



Kenya Odyssey To Mombasa Coast (#11242)

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Overview

Starting in Nairobi and ending on the shores of the delightful Indian Ocean, this is a comprehensive safari that visits four extremely diverse wilderness areas. From the lakes of the Great Rift Valley and open plains of the Mara to the undulating hills of Tsavo, this is a great start to a safari and beach holiday.

Trip Highlights

Nairobi - Masai Mara National Reserve - Lake Naivasha - Amboseli National Park - Tsavo West National Park - Taita Hills Sanctuary - Mombasa

Detailed Itinerary

Day 01

Day 1: Arrive Nairobi



Upon arrival into Nairobi, clients will be met and transferred to the 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 check-in at 1400hrs.)

Suggested Optional Nairobi Excursions for Early morning arrivals. Sheldrick Wildlife Trust – Elephant and Rhino Orphanage.

Out of Africa Excursion.

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

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 both 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.

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 a need to go on a game drive. Keekorok's charm lies in the liberal use of local building materials. Sandstone, 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.

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



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 returning to the lodge as the sunsets. (It is possible to pre-book an optional early morning Balloon Safari at a supplementary cost).

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

Day 04

Day 4: Masai Mara – Lake Naivasha

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 to Mai-Mahiu, before arriving at Lake Naivasha around midday. Following lunch and a siesta, depart on an afternoon boat ride on Lake Naivasha, with the rest of the afternoon at leisure.

Lake Naivasha Country Club offers an abundance of activities to please all tastes. The resort dates back to the 1930s when it was first opened as a staging post for Imperial Airways flying boat service from Durban to Dublin. Since then, it has transformed into a sprawling 55-acre property with a variety of accommodations and guest facilities.

The Hotel offers a combination of Food and Beverage outlets. Flavours, the main restaurant of the hotel, serves International Buffet-style meals. Relax and unwind at the Tavern Bar with local beers or international Spirits and Wines to tingle your taste buds. The Terrace is an all-day dining option with A-la-Carte Menu and varied choices. To Spoil, yourself bite into our speciality pastry shop The Rolling Pin.

Overnight at Lake Naivasha Country Club in a Standard room on a full board basis.

Day 05

Day 5: Lake Naivasha - Amboseli National Park

Following breakfast, leaving Lake Naivasha behind, you continue towards Nairobi. Meet your fellow travelers' that join from Nairobi and then head south east towards Amboseli arriving for a late lunch. In the afternoon depart on an afternoon gamedrive returning as the sun sets.

Overnight at Amboseli Serena Safari Lodge in a Standard room on a full board basis.



Amboseli Serena Safari Lodge - Set against the magnificent backdrop of Africa's highest mountain, the glittering Mount Kilimanjaro, Amboseli Serena Safari Lodge enjoys a uniquely privileged position at the heart of this world-famous national park.

Secluded within a grove of acacia trees, the lodge looks out over the golden savannah plains, with uninterrupted views of the mountain itself. Close by are a series of emerald-green swamps, which are fed by the melting snows of Kilimanjaro. As the only sources of water in the park, this attracts huge numbers of wallowing elephants, hippos, buffalos and plains game. Meanwhile, from the prehistoric site of Observation Hill, the sunset over Kilimanjaro is truly magnificent.

At the centre of 'Maasailand', the lodge's décor reflects the brilliant primary colours and iconic shapes representative of these legendary warriors. At the heart of the lodge, shaded by palm trees, is a free form swimming pool; to either side of which stretch the rooms. Each room is housed in a single storey building opening directly on to the grounds, each reflecting a Maasai manyatta theme, each with its own hand-painted wall frescos.

The central dining area is reached by a timbered bridge over a melt-water stream, while the lounge and bar feature a broad terrace and a blazing fire-pit where evening cocktails can be enjoyed. Activities include daily game drives in custom-built traditional safari vehicles, 'sundowners' on Observation Hill, bush breakfasts, bush dinners, Maasai dance performances, visits to Maasai villages and tree-planting programmes.

Our luxury en-suite rooms are accommodated in two single-storey dedicated buildings, which lie to the right and left of the main reception and dining areas. Each tastefully appointed room features a Maasai inspired, hand-painted, wall fresco, king-sized bed or luxurious twins, lavish all-encompassing mosquito curtaining, bathroom (with walk-in shower), writing/vanity unit, and private veranda. Triple rooms can be made available.

Day 06

Day 6: Amboseli National Park – Tsavo West National Park

Following early breakfast, depart to Tsavo West arriving your lodge for lunch. The journey takes you east, across the spectacular Shetani lava flow, a reminder of the molten outpouring that spilled down the scenic slopes of the nearby Chyulu Hills over the last three centuries. A zig zagging road through scrub thorn and acacia leads you into Tsavo National Park, which together (East and West) form the largest of Kenya's parks. Following lunch depart on an afternoon gamedrive, including a visit to Mzima Springs with its underwater viewing holes. Return to the lodge as the sun sets.

Kilaguni Serena Safari Lodge - Superbly situated in the lee of Mount Kilimanjaro, and sheltered by the volcanic splendour of the Chyulu Hills, this classic stone-built lodge overlooks its own water hole, which is visited daily by elephants, buffalos and a wide variety of plains game. One of the first lodges ever to be built in a national park, the lodge is cool, tranquil and hushed for optimum game-viewing. It is also ideally placed for visits to all the park's prime attractions.



Faced in volcanic stone and utilising the natural rocky outcrops of a valley known as 'the place of the young rhino', from which it takes its name, the lodge features a thatched central dining area and a rock-built bar, with a viewing terrace looking directly down on to the waterhole.

All the spacious en-suite rooms have their own verandas, some overlooking the waterhole, some the Chyulu Hills, which are one of the world's youngest volcanic ranges. As for activities, the lodge offers numerous game drives, guided walks, bush breakfasts, volcano climbs and trips to Mzima Springs, a set of crystal-clear ponds, fed by the melt waters of Mount Kilimanjaro, in which the many hippos can be viewed from a submerged chamber.

Overnight at Kilaguni Serena Safari Lodge in a Standard room on a full board basis.

Day 07

Day 7: Tsavo West National Park – Taita Hills Sanctuary

This morning, following early breakfast, and a gamedrive enroute to the gate, continue to Taita Hills Sanctuary arriving for lunch at Taita Hills Safari Resort. Following lunch, transfer to Saltlick Lodge. After a short siesta, depart on an afternoon gamedrive, returning late afternoon. Spend the rest of the afternoon and evening at leisure, viewing game from lodge's underground hide or from the lodge balcony.

Salt Lick Safari Lodge is in the heart of a private Wildlife Sanctuary which lies adjacent to Tsavo National Park, therefore playing an increasingly important role in the protection and conservation of Kenya's wildlife heritage. The entire lodge is raised on stilts, providing 24-hour game viewing opportunities from any corner of the lodge. The rooms are built in two-story blocks from a central pod and linked together by elevated platforms. Each room is spacious and beautifully appointed, featuring exquisite ethnic décor in keeping with the Tsavo environment. Rooms have all the necessary modern conveniences. The restaurant, bar and main balconies have views over the water hole and salt lick, which is constantly in use by local park residents. There is also an underground hide for closer encounters.

Overnight at Salt Lick Safari Lodge in a Parkview room on full board basis.

Day 08

Day 8: Taita Hills – Mombasa

Early breakfast is served today before continuing your journey to Mombasa, aiming to reach your North or South Coast beach hotel in time for a late lunch (on own arrangements). End of Services.



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 on our scheduled seat-in-vehicle safaris (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**.
- **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

Hotels Envisaged OR Similar

Nairobi -Eka hotel in a superior room

Masai Mara National Reserve - Keekorok Lodge in a Standard room

Lake Naivasha - Lake Naivasha Country Club in a Standard room

Amboseli National Park - Amboseli Serena Safari Lodge in a Standard room



Tsavo West National Park - Kilaguni Serena Safari Lodge in a Standard room

Taita Hills Sanctuary - Salt Lick Safari Lodge in a Parkview room

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

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

Cost of Extra Night in Masai Mara National Reserve – Keekorok Lodge, Lake Naivasha (incl. game drive in Lake Nakuru National Park) – Lake Naivasha Country Club, Tsavo West National Park – Kilaguni Serena Safari Lodge, Taita Hills Sanctuary – Saltlick Safari Lodge and Amboseli National Park – Amboseli Serena Safari Lodge available on request.

*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.

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.

Departure transfer will be charged as per transfer document.

Child and Triple Sharing rates available on request.

Extra transfer 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 arrives Mombasa between 1330 – 1430 hrs.

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.

On this safari, if clients are ending services in Mombasa, it is not possible to leave luggage in Nairobi. If clients need to transport excess luggage to Mombasa, we can assist to arrange with a courier service for the transport of excess



luggage to Mombasa (at a supplementary cost payable directly on the ground to the courier service). Approximate weight, dimensions and number of pieces must be advised prior to departure to enable us to arrange with the courier and advise approximate costs.

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 pax
AUD 7,071 P P twin share
AUD 8,243 P P single
AVAILABLE

4-5 pax
AUD 5,794 P P twin share
AUD 6,966 P P single
AVAILABLE

6 plus
AUD 5,336 P P twin share
AUD 6,508 P P single
AVAILABLE

01 Nov, 2024 to 15 Dec, 2024

2-3 pax
AUD 6,512 P P twin share
AUD 7,436 P P single
AVAILABLE

4-5 pax
AUD 5,235 P P twin share
AUD 6,159 P P single
AVAILABLE

6 plus
AUD 4,774 P P twin share
AUD 5,698 P P single
AVAILABLE

16 Dec, 2024 to 01 Jan, 2025

2-3 pax
AUD 7,039 P P twin share
AUD 8,260 P P single
AVAILABLE

4-5 pax
AUD 5,761 P P twin share
AUD 6,982 P P single
AVAILABLE

6 plus
AUD 5,301 P P twin share
AUD 6,522 P P single
AVAILABLE

