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### MESSAGE FROM THE C.E.O

I am truly excited to welcome you to Beyond the Plains Kenya Safaris. Our passion for Kenya and its remarkable offerings is at the core of what we do, and I want to share a little more about our commitment and what you can expect when you choose to journey with us.

Beyond the Plains Kenya Safaris is more than just a travel company; it's a commitment to excellence. We take great pride in delivering meticulously planned, once-in-a-lifetime safari experiences. Our team, from the guides to the support staff, is dedicated to ensuring your journey is nothing short of extraordinary.

Kenya's diverse landscapes, wildlife, and cultures are some of the most captivating on the planet. Our mission is to unravel the secrets of this incredible country for you. Whether you're a seasoned traveler or embarking on your first safari, our expert guides will introduce you to the hidden wonders and remarkable stories that Kenya holds.

Preserving the pristine wilderness and supporting local communities is integral to our operations. We take a responsible approach to tourism, not only treading lightly on the environment but also working to enrich the lives of thepeople we encounter. Your journey with us is an opportunity to engage with and contribute to the wellbeing of the regions we visit.

We understand that each traveler is unique, and your safari should reflect that. Beyond the Plains Kenya Safaris offers tailor-made itineraries that cater to your interests and preferences. Whether you dream of witnessing the Great Migration, capturing the perfect wildlife photograph, or immersing yourself in local traditions, we ensure your safari aligns with your aspirations.

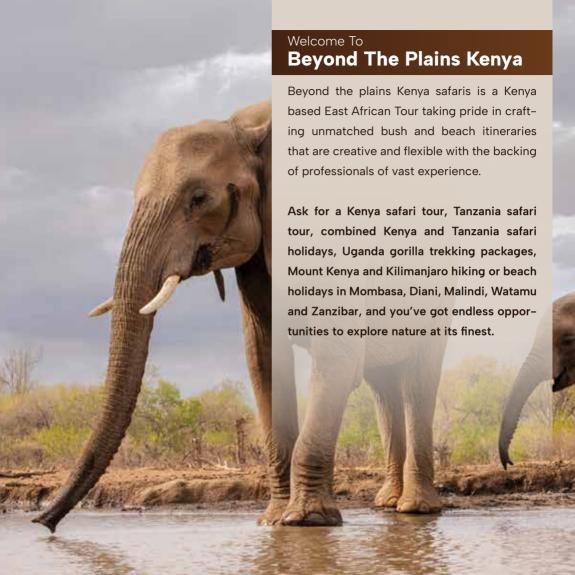
Our goal is to create memories that last a lifetime. Kenya's stunning landscapes, incredible wildlife, and vibrant cultures will leave an indelible mark on your heart. Beyond the Plains Kenya Safaris is not just about a vacation; it's an opportunity to connect with the wild and the extraordinary.

Thank you for considering us as your travel companion in Kenya. We can't wait to welcome you into our world of wonder and to share this remarkable journey with you. Your adventure begins here.

Warm regards,

John Dante CEO, Beyond the Plains Kenya Safaris



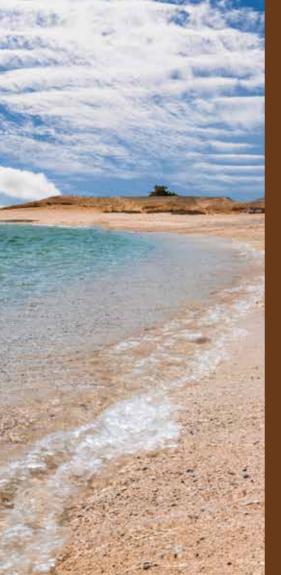




Among the services offered by Beyond the plains Kenya safaris stands out the coordination of itineraries for individuals, couples, families and group travelers; including hotel bookings, transport, safari tours, car rentals, local flights reservations, logistical support activities and other essential services

Experience the real side of Africa with Beyond the plains Kenya safaris. Discover the idyllic beauty of East Africa through safaris created for the bold traveler with a different approach than a typical grassland safari. Discover the heart of Kenya Off the beaten track by touring rustic routes while creating memories in our breathtaking landscapes.

Beyond the plains Kenya safaris create excursions for travelers who share our passion for the environment and who seek a more intimate connection with life on our planet. We create distinctive and extraordinary experiences perfect for families, friends, couples, corporate teams, photographers, and filmmakers.



### WHAT WE OFFER:



### **Custom Itineraries:**

Tailored tours for all types of travelers, be it solo explorers, couples, families, or groups.



### **Complete Travel Services:**

Assistance with hotel bookings, transportation, safari tours, car rentals, and local flight reservations.



### **Unique Experiences:**

Opportunities to experience East Africa's beauty away from the usual tourist trails.



### **Special Focus Tours:**

Designed for various interests including families, corporate teams, photographers, and filmmakers.



### **Professional Association:**

A fully bonded member of the Kenya Association Of Tour Operators, which may give travelers added confidence in their services.



### **Customer Support:**

Dedicated support team for easy booking and assistance throughout the travel experience.

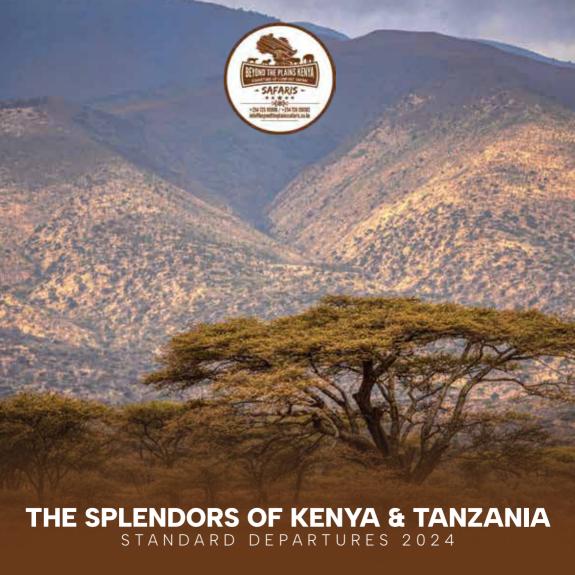


Choosing a specialized tour operator like Beyond the Plains Kenya Safaris could be advantageous for travelers looking for authentic experiences, as their expertise could lead to a deeper exploration of the region's natural wonders.

Whether someone is looking to scale Mount Kilimanjaro or relax on the beaches of Zanzibar, Beyond the Plains Kenya appears equipped to facilitate these adventures with a focus on sustainability and intimate connections to nature.







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DAY 1

### **ARRIVAL & WELCOME**

You will be met upon arrival at Jomo Kenyatta International Airport by a Beyond The Plains Safaris representative who will transfer you and your luggage to the Nairobi Serena Hotel. Our representative will assist you with check-in formalities so you can relax and recharge after your journey. Overnight at Nairobi Serena Hotel.



NAIROBI SERENA HOTEL | MEALS: UNDER OWN ARRANGMENTS







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DAY 2

### **SWEETWATERS & OL PEJETA**

After settling into your accommodations, set out into the bush for your first game -viewing drive. Later this afternoon, you will tour Sweet-water's Chimpanzee Sanctuary, the only facility of its kind in Kenya. Upon your return to camp, you can relax on your private verandah over-looking the camp's water hole, take a dip in the pool, or catalog the day's haul of wildlife photographs.

After dinner, relax by the fire or retire to the wonderful ambiance of your tent. The camp's luxurious tents all feature comfortable beds, electricity, hot/cold running water, and a full in-suite bathroom with shower. Overnight at Sweetwaters Tented Camp



SWEETWATERS TENTED CAMP | MEALS:B/L/D







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DAY 3

### **SWEETWATERS & OL PEJETA**

Enjoy the entire day at leisure at Sweetwaters with morning and afternoon game drives through the OI Pejeta Conservancy.

Boasting an incredible density of wildlife within its borders, the conservancy is also home to a host of endangered species.

Ol Pejeta is especially known for its populations of black and endangered northern white rhinoceros. We return to camp for dinner and another pleasant evening. All meals are included with overnight at Sweetwaters Tented Camp.

**OVERNIGHT:**SWEETWATERS TENTED CAMP | MEALS:B/L/D







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DAY 4

#### **ABERDARE NATIONAL PARK**

After breakfast this morning, we drive north through coffee and pineapple plantations to the Aberdares region to The Ark. Set in the heart of the Aberdare National Park, iconic and yes, quirky, The Ark overlooks a poodlit waterhole and salt lick, which at tracts a host of awesome wildlife. Resembling and named after Noah's Ark, The Ark comprises of three decks from which numerous balconies and lounges provide a superb location for wildlife to be seen. So that you don't miss any animal sightings, the night guard will buzz your room when special animals come to the waterhole.

The Ark has four viewing areas for observing the ever -present animal activity. There is also a ground level bunker – the perfect hideout for the discerning photographer. This is a circular pillbox-like structure, and itis from this vantage point that pictures of animals on the salt lick only yards away may be taken through the view holes in complete safety.



SWEETWATERS TENTED CAMP | MEALS:B/L/D







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DAY 5

### **LAKE NAKURU**

Enjoy the entire day on game drives in Sweetwaters with morning and afternoon game drives through the OI Pejeta Conservancy.

Boasting an incredible density of wildlife within its borders, the conservancy is also home to a host of endangered species. Ol Pejeta is especially known for its huge population of black rhinoceros. Return to camp for dinner and another pleasant evening. All meals are included with overnight at Sweetwaters Tented Camp. You may also partake in an optional game drive run by the camp that departs after dinner and explore the bush under cover of night when animals are grazing, sleeping, and hunting.



SWEETWATERS TENTED CAMP | MEALS:B/L/D







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DAY 6

#### **MASAI MARA**

Setting out again after breakfast, we drive across the Great Rift Valley to the Maasai Mara, arriving in time for lunch at Mara Serena Safari Lodge. Set high on a hilltop above the Mara, the lodge is blessed withsweeping views of the savannah below. In the distance you can see the meandering coils of the hippo-filled Mara river.

The Maasai Mara Game Reserve is widely considered to be one of Africa's greatest reserves, where the Maasai community co-exists in harmony with the local fauna. The co-existence of man and wildlife makes this one of the world's most unique wilderness regions. The Mara is home to a breathtaking array of life. The vast grasslands are teeming with herds of zebra, giraffe, gazelle, and topi.

The acacia forests abound with monkeys and bird life. Elephants and buffalo wallow in the wide Musiara Swamp while the Mara and Talek rivers brim with hippos and crocodiles. From July through October, the Mara plays host to one of the greatest spectacles on the planet as millions of wildebeest, zebra, gazelle and topi head north from Tanzania into Kenya. Those fortunate enough to witness The Great Migration are treated to spectacular viewing and photographic opportunities.



MARA SERENA SAFARI LODGE | MEALS: B/L/D







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DAY 7

### **MAASAI MARA**

Enjoy the entire day exploring the splendors of the Mara with morning and afternoon game -viewing drives, returning to the lodge for lunch and dinner. Overnight at Mara Serena Safari Lodge.



MARA SERENA SAFARI LODGE | MEALS: B/L/D







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#### **BALLOON SAFARI ADD-ON**

#### **AMBOSELI NATIONAL PARK**

Optional but highly recommended, the Balloon Safari is a very popular excursion among visitors and can be added to a safari that includes a night at any of the camps/lodges in the Mara or Serengeti.

Meeting your pilot early in the morning, you will receive a briefing and watch as the balloon is infated. You lift off at dawn, rising with the sun and gently float in whichever direction the winds of the morning take you. Below are the majestic plains of the African savannah, teeming with life. At times, your balloon will be piloted at treetop level, offering unique perspectives of the wildlife and many great photo opportunities.

Other times, the pilot will ascend to nearly 1,000 feet, offering a breathtaking perspective of the landscape below, allowing you to appreciate its profound size. On landing, enjoy a delicious champagne breakfast served in the bush.

#### **OVERNIGHT:**

AMBOSELI SERENA SAFARI LODGE | MEALS:B/L/D







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### DAY 8

### **SERENGETI**

This morning, following an early meal, you'll head to Isebania, a frontier town, marking the start of your Tanzanian adventure into the Serengeti National Park. Your driver will guide you through the customs and immigration process.

After enjoying a picnic lunch, you'll resume your journey to the park, arriving at the Serengeti Serena Safari Lodge by dinner time. Along the way, you'll be treated to a wildlife spectacle. Later, relax on your private veranda overlooking the expansive plains of the renowned Serengeti.

Spanning 5,700 square miles, Serengeti National Park is vast, even exceeding the size of Connecticut. It has been under protection since the 1940s, attained

national park status in 1951, and is recognized as a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

The park is a marvel of nature and of immense scientific interest, hosting over four million animals across numerous species. You'll encounter diverse herds of antelope, including Patterson's eland, klipspringer, dikdik, impala, zebra, gazelle, waterbuck, topi, kongoni, Cotton's oribi, grey bush duiker, roan antelope, buffalo, and wildebeest.

It's also a bird watcher's haven, with nearly five hundred species like storks, flamingoes, vultures, fish eagles, and ostriches. Predators such as cheetahs, lions, leopards, as well as giraffes, hippos, and rhinos add to the park's grandeur, making it an almost complete directory of African wildlife.

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DAY 8

### **SERENGETI**

The varied landscape of the Serengeti—from the southern grass plains to central savannahs, northern hilly woodlands, and western black clay plains—supports this rich diversity of life.

With low-lying vegetation, the park offers excellent game viewing opportunities. The landscape is punctuated with rivers, lakes, and swamps and is a haven where animals wander freely. The Great Migration sees vast herds migrating from the Maasai Mara to the Serengeti, with the dramatic scene of half a million wildebeest giving birth in February. This spectacle in the southern Serengeti unfolds from December to May, before the herds move to the Mara again.



SERENGETI SERENA SAFARI LODGE | MEALS:B/L/D







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DAY 9

#### **SERENGETI**

Departing with the break of dawn, you immerse yourself in the African sunrise for a day dedicated to game viewing. Leaving the lodge behind, you enter a realm of natural splendor, an unchanged and ancient landscape where life's drama unfolds as it has for millennia.

Throughout the day, your driver's intimate understanding of the terrain is evident as he navigates to the most breathtaking vistas, providing ample opportunities to watch the wildlife at your pace. When the day reaches its zenith and the animals seek shade, you'll enjoy a secluded picnic lunch before continuing your adventure. Returning to the lodge at twilight, you'll reflect on the day's thrill, ready to relax.

Post a rejuvenating shower, dinner awaits at the main lodge. Later, you can sip a nightcap on your verandah, observing the nearby nocturnal activities of the Serengeti's inhabitants. The tranquility of the evening promises restful slumber, filled with dreams of this vast and vibrant land.



AMBOSELI SERENA SAFARI LODGE | MEALS:B/L/D







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**DAY 10** 

#### **OLDUVAI GORGE & NGORONGORO**

After breakfast at Serengeti Serena Safari Lodge, we drive to Olduvai Gorge, the "cradle of mankind" where the Leakey family uncovered fossils of Homo Habilis that have been dated to over 1.75 million years old. After a picnic lunch, we continue on to Ngorongoro Conservation Area and its famous wildlife-filled crater.

We arrive at the Ngorongoro Serena Safari Lodge in time for a dinner with a panoramic view of the crater. Perched on the rim of the crater, this luxurious lodge is constructed in the rustic style and offers sweeping views from each of its rooms – each with its own private balcony.

#### **OVERNIGHT:**

NGORONGORO SERENA SAFARI LODGE | MEALS:B/L/D







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DAY 11

#### **NGORONGORO CRATER**

After breakfast, the driver guides your vehicle nearly 2,000 feet down into Ngorongoro Crater for a full day of exploration. In addition to viewing larger game, we will drive across the dense forest on the rim to the soda lake to view the outstanding bird life.

Today, we enjoy a picnic lunch in the crater itself and ascend back to the lodge for dinner and relaxation.

Ngorongoro Crater was an active volcano some eight million years ago whose cone collapsed, leaving a

deep crater. It is the largest unbroken caldera in the world, the second largest extinct crater, and today shelters arguably the most beautiful wildlife haven left on earth with a spectacular concentration of animals and stunning views.

This is undoubtedly the best place in Tanzania to see black rhinos as well as prides of lions with magnificent black-maned males. Elephant, leopard, buffalo, cheetah, zebra, warthog, a dozen antelope species, and nearly one hundred species of birds not found even in the Serengeti also live within its walls. The crater rim is wooded with mountain forest vegetation and is abloom in acres of pink, blue, and white lupines, candle white lilies, and blue hyacinth. The short grasses on the crater's floor make game easy to spot and photograph.



NGORONGORO SERENA SAFARI LODGE | MEALS:B/L/D





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**DAY 12** 

### **LAKE MANYARA**

This morning, you wake one last time to the expansive view of Ngorongoro Crater from your room. After breakfast, we drive to Lake Manyara National Park, viewing game en-route to our lodge and arriving in time for lunch. After getting settled in, set out for an afternoon game drive and hope to see the park's famous tree- climbing lions. A wealth of bird life and large game roam the park and its lake, with the cliffs of the Great Rift Valley forming a stunning backdrop to it all.

The lodge is perched high above the lake with magnificent views from your room and the grounds. Dinner and overnight at Lake Manyara Serena Safari Lodge. The beautiful Lake Manyara covers two thirds of this national park; the rest consists of steep mountainside, swamps, dense woodlands, open grassy areas and hot springs.

One of the many alkaline lakes of the Great Rift Valley, it was formed three million years ago and is quite shallow – perfect for the 350 species of birds including pelicans, ibises, storks, Egyptian geese, and flamingoes .Baboons and black monkeys can be heard chattering in the woodlands near the park's entrance and a multitude of large game can be found traversing the low, grassy areas near the lake's shore.

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OVERNIGHT:

LAKE MANYARA SERENA SAFARI LODGE | MEALS:B/L/D



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**DAY 13** 

### **ARUSHA**

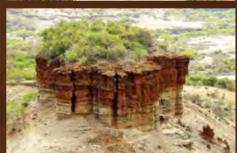
We hit the road once again after breakfast for the final leg of our journey. Arrive in the afternoon and check in to your dayroom at the Mountain Village which has been reserved until 1800hr when you will be transferred to Kilimanjaro International Airport for your scheduled flight back home. Sadly, the adventure comes to an end, but the memories are forever.

\*\* END OF BEYOND THE PLAINS SAFARIS ARRANGEMENTS \*\*

**DAYROOMS: MOUNTAIN VILLAGE LODGE** 







### **SUMMARY**

THE SPLENDORS OF KENYA & TANZANIA • BEYOND THE PLAINS SAFARIS • 2024

#### **ITINERARY:**

KENYA: NAIROBI | SWEETWATERS | ABERDARE NATIONAL PARK | LAKE NAKURU | MAASAI MARA TANZANIA: SERENGETI | OLDUVAI GORGE | NGORONGORO CRATER | LAKE MANYARA | ARUSHA DURATION: 13 DAYS / 12 NIGHTS SAFARI

### **OPTIONAL SUPPLEMENTS:**

**Balloon Safari:** \$500 per person in Maasai Mara | \$550 pp in the Serengeti Safari begins every Friday based on a minimum of 02 persons traveling together.

A supplemental holiday surcharge of \$45 per person per night may apply for travel over Christmas and Easter holidays.

Accommodations listed are subject to availability.

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### **COSTS INCLUDE:**

From the moment you arrive until your departure, we make sure you are free to relax and enjoy your safari!

- · Exclusive use of an English-speaking chauffeur/guide
- · Exclusive use of 4x4 Land Cruiser
- · Bottled mineral water while on safari
- · Transfers to/from airport upon arrival/departure
- · Full board accommodation while on safari
- · Overnight accommodation and breakfast in Nairobi
- · Dayroom in Arusha
- · All park entrance fees
- · Game drives as specified in the itinerary
- · All Kenyan & Tanzanian government taxes & service charges
- · Flying Doctors evacuation insurance

### **SUMMARY**

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### **COSTS EXCLUDE:**

- · International flights to Nairobi (NBO)/ From Arusha (JRO)
- · All items of a personal nature
- · Laundry
- · Tips and gratuities
- · Telephone calls
- · Visas
- · Travel insurance
- · Add-ons and supplements (balloon safari)
- · All other items not mentioned in inclusions

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DAY 1

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NAIROBI SERENA HOTEL | MEALS: UNDER OWN ARRANGMENTS







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DAY 2

#### **SWEETWATERS & OL PEJETA**

After breakfast this morning, drive to the Ol Pejeta Conservancy, a private game sanctuary situated on the Laikipia Plains near Mount Kenya, arriving in time for lunch at Sweetwaters Tented Camp.

Built on the grounds of a colonial-era farm inside the conservancy, Sweetwaters is the perfect base for exploring Ol Pejeta. After settling into your accommodations, set out into the bush for your first game-viewing drive. Later this afternoon, you will tour Sweetwater's Chimpanzee Sanctuary -the only facility of its kind in Kenya. The sanctuary provides an authentic habitat for rescued chimpanzees who cannot otherwise be re-introduced into the wild. It's a powerful and memorable experience that highlights the challenges and responsibilities of wildlife protection and conservation.

Upon your return to camp, you can relax on your private verandah overlooking the camp's extensive and lighted water hole, take a dip in the pool, or catalog the day's haul of wildlife photographs. After dinner, relax by the fire or retire to the wonderful ambiance of your tent. The camp's luxurious tents all feature comfortable beds, electricity, hot/cold running water, and full in-suite bathroom with shower.

#### **OVERNIGHT:**

Amboseli serena safari lodge | meals:b/l/d



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DAY 3

### **SWEETWATERS & OL PEJETA**

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Ol Pejeta is especially known for its populations of black and endangered northern white rhinoceros. We return to camp for dinner and another pleasant evening. All meals are included with overnight at Sweetwaters Tented Camp.

**OVERNIGHT:**SWEETWATERS TENTED CAMP | MEALS:B/L/D







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DAY 4

### SAMBURU NATIONAL RESERVE

After another lovely breakfast this morning, we head north to Samburu, arriving in time for lunch at Elephant Bedroom Camp. Enjoy an afternoon game drive through Samburu followed by dinner at the camp. Don't be surprised to find an elephant wandering down the path in this aptly-named camp.

Samburu National Reserve lies within the lands of the Samburu, cousins of the Maasai. The reserve is one of the best places to find several endemic northern species including gerenuk, reticulated giraffe, and Grevy's zebra. The area is quite arid, causing the game to congregate near the Ewaso Nyiro river which runs through the reserve. This concentration of wildlife makes game viewing particularly good

**OVERNIGHT:** 

ELEPHANT BEDROOM CAMP | MEALS: B/L/D







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### DAY 5

### **SAMBURU NATIONAL RESERVE**

Enjoy the entire day in Samburu with early morning and late afternoon game drives. Return once more for dinner and overnight at Elephant Bedroom Camp.

The Camp consists of just twelve splendidly-appointed tents set along the banks of the Ewaso River. Luxurious and intimate, Elephant Bedroom Camp is one of the finest in Kenya.

#### **OVERNIGHT:**

ELEPHANT BEDROOM CAMP | MEALS: B/L/D







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### DAY 6: MASAI MARA

Setting out after breakfast, we depart Elephant Bedroom Camp for the airstrip for your flight to Mara North airstrip in the Maasai Mara. Set on the banks of the hippo-flled Mara river, the camp is blessed with great views of the Mara Sayanna

The Maasai Mara Game Reserve is widely considered to be one of Africa's greatest reserves, where the Maasai community co-exists in harmony with the local fauna. The co-existence of man and wildlife makes this one of the world's most unique wilderness regions. The Mara is home to a breathtaking array of life. The vast grasslands are teeming with herds of zebra, giraffe, gazelle, and topi. The acacia forests abound with monkeys and bird life. Elephants and buffalo wallow in the wide Musiara Swamp while the Mara and Talek rivers brim with hippos and crocodiles. From July through October, the Mara plays host to one of the greatest spectacles on the planet as millions of wildebeest, zebra, gazelle and topi head north from Tanzania into Kenya.

Those fortunate enough to witness The Great Migration are treated to spectacular viewing and photographic opportunities. Enjoy an afternoon game drive in this natural paradise, returning to the camp for dinner, relaxation around the fire pit, and overnight.

#### **OVERNIGHT:**

KAREN BLIXEN CAMP | MEALS: B/L/D







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### **MASAI MARA**

Enjoy the entire days exploring the splendors of the Mara with morning and afternoon game-viewing drives, returning to the lodge for lunch and dinner. Overnight again tonight at the Karen Blixen Camp.









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#### **BALLOON SAFARI ADD-ON**

#### **AMBOSELI NATIONAL PARK**

A popular excursion among visitors, the Balloon Safari can be added to a safari that includes a night at any of the camps/lodges in the Mara. Meeting your pilot early this morning, you will receive a briefing and watch as the balloon is infated. You lift-off at dawn, rising with the sun and gently float in whichever direction the winds of the morning take you.

Below are the majestic plains of the African savannah, teeming with life. At times, your balloon will be piloted at treetop level, offering unique perspectives of the wildlife and many great photo opportunities. Other times, the pilot will ascend to nearly 1,000 feet, offering a breathtaking perspective of the Mara, allowing you to appreciate its profound size. On landing, enjoy a delicious champagne breakfast served in the bush under an acacia tree.

#### **OVERNIGHT:**

AMBOSELI SERENA SAFARI LODGE | MEALS:B/L/D







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DAY 7

### **RETURN TO NAIROBI & FAREWELL**

After breakfast you will be transferred to the airstrip for your scheduled flight back to Nairobi. Upon landing, you will have the chance to visit the Giraffe Centre where you can climb into the elevated treetop aerie to feed giraffes from a face-to-face vantage point. A resident expert will present a private briefing on the Centre's work to save the endangered Rothschild Giraffe.

You will be transferred to the Carnivore Restaurant for a farewell lunch before heading to Jomo Kenyatta International Airport where you embark for home. Sadly, the adventure comes to an end, but the memories are forever. The Carnivore Restaurant is renowned for its variety of exotic meats and famous "dawa" cocktails. A uniquely Kenyan take on the Brazilian churrascaria, an enormous variety of meat is roasted on huge metal spears over a hot coal fire and carved at your table onto piping hot plates. Fresh salads, unusual side dishes, and assorted sauces accompany beef, pork, lamb, goat, sausages, chicken, ostrich, and occasionally crocodile

DAYROOM: IF NEEDED | MEALS: B/L







### THE BIG CAT SAFARI • BEYOND THE PLAINS SAFARIS • 2024

#### **ITINERARY:**

ITINERARY: NAIROBI | OL PEJETA | SAMBURU | MAASAI MARA | NAIROBI

DURATION: 9 DAYS / 8 NIGHTS SAFARI

| AIR (USD)          | 05 JAN - 31 MAR 01 APR-30 MAY |          | 01-30 JUN | 01 JUL-31 OCT | 01 NOV - 20 DEC |
|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------|-----------|---------------|-----------------|
| PER PERSON SHARING | \$ 8,725                      | \$ 7,870 | \$ 9,665  | \$6,535       | \$ 8,715        |
| SINGLE ROOM        | \$1,550                       | \$ 940   | \$1,755   | \$1,210       | \$1,285         |

#### **OPTIONAL SUPPLEMENTS:**

Balloon Safari: \$500 per person

Dayrooms in Nairobi: Dayroom in Four Points Nairobi Airport

Add 3.5% to all credit card payments.

Accommodations listed are subject to availability

From the moment you arrive until your departure, we make sure you are free to relax and enjoy your safari!

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## **COSTS INCLUDE:**

- · English-speaking chauffeur/guide
- · Use of Camp/Lodge 4x4 Landcruiser in Masai Mara & Amboseli
- · Bottled mineral water while on safari
- · Transfers to/from airport upon arrival/departure
- · Full board accommodation while on safari
- · Farewell lunch/ dinner at the Carnivore
- · All park entrance fees
- · Nairobi Excursion:
- · Giraffe Centre
- · Game drives as specifed in the itinerary
- · All Kenyan government taxes & service charges
- · Flying Doctors evacuation service
- · Domestic flights: Samburu>Mara>Nairobi

### THE BIG CAT SAFARI • BEYOND THE PLAINS SAFARIS • 2024

## **COSTS EXCLUDE:**

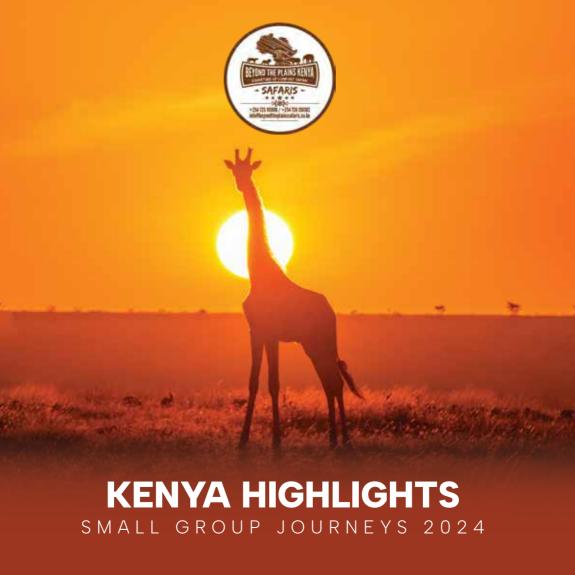
- · International flights to/from Nairobi (NBO)
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- · Laundry
- · Tips and gratuities
- · Telephone calls
- · Visas
- · Travel insurance
- · Add-ons and supplements (balloon safari)
- · All other items not mentioned in inclusions

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KENYA HIGHLIGHTS. BEYOND THE PLAINS SAFARIS. 2024

DAY 1

### **ARRIVAL & WELCOME**

You will be met upon arrival at Jomo Kenyatta International Airport by a Beyond The Plains Safaris representative who will transfer you and your luggage to the Nairobi Serena Hotel.

Our representative will assist you with check-in formalities so you can relax and recharge after your journey. Overnight at Nairobi Serena Hotel.



NAIROBI SERENA HOTEL | MEALS: UNDER OWN ARRANGMENTS







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DAY 2

#### **ABERDARE NATIONAL PARK**

After breakfast, you set off from Nairobi on safari! A three-hour drive through coffee and tea plantations brings you to the unique Ark Lodge inside Aberdare National Park. Picturesque, steep forested ravines and open moorland characterize the Aberdare National Park. The park provides a habitat for elephants, black rhinos, leopards, spotted hyenas, olive baboons, black and white colobus monkeys, buffalos, warthogs and bushbucks among others. Rare sightings include those of the Giant Forest hog, bongo, golden cat, serval cat, African wild cat, African civet cat and the blue duiker. Situated nearly 6,000 feet above sea level on the lower slopes of the mountain, the timbered Ark Lodge is nestled deep within the verdant rainforest.

The Ark overlooks a floodlit waterhole and salt lick, which attracts a host of awesome wildlife. Modeled after Noah's Ark, The Ark has four viewing decks with balconies and lounges

to provide superb game viewing from the comfort of the lodge. The animals come to you! After your arrival around lunchtime, spend the rest of the day enjoying the view from your room or other viewing areas around the lodge or, take an optional hike through the forests of Aberdare and take afternoon tea in the wild. This evening, you'll enjoy a leisurely dinner featuring fresh Kenyan–grown produce and take in the excellent game viewing just below the lodge. Tonight, fall asleep to the symphony of the African forest or simply sit in stillness watching as the animals arrive to drink, bathe, spar, and forage around the water hole.

#### **OVERNIGHT:**

THE ARK LODGE | MEALS:B/L/D

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DAY 3

#### **SWEETWATERS & OL PEJETA**

After breakfast this morning, drive to the Ol Pejeta Conservancy, a private game sanctuary situated on the Laikipia Plains near Mount Kenya, arriving in time for lunch at Sweetwaters Tented Camp.

Built on the grounds of a colonial-era farm inside the conservancy, Sweetwaters is the perfect base for exploring Ol Pejeta. After settling into your accommodations, set out into the bush for your first game-viewing drive. Later this afternoon, you will tour Sweetwater's Chimpanzee Sanctuary - the only facility of its kind in Kenya. The sanctuary provides an authentic habitat for rescued chimpanzees who cannot otherwise be re-introduced into the wild. It's a powerful and memorable experience that highlights the challenges and responsibilities of wildlife protection and conservation.

Upon your return to camp, you can relax on your private verandah overlooking the camp's extensive and lighted water hole, take a dip in the pool, or catalog the day's haul of wildlife photographs. After dinner, relax by the fire or retire to the wonderful ambiance of your tent. The camp's luxurious tents all feature comfortable beds, electricity, hot/cold running water, and full in-suite bathroom with shower.

#### **OVERNIGHT:**

SWEETWATERS TENTED CAMP | MEALS:B/L/D



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DAY 4

#### **SWEETWATERS & OL PEJETA**

Enjoy the entire day on game drives in Sweetwaters with morning and afternoon game drives through the OI Pejeta Conservancy.

Boasting an incredible density of wildlife within its borders, the conservancy is also home to a host of endangered species. Ol Pejeta is especially known for its huge population of black rhinoceros. Return to camp for dinner and another pleasant evening. All meals are included with overnight at Sweetwaters Tented Camp.

You may also partake in an optional game drive run by the camp that

departs after dinner and explore the bush under cover of night when animals are grazing, sleeping, and hunting.

#### **OVERNIGHT:**

SWEETWATERS TENTED CAMP | MEALS:B/L/D







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### DAY 5:

#### LAKE NAKURU NATIONAL PARK

This morning, you may find yourself awakened by the trumpeting of elephants who have come for their morning visit to the water hole. After breakfast, we drive to Lake Nakuru National Park arriving in time for lunch at Lake Nakuru Sopa Lodge.

Enjoy an afternoon game drive in the park, returning to the lodge for dinner and overnight. Among its wide variety of wildlife, Lake Nakuru is especially famous for its vast flocks of flamingoes. In some months, these birds are so abundant that they seem to form a pink band along the lakeshore. Other notable inhabitants of the park include giraffe, buffalo, waterbuck, lion, and rhinoceros.

#### **OVERNIGHT:**

LAKE NAKURU SOPA LODGE MEALS: B/L/D







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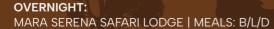
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#### **MAASAI MARA**

Setting out again after breakfast, we drive across the Great Rift Valley to the Maasai Mara, arriving in time for lunch at Mara Serena Safari Lodge.

Set high on a hilltop above the Mara, the lodge is blessed with sweeping views of the savannah below. In the distance you can see the meandering coils of the hippo-filled Mara river. The Maasai Mara Game Reserve is widely considered to be one of Africa's greatest reserves, where the Maasai community co-exists in harmony with the local fauna. The co-existence of man and wildlife makes this one of the world's most unique wilderness regions. The Mara is home to a breathtaking array of life. The vast grasslands are teeming with herds of zebra, giraffe, gazelle, and topi.

The acacia forests abound with monkeys and bird life. Elephants and buffalo wallow in the wide Musiara Swamp while the Mara and Talek rivers brim with hippos and crocodiles. From July through October, the Mara plays host to one of the greatest spectacles on the planet as millions of wildebeest, zebra, gazelle and topi head north from Tanzania into Kenya. Those fortunate enough to witness The Great Migration are treated to spectacular viewing and photographic opportunities. Enjoy an afternoon game drive in this natural paradise, returning to the lodge for dinner, relaxation around the fire pit, and overnight.









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#### DAY 7: MAASAI MARA

Enjoy the entire day exploring the splendors of the Mara with morning and afternoon game-viewing drives, returning to the lodge for lunch and dinner. Overnight again tonight at the Mara Serena Safari Lodge.

#### **OVERNIGHT:**

OVERNIGHT: MARA SERENA SAFARI LODGE | MEALS:B/L/D

#### **BALLOON SAFARI ADD-ON**

AMBOSELI NATIONAL PARK

A popular excursion among visitors, the Balloon Safari can be added to a safari that includes a night at any of the camps/lodges in the Mara. Meeting your pilot early this morning, you will receive a briefing and watch as the balloon is inflated. You lift-off at dawn, rising with the sun and gently float in whichever direction the winds of the morning take you. Below are the majestic plains of the African savannah, teeming with life. At times, your balloon will be piloted at treetop level, offering unique perspectives of the wildlife and many great photo opportunities. Other times, the pilot will ascend to nearly 1,000 feet, offering a breathtaking perspective of the Mara, allowing you to appreciate its profound size. On landing, enjoy a delicious champagne breakfast served in the bush under an acacia tree.

**OVERNIGHT: AMBOSELI SERENA SAFARI LODGE | MEALS:B/L/D** 







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DAY 8

#### **RETURN TO NAIROBI & FAREWELL**

We hit the road once again after breakfast for our drive back to Nairobi. Arrive in the afternoon where you will be transferred to the Carnivore Restaurant for a farewell lunch before heading to Jomo Kenyatta International Airport where you embark for home. Sadly, the adventure comes to an end, but the memories are forever.

The Carnivore Restaurant is renowned for its variety of exotic meats and famous "dawa" cocktails. A uniquely Kenyan take on the Brazilian churrascaria, an enormous variety of meat is roasted on huge metal spears over a hot coal fire and carved at your table onto piping hot plates. Fresh salads, unusual side dishes, and assorted sauces accompany beef, pork, lamb, goat, sausages, chicken, ostrich, and occasionally crocodile.

#### DAYROOM: IF NEEDED | MEALS: B/L

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#### **ITINERARY:**

ITINERARY: NAIROBI | SWEETWATERS | MOUNT KENYA | LAKE NAKURU |

MAASAI MARA

| DURATION: 9 DAYS / 8 NIGHTS SAFARI |                 |                 |                 |                 |  |  |  |  |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|--|--|--|--|
| AIR (USD)<br>LAND AND INTERNAL     | 05 JAN-31 MARCH | 01 APR - 30 MAY | 01 JUL - 31 OCT | 01 NOV - 15 DEC |  |  |  |  |
|                                    | 01-30 JUN       |                 | 16 DEC - 05 JAN |                 |  |  |  |  |
| PER PERSON SHARING                 | \$ 4,530        | \$ 4,140        | \$ 5,340        | \$ 4,530        |  |  |  |  |
| SINGLE ROOM SUPPLEMENT             | \$ 870          | \$ 940          | \$ 1,240        | \$ 850          |  |  |  |  |

#### **OPTIONAL SUPPLEMENTS:**

Balloon Safari: \$500 per person

Dayrooms at Airport Hotel: **\$100** per person sharing Domestic flight: Masai Mara > Nairobi: **\$240** per person

Add 3.5% to all credit card payments.

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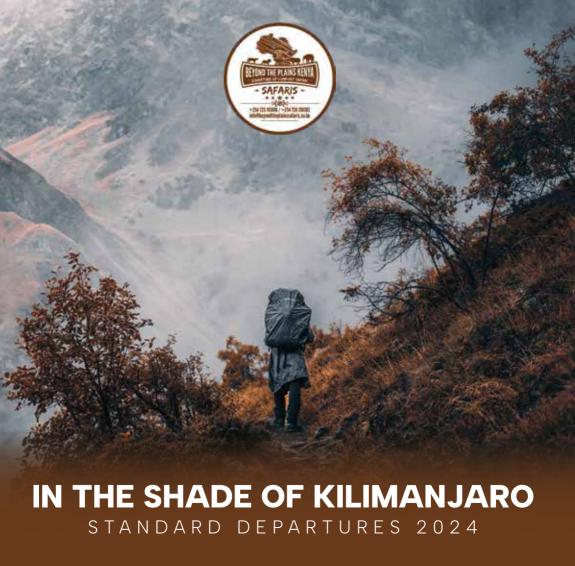
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#### **OVERNIGHT:**

NAIROBI SERENA HOTEL | MEALS: UNDER OWN ARRANGMENTS







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DAY 2

#### **AMBOSELI NATIONAL PARK**

This morning after an early breakfast, you will be transferred Wilson Airport for your flight to Amboseli National Park. Upon arrival, you will be met by a Beyond the Plains Safaris representative who will transfer you to Amboseli Serena Safari Lodge with game-viewing en-route in time for lunch. Enjoy an afternoon game drive before returning to the lodge. Dinner and overnight at Amboseli Serena Safari Lodge, directly overlooking the Amboseli plain and Mount Kilimaniaro.

Amboseli National Park is situated at the foot of Africa's highest mountain, Mount Kilimanjaro. The snow-capped peak of Kilimanjaro, floating like a saucer above the clouds, dominates every aspect of Amboseli and forms a backdrop to an impressive display of wildlife including lions, elephants, leopards, cheetah, and buffalo. It is a photographer's paradise and the best place to view elephants.

**OVERNIGHT:** NAIROBI SERENA HOTEL | MEALS: UNDER OWN ARRANGMENTS







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DAY 3:

#### **AMBOSELI NATIONAL PARK**

Today, experience the sweeping open spaces of Amboseli through early morning and late evening game drives. The park's main attraction is its herds of elephants. Several families of elephants live in Amboseli and the bulls here have some of the largest tusks in all of Kenya. All meals and overnight at Amboseli Serena Safari Lodge.

OVERNIGHT: AMBOSELI SERENA SAFARI LODGE |

MEALS:B/L/D

DAY 4:

### **MAASAI MARA**

Setting out after breakfast, we fly back to Nairobi from where you will connect with your flight to the Maasai Mara, arriving in time for lunch at Mara Serena Safari Lodge. Set high on a hilltop above the Mara, the lodge is blessed with sweeping views of the savannah below. In the distance, you can see the meandering coils of the hippo-filled Mara river. The Maasai

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DAYS 5 & 6:

#### **AMBOSELI NATIONAL PARK**

Enjoy the entire days exploring the splendors of the Mara with morning and afternoon game-viewing drives, returning to the lodge for lunch and dinner. Overnight at the Mara Serena Safari Lodge.

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DAY 7

### **RETURN TO NAIROBI & FAREWELL**

After breakfast you will be transferred to the airstrip for your scheduled flight back to Nairobi. Upon landing, you will have the chance to visit the Girffe Centre where you can climb into the elevated treetop aerie to feed giraffes from a face-to-face vantage point. A resident expert will present a private briefing on the Centre's work to save the endangered Rothschild Giraffe. You will be transferred to the Carnivore Restaurant for a farewell lunch before heading to Jomo Kenyatta International Airport where you embark for home. Sadly, the adventure comes to an end, but the memories are forever.

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| LAND ONLY (USD)    |                 |               |           |               |                 |  |  |
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| PER PERSON SHARING | \$5,675         | \$5,505       | \$5,655   | \$6,535       | \$5,620         |  |  |
| SINGLE ROOM        | <b>\$</b> 975   | \$395         | \$890     | \$1,210       | \$845           |  |  |

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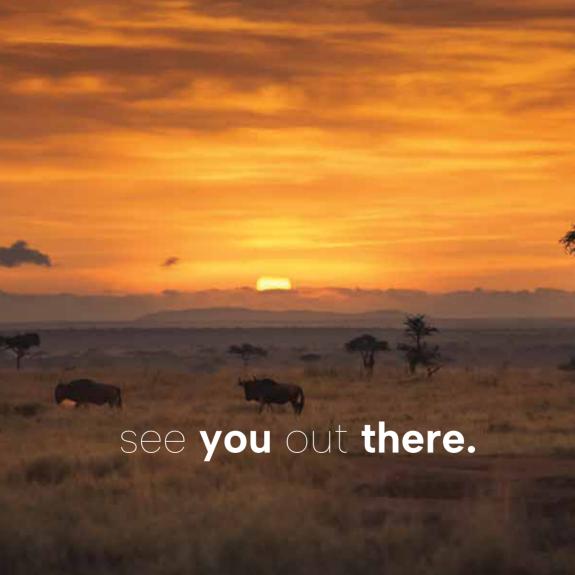
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