

CONSERVATION AND SAFARI (WITH BEACH OPTION)



Introduction

This diverse safari visits the Laikipia Plateau Region within sight of Mount Kenya and with Kenya's second highest game density. Ol Pejeta is at the heart of game conservation in Kenya and offers the rare opportunity to experience conservation efforts at first hand including the chance to meet and possibly go out tracking with the researchers specialising in Elephants, Rhinos and predators, who are based in the conservancy.

The Maasai Mara is your second destination; this fabulous reserve offers incomparable game viewing. Our camp is in the Mara North Conservancy where you can enjoy the spectacular wildlife in an authentic Bushcamp without crowds of visitors to intrude on the intimacy of your wildlife encounters

Day 1

You will be met off your flight at Jomo Kenyatta International Airport and transferred to Wilson domestic airport for your scheduled morning flight at 1020 to Nanyuki. Upon arrival you will be met and transferred to the Kicheche Laikipia Camp in Ol Pejeta Conservancy, your journey time is approximately 45 minutes. Lunch at camp then relax until afternoon tea is served. Venture out onto the rolling plains on your first game drive to enjoy the wonderful array of game on offer. Game driving in the Ol Pejeta Conservancy is a true pleasure with very few other vehicles in the area. This evening enjoy a sundowner drink at a scenic spot followed by a spotlight night drive back to camp. Take a hot shower before joining other guests for a drink around the campfire or in our cosy lounge tent. Dine with your hosts either under the stars or in our adjacent dining tent.

Day 2

An early start to the day with piping hot coffee or tea brought to your tent. This morning take a longer game drive and enjoy a sumptuous picnic breakfast out on the plains under the gaze of Mount Kenya. You also have the option of going lion tracking, an exciting activity which also assists the Conservancy research program. Return to camp for an al-fresco lunch and relax in a hammock afterwards. This afternoon we will take you to the Chimpanzee Sanctuary on a private visit. Following some time with the chimps continue on your evening game drive until dusk.

Day 3

This morning one can take a walking excursion from camp with one of our guides and a ranger. Walk duration and distance can be arranged to suit your preference. The rest of the day is available for game driving or enjoying an optional activity. Wind down your day with a sundowner at a scenic spots in the Conservancy before returning to camp.

View at <http://www.kicheche.com/camps-laikipia.shtm>



Day 4

Following a leisurely al fresco breakfast depart for Nanyuki airstrip at 1000hrs for your flight to the Maasai Mara. Upon arrival at Ngerende airstrip our guide will be there to welcome you and drive you to camp whilst enjoying a short game drive en route. At the camp you will have a bit of time for leisure, lunch and afternoon tea. Then you will set off for your afternoon game drive, sun downers overlooking the plains... back in camp in time for showers and drinks around the camp fire. You will be staying for the next three nights at Kicheche Mara Camp.

View at <http://www.kicheche.com/camps-mara.shtm>

Day 5

Rise early with tea or coffee brought to your tent. At dawn set off for another game drive on the plains. Return to the camp for a leisurely breakfast. After lunch you may wish to visit a traditional Maasai manyatta (village) or take another afternoon/evening game drive. Return to camp for an evening around the campfire.

Day 6

This morning take an escorted game walk, which takes approximately 2 hours and offers another perspective in viewing the terrain and fauna whilst crossing the plains. This afternoon enjoy another game drive.

Day 7

Morning game viewing drive before lunch in Camp.

In the afternoon transfer to Ngerende Airstrip for the scheduled flight to Nairobi where you will be met off the flight and transferred to a local restaurant for dinner (payable locally). Later you will be collected and transferred to the international airport in time for your International Flight.

SPECIAL NOTE; This is your own personal safari and the itinerary outlined above is intended to give you an idea of what a typical six night stay might be like. Daily activities are usually decided between you and your guide to suit your own interests and preferences as well as taking into consideration wildlife movements within the conservancies.

TOTAL PRICE PER PERSON ON A NAIROBI TO NAIROBI BASIS

3 rd January to 31 st March 2012	US\$3522 (£2348) (No single Sup on first single)
1 st June to 14 th July 2012	US\$3345 (£2230 (No single Sup on first single)
15 th July to 31 st Oct 2012	US\$3876 (£2584) (Single Sup applies US\$746)
1 st Nov to 14 th Dec 2012	US\$3345 (£2230) (No single Sup on first single)

BEACH EXTENSION:

Day 7

After lunch you will transfer to the airstrip for your flight to Ukunda at 1400 hrs. You will be met off the flight and transferred by road to Galu Beach on Kenya's beautiful South Coast. You will be staying for the next six nights in a suite with private chef arrangement at Pinewood Village.

PINEWOOD VILLAGE

Pinewood Village is located on the idyllic Galu Beach, 40 km south of Mombasa on a lovely quiet stretch of palm fringed beach.

Here you can enjoy the simple pleasures of an unspoilt white sandy beach, warm blue waters of the Indian Ocean and a tropical forest which is home to an astonishing array of resident and migratory birds. It is also home to the plentiful Sykes monkey and the endangered Angolan Colobus monkey.



Galu Beach is adjacent to the famous but crowded Diani Beach, the hub of tourist activity. Diani is 7 km north of Pinewood and offers all the facilities and amenities of an urban centre like shopping, entertainment, casinos and medical care.

Pinewood Village is ideally situated for sea excursions. Nearby Wasini, Kisite, Chale, Funzi and Shimoni are all havens for snorkelling, scuba diving, deep sea fishing and sight-seeing.

Pinewood Village is a small boutique Beach Resort offering an experience that is truly special. It is ideally situated on the quiet and deserted shores of Galu Beach, one of the finest beaches in Kenya, South of Mombasa. Pinewood Village is small, private, and very personal. The hotel is set amidst tropical flora and palms and offers an ambiance that is supremely tranquil.

The accommodation consists of tastefully furnished rooms and private suites. Each suite is allocated an experienced Chef who is capable of preparing and producing the highest International culinary standard to your individual choice.

In-house facilities include attractive swimming pool, swim-up pool bar, Beach Deck, "Tamu" Snack Grill, "Peponi" Beach bar and Restaurant, "Jahazi" Bar and Bistro, "Bahari" Restaurant, Aqualand Watersport Centre, tennis court, squash court, "Zawadi" Boutique and Beauty Salon.

View at <http://www.pinewood-village.com/>

Day 13

Today you will check out of your room and can spend the day at leisure before later transferring by road to Mombasa Airport in time for your return flight.

TOTAL PRICE PER PERSON ON A NAIROBI TO MOMBASA BASIS

3 rd Jan to 31 st Jan 2012	US\$4760 (£3174)
1 st to 29 th February 2012	US\$4828 (£3218)
1 st to 31 st March 2012	US\$4650 (£3100)
1 st June to 30 June 2012	US\$4473 (£2982)
1 st July to 14 th July 2012	US\$4584 (£3056)
15 th July to 31 st July 2012	US\$5114 (£3410)
1 st Aug to 31 st Oct 2012	US\$5181 (£3454)
1 st Nov to 14 th Dec 2012	US\$4584 (£3056)

What's included:

All transfers to and from local and International Airports
Internal Flights
Full Board Accommodation at Safari Camps
Half Board Accommodation at Pinewood Village
All beverages including locally branded alcoholic and soft drinks at Safari Camps
Laundry at Safari Camps
All scheduled game activities

What's not included:

International Flights
Visa fees
Tips and gratuities for guides and camp staff
Purchases of a personal nature
Lunch and Drinks at Pinewood Village

Wildlife Sightings

Africa's wildlife is free ranging and moves according to seasonal availability of food and water therefore no sighting is guaranteed. The following species can be found in the areas visited on this safari and guests can expect to see many of them.

Elephant, Giraffe, Black Rhino, White Rhino, Lion, Leopard, Cheetah, Wild Dog, Beisa Oryx, Spotted Hyena, Jackal, African Wildcat, Serval, Caracal, Civet, baboon, Vervet Monkey, Bush Baby, Genet, Mongoose, Porcupine, Aardvark, Pangolin, Wart Hog, Bush Pig, Cape Buffalo, Zebra, Wildebeest, Impala, Gerunek Bushbuck, Eland, Duiker, Kingoni, Topi, Waterbuck, Greater and Lesser Kudu, Grants Gazelle, Thompsons Gazelle, Hippopotamus, Crocodile, Monitor Lizard, Ostrich, Bat Eared Fox. Also many bird and reptile species.

When to go:

This Safari can be enjoyed at any time of year with the exception of April and May when the safari camps are closed. The game viewing is good all year round and is spectacular in the Maasai Mara during the annual wildebeest migration between late July and late October. Guests are advised that it gets cold at night in the game reserves from June to August but the days are generally warm and sunny. The weather at the beach is warm throughout the year.

Who should go:

Perfect for a first safari or first time visitors to Kenya and also for clients who have an interest in conservation. This safari is enjoyable as family holiday or as a wonderful trip for that once in a lifetime experience or special occasion. "Conservation and Safari" is an excellent family friendly choice which can be taken as a stand alone safari or as part of a two week holiday including a week on the beach in Kenya or in nearby Zanzibar.

We Say:

"Conservation and Safari" is a competitively priced "big five" safari on an all inclusive basis in comfortable tented accommodation, few extra costs and an excellent chance of seeing big cats. The standard of guiding is very high. Why not take a champagne breakfast, hot air balloon ride (Extra at cost) over the Maasai Mara to make your safari even more special. Pinewood Village is our preferred mid range option on the South coast and provides comfortable accommodation and a good range of activities including water sports. We can combine this Safari with any Coastal Hotel in Kenya or with hotels on Zanzibar.

Day 12

Today you will transfer to Mombasa airport by road for your flight to Nairobi and onward flight to UK.

SAFARI CLUB PROMISE:

Our consultants are dedicated to providing you, our clients, with the safari holiday of your dreams, we will always endeavour to offer you the best value safari and beach holiday in line with the time available and budget guidelines you have supplied.

The camps, lodges and hotels included in our trips are regularly vetted by our consultants to ensure the highest standards are maintained and that every safari and associated beach stay is a unique and authentic African experience.

Safari Club will never compromise the quality of our safaris by offering a knowingly inferior product in the interests of price.

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