



TRIP ITINERARY

Cheetah Safari

Kenya



For those looking for a slightly different tour, which takes in the stunning views of Mount Kenya, featuring Ol Pejeta Conservancy, the glorious and world-renowned Masai Mara Reserve and the fresh water Lake Naivasha, this road safari makes the ideal choice. It offers optimum game-viewing options, and the opportunity to view 'The Big Five' against a vivid selection of exceptionally varied backdrops.

At Native Escapes, we select adventures and accommodation according to particular interests, season of travel, budget and availability. We have travelled extensively in Africa, and have a good level knowledge of the destinations and things to do. Because we have visited many of the accommodations, we can make personal recommendations. We have on-the-ground services by way of ground handlers, who provide an excellent service in the event of emergency. Because we purchase accommodation through ground handlers who sell to agents such as ourselves around the world, we have access to excellent rates which are not available for direct bookings; you should pay no more for direct bookings than if you book through us. Our ground handlers' contact number will be included in your final documentation for you to contact should you require assistance during your trip.

Day 1

Upon arrival at Jomo Kenyatta International Airport, you will be met by our representative and transferred to Fairmont Norfolk Hotel. Dinner (not included) can be taken at the hotel or at any of the cities many restaurants. Overnight Fairmont Norfolk in deluxe room BB

Day 2

After breakfast at the hotel, set off for a day tour (sightseeing) in Nairobi including visits to The Giraffe Center, David Sheldrick Orphanage (11.00-12.00), and finally Kazuri Bead Factory. In between these excursions our guide will stop at Tamarind Brasserie for lunch (included). Transfer back to Fairmont Norfolk Hotel in the afternoon to freshen up before pick up transfer for "welcome to Africa" dinner at The Carnivore Restaurant. Overnight at Fairmont Norfolk in deluxe room- (Dinner, Bed and Breakfast included)

Day 3

After an early breakfast, drive north travelling to Nanyuki onto Ol Pejeta Conservancy. Check-in to Sweetwaters Tented Camp. A sheltered oasis, clustered around a water hole and set in the pristine calm of the private Ol Pejeta Conservancy, Sweetwaters offers a charming blend of under-canvas ambiance and safari luxury. Located on the plains of Mount Kenya, the camp features thirty-nine luxury tents, each with its own private veranda overlooking the water hole. The central Rhino Restaurant, housed in the former manager's house of this once colonial farm offers both regional and international cuisine. Also, within the house is the Kashoggi Bar and lounge, which centers on a blazing log fire. The Waterhole Bar, built in the style of a game-viewing hide, overlooks the waterhole and offers unrivalled wildlife-watching. Enjoy an afternoon game drive in Ol Pejeta Conservancy. Overnight at Sweetwaters Serena Camp- Morani LDBB. Distance/drive time: 216 km / 3½ hours

Day 4

Spend all day on safari in the reserve with morning and afternoon game drives and breakfast, lunch and dinner at the camp.

Visit the local Rhino and Chimpanzee Sanctuaries in the course of your game drives

About Ol Pejeta Conservancy: From a working cattle ranch in colonial Kenya, to a trailblazer of conservation innovation - the story of Ol Pejeta is as enchanting as it is inspirational. Today, Ol Pejeta is the largest black rhino sanctuary in east Africa, and home to two of the world's last remaining northern white rhino. It is the only place in Kenya to see chimpanzees, in a Sanctuary established to rehabilitate animals rescued from the black market. It has some of the highest predator densities in Kenya, and still manages a very successful livestock programme. Ol Pejeta also seeks to support the people living around its borders, to ensure wildlife conservation translates to better education, healthcare and infrastructure for the next generation of wildlife guardians. Overnight at Sweetwaters Serena Camp - Morani -LDBB

Day 5

After breakfast, drive south to Lake Naivasha in time for lunch at the charmingly located Lake Naivasha Sopa Lodge. The lodge stands in 120 acres of lakeside land, most of which is covered in green riparian meadows, which sweep down to the shores of the lake, one of the most beautiful in the Great Rift Valley. A jetty has been built out onto the lake, from where guests can watch the antics of the hippos in the lake and experience 360-degree views, which include Crescent Island, Mount Longonot, the Mau Escarpment and the misty outline of the Aberdares. The grounds are alive with a colourful selection of birds, and the trees with monkeys.

Afternoon boat ride in Lake Naivasha included. Alternatively you may choose to just chill out at the lodge

About Lake Naivasha

A freshwater lake, the highest of the string of lakes that glitter down the vast trench of the Great Rift Valley, Lake Naivasha is infamous for its rapidly shifting moods. Enigmatic, and dotted with floating islands of Nile cabbage (water hyacinth) and papyrus, Lake Naivasha has no known outlet, and legends abound regarding the vast tunnels that supposedly run beneath its surface. Towered over by the



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brooding bulk of Mount Longonot (2,776 m), and featuring a submerged volcanic crater known as Crescent Island, this beautiful lake is best known for its high numbers of water birds. Also, for the haunting cry of the fish eagles, which feed on the black bass and tilapia of its waters. Overnight at Naivasha Sopa Lodge-Standard LDBB

Day 6

After breakfast drive to Lake Nakuru National Park for game drives.

Lake Nakuru National Park-still remains on the best places to see the Whites Rhinos and the elusive Leopard (if you are lucky) The Flamingo numbers have dwindled over the years however, however the lake still has a good population of other bird species like the Pelicans.

Lunch at Lake Nakuru Sopa Lodge. In the afternoon drive back to Lake Naivasha with and proceed on Crescent Island guided safari walk (transfer to crescent island is by boat) Dinner and overnight at Naivasha Sopa Lodge-L-DBB

Day 7

Leaving the lodge after breakfast, continue up the floor of Rift to arrive in the famous Masai Mara National Reserve, and at the Zebra Plains Camp:

Zebra Plains Camp: Zebra Plains Camp's luxury tented rooms are furnished with all the amenities that you will require for a comfortable stay whilst visiting the Maasai Mara. The rooms can be converted into doubles, singles or triples depending on the bookings. The camp also has a spacious family tent which can accommodate a group of between 4 and 6 guests (depends on age of children). All our tents have both cold and hot running water for showers. The tents are furnished with a wash basin, toilet, luggage rack, reading table, mosquito nets and comfy safari chairs to experience the amazing views from the verandah. Enjoy lunch at camp

In the afternoon, enjoy your first game-drive in the Mara. World renowned for the breath-taking spectacle of 'the greatest wildlife shows on earth', the awe-inspiring annual migration of the wildebeest, the Mara is Kenya's most visited protected area. Technically an extension of Tanzania's renowned Serengeti National Park, the Mara constitutes only 4% of the entire Serengeti ecosystem but its rolling grasslands, meandering rivers and towering escarpments offer one of the world's most rewarding and evocative wildlife arenas. Returning to the camp, enjoy some relaxation on your private veranda, sundowners and dinner in the central restaurant. All meals and overnight at Zebra Plains Camp-Standard room-LDBB
Distance/drive time: 365 km / 5½ hours

Day 8

Spend all day on safari in the reserve with morning and afternoon game drives and breakfast, lunch and dinner at the camp

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Day 10

An optional/bonus early morning game drive before breakfast. Enjoy breakfast at the camp, then check out and drive to Nairobi. Packed/box lunch en route. Dependent on your international departure flight have a farewell dinner at Four Points Nairobi Airport Hotel. Transfer to Jomo Kenyatta International Airport for your onward flight. L-D

Included Accommodation on full board basis whilst on safari, an allowance of drinking water in the vehicle, game drives and activities as above, park fees, English speaking driver/guide. Flying doctor cover whilst on safari

Excluded: Visa's, other activities not included in the package price, such as Masai village or balloon safari. Excess baggage, items of personal nature (laundry and drinks etc), Costs of unforeseen government taxes such as park fee increases. Tips and gratuities. Optional flight Mara-Nairobi (at supp)

Set departure dates: Please contact us for further details



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GENERAL INFORMATION – PLEASE ENSURE YOU READ THE FOLLOWING

Passports: Please ensure these are valid for travel and that you are in possession of valid visas (if required see below). You consult your doctor prior to your safari for information and advice on the use of anti-malaria medication. You take out comprehensive travel insurance to safeguard against cancellation and curtailment, medical expenses, repatriation expenses, damage/theft/loss of personal baggage, money and personal belongings.

Visas: All British passport holders need a visa to enter Kenya. You should get a visa online before you travel

Health: The (www.who.int/en/) recommends that all travellers are inoculated against diphtheria, tetanus, measles, mumps, rubella and polio as well as for Hepatitis B. Inoculation against Hepatitis A, Typhoid, Yellow Fever and Malaria tablets are also recommended by the (www.cdc.gov) for travel in Uganda. All travellers should seek advice from their local GP or travel clinic for up-to-date advice on vaccinations and different malarial options.

Insurance: As part of the Terms and Conditions of your trip with Native Escapes it is essential that you purchase comprehensive travel insurance for your trip.

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