



Through The Rift Valley Keekorok (#11230)

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Overview

This is a short but extremely rewarding safari as it allows visitors to gain a firsthand experience of the Great Rift Valley and the vast game-rich plains of the Masai Mara. The Rift Valley lakes are famous for their abundance of flamingos and other waterfowl, while Masai Mara is home to the country's greatest concentration of wildlife.

This program now operates with a Pre night in Nairobi, followed by lunch on the last day and departure transfer as standard.

Trip Highlights

Nairobi - Masai Mara National Reserve - Lake Nakuru

Detailed Itinerary

Day 01

Day 1 Nairobi



Upon arrival into Nairobi, clients will be met and transferred to Eka Hotel. Afternoon at leisure.

Overnight at the Eka Hotel in a Superior room on a bed and breakfast basis. (Check in time is 1400hrs approx. and will be adhered to. Clients arriving in the middle of the night must book a pre-night as they will not be permitted to wait in the hotel lobby for check-in at 1400hrs.)

Suggested Optional Nairobi Excursions for Early morning arrivals

Sheldrick Wildlife Trust – Elephant and Rhino Orphanage

Out of Africa Excursion

(Rates available on request for local excursion and other Nairobi local excursions).

Eka Hotel

A contemporary style hotel that provides all the comfort, convenience and efficiency to the discerning traveler, Eka Hotel is ideally located along Mombasa road in Nairobi the capital city of Kenya, It is an ideal business cum leisure hotel, close to the International and domestic Airports as well as the city center. The hotel offers tastefully decorated rooms, two restaurants, bar, conference facilities, swimming pool and a host of other facilities.

Day 02

Day 2 Nairobi - Masai Mara National Reserve

Leaving Nairobi after breakfast, you travel towards Kenya's fertile highlands and head down the rift escarpment on the road built by Italian prisoners of war during World War II. On the way spot the charming chapel built at the foot of the escarpment. Pass the impressive Longonot earth satellite station as you head across the valley to Narok; continue your travels across acres of wheat and barley, before reaching the Masai Mara in time for lunch. Following lunch set off on your first game drive, returning to the lodge as the sun sets.

Overnight at Keekorok Lodge in a Standard room on a full board basis.

Keekorok Lodge

Keekorok Lodge was opened in 1965 and lies at the southern end of Masai Mara National Reserve, approximately 280 kilometres from Nairobi. It is sited in the direct path of the annual migration and was the first lodge to be built in the Mara. At the height of the migration, Keekorok is surrounded by a swarming mass of animals and there is hardly need to go on a game drive. Keekorok's charm lies in the liberal use of local building materials. Sand stone, cedar wood and other indigenous materials are used in all rooms and public areas. In front of the lodge there is a 300m elevated walkway that meanders through a small riverine forest to a small bar at one end. This overlooks a dam where resident hippo and other game are regularly seen. There are no fences around Keekorok and it is not uncommon to see elephant and buffalo on the perimeter of the grounds or even strolling in. Though there are watchmen on the constant lookout!



Day 03

Day 3 Masai Mara National Reserve

Following an early breakfast, depart on a morning game drive, returning to the camp mid-morning. After lunch, and perhaps a siesta, set off on another game drive and visit to the Masai Village, returning to the lodge as the sunsets. (It is possible to pre-book an optional early morning Balloon Safari)

Overnight at Keekorok Lodge in a Standard room on a full board basis.

Day 04

Day 4 Masai Mara – Lake Nakuru

Leaving the Masai Mara after breakfast, travel across the 'breadbasket' of Kenya, where acres of wheat and barley litter the landscape as you head north to Narok, the district headquarters of this part of Maasailand. Now travel across the vast plains on the floor of the Rift Valley, arriving at Lake Nakuru around midday. Once in the park, view game en route to the lodge. Following lunch and a siesta, there is an afternoon game drive returning to the lodge as the sun sets. The national park, known for its birdlife, offers a possibility to view flamingoes. It is also home to Black and White rhinos as well as the endangered Rothschild Giraffe.

Overnight at Lake Nakuru Lodge in a Deluxe Room on a full board basis.

Lake Nakuru Lodge

Lake Nakuru Lodge is situated in the heart of one of Kenya's most densely populated wetland National Parks, (Ramsar site) only two leisurely hours' drive from Nairobi, through beautiful forested uplands and passing a series of lakes. On the outskirts of the bustling market town of Nakuru lies a truly remarkable national park which has achieved international fame. Both black and white rhino are being given a new lease of life in this 188 sq km, fully-fenced park - and they are carefully protected. The present rhino population is over 50 and continuing to multiply. The Rothschild giraffe is another rarity and the park has its fair share of buffalo, leopard, zebra, eland, waterbuck and lion. Lake Nakuru Lodge is in the south-east ecological niche of the park, with commanding views of the lake and the flamingos for which it is justly famous. Lush gardens surround the lodge and cottages. There is a good programme of activities and evening entertainment.

Day 05

Day 5 Lake Nakuru - Nairobi

Following an early breakfast, continue to Lake Naivasha for a boat ride. Leaving the Rift Valley behind, proceed to Nairobi, arriving late morning. Once in the city, lunch is provided, followed by a departure transfer to the airport or drop off at a city



centre hotel for ongoing travel arrangements. End of our services.

Suggested Optional Nairobi Excursions on return to Nairobi ex- Safari

Lunch or Dinner at Carnivore

Out of Africa Excursion

Shopping Trips

(Rates available on request for local excursion and other Nairobi local excursions).

Inclusions

- Landside meet and greet services.
- Transfers as specified.
- Transport for safari sector in 4x4 vehicles on a Private basis with maximum 7 passengers per vehicle.
- Guaranteed window seats.
- Services of experienced bilingual English-speaking driver-guides (languages including Spanish, French, German and Italian are available on request and subject to availability).
- Game drives and activities as specified in the itinerary.
- All accommodation and meals as specified.
- All park fees and government taxes (except Zanzibar Infrastructure Tax where applicable).
- Filtered water will be provided in **safari vehicles** provided.
- **Travellers should bring reusable water bottles.**
- Internal flights (if applicable) as specified in the itinerary inclusive of all airport taxes.

Exclusions

- International and regional flights (except where specified).
- Airport taxes except on tickets we issue.
- Passport and visa fees.
- Zanzibar Infrastructure Tax (where applicable).
- Hot air balloon safaris.
- Driver-guide gratuities.
- Dining rooms tips and portorage.
- Personal travel, baggage, and medical insurance.
- Drinks, Laundry, Telephone bills and any items of a personal nature (except where specified).



Note

**Park and Reserve fees used in these rates are based on current information. Should there be increases in park and/or Reserve fees, these will be passed along for all existing and future bookings.*

Hotels Envisaged OR Similar

Nairobi - Eka Hotel in a Superior room

Masai Mara National Reserve - Keekorok Lodge in a Standard room

Lake Nakuru - Lake Nakuru Lodge in a Deluxe Room

Christmas Supplement: AUD 100-00 per person per night from 24 Dec 2024 to 01 Jan 2025 inclusive.

Easter Supplement: AUD 100-00 per person per night from 29 Mar 2024 to 01 April 2024 inclusive.

Cost of Extra Night in Masai Mara National Reserve – Keekorok Lodge and Lake Nakuru National Park – Lake Nakuru Lodge
available on request.

Extra transfer requests applicable as per below:

- Clients booking a pre-night in Nairobi at the same base hotel, NO additional arrival transfer will be charged.
- On return from safari, drop off at Airport or a city centre hotel is included.
- Clients requiring a SEPARATE evening or later departure transfer once the safari returns will be charged transfer cost as per transfer document.

Extra transfer available on request.

Child and Triple sharing rates available on request.

Arrival Information

Earliest check-in at the arrival hotel is 14h00. Travellers arriving on early morning flights are urged to book a pre-night at the arrival hotel (at an additional cost) to avoid delays in accessing the hotel rooms on arrival.

Departure Information

This safari returns to Nairobi at 1330 hrs.

Travellers departing from JKI Airport on a domestic or international flight should book a flight departing later than 1630 hrs.

Travellers with a long layover before their departure flight should consider booking a day room (at an additional cost) to refresh and repack before their international journey.

IMPORTANT Luggage Information

Travellers should only bring soft sided bags on safari. Luggage space in safari vehicles is limited. These bags should measure no more than the following: Height 66 centimetres Length 42 centimetres Width 28 centimetres. Soft sided bags



with wheels are permitted.

If travelling on internal flights during your safari, luggage allowances are strictly enforced to 15 kilograms per person including carry-on bags.

If arriving and departing from the same city, bags can be stored in our offices for a one-time fee of AUD 89.00 (per booking, not per bag or per person) to transfer and store the bags and reconnect them with the travellers for departure.

Additional remarks

We may have to re-route the

itinerary or accommodate in similar lodges in case of non-availability.

Prices for domestic flights, airport taxes or park fees may be changed without prior notice. This is beyond our control and any increase levied will be passed to you for existing and new bookings.

Flight times mentioned for internal flights are based on published schedules but are subject to change depending on the airline's load factors and airstrips visited.

Program Touring / Guide

Escorted Experience

Departure Period

26 Jun, 2024 to 31 Oct, 2024

2-3 guests
AUD 4,426 P P twin share
AUD 5,207 P P single
AVAILABLE

4-5 guests
AUD 3,787 P P twin share
AUD 4,568 P P single
AVAILABLE

6 plus
AUD 3,542 P P twin share
AUD 4,323 P P single
AVAILABLE

01 Nov, 2024 to 15 Dec, 2024

2-3 guests
AUD 4,077 P P twin share
AUD 4,664 P P single
AVAILABLE

4-5 guests
AUD 3,439 P P twin share
AUD 4,026 P P single
AVAILABLE

6 plus
AUD 3,193 P P twin share
AUD 3,780 P P single
AVAILABLE

16 Dec, 2024 to 01 Jan, 2025

2-3 guests
AUD 4,409 P P twin share
AUD 5,188 P P single
AVAILABLE

4-5 guests
AUD 3,771 P P twin share
AUD 4,550 P P single
AVAILABLE

6 plus
AUD 3,525 P P twin share
AUD 4,304 P P single
AVAILABLE

