



LUXURY KENYA SAFARI - FREE FLIGHTS!

Specially prepared for Featured Safari
July 1 – 12, 2016



DAILY ITINERARY

Africa's oldest safari destination, Kenya still offers visitors the superlative wildlife encounters the country has long been renowned for. This sampler includes three of Kenya's most impressive nature sanctuaries: Solio Game Conservancy, Samburu National Reserve and the famed Maasai Mara National Reserve. Watch elephants trundle across the savanna beneath snowcapped Mount Kenya, scout for black rhinos making an impressive comeback at Solio, and marvel at plains game crossing the Mara plains with vigilant predators in pursuit.

DAY 1: JULY 1, NAIROBI

Arrive Nairobi today. You will be met just beyond the immigration desk representative holding a Natural Habitat signboard, assisted through customs formalities and baggage claim, and introduced to your Natural Habitat Adventures representative in the arrivals hall. She will accompany you and your driver to House of Waine for check in and answer any questions you may have about your trip.

The House of Waine offers an appealing alternative to standardized city hotels. The exclusive estate is set on 2.5 acres in a quiet residential suburb outside Nairobi, blending gracious living with the spirit of modern Africa. Its 11 en suite bedrooms are individually styled and named, each furnished to reflect a distinct theme. Each room includes complimentary pastries and fresh-ground coffee delivered daily, a mini bar and Internet access. Luxurious marble bathrooms feature large windows and abundant natural light. The House of Waine's menus reflect Nairobi's many local flavors. Meals are served in multiple locations including the dining room, terrace, garden, lounge and pool pavilion, offering memorable dining experiences amid the verdant lawns and gardens. Guests can also relax on the spacious patio and enjoy drinks poolside. The House of Waine is an easy 30-minute transfer from Jomo Kenyatta International Airport and 20 minutes from Nairobi's domestic Wilson Airport.

A rough outpost amidst a highland swamp as the colonial capital of British East Africa in 1907, Nairobi today is the urban heartbeat of independent Kenya and one of Africa's most important cities. Nairobi has long been a meeting point for adventurers and travelers from all over the world, and most Kenya safaris still originate here. Nairobi's national museum and the historic home of Karen Blixen, author of *Out of Africa*, are popular attractions.

Overnight House of Waine

DAYS 2–4: JULY 2–4, SOLIO GAME RESERVE

After breakfast you will be collected from your hotel and transferred by private vehicle to the airport for your flight to Solio Game Reserve. This flight may make stops en route to pick up and drop off other guests. Upon

arrival you will be greeted and transferred to Solio Lodge.

Solio features five spacious thatched cottages, including one two-bedroom family cottage. Each luxury accommodation is built for warmth at this high altitude, equipped with fireplaces and a wall of glass doors and windows framing the spectacular views of Mount Kenya, surrounding hills, and often grazing wildlife from within your suite. Each cottage has an en suite bathroom with double sinks, bathtub and shower, and there is a private lounge area for reading or enjoying a cup of hot tea at dawn before embarking on an exciting activity. The daytime is perfect for basking on your private deck between wildlife drives. Al fresco dinners are a common affair at Solio, surrounded by grazing zebra and impala, and the central living spaces of the lodge are comfortable and stylish settings to gather with other guests, enjoy a drink, read a book or just admire the surrounding views.

Solio Lodge is surrounded by the 45,000-acre Solio Ranch. With no other accommodation within this massive tract of wilderness, the experience is one of unparalleled privacy. At Solio Lodge a wide variety of activities are on offer. Night and day game drives provide guests a chance to see many species including both black and white rhinoceros, leopard, lion, cheetah, buffalo, zebra, giraffe, warthog. It's not uncommon to see upwards of 40 rhino in a single drive, as there are over 200 within the reserve. Other methods of exploration include walking, horseback riding and mountain biking around Solio Ranch. Scenic helicopter flights to nearby Mount Kenya, accompanied by a hilltop picnic breakfast or trout fishing in the Aberdare National Park, can be arranged at additional cost and are incredibly unique ways to experience Kenya off the beaten track. Massage therapists are also available for treatments within your cottage at an added cost.

Custom activity: During your stay enjoy a complimentary excursion to Aberdare National Park for fly-fishing (optional, included in your safari).

Overnights Solio Lodge

DAYS 5–8: JULY 5–8, SAMBURU NATIONAL RESERVE

Transfer by air today from Solio Lodge to Sasaab Lodge. This flight may make stops en route to pick up and drop off other guests.

Sasaab is located on a private conservancy in the Northern Frontier District of Kenya, bordering three major wildlife reserves. The Samburu wilderness is vast and unspoiled, and the camp's sense of remoteness is profound. Yet its luxurious comforts and attention to detail are second to none. With a fusion of Moroccan and Swahili grandeur, its spacious tented rooms embody complete serenity. Four-poster beds are dressed with crisp white Egyptian cotton sheets, while the en suite bathrooms feature vigorous showers and stylish contemporary washbasins. Each room extends out to a veranda and private plunge pool with views over the river and wildlife beyond. Relax with a book on the cushions in the "souk"-style lounge, or take a swim in the main pool as elephants amble below. The riverbank spa offers fabulous pampering treatments in full view of nature. Meals are served al fresco beneath the African sky and include fresh ingredients from the lodge's own garden.

Sasaab holds a prime location for wildlife viewing. Located within the Westgate Community Conservancy, it borders Samburu National Reserve, Kalama Community Wildlife Conservancy and Namunyak Wildlife Conservation Trust. The area is crucial habitat for the endangered Grevy's zebra, as well as an important wildlife corridor utilized by lions, elephant and leopard. On wildlife drives, scout for the Samburu "Special Five" (Grevy's zebra, reticulated giraffe, Beisa oryx, gerenuk and Somali ostrich). The wildlife highlight of Samburu is its large herds of elephants. Explore the landscape atop a camel, or take a guided nature walk to

discover fascinating plants and herbs and their uses in Samburu culture. A village or market visit offers a glimpse into Samburu customs and traditions. For those who want to immerse themselves fully in the African wilderness, guided “fly camping,” or sleeping out under the stars beneath only a mosquito net, is an option. A full program of children’s activities is also available.

Custom activity: On Day 8, enjoy a complimentary private vehicle and end your day of wildlife viewing at your private fly camp out in the bush (optional, included in your safari).

Custom activity: Enjoy a complimentary one-hour massage during your stay (optional, included in your safari).

Custom activity: Enjoy complimentary quad biking in Samburu during your stay (optional, included in your safari).

Overnights Sasaab Lodge

DAYS 9–11: JULY 9–11, MAASAI MARA NATIONAL RESERVE

Transfer by air today from Sasaab Lodge to Sala's Camp. This flight may make stops en route to pick up and drop off other guests.

Sala’s Camp offers eight en suite tents, including a tent designated for families or honeymooners, and both a family suite and a luxury tent with private plunge pools. The five traditional tents are made of canvas and feature stunning bed frames made of olive wood logs as well as en suite bathrooms with hot showers, plumbed with running water and flushing toilets. Comforts include toiletries such as shampoo, conditioner, body lotion and mosquito repellent as well as terry cloth robes and a flashlight for use after dark. A hammock overlooks the surrounding savanna. The stunning new family suite affords guests the luxury of taking meals on the private veranda and swimming in the private dip pool. Dinner is typically served beneath the stars. Central living areas open to all guests have a relaxed ambience, as warm breezes waft through and the draped canvas beats with the gentle wind.

Sala’s Camp is in a prime location in the southern reaches of the Maasai Mara National Reserve, very close to the border of Tanzania, so much so that your views are often of the Serengeti rather than the Mara. At the confluence of the Sand and Keekerok rivers, this is an ideal area for viewing animals. The wildebeest migration thunders past Sala’s Camp anytime between June and September every year as it moves from the Serengeti into the Maasai Mara and then back. Year-round birds, mammals and more are also on display. Activities include wildlife drives in 4x4 safari vehicles and optional hot air ballooning (extra cost) at dawn, taking in a panoramic view of the savanna and iconic wildlife herds. The area is known for resident big cats, and all of the Big Five are on view here—elephant, lion, leopard, rhinoceros and buffalo.

Overnights Sala's Camp

DAY 12: JULY 12, DEPARTURE

Depart Sala's Camp today on your flight to Nairobi. Flights may make stops en route to pick up and drop off other guests. In Nairobi, check in for your onward departing flight.

Our goal is to provide you with an exceptional, life-enhancing adventure. To achieve that goal, our Expedition Leaders are empowered to make reasonable changes to itineraries while a trip is underway. These decisions might be made to more closely follow the movements of wildlife, to accommodate extreme weather, to take advantage of unexpected opportunities, or generally to improve overall guest experience. For this reason, the above itinerary should be considered a general outline of your trip, but it is subject to change. After all, the very definition of adventure is “an exciting or remarkable undertaking involving the unknown.”

ADVENTURE INFORMATION

TRIP PRICE & DEPOSIT

\$11205 per person double occupancy *after \$3012 per person savings*

Hot air ballooning is optional and not included. The cost is \$441 per person after a 10% savings with this offer, and it must be booked in advance.

Single Supplement Price: on request

This is a proposal only. No services or accommodations have been booked on your behalf until a non-refundable deposit is made to secure these services, which are then confirmed with local suppliers.

NOTES

- Pricing is per person, based on a minimum of 2 guests traveling together and sharing a room during high season (July 1 - October 31, 2016)
- The estimated rates given for these itineraries are adult rates, but many properties offer reduced rates for children. Please contact our office for more information.
- Holiday surcharges may apply for travel in late December and early January, and occasionally over the Easter holiday.
- A non-refundable deposit of 25% of the trip fee per person is required upon booking to confirm your reservation.

INCLUDED IN THE COST OF YOUR ADVENTURE

- All accommodations as noted
- All accommodation on a double occupancy basis
- Meals at camps and lodges
- Excursions and transfers unless listed as optional
- Services of the lodge guides and staff unless a NHA Safari Expedition Leader is booked
- Relevant park fees
- Alcoholic and soft drink beverages are included at some camps and lodges
- Laundry service is available at most permanent camps/lodges and hotels; in some cases this service is included in the tariff quoted
- Air transfers within countries as specified
- Accommodation taxes, the applicable Tourism Levies and all relevant Value Added Tax (VAT) or Government Sales Tax (GST)

NOT INCLUDED IN THE COST OF YOUR ADVENTURE

- Travel to the start and end point of the route
- Generally lunch and dinner in city hotels
- Alcoholic and soft drink beverages at some camps and lodges
- Cancellation, baggage and medical insurance
- Staff gratuities
- Any newly-implemented government taxes, levies, fuel or industry increases which are beyond our control
- Visa fees where relevant
- International airport departure taxes applicable from manned airports only, which is to be paid in US\$ cash on departure unless included in your ticket cost
- Any items of a personal nature

YOUR GUIDES

During the safari you will have the services of experienced local camp guides. These guides will take you on game drives and are charged with the important responsibilities of locating wildlife and taking care of you, our traveler. Their intimate knowledge of the surrounding environment is unmatched, as they successfully track wildlife day in and day out. Not only is this the most prudent way for you to observe the most wildlife while ensuring our adventures operate smoothly, it creates revenue for the host countries, motivating the local people to continue their protection of the animals and their habitat.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Natural Habitat Adventures tends to select accommodations specifically for their intimate and secluded nature and their proximity to the world's wildest areas, exclusively giving our guests a classic nature experience without sacrificing comfort. For your specific adventure we have enhanced the style of accommodation by upgrading to some of the areas more luxurious properties. They all have private facilities unless otherwise noted.

ACCOMMODATION FACILITIES & AMENITIES

The following details include available facilities, amenities and services at each of your accommodations. Note that while we do update this information regularly, these details can and do change frequently and thus should be used as a guideline only. Please contact your Adventure Concierge team if you have any questions.

House of Waine—Nairobi, Kenya

- En suite bathroom with tub and shower
- Hair dryer
- Air conditioning
- Mini bar
- Tea/Coffee in room
- 220v charging outlets in room
- In-room safe
- Central pool
- Wi-Fi available
- Laundry (extra cost)
- Credit cards accepted (Visa and MasterCard)

Solio Lodge—Solio Game Reserve, Kenya

- En suite bathroom with tub and shower
- Soap and shampoo
- Hair dryer
- Fireplace
- Mini bar
- Tea/coffee in room
- 220v charging outlets in room
- In-room safe
- In-room massage (extra cost)
- Wi-Fi in main area
- Laundry included
- Local drinks included (house alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks)
- Credit cards accepted
- No air conditioning (not needed)

Sasaab Lodge—Samburu National Reserve, Kenya

- En suite, open-air bathroom with shower
- 220v charging outlets in room
- In-room safe
- Private plunge pool
- Central pool
- Spa (extra cost)
- Wi-Fi in room
- Laundry included
- Local drinks included (house alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks)

Sala's Camp—Maasai Mara National Reserve, Kenya

- En suite bathroom with shower
- Shampoo, conditioner, soap, body lotion and mosquito repellent
- 220v charging outlets in main area
- Central safe
- Private plunge pool in family suite and one luxury tent
- Wi-Fi in main area
- Laundry included
- Local drinks included (house alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks)
- Credit cards accepted (Visa)
- No air conditioning, hair dryer, or telephone, and intermittent cellular coverage

AVERAGE CLIMATE DURING YOUR SAFARI

It is important to remember that the below information is based on general climate and weather patterns so the conditions during your visit could be quite different from what is listed below. Please check the current weather on the Internet (weather.com or wunderground.com) so you can be prepared for any unseasonable weather.

Kenya

July is the middle of Kenya's dry winter season, with high temperatures in the 70s F and lows in the 50s F. Nights and early mornings can be very chilly, especially during early-morning game drives in open vehicles. It tends to warm up by the middle of the day.

Average Temperature & Rainfall—July

Region	Low	High	Rainfall
Nairobi	53 °F	73 °F	0.48 in
	11 °C	22 °C	12 mm
Lewa / Laikipia	55 °F	72 °F	1.06 in
	12 °C	22 °C	27 mm
Samburu Nat'l Reserve	70 °F	79 °F	3.11 in
	21 °C	26 °C	79 mm
Maasai Mara Nat'l Reserve	54 °F	73 °F	5.55 in
	12 °C	22 °C	141 mm