CLASSIC KENYA Kenya



7 day small group safari (standard accommodation)

From the open plains of the Masai Mara, to the pink flamingos on the waters of the northern lakes and the riverbeds of Amboseli, this safari includes three of the most picturesque regions of Kenya. It also provides the perfect opportunity to spot the 'big five' and to enjoy east Africa's diverse scenery. A visit to a Masaai village adds a rare insight into this ancient culture.







Cost includes:

- meet and greet services with assistance at the airport or border
- airport transfers associated with tour
- all safari transport and game drives in 4x4 safari vehicles with a maximum of seven passengers per vehicle and seven window seats
- English speaking driver-guide
- accommodation as specified
- Lake Naivasha boat ride
- meals as listed
- all park fees and government taxes
- ½ litre bottle mineral water per person per day on game drives.

Cost excludes:

- visas and international flights
- international airport taxes if applicable
- drinks, dining rooms tips, porterage, personal travel, baggage and medical insurance
- telephone bill, laundry and any items of a personal nature
- optional meals.
- B breakfast
- L lunch
- D dinner

Nairobi to Nairobi (PT1983)

Accommodation: standard

Departs: Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays

Itinerary overview:

Day 1: Kenya, Nairobi - Safari Park Hotel

Day 2: Kenya, Masai Mara National Reserve - Mara Sopa Lodge (BLD)

Day 3: Kenya, Masai Mara National Reserve - Mara Sopa Lodge (BLD)

(Pre-book an optional hot air balloon safari)

Day 4: Kenya, Lake Nakuru - Lake Nakuru Sopa Lodge (BLD)

Day 5: Kenya, Amboseli National Park - Amboseli Sopa Lodge (BLD)

Day 6: Kenya, Amboseli National Park - Amboseli Sopa Lodge (BLD)

Day 7: Kenya, Nairobi (B)

Extend your time in East Africa to include Tanzania as well. Refer to our East Africa Explorer tour, which includes this Classic Kenya itinerary, plus six nights in Tanzania, home to the Serengeti and the Ngorongoro Crater.

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Day 1: Nairobi

On arrival at Nairobi airport you are greeted and transferred to the Safari Park Hotel. You will have the day at leisure. **Safari Park Hotel.**

Safari Park Hotel

Situated only 10km from the city centre and 20km from the international airport, the lively Safari Park Hotel is an African-theme resort providing deluxe accommodation in 64 acres of beautifully landscaped gardens and indigenous forest. All of the 204 distinctively designed and decorated rooms are airy and contain television, bathroom facilities and private balconies. Antique furniture, polished wooden floors and large garden-view rear and front balconies create a light-filled ambience. Its six restaurants are excellent and cater to all tastes and there is a large pool area, a casino, several bars, a health club and tennis and squash courts (*golf nearby*).

Day 2: 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 Word 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 barely, 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. **Mara Sopa Lodge (BLD).**

Mara Sopa Lodge

The lodge is set in the Oloolaimutia Valley and built into the surrounding hillside landscape. A wealth of wildlife, birdlife and natural flora can be seen in every direction. The lodge is luxuriously appointed with all the mod cons one would expect from a Sopa styled lodge in the bush. The bedrooms are spacious, the large pool has wonderful views and there's evening wildlife films to enjoy during down-time. All this ensures that your stay will be blissfully comfortable.

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). Mara Sopa Lodge (BLD).

Day 4: Lake Nakuru

Leaving the Masia 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, keeping an eye out for herds of giraffe and gazelle as you head up the Mai - Mahiu, before arriving at Lake Nakuru around midday. Once in the park, view game en route to the lodge. Following lunch and siesta, there is an afternoon game drive returning to the lodge as the win sets. The national park, know for its birdlife, offers the possibility of viewing flamingos. It is also home to black and white rhinos as well as the endangered Rothschild Giraffe. **Lake Nakuru Sopa Lodge (BLD).**

Lake Nakuru Sopa Lodge

Located on the range of hills that form the western limits of Africa's Great Rift Valley Lake Nakuru Sopa Lodge offers spectacular views over the lake and it's surrounding National Park. Opened in 2015 the lodge is a show-case for modern African décor. Each of the sixty suites has an open balcony, private en suite, mini-bar and Wi - Fi connectivity.







The lodge's communal lounges, two bars and dining areas are all located on sheltered terraces affording extensive views of the local wildlife. The infinity pool overlooks Lake Nakuru itself which is often home to a vast flamingo population.

Day 5: Amboseli National Park

Following an early breakfast, continue to Lake Naivasha for a boat ride. Leaving the Rift Valley behind, proceed to Nairobi for an early lunch (*or picnic lunch dependent on road conditions*) and continue south towards Amboseli, arriving at your lodge by late afternoon. **Amboseli Sopa Lodge (BLD).**

Amboseli Sopa Lodge

Set on 200 acres of private land on the foothills of Africa's highest mountain, Mount Kilimanjaro, the lodge is perfectly poised to provide a luxurious base from which to explore the park and get some great pictures of this incredible mountain. Each of the 47 rooms has its own private veranda on which to relax, sunbathe and take in the views. All rooms have an en suite and are modern, spacious and comfortable. Meals are a cosmopolitan combination of European, African and Asian dishes, all made with fresh produce and served from a colorful buffet. There are also several bars, a great pool, TV lounge and many other small niceties that make this a superb location.

Day 6: Amboseli National Park

After breakfast, depart for a full day game drive; later enjoy a hot picnic lunch. Return to the lodge by 4.00 pm giving you time to unwind in your room or lounge, or even take a quick dip in the pool before dinner. **Amboseli Sopa Lodge (BLD).**

Day 7: Nairobi

Following an early breakfast, catch your last views of the majestic Mount Kilimanjaro as you depart Amboseli. From here turn north across the beautiful and seemingly never-ending Athi Plains, arriving in Kenya's bustling capital city of Nairobi by mid-day. Once in the city, you will be dropped off at Saravo Stanley Hotel for your own arrangements.

Passenger information:

- The tour operator may have to re-route the itinerary or change the accommodation in rare cases of non-availability.
- Prices may vary when booking seasons overlap. Bookings over Christmas, New Year and Easter incur holiday supplements.
- Children younger than six years are prohibited from joining seat-in-vehicle safaris, however we would be pleased to provide a private safari for families with young children.
- As prices are calculated in foreign currencies it may become necessary to add a currency surcharge.
- Prices for flights, airport taxes, park fees, and government taxes may be changed without prior notice. This is beyond our control and any increase levied will be passed on.
- Passengers should only bring soft sided bags on safari. Please ask us for details.
- The tour is modular and combines with other tours. Passengers may need to change vehicles on occasion and passengers may join and depart the safari.
- Please request our full cancellation policy if required.