

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME: MAGICAL KENYA FAM - 2024

Day 1 – SUNDAY 28 JAN 2024 ARRIVAL NAIROBI / NAIROBI NATIONAL PARK

Arrival at JKIA International Airport – you will be greeted with a warm welcome or if arriving earlier, pick-up from the hotel – packed lunch included – half day game drive in Nairobi National Park. Nairobi National Park is unique and underrated as you can see the Nairobi city skyline while viewing wildlife of all kinds, includes Lions & Rhinos. Only large animal not in the park is the Elephant. Dinner will be at your hotel. The Sarova Stanley was Kenya's first luxury hotel and features large rooms and plenty of old world charm.

Overnight at Sarova Stanley (L,D)

Day 2 – MONDAY 29 JAN 2024 – FULL DAY NAIROBI

After breakfast, we will begin our full day tour of Nairobi. First, we will see the parliament and judicial buildings and a short stop will be made at City market (souvenirs, food/flowers etc). We will then visit the KICC building (Convention Center) where we will take the lift and stairs to the rooftop where you will enjoy a perfect view of the Nairobi Skyline (great pic opportunity). Our next stop will be at the Nairobi National Museum which will give you a great introduction to the history and culture of Kenya, We will also visit the adjoining Snake Park to see all of the snakes found in Kenya as well as other exhibits. Here you will have the chance to hold a Python! (another great photo opp). We will then take time for a light lunch at the Vogue Café also located in the museums complex. Later we will continue to Karen Blixen's home for a guided tour of the former home of the 'Out of Africa' author. Our final touring stop will be at the Giraffe Center where you will be able to feed the endangered Rothschild Giraffes. We will then proceed to the famous Carnivore Restaurant for an early dinner – Carnivore offers a wide range of unlimited roasted meats (vegetarian option also available). We will then drive back to the hotel for overnight.

Overnight at Sarova Stanley (B,L,D)

Day 3 – TUESDAY 30 JAN 2024 NAIROBI / MAASAI MARA NATIONAL RESERVE

An early start this morning, breakfast. At 7am, depart for the Maasai Mara with a stopover at the Great Rift Valley viewpoint for photos. On arrival, check-in and enjoy lunch. Relax a bit and enjoy the facilities of the camp until 15:30 when we will proceed with your first game drive in the Maasai Mara until Sunset. The Maasai Mara is Kenya's jewel in the crown and features the highest density of wildlife including all of the Big 5. Dinner will be served back at the camp.

Overnight at Sentrim Mara Camp or similar (B,L,D)

Day 4 – WEDNESDAY 31 JAN 2024 – FULL DAY MAASAI MARA NATIONAL RESERVE

Enjoy breakfast this morning. At around 7am, we will depart for a full day game drive with picnic lunch included. Today we will include a visit to the famous Mara River (where the annual great migration takes place) and the Tanzanian border marked by stones. We will also visit an authentic Maasai village for a tour and to learn about their culture and way of life. Dinner will be served back at the camp.

Overnight at Sentrim Mara Camp or similar (B,L,D)

Day 5 – THURSDAY 01 FEB 2024 - MAASAI MARA NATIONAL RESERVE/NAIROBI/DIANI BEACH

Breakfast this morning. We will then depart for Nairobi. There will be time for a quick lunch and then you will fly (1hr 10 mins) to Ukunda Airstrip on Kenya's South Coast where you will be met by our Tour driver/guide who will transfer you to Swahili Beach resort (transfer time only around 10 minutes). Dinner will be at the resort (choice of restaurants available, pre-booking needed in some cases).

Overnight at Swahili Beach Resort (B,L,D)

Day 6 – FRIDAY 02 FEB 2024 – DIANI BEACH

Today a full day at the Swahili Beach Resort on the Indian Ocean which offers you the perfect opportunity to recharge your batteries. This beautiful resort offers lots of facilities to enjoy (spa at extra cost). Breakfast (main restaurant) , lunch (restaurant by the sea), afternoon tea & dinner are included. Optional activities can be arranged on request: boat trips, visit to local Colobus monkey rescue centre etc.

Overnight at Swahili Beach Resort (B,L,D)

Day 7 – SATURDAY 03 FEB 2024 DIANI BEACH – NGUTUNI WILDLIFE SANCTUARY

Enjoy full breakfast this morning. We will then depart towards Voi and Ngutuni with a stopover on the way for a short break and then continue to Ngutuni Safari Lodge, a private conservancy but part of the Tsavo East ecosystem. Your first game drive will begin from the main gate as you proceed to the lodge for check-in and lunch. All of the rooms and restaurant/bar face the waterhole which is often frequented by Elephants and Buffaloes, amongst others. There is also a swimming pool and another bar set in pretty gardens at the front of the lodge. Relax and enjoy the facilities until around 16:00 hours when we will do the evening game drive until Sunset. Dinner will be served back at the lodge.

Overnight at Ngutuni Safari Lodge (B,L,D)

Day 8 – SUNDAY 04 FEB 2024 - NGUTUNI SAFARI LODGE

Wake up for early at around 6am for a cup of tea or coffee and then proceeds with your early morning game drive for two hours and then return to the lodge for your full breakfast. Enjoy free time to have a swim or just observe the waterhole from the deck or your room. Lunch will be available from around 1pm. At around 4pm, we will depart on the evening game drive until Sunset. We will return to the lodge for dinner before embarking on a very special and unique night game drive with a spotlight, (Night drives are only permitted in private conservancies) . Look out for the eyes of animals as you drive around.

Overnight at Ngutuni Safari Lodge (B,L,D)

Day 9 – MONDAY 05 FEB 2024 - NGUTUNI SAFARI LODGE / NAIROBI / DEPARTURE (B,L)

Enjoy one last breakfast and then start the drive back to Nairobi. Stop for lunch along the way. We will drop you at JKIA International Airport for your flight or at the hotel in Nairobi if you decide to extend your stay

WE WILL BE USING LANDCRUISERS FOR MOST OF THE TRANSPORTATION – MAX 6 PAX PER VEHICLE

PRE/POST ADDITIONAL NIGHTS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT COMPETITIVE RATES. IT DOES MAKE GOOD SENSE TO ARRIVE IN NAIROBI AT LEAST ONE DAY EARLIER IF POSSIBLE GIVEN THE LONG TRAVEL TIME & TIME DIFFERENCE TO CONSIDER

KENYA E-VISA (SINGLE ENTRY - \$50 + PROCESSING FEES) IS REQUIRED, ONLINE APPLICATION

COSTS OF TRIP ARE STILL TO BE FINALISED,