**THE MAASAI CLANS**

The five original clans of the Maasai are:

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| **Clan** | **Founder** | **Totem** |
| Ilmakesen | Lokesen | Cobra/Jarckal |
| Ilmolelian | Lelian | Scorpion |
| Iltaarresero | Losero | Gazelle/Hyena/Snake |
| Ilukumae | Lukum | Baboon/Elephant |
| Ilaiser | Naiser | Rhino |

There are certain maasai who called themselves by different names. They may have branched off during later times and left the clans ordered by the original founder of the maasai. They still remain in the minority. There follows a list of these clans and whenever possible, an indication of the original clan;

1. Ildalalekutuk- name of the clans which are identical with Odomong’i Isiria.

1. Ilkarat – identical with ilmotelian
2. Ilmakuperiani- identical with ilmakesen
3. Ileparsiria- identical with iltaarrosero
4. Ileshoi
5. Ilekupere

The Orokiteng division is called ilaitayiok and under this section fall the following clans:

1. Seroikineji – these are llaiser
2. Llpojos –identical with llukumae
3. Llmoshoho
4. Lleporre
5. Lleparmootian
6. Llmakarau
7. Ilwuansinkishu and ilmoitanik - these are two of the maasai sections. They also call the Odomong’i division Isiria. The clans are as follows;
8. Ilparsaman – these are ilmakesen
9. Ilnyayia- these are Iltaarrosero
10. Isaikong- these are ilmolelian
11. Ilmasarunye

The Orokiteng division is called ilmokishu and is split up as follows;

1. Ilkotileni- being Ilaiser
2. Ilooiborsampin-who are illukumae
3. Ilkokoyo
4. Ilkisamoot
5. The Samburu (Isampur)

Their clans are as follows;

1. Ilpusikushu – these are ilmakesen
2. Iloing’eli- these are ilmolelian
3. Ilmasula- being iltaarrosero
4. Iloorokishu- identical with ilaiser
5. Ilukumae- also illukumae
6. Iloimisi
7. Ilanat
8. Illnyaparrai
9. Ilng’eusi