

Highlights: Samburu Game Reserve; home to the Gerenuk and Grevys Zebra endemic to the North, Herds of Elephant crossing the Uaso Nyiro river in Samburu, visiting the Samburu tribes-people adorned in colourful red attire, beads and wonderful head-gear, Great views of the Rift valley from the Mau escarpment, Bird enthusiasts' haven; over 400 species of birds found in Lake Baringo, Bogoria and Nakuru, Boat ride on Lake Baringo in search of Hippos and Crocodiles, The spectacle of the Wildebeest migration from July / August / September and October, maximize on game viewing to increase your chances of seeing the BIG FIVE; Elephants, Rhinos, Buffalos, Lions, Leopards and other wild game, Balloon ride over the savanna with champagne breakfast (optional) Spectacular views of Mt. Kilimanjaro on clear days from Amboseli, Underwater observation of hippos and fish at Mzima springs & Herds of dust-red Elephants wallowing in the midnight-colored waters of the Galana at Tsavo West, Lugards Falls through which the waters of the Galana River plunge into foaming rapids and Crocodile infested pools + Aruba dam and Mudanda rock whose waters are visited by thousands of animals at Tsavo East

Expedition Summary:

This 13 day safari takes you to Africa's best game parks in Kenya (Samburu, Lake Nakuru, Masai Mara, Amboseli and Tsavo National parks) as well as the world famous bird sanctuaries of the Great Rift Valley lakes (Lake Baringo, Bogoria and Nakuru). This tour is ideal for nature enthusiasts but also traverses through the diverse Kenyan geography and offers you the chance to meet different tribes, cultures and towns before arriving the hot and humid coastal section where you can spend time exploring either Lamu, Malindi, Mombasa, North and south coast thus completing your Kenyan experience in a style.

Day 1: Nairobi – Samburu National Game Reserve

Depart Nairobi in the morning heading north via the shoulder of Africa's second largest mountain, Mt Kenya to the Samburu Game Reserve. Accommodation in our semi-permanent campsite is beautifully set under a canopy of trees or we may pitch tents by the edge of Uaso Nyiro (meaning Brown in Samburu) River. Cold showers are available which are amazingly refreshing in the hot dusty climate. (Picnic lunch & Dinner)

Day 2: Samburu

We spend the day game viewing in the park appreciating the diverse landscape and variety of

animal species. You may have the option of enjoying a swim or cold drink at a nearby lodge. Alternatively, visit a vibrant Samburu village (optional). Animals to look out for include the uncommon Grevy's zebra, Gerenuk antelope standing on hind legs to feed, Lions, Somali ostriches with distinct blue legs and the shy Oryx. The horn billed stork is a common sighting as well as various other birds. Elephants and Crocodiles are also sighted along the river bed. (Breakfast, Picnic lunch & Dinner)

Day 3: Samburu – Lake Baringo

Depart early in the morning (with lunch enroute) towards Lake Baringo. We arrive at this fresh water lake in the late afternoon and depending on the conditions of the lake, we enjoy an evening boat ride in search of Hippos, Crocodiles and numerous birds. A bird watcher's haven but beware this is malaria infested area so it is best to come prepared with preventive drugs and mosquito repellent. We spend the night at Roberts campsite. (Breakfast, Picnic lunch & Dinner)

Day 4: Lake Baringo – Lake Bogoria – Lake Nakuru National Park

A 30km drive south to the spectacular Lake Bogoria with hot springs and geysers being the main attractions. It has a nomad population of up to two million flamingos and numerous bird species. Lunch will be served then proceed for an afternoon game drive at the Lake Nakuru National Park which is a small but equally rewarding park which is home to the black and white Rhinos, Lions, Buffalos, Waterbucks, Flamingos, Baboons, Antelopes, the elusive Leopard and numerous bird species. Set up camp in Kembu campsite located in Njoro area. At 7,250ft, the area is mosquito free but very cold at night. (Breakfast, Picnic lunch & Dinner)

Day 5: Lake Nakuru – Masai Mara

Break camp after breakfast then depart towards Mai Mahiu and Narok town with lunch en route before arriving at Masai Mara Game Reserve. View game en route towards our Talek campsite situated at the edge of the park (next to Talek gate). Set up tents or use our wood cabins (if available). Hot showers and toilets are available in the camp and meals are served in the dining area. (Breakfast, Picnic lunch & Dinner)

Day 6: Maasai Mara Game Reserve

Early morning and late afternoon game drives returning to the campsite for lunch. Optional visit to Masai village or local school. Alternatively, spend the entire day on a game drive (with packed lunch) returning to the campsite in the early evening hours. (Breakfast, Picnic lunch & Dinner)

Day 7: Masai Mara – Nairobi

Depart camp and drive through the reserve viewing game as we proceed to the main Narok road where we will stop for a chance to buy souvenirs or have a cup of tea / coffee. Arrive Nairobi by late afternoon where we will drop you at a hotel (included in the cost on half board basis (dinner and breakfast). (Breakfast, Picnic lunch & Dinner)

Day 8: Nairobi – Amboseli

Depart Nairobi in the morning and drive via Namanga on the Tanzania border to reach Amboseli early in the afternoon with lunch en route. We view game as we proceed towards the campsite for dinner and overnight. (Breakfast, Picnic lunch & Dinner)

Day 9: Amboseli

The day is spent exploring this National park. Elephants, Buffalos, Lions, Cheetahs, Wildebeests, Hyenas, Jackals, Warthogs, Zebras, Masai Giraffes among other wildlife are likely to be seen. Optional visit at a fee to the Lenkiseem masai village or lodge for a swim and cold drink. (Breakfast, Picnic lunch & Dinner)

Day 10: Amboseli – Tsavo West

We leave soon after breakfast for Tsavo West National Park. Visit the Chyulu Hills and the Mzima Springs which are favorite haunts of both the Hippos and Crocodiles that can be seen from an underwater observation chamber if time permits. Dinner and overnight at the campsite. (Breakfast, Picnic lunch & Dinner)

Day 11: Tsavo West

Day spent exploring the park including the nature trails. In Tsavo West, very common birds to look out for are; the White-bellied go-away bird, Red-beaked hornbills, Bateleur Eagles among others. There are also large populations of Elephants, Zebras and Leopards. Look out for dung beetles rolling huge balls of Elephant dung along the tracks. (Breakfast, Picnic lunch & Dinner)

Day 12: Tsavo West – Tsavo East

Early in the morning we drive to Tsavo East National Park. This park is famous for its large herds of Elephant covered in red dust and fine scenery. We visit the scenic Lugards Falls, Mudanda Rocks (attracts Elephants in the drier season) and Aruba Dam as we view game if time permits. Much of the wildlife is concentrated on the Galana River which has plentiful of Crocs and Hippos though the landscape is flatter and drier. Likewise, Kudus, Waterbucks and Dik-diks are very common along the river banks and by the road sides. (Breakfast, Picnic lunch & Dinner)

Day 13: Tsavo East – Mombasa

We set for an early morning game drive. Soon after breakfast, we proceed to Kenyan Coastal town of Mombasa with drop off in town arriving in good time for travelers to find their way to their hotels. End of the tour. (Breakfast & Picnic lunch)

NB: The above rates are subject to change without notice should necessitating factors dictate. These may be influenced by changes in government policies, intermittent exchange rates among other factors.

Above charges are inclusive of:

- Return road transport to Samburu, Great Lakes, Masai Mara, Amboseli, Tsavo & Mombasa
- Game drives
- Basic camping in tents on full board basis as reflected in the itinerary
- Camping fees & a mattress
- Meals as per the itinerary
- Services of our professional chef and driver guide

Above charges are exclusive of:

- Visa and any related fees
- Park entry fees
- Medical, travel & personal insurance cover
- Hotel accommodation in Mombasa
- Drinks and Boat rides
- Hire of sleeping bag (charges at KES 300 per sleeping bag per night)
- Visit to the Manyatta (optional cost ranging from KES 200 – 30 USD)
- Tips & Gratuities
- Hot Air Balloon Safari (this can be arranged at an extra cost of US \$ 460 per person subject to price confirmation at the time of booking)
- Deviation from the customized itinerary
- Any other item not mentioned in the inclusive list