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#### 11 DAYS KENYA SAFARI ITINERARY-MASAI MARA/NAIVASHA/DIANI

NO OF PAX: 05(02 ADULTS, 03 KIDS)

**NATIONALITY: NON-RESIDENTS** 

**SAFARI VEHICLE:** OPEN ROOF LANDCRUISER (DETACHABLE CANVAS WINDOWS)

TRAVEL DATES: 24th Feb - 6th March 2025

#### Day 1: Monday/ Feb 24th | Nairobi to Masai Mara

**Morning**: Pick up at Jomo Kenyatta International Airport at 6:30 AM by Olanka Safaris driver guide who will welcome you and give you a pre-safari briefing, depart Nairobi for Masai Mara National Reserve via the Great Rift Valley approximately 6 hours away. Arrive at the Camp in time for Lunch. In the afternoon proceed for a game drive returning to the lodge at sunset.

The Mara reserve is 1510 sq. km of incredible wide-open landscapes and fertile riverine woodland and one glimpse is enough to explain its appeal; it is typical savannah, with a mass of amazing wildlife.

Wherever you go in the Mara you will see a frequent amount of wildlife such as Masai giraffe, baboons, warthogs, bat eared foxes, grey jackals, spotted hyena, topis, impala, hartebeests, wildebeest. Elephants, buffaloes, zebras and hippos also exist in great numbers.

It is also common to see lions either basking after a heavy meal, or surveying the plains for their next meal.

Cheetahs and leopards are also reasonably common.

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1300 Hours: Arrival, check in & lunch

1530 Hours: Afternoon game drive at Masai Mara National Reserve

Dinner and Overnight: Basecamp Masai Mara

Meal Plan: Lunch & Dinner

## Day 2 & 3: Tuesday/ Feb 25<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday/ Feb 26<sup>th</sup> | Full Day at Masai Mara

The next 2 days shall be spent viewing game, leave the camp early morning with packed lunch and explore the vast Masai Mara National Reserve. Lunch to be taken at a picnic site.

You may also opt to do some of the activities offered by the camp in the afternoon (Young Explorers Club Activities, Visiting SBC's Conservation and community projects - inclusive of tree planting, Guided bird walk safari). On clear days, the Masai Mara offers fantastic orange tinted sunsets and you will definitely want to capture this moment while sipping on a sundowner back at the camp.

A cultural visit to Maasai villages for the children to learn the Maasai culture and traditional dances will also be arranged at a convenient time.

Dinner and Overnight: Basecamp Masai Mara

Meal Plan: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

#### Day 4: Thursday/Feb 27th | Full Day at Mara Naboisho Conservancy

After an early breakfast you will be picked by Basecamp wilderness safari vehicle for the intercamp transfer. You will spend this day at Mara Naboisho Conservancy, a private 50,000-acre community pastoralist and wildlife conservation area Southwest of Masai Mara National Reserve.

The Mara Naboisho Conservancy limits the number of beds per acre and also the number of tourists who may enter the area, thereby reducing the crowds of vehicles hence giving spectacular, unspoiled views of exciting wildlife. The Conservancy has one of the highest densities of lions in Africa. And because the Mara Naboisho Conservancy is not governed by the same rules that apply to national parks, there is the flexibility to experience something truly profound and to see and do things not possible in the Maasai Mara National Reserve for instance Night game drives.

On this day you will engage in several activities such as Day game drives, Night game drives, Bush meals, Picnic Excursions & Sunset Sundowners, Guided Bush walking Safari. The kids will also engage in the young explorers club activities such as Wildlife Tracking, Guided Nature Walks, Beadwork, Bush Survival Skills, Star-gazing, Storytelling, Traditional Face Painting, Board games, Puzzles, Archery.

#### Dinner and Overnight: Basecamp Wilderness Camp

Meal Plan: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

## Day 5: Friday/ Feb 28<sup>th</sup> | Depart Mara Naboisho for Naivasha

After breakfast Basecamp Wilderness will transfer you to Nkoilale Centre where you will meet our driver guide and thereafter leave for Naivasha approximately 3hrs 30min drive arriving at Naivasha Sopa Lodge in time for Lunch.

After lunch you will leave for a boat ride to crescent island where you will have a guided nature walk in the Island. Crescent Island Game Conservancy is a wildlife-rich peninsula in Lake Naivasha. The sanctuary has several walking trails and stunning views of Mt. Longonot, The Aberdares and the Mau Escarpment. The island is ideal for hiking, game viewing and bird watching having over 1,600 head of game and 200 species of birds recorded, not forgetting the reptiles, plants and insects. Common animals include the Rothschilds giraffe, gazelles, Wildebeest, Common Waterbuck, if lucky you can have the chance to see the Rock python and other animals on foot.

# Dinner and Overnight: Lake Naivasha Sopa Lodge

Meal Plan: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

# Day 6: Saturday/ March 1st | Depart Naivasha for Diani

Start the day with breakfast, check out and leave for Sanctuary Farm where you will engage in a guided horseback riding experience through herds of impala, zebra, wildebeest, buffalo, waterbuck and more from 8am-10am. Afterwards you can visit the daily farm.

Sanctuary Farm is private wildlife Sanctuary on the shores of Lake Naivasha consisting of 450 acres of land.

**1100 Hours**: Leave Naivasha for Nairobi, Jomo Kenyatta International Airport to catch your flight to Diani

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1510 Hours: Flight departure from Nairobi to Ukunda Airport Diani

Dinner and Overnight: Papillon Lagoon Reef Beach Resort

Meal Plan: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

#### Day 7-10: Sunday/ March 2<sup>nd</sup> -Wednesday/March 5<sup>th</sup> | Full Day Diani

The next 4 days shall be spent enjoying the cool breezes of the beautiful Diani beach with water sports activities. You may also explore Wasini Island/ Kisite Mpunguti Marine National Reserve.

Dinner and Overnight: Papillon Lagoon Reef Beach Resort

Meal Plan: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

# Day 11: Thursday/ March 6th -| Moi International Airport

Our driver will pick you up at Papillon Lagoon Beach Resort then transfer you to Moi International Airport where you will catch your international flight back home.

#### **Prepared by: Jenifer**

Thank you for booking with Olanka Safaris, Get a taste of nature.

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