

Abercrombie & Kent



LUXURY HONEYMOON IN KENYA

Duration: 10 Days/9 Nights

Celebrate your honeymoon in style with a safari in Africa & relax at the luxury Hotels & lodges experiencing the best game drives and safaris along with adventure activities.

Programme Overview

Lewa Downs, Masai Mara and Diani Beach

Highlights

Game drives to explore the wilderness and sight the Big Five

Bush & nature walk to explore the various plants, other plains animals and get educated on how to identify animal signs

Horse ride

Introduction to the Samburu clan & culture

Hot air balloon safari over the plains, concluded in a tradition initiated by the Montgolfier brothers

Trip to Kisite Marine Park

Adventure sports at Diani beach

A&K Advantage

A romantic sundowner at Lewa Downs

Special sundowner and dinner at Masai Mara

"Out of Africa" picnic lunch

Specially organised dinner at Masai Mara with local entertainment

Sundowner cruise at Diani Beach

Private arrival and departure airport transfers

The services of an A&K Representative

** On arrival in each country, you are welcomed by your A&K Representative who conducts a briefing on your time in the country. An A&K Representative is always at hand to provide unparalleled 24/7 support, be it local travel tips or reconfirming arrangement details, to providing recommendations for restaurants and shopping. Should you ever need help or advice, dial your A&K Representative's mobile phone for prompt and courteous service at any time.*

Detailed Itinerary

Day 1

ARRIVE NAIROBI–LEWA DOWNS–Game drives and romantic dinner

On arrival at Nairobi you will be welcomed by an A&K representative and transferred by a private charter flight to Lewa Downs.

An A&K representative will meet you on arrival, transfer you to the camp in a private vehicle and assist with check-in. En-route to the camp, enjoy a game drive. You may be rewarded with sightings of predators like lion as well as elephant and plenty of other game of the plains.

Lewa Safari Camp located on Lewa Wildlife Conservancy is famed world over for its community conservation efforts and the fruits of those efforts are visible in the vast quantities of game that live on the 65,000 acre farm. Rarities like rhino and the splay-footed sitatunga antelope are easy to see at Lewa.

Be welcomed with a cool beverage at hand after which you will be escorted to your luxurious tent to relax. Enjoy the stunning beauty of the conservancy's landscape and Mt Kenya at a distance from the privacy of your own veranda.

A romantic candle lit dinner will be served by the fireplace in the main lounge.

Overnight: Lewa Safari Camp

Meal Plan: D

Day 2

LEWA DOWNS–Bush walk and horse ride

On the second day of your special honeymoon enjoy a private breakfast served on your tent deck. Mornings at Lewa are special; you can appreciate spectacular views of a snow-capped Mt Kenya across at a distance.

Game driving in Lewa is outstanding as it is home to 10 per cent of Kenya's black rhino population and the single largest population of Grevy's zebra in the world. You will be taken on a private guided bush walk. Get close to the plains game and smaller beasts as you explore their habitat.

Between your bush walk, stop over at a spot specially selected and setup for you to relish an authentic picnic in the company of your loved one.

Evening, trot around on a horse around the picturesque conservancy and be astonished by its beauty.

Later enjoy a private romantic dinner served by the pool side, as you watch the sun set over the horizon.

Overnight: Lewa Safari Camp

Meal Plan: B, L, D

Day 3

LEWA DOWNS–Introduction to the Samburu clan & culture and a romantic sundowner

A bush breakfast awaits you. Take the time to sit back, enjoy the spectacular views, the smells, colours and the gentle breeze. Bush breakfasts are a chance to enjoy a full breakfast in the middle of the plains, surrounded by wildlife.

This day you have the chance to interact with your hosts – the Samburu people. Lewa Conservancy borders the Samburu community living in bordering conservancies in the arid lowlands of the north. The Samburu are one of the few remaining communities who still practice their traditional culture despite the fast changing world. You will visit a local Samburu village, where you will be introduced to the culture and also have the opportunity to buy hand-crafted beadwork and carvings which are offered for sale. Remember to bargain!

As the day draws to a close, your private guide will drive you into the bush where a private and secluded vantage point will be all set for a romantic sundowner. Watch the spectacular sunset as you enjoy a nice drink alongside your loved one.

A sumptuous dinner will be laid out on your tent verandah on return.

Overnight: Lewa Safari Camp

Meal Plan: B, L, D

Day 4

LEWA DOWNS–MASAI MARA–Game drive

After breakfast you will be transferred for your private charter flight to Masai Mara's Kichwa Tembo airstrip.

As you approach the breathtakingly magnificent Masai Mara the wilderness and the freshness of air that comes with it will leave you awestruck. In this vast wilderness, culture blends with the wild with ease and the Mara is home to not only the Maasai people but also the numerous games that include the Big Five.

A flower girl and your private guide will welcome you on arrival and transfer you to the camp in a private vehicle. En-route enjoy a first glimpse of the Masai Mara's wildlife, you may be pleased with sightings of elephant, buffalo, giraffe and a host of plains game.

On arrival at Sanctuary Olonana you will be greeted with scented towels and chilled welcome drink. Relax at your large river view veranda and enjoy the stunning view.

After lunch take a dip in the pool or relax by the pool.

Evening you will be taken in your private vehicle with your highly trained and professional guide for a game drive in Maasai Mara. Maasai Mara is a fabulous place for seeing big cats rather than all of the big five, a variety of plains game and over 300 species of birds. The plains offer a rich variety of diet for the dominant wildebeest and Topi, Thompson's and Grant's gazelle, eland and buffalo. In the Mara River, hippos dip to snuffle and grumble while crocodiles sunbathe, mouths agape, on the riverbanks. Around July to October, you could witness the most spectacular and greatest show on earth which Mara plays host to – the wildebeest migration.

A private candle lit dinner served on your deck under the African stars will be set on your return.

Overnight: Sanctuary Olonana

Meal Plan: B, L, D

Day 5

MASAI MARA–Hot air balloon safari, nature walk, spa, special sundowner and dinner

This morning gently float over the plains with a bird's eye view of the game below as the sun rises slowly over the horizon. After landing enjoy a full breakfast including exotic Kenyan fruits, homemade pastries and other delicacies that are served in the middle of the bush with glasses of bubbly to toast your flight.

Take a private walk with the naturalist and get educated about plants, trees, insects and even how to approach animals on foot, as your private guide shows you how to spot animal signs which are everywhere but not that easily noticed.

Post lunch you have an exclusive appointment at the mini spa for a special private romantic couple's treatment.

After a revitalizing spa treatment join your private guide for a short game drive before driving to a specially chosen vantage point overlooking the Mara plains, where you have the most spectacular view of the rapid sunset colouring the acacia dotted plains and transforming the world. Together, romance by the log fire with the outstanding view of the setting sun on the horizon along with your sundowner drinks.

Proceed to the bush where a private and secluded clearing has been prepared for a sophisticated dinner in the middle of the wilderness. Under the African starlit sky enjoy a delicious, warm and private candlelit dinner.

Overnight: Sanctuary Olonana

Meal Plan: B, L, D

Day 6

MASAI MARA–Explore Victoria Lake, “Out of Africa” picnic lunch and special dinner with entertainment

Watch the rising African sun; listen to the sounds of the cascading river, the singing of birds and the hippos snorting in the river as you sip your bed tea.

Take an early flight by a private aircraft to the Victoria Lake. Try your hand at fishing for the legendary giant Nile perch found in these waters as you discover the numerous tiny islands or stop by at a traditional fishing village and learn about the lives of the villagers and their day to day chores, before flying back to the Maasai Mara.

Sanctuary Olonana is located in almost exactly the same spot where the Masai Mara scenes in “Out of Africa” were filmed. Experience a special “Out of Africa” picnic lunch in homage to that magical scene in the film with Meryl Streep, Robert Redford and that wonderful gramophone! Out in the bush on a rise of the escarpment, we recreate a

memorable traditional picnic lunch whilst overlooking some of the most spectacular, game-filled scenery on the continent.

Return to camp later in the afternoon. There is time relax by the pool or in your tent.
Evening, go for a short game drive.

On your last evening in Masai Mara, you will be picked up by your guide and driven for a private, secluded and an elegant dinner by a log fire. After an enjoyable silver service dinner, you retire to the crackling campfire where night caps are served. Quietly absorbing the peace and beauty of an African night, romancing under the open sky you will be amazingly surprised as chaos suddenly erupts with the sound of the Maasai battle cry. From trees and scrub leap long-limbed ochred warriors all brandishing long gleaming spears so prized by the Masai tribe. This is a mock charge by a group of Masai Moran (warriors) breathtaking in its authenticity! As you settle down, after absorbing the shock with your glasses refilled and laughter abated, the Moran demonstrate some traditional dances and their legendary gravity-defying leaps, their proud profiles and spearheads reflecting the amber light of the flames.

Return to a candlelit room for the night.

Overnight: Sanctuary Olonana
Meal Plan: B, L, D

Day 7

MASAI MARA–DIANI BEACH–At leisure

After a sumptuous breakfast at Sanctuary Olonana, bid the staff farewell and depart on a private charter to Diani Beach - one of the major beach resorts on Kenya's South coast.

You will be met by an A&K representative and transferred in style to Kinondo Kwetu, your dwelling for this last leg of your honeymoon. Kinondo Kwetu is a collection of five houses on Galu Beach south of Mombasa. Run by a Swedish family, it boasts of what may be the only sauna on the Kenyan coast! Surprisingly pleasant despite the high temperatures found here.

Day at leisure, relax with glass of champagne lazing around the pool.

Stroll along the coast line arm in arm with your loved one enjoying the gorgeous view of the Indian Ocean, pleasant winds which blow onshore from the North and commonly known as the Baridi (Cold) in Kiswahili.

Enjoy a romantic evening by the beach where dinner will be served in a special private candlelit setting.

Overnight: Kinondo Kwetu
Meal Plan: B

Day 8

DIANI BEACH–Adventure sports or scuba diving & a romantic sundowner with horse ride

Enjoy a scrumptious breakfast by the pool.

The winds at Diani beach are highly suitable for surfing. You may choose to be adventurous and go for kite surfing or wind surfing. Take a short lesson and enjoy the experience.

Alternately, you may be taken for a private scuba diving trip. This will guarantee you see a spectacle of fabulous coral reefs and an enormous marine population.

Evening, go on the beach for some horse riding, followed by a special sundowner in a private secluded spot with some wine and tropical fruits.

Overnight: Kinondo Kwetu
Meal Plan: B

Day 9

DIANI BEACH–Trip to Kisite Marine Park and sundowner cruise

After breakfast, depart for a half day trip to Kisite Marine Park, Shimoni in a private boat for an unforgettable experience. Shimoni is Kenya's famous archipelago in the South coast with spectacular coral reefs, sighting of dolphins and tropical fish in the most beautiful and attractive colours. Enjoy your time with your loved one in exploring the reefs and marine life by snorkeling and spot dolphins.
Savour a snack and a chilled drink on your way back on your private boat.

After lunch, you are scheduled for a private cruise around the coast to explore the smaller islands around the area. Enjoy some champagne to celebrate your honeymoon on this sundowner, as you watch the sun setting at a far end over the horizon.

Return to your hotel and either enjoy the bartenders specially prepare healthy, fresh tropical drinks for you or make a selection from the wine list of South African vintages. A 3-course dinner will be served at one of the charming spots in the garden or on the beach.

Overnight: Kinondo Kwetu

Meal Plan: B, D

Day 10

DEPART DIANI BEACH

After nine glorious nights in Kenya it is time to bid the country good bye. After breakfast you will be transferred by private charter and vehicle to the airport for your homeward flight.

Meal Plan: B