



## THE ULTIMATE KENYA SAFARI EXPERIENCE

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**Day 1: 03 February 2027**

**Depart Peterborough for your overnight flight!**

**Day 2: 04 February 2027**

**Arrival in Nairobi**

**JAMBO - KARIBU!!**

Upon arrival at the Jomo Kenyatta International Airport, our local representatives will meet you with our traditional, unique & special welcome. You will then proceed to your hotel for check in.

Rest of the evening is spent at leisure with overnight at the hotel.

**Overnight: The Sarova Stanley Hotel**

**Link: <https://www.sarovahotels.com/stanley-nairobi/>**

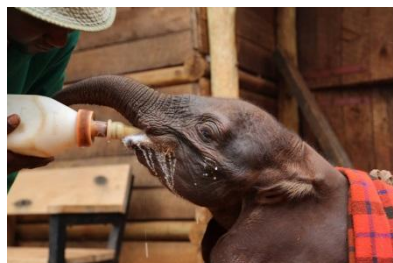
**Day 3: 05 February 2027**

**Nairobi**

After breakfast you will proceed to Daphne Sheldrick Elephant Orphanage.

This centre has played a significant role in Kenya's conservation efforts. The baby elephants are brought from the national park for a mud-bath at the orphanage, where for an hour from 11:00am – 12:00pm. You can get close to them and sometimes touch them, you may not feed the animals but will get a chance to view the handlers feeding them.

The orphanage offers hope for any orphaned baby elephant fortunate enough to be found alive and so far, it is proud to have saved over 150 orphaned infant elephants, which would otherwise have perished. The baby elephants are raised at the orphanage with the intention of gradually reintegrating them into the wild. The age range of the elephants can vary from a few months to three years. Each elephant is assigned to its own keeper, who acts as a surrogate mother and will stay with the elephant until it is released back into the wild.



Thereafter, you will visit the renowned Giraffe Centre, where you will be given a rare opportunity to get up close to these gentle giants in this natural sanctuary, which was founded to protect the endangered Rothschild giraffe. Here you are able to climb to the top of a platform and stand eye to eye with the giraffes and feed them with small pellets.

Return to your hotel for an afternoon of relaxation and freshening up. Later you will be transferred from the hotel for a welcome dinner party.

**Overnight: The Sarova Stanley Hotel**

**Meals: Breakfast & Dinner**

**Day 4: 06 February 2027**

**Nairobi/Mount Kenya National Park**

After breakfast, you will drive to Nanyuki. Proceed to the famous Mount Kenya Safari Club, originally the retreat of movie star and club founder, William Holden and one that boasts an illustrious list of former members who include Winston Churchill and Bing Crosby.

This prestigious club's main structure reflects the 1950's colonial architectural design with a luxury country club feel, complemented with independent quaint cottages, including William Holden's original cottage, spread over 100 acres of landscaped gardens. The club's activity list is long and includes golf, croquet, a bowling green, table tennis, swimming, an animal orphanage, or you may want to simply relax, rejuvenate, and refresh yourself at the Health and Fitness Centre set within these serene breathtaking surroundings.

**Overnight: Mount Kenya Safari Club**

**Link:** <https://www.fairmont.com/mount-kenya-safari/>

**Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner**



**Day 5: 07 February 2027**

**Mount Kenya National Park**

This full day is spent at leisure at the expansive grounds of this wonderful Fairmont Property.

**Overnight: Mount Kenya Safari Club**

**Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner**



**Day 6: 08 February 2027**

**Mount Kenya National Park/OI Pejeta Conservancy**

After breakfast, you will depart for OI Pejeta Conservancy arriving at your tented camp for check in then lunch. The OI Pejeta Conservancy and its sumptuous ranch was once the private domain of famed multi-millionaire, Adnan Kashoggi. We enjoy a game drive in this game wealthy conservancy with a visit to the Chimpanzee Sanctuary, a charming haven established by the Jane Goodall Institute to provide sanctuary to orphaned chimps, and the specially protected refuge of black rhino.

Sweetwaters boasts excellent game viewing with the highest ratio of game to area of any park or reserve in Kenya. The camp overlooks one of the busiest waterholes in the area and offers an astounding variety of animals including all the Big Five and myriad of plains game. This is Africa as Teddy Roosevelt saw it years ago when he led one of the first safaris to tour Africa in comfort and splendor. The tents at Sweetwaters will remind us of this past era.

**Overnight: Sweetwaters Tented Camp**

**Link:** <https://www.serenahotels.com/sweetwaters>

**Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner**



**Day 7: 09 February 2027**

**OI Pejeta Conservancy**

This full day will be spent in OI Pejeta Conservancy on two extensive game viewing drives per day.

**Overnight: Sweetwaters Tented Camp**

**Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner**



**Day 8: 10 February 2027**

**OI Pejeta Conservancy /Samburu Game Reserve**

After breakfast, you will drive north to the Samburu National Reserve, set in the rugged semi-arid northern region with spectacular scenic landscape. Arrive at your camp to a warm welcome then lunch, short siesta before heading for an afternoon game viewing drive. The verdant riverine forest is a stark contrast to the arid thorn studded plains. The Samburu region is the best place to find several endemic Northern species, including the Gerenuk (twiga gazelle) due to her long neck, the beisa Oryx, the Reticulated Giraffe, the Somali ostrich and Grevy's Zebra. Samburu is also an ornithological paradise, home to many birds including local species such as the Palm Nut Vulture and the Vivacious Dove. Leopards are often seen at dusk. The entire Samburu region is a place of breath taking and magical beauty, a place where the vision of a deep red sunset silhouetting the doum palms along the river as a leopard emerges to hunt brings the perfect end to a day on safari.

**Overnight: Samburu Intrepids Camp**

**Link:** <https://www.samburureserve.com/samburu-intrepids-camp-hotel-samburu-kenya.php>

**Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner**



**Day 9: 11 February 2027**

**Samburu Game Reserves**

Spend this day in Samburu with morning and afternoon game viewing drives in Samburu game reserves. These game reserves provide some of the best and most colourful game viewing in the country. The Ewaso Nyiro River which meanders through the vast, dry, doum palm dominated reserve brings life along the green, scenic riverbanks, home and refuge to many wildlife.

**OPTIONAL ACTIVITY: Visit to a Samburu Manyatta to see how the tribe lives in this harsh surrounding**

**Overnight: Samburu Intrepids Camp**

**Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner**



**Day 10: 12 February 2027****Samburu Game Reserves - Masai Mara Game Reserve**

After a sumptuous breakfast, you will be transferred to the Airstrip for your flight to Masai Mara. It is perhaps the only region left in Kenya where the visitor may see animals in the same super-abundance as existed a century ago. You will be met on arrival at the airstrip by the camp's representative, enjoy a game viewing drive enroute to the camp. Arrive for lunch and some relaxation time. In the afternoon you will proceed on a shared and scheduled game viewing drive in this vast and expansive reserve teeming with game. Mara game reserve is famous for her big five; the most sought after in the early 20th century, when Kenya was a hunters' paradise. These include the lion, Cape buffalo, the savanna elephant, black rhino and the elusive leopard. The vast savanna grasslands as far as the eye can see is home to impalas, Maasai giraffes, waterbucks, warthogs, Thompson & grand gazelles, Topis, the resident wildebeests among many others. Dinner and overnight at your lodge

**Overnight: Kichwa Tembo Tented Camp**

**Link:** <https://www.andbeyond.com/our-lodges/africa/kenya/masai-mara-national-park/andbeyond-kichwa-tembo-tented-camp/>

**Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner**

**Days 11 & 12: 13 & 14 February 2027****Masai Mara Game Reserve**

These two days are at your command with an option of enjoying two extensive game viewing drives per day or departing with packed lunch boxes for a full day of game viewing. Be on the look-out for the big five that Masai Mara is famous for. These include the lion, savannah (African) elephant, the Cape buffalo, the leopard and the black rhino. We may even be so lucky to witness a leopard or a cheetah sprint and make a kill!

We return back to the lodge for dinner and overnight.

**OPTIONAL ACTIVITY:** Today's adventure begins just before dawn. Flames from the hot air balloon burners light the darkness as the crew inflate their craft. The first, pink tongues of sunlight flicker across the skies and the hot air balloon fills then rises. Suspended in a basket beneath the rainbow-coloured canopy, you're off for a game-viewing adventure with an entirely different perspective. Apart from the occasional hiss of the burners, a lion's roar, elephants crashing through the bush, baboons perched in the tips of the trees startled and screeching to see something above them, the flight above the Masai Mara plains is magically silent. At the end of the flight, the passengers are treated to a champagne breakfast in the bush. The finishing touch to the flight is a game drive back to the camp, and the possibility of seeing the same pride of lions, or herd of elephants that had been viewed while ballooning. A flight certificate is issued on completion of the balloon safari. Back at Camp enjoy a sumptuous lunch and a well-deserved rest.

OR

Enjoy an **optional** visit to a traditional Masai Manyatta. Experience the culture of this world-famous community - the Maasai still lives as they did for centuries; interact with these nomadic people and experience their way of life as you learn about their customs and traditions. Continue with your afternoon game viewing drive before returning to your camp for dinner and overnight.

**Overnight: Kichwa Tembo Tented**  
**Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner**



**Day 13: 15 February 2027**

**Depart**

**Amka!** Wake up early to enjoy breakfast then check-out. Unbelievable but true, your good bush moments have come to an end. You bid farewell to your wonderful lodge manager and his team then you proceed to the airstrip for your flight to Nairobi. Not empty handed though but with you are photographs – a capture of the special moments you have had on this tour to immortalize the experience.

On arrival you will be met and transferred to Karen Blixen coffee garden for lunch, thereafter, you will proceed to explore the Karen Blixen Museum for a glimpse into the fascinating world of this pioneer coffee farmer, who achieved world fame through her highly acclaimed memoir, “Out of Africa”. She left Africa after a series of personal tragedies and her lovely colonial house has been preserved as a museum. Set in expansive gardens, the Karen Blixen Museum is an interesting place to wander around. You will then visit Kobe Tough that makes exquisite handmade ceramic beads and leather. This started as a direct response to the effects of COVID-19 whereby Covid aggravated an already precarious climate change crisis among the Maasai community. Kobe Tough saw an opportunity to help the Maasai women cope with the crisis by giving them an opportunity to earn a living. Kobe has upscaled their centuries old beading skills and introduced new products such as Apple watch bands. They work with four community women groups in Kajiado County comprising approximately 100 women and therefore directly supporting about 500 people in 100 family units. You can watch all the processes of the beads being made at the workshop, a finely dexterous process, and there’s also a shop.

The designs are colorful and bold, reflecting Kenya’s culture and wildlife.

Thereafter, you will be transferred to the airport for an onwards flight after an unforgettable holiday.

Arrive back in Canada on February 16, 2027

**Meals: Breakfast & Lunch**

**ASANTE SANA NA SAFARI NJEMA!**

### **Important Information:**

- Your passport must be valid for at least six months after your return date.
- Your Passport have two blank pages side by side for Kenyan immigration
- Contact your local health clinic or doctor to determine if any inoculations are required.
- Anti-malaria & Yellow Fever protection are required. Contact your doctor or health clinic,
- Comprehensive travel insurance is essential.
- **Kenya Entry Requirements(subject to change):**
- Kenya has recently launched a new Electronic Travel Authorisation (ETA) system, having eliminated the requirement for all nationalities to obtain a visitor visa for entry. All travellers, including infants and children and with the exception of citizens of Kenya and East African Community partner states, are required to apply for the ETA online via <http://www.etakenya.go.ke> prior to their arrival. The ETA costs USD \$30, with payment made online via credit card, debit card, or Apple pay.
- Travellers are required to submit the following for the ETA application:
- Valid passport (6-month validity from the date of arrival in Kenya, with a minimum of one blank page).
- Passport-style photo.
- Contact information (home address, email address and phone number).
- Itinerary details.
- Accommodation booking confirmation.
  
- **DOMESTIC FLIGHTS BAGGAGE INFO**  
Baggage allowance to all Domestic destinations is STRICTLY limited to **15 Kgs** per person, inclusive of hand baggage and in soft bags no bigger than 24 inches in length. If passengers have significant excess baggage, it is recommended they book a 'freight' seat at 75% of the Y class fare, which permits confirmed carriage of an extra 75 kgs. 'Freight seats' at 75% rates can only be booked on 'safari' routes.

### **Inclusions:**

- ✓ Arrival transfer from / to Jomo Kenyatta International Airport
- ✓ Complimentary Authentic Branded Safari Hat and safari essentials pack
- ✓ Bed and breakfast Accommodation in Nairobi
- ✓ Full Board Accommodation while on safari.
- ✓ Meals as stated on the itinerary
- ✓ Park entrance fees
- ✓ Evacuation Flying doctors
- ✓ Services of a professional English-Speaking guide driver
- ✓ Unlimited mileage on game viewing drives
- ✓ Unlimited supply of bottled mineral drinking water in the Twiga vehicle while on safari
- ✓ Use of a custom designed pop-up roof Twiga Safari Land cruiser while on safari
- ✓ Flights: Samburu – Masai Mara - Wilson

### Inclusions at Kichwa Tembo Tented Camp:

- ✓ Accommodation, three meals daily, soft drinks, house wines, local brand spirit and beers, teas and coffees,
- ✓ Refreshments on game drives
- ✓ Safari activities per day
- ✓ Laundry
- ✓ Guides journal with regional information and wildlife illustrations, plus an area map with star birds' checklist
- ✓ Use of one pair of Swarovski optic binoculars per room to share during the duration of your stay.
- ✓ Transfers to and from the lodge airstrip.

### Exclusions:

- × International flight, passport & visa fees
- × All personal expenses – laundry, telephones, premium drinks at Camps, tips to Camp Staff and gratuity to Guide/Driver

### Vehicles we use on Safari.

#### Specially designed 4x4wd Safari Land cruiser

Custom designed safari land cruiser with pop up roof for maximum game viewing. All vehicles equipped with long-range two-way HF radios linked to our main offices, fridge, binoculars, reference guidebooks & UNLIMITED drinking water.



*When this trip came up, I thought "Hmmm, I've never been to Africa. Why not?" This thought was coupled with what some of Mary's Clients had said about their Kenya trip with her & how wonderful it was. Having travelled on two previous occasions with Mary as escort, I knew it would be a winner. I wasn't disappointed. The places we went & what we saw were mind blowing. Not only that, but the places where we stayed all had wonderful accommodation as well as excellent food. No roughing it here. I was especially appreciative of the attention Mary paid to each guest & for me with my mobility issues the extra attention was most welcome. But it was the personal touches & surprises that stand out. Having been there several times, Mary knew people & had contacts that helped make it special & not just another "cookie cutter" tour. Her assistant, Virginia, was a huge help, as well. We had a great group & we all felt like family before it was over. So, thank you ladies for the "trip of a lifetime". I would recommend it to anyone. DL- February 2025 Guest*



**Tour Cost:** \$12,999.00 CAD

**Deposit:** \$1000.00 CAD made on or before August 22, 2025

**Included Features:** As per the itinerary as well as all domestic flights within Kenya

**All Tour Costs are payable by Debit, E-Transfer or Cheque Only**

All pricing is per person, based on double occupancy

Items of a Personal Nature are not included

**Tented Camp Upgrades:**

- Kichwa Tembo Superior View Tent- \$350.00 CAD per person for 3 nights

**Optional Excursions:**

- Balloon over Massai Mara- \$775.00 CAD per person
- Visits to local Samburu Manyatta and/or Masai Villages \$60.00 CAD per person, per village

**Additional Costs:**

- Marlin Travel Professional Fee \$125.00 CAD plus HST per person payable at time of booking
- Cancellation and/or out of country medical insurance
- International airfare will be available to be booked approximately 10-11 months prior to departure Flights are typically with KLM via Amsterdam. Economy, Premium Economy and Business Class rates are available
- Bus Transportation from Peterborough will be arranged once we have final numbers for the tour, cost to be determined.
- Marlin Travel Cancellation Fee in the event of cancellation of \$125.00CAD plus HST per person
- Visa/eTA (approximately \$30.00 USD (our fee to complete the eta \$50.00 CAD plus HST) per person
- Appointments at a Travel Clinic should be made regarding all required vaccines for travel to Kenya after booking. All fees for vaccines and required medication is not included