

Go for early morning game drive  
Return to the lodge for breakfast/*carry your picnic box breakfast*  
After breakfast embark on a full day game drive in maasai mara in search for the great migration of the wild beast and the **big five**.  
During lunch time you will have your picnic lunch on designated areas within the reserve.  
***/return to the lodge for hot lunch and siesta.***



In the afternoon arrive in abadare country club for hot lunch, then transfer to The Ark lodge inside Abadare National park.

Dinner and overnight at the Mara Simba Lodge.



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### Day 10 Maasai Mara -Nairobi-Departure *approx. 300km/5 hrs* B,L,D



Early morning breakfast. After breakfast departure for Nairobi. On the way stop by rift valley view point

Arrive in Nairobi in time for Lunch at carnivore restaurant, famously for all you can eat barbeque restaurant in Nairobi. After Lunch go for last minute shopping at local supermarket on the way to the airport.

In the evening check in at the Jommo Kenyatta International airport and departure back home.

#### Highlight

- Rift valley view point
- Carnivore restaurant, all you can eat meat
- Last minute Shopping

