



KENYA SAFARI & ZANZIBAR

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The most revered of Africa's safari destinations, Kenya is located in East Africa and is renowned for its abundant wildlife and annual Great Migration. It is a country brimming with romance, thrill and adventure. A Kenyan safari not only boasts spectacular natural beauty in one of the most unspoiled places on earth, but it also brings you up close and personal with Africa's most sought-after wildlife. A safari in Kenya is a step back in time to a world inhabited by characters that are larger than life, from famed explorers and authors to presidents and royalty. With more than a century of nostalgia, paired with modern principles of sustainability and community involvement, your safari will be filled with unforgettable moments and extraordinary adventures.



Zanzibar is an island steeped in culture and history – a destination that brought adventurers, seafarers and traders from far and wide. The Zanzibar archipelago is set in the Indian Ocean and made up of the larger islands of Pemba and Unguja (also called Zanzibar Island). Zanzibar is also known as the 'Spice Island' due to the delicious variety of spices grown on the island's many plantations. Stone Town, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, is a labyrinth of winding alleys, bustling marketplaces, beautifully carved wooden doors, breathtaking mosques and grand Arab residences. Off the northeastern coast of Zanzibar is Mnemba Island - an idyllic private island featuring luxurious accommodation, breathtaking scenery and rich marine diversity.



MASAI MARA NATIONAL RESERVE / MARA TRIANGLE

Situated in the southwest of Kenya, covering an area of 583 square miles, the Masai Mara National Reserve is a land of breathtaking vistas, abundant wildlife and endless plains. The quintessential Masai Mara safari delivers many attractions, as the reserve is home to an excellent year-round concentration of game, including the more than two million wildebeest, zebras and other antelopes that make up the famous Great Migration. The reserve is a photographer's and naturalist's paradise, with abundant elephant, buffalo, giraffe, lion and cheetah alongside the migratory wildebeest and zebra. Leopards are frequently encountered; endangered black rhino hide in the dense thickets and large rafts of hippo and enormous crocodiles are found in the Mara River. The park is also home to over 450 bird species.

NAIROBI

Nairobi is the capital and the largest city of Kenya. The name comes from the Masai phrase Enkare Nyrobi, which translates to "cool water", a reference to the Nairobi River which flows through the city. The relatively young city was founded in 1899 by the colonial authorities in British East Africa as a rail depot on the Uganda Railway. After independence in 1963, Nairobi became the capital of the Republic of Kenya. Home to thousands of Kenya businesses and over 100 major international companies and organizations, including the United Nations, Nairobi is an established hub for business and culture.

STONE TOWN

Appreciate the rich culture and unique architecture of Stone Town, ideally located in the old section of Zanzibar City, the main city of the archipelago. Stroll through the city's winding streets full of bazaars and mosques. Discover Stone City in the company of an experienced private guide, who will tailor-make an excursion to suit your personal interests and preferences. Marvel at the variety of cultural influences, with a rich Swahili influence, as you wander along a maze of narrow streets and pathways. 19th century buildings, all built from local coral stone, lend a warm character to the city. Stroll past large verandas with carved banisters and large, engraved doors at the entrances of historic buildings. Browse the busy markets of this UNESCO World Heritage Site, awash with African and Asian inspired trinkets, aromatic herbs, and clothing.

HISTORIC SLAVE ROUTE

During the slave trade, 15,000 slaves moved through Zanzibar each year, making up a large part of the Indian Ocean slave grounds. Begin the historical and moving tour at Dhow Harbor, a 13th century Swahili settlement. At the height of the slave trade, Dhow Harbor was used as a port where slave ships docked with their captive cargo. Next, head off to the house of the notorious Swahili-Zanzibari slave trader Tippu Tip. This appropriate nickname referenced his abundant wealth and the tip-u-tip rattle of his army's gun arsenal. At the last stretch of the 19th century, Tippu Tip, owned over half a dozen plantations and 10,000 slaves and servants. Visit the yellow Anglican Church built on the site of an old slave market, a square surrounded by small houses. Drive past the missionary graves to Mbweni Ruins, once a school for freed slave girls. Next, head off to Livingstone House and Mangapwani Beach, where hundreds of slaves were kept in caves, awaiting the arrival of the dhows. End the emotional day reflecting on the island's heart-breaking history, encouraging present, and bright future.

FREDDIE MERCURY

Walk in the footsteps of Zanzibar's most famous son, Freddie Mercury, international rock 'n roll royalty and lead vocalist and songwriter of the British based rock band **Queen**. Born Farouk Bulsara in Shangani, Mercury's family had immigrated to Zanzibar from India before his birth. He spent his early years living, playing, and walking through its winding alleyways in the old town of Stone Town. The Mercury family lived here until they fled to Britain in 1964 to escape the Zanzibar Revolution, in which thousands of Arabs and Indians were killed. Take a guided tour through Shangani, where Mercury was raised, visiting the Zanzibar Gallery Shop, once the family's home, and the Zoroastrian Fire Temple where the Parsi family worshipped and where Freddie Mercury was initiated as child. End the musical history tour with a seafront lunch at Mercury's restaurant, a modern-day tribute to the man, his wide vocal range, and his music.

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23 JUNE – ARRIVE NAIROBI

Arrive Nairobi Jomo Kenyatta International Airport. *Airport arrival / assistance with immigration and customs.* Private transfer to your hotel; dinner is on your own.



The Boma is just 8 miles from Jomo Kenyatta International Airport, and 4 miles from Wilson Airport. All rooms have luxury amenities including complimentary Wi-Fi and 24-hour room service. The Johari Restaurant features an international cuisine. The Tembo Bistro offers a variety of dishes that are fast and quick to prepare. The Zoezi Spa offers a full range of treatments and massage. There is a solar heated rooftop pool with sun deck and gym. At The Boma, guests are part of a circle of humanitarian values and social responsibility. Profits fund the Kenya Red Cross Society's Humanitarian activities.

The Boma (B) includes breakfast

24 JUNE – MASAI MARA NATIONAL RESERVE

Breakfast in the hotel. Private transfer to Nairobi Wilson for your flight through the Great Rift Valley to Masai Mara National Reserve. You will be met at the airstrip by your Guide and view game enroute to Kichwa Tembo. Arrive in time for lunch. *Note: shared vehicle*



Known as Kenya's best loved safari camp, Kichwa Tembo is renowned for its team of Kenyan staff whose warm welcome, charming service and energy delight guests from all over the world. Kichwa Tembo offers a quintessential game viewing experience, with wide vistas of the Masai Mara or the Sabaringo River. Located where the riverine forest meets the sweeping plains in the path of the Great Migration, the camp provides an authentic dose of African wildlife, delivered with legendary Kenyan hospitality. Enhancing its signature elements of romance and nostalgia, the camp has been redesigned to better showcase its panoramic Masai Mara views. The classic tents are positioned to offer mottled shade from the camp's surrounding forest (perfect for biding enthusiasts) and provides limited views of the Sabaringo River. They are set away from the main guest areas and afford additional privacy. Tents are laid out in immaculate grounds, with warthog feeding outside the tents.

Kichwa Tembo / classic tent (BLD) includes meals and drinks

Activities included: game drives, visit to a local Masai community. Optional activities at extra charge: bush walk, night game drive, spa services, hot air balloon (\$480 per person).

25 JUNE – MASAI MARA NATIONAL RESERVE

Full day Masai Mara National Reserve – Optional hot air balloon excursion



Masai Mara National Reserve is one of the richest and most diverse wildlife areas in the world. The Reserve is home to a vast number of resident wildlife, as well as the annual Great Migration. Wildebeest and zebra join elephant, hippo, buffalo, giraffe, lion and cheetah in the Mara. Rare and endangered black rhino can be found in the dense bush thickets. The Mara River is known for its enormous crocodiles, which lay in wait for the wildebeest and zebra during the migration. Over 450 birds add to the Mara's incredible natural diversity. The Mara is part of a huge conservation area that includes Serengeti National Park and Ngorongoro Conservation Area in neighboring Tanzania. With no fences or barriers, wildlife can move freely throughout this area, constantly recreating an ageless natural cycle.

Kichwa Tembo / classic tent (BLD) includes meals and drinks

26 JUNE – MASAI MARA NATIONAL RESERVE

Full day Masai Mara National Reserve

Kichwa Tembo / classic tent (BLD) includes meals and drinks



27 JUNE – MASAI MARA NATIONAL RESERVE

Full day Masai Mara National Reserve and visit to a Masai community
Kichwa Tembo / classic tent (BLD) includes meals and drinks

28 JUNE – DEPART NAIROBI

Breakfast in camp. Transfer to the airstrip for your flight to Nairobi Wilson; private transfer to your hotel. Lunch and dinner are on your own. Overnight The Boma.

The Boma (B) includes breakfast

29 JUNE – NAIROBI

Breakfast in the hotel. Full day at leisure, afternoon activities are flexible – visit Karen Blixen Museum, Kazuri Beads, Utamaduni Crafts, Giraffe Centre and the Sheldrick Elephant Orphanage. Lunch and dinner are on your own. *Great little café at Utamaduni for lunch*

The Karen Blixen Museum is the former home of Danish author Karen Blixen, famous for her book “*Out of Africa*”. Guided tours feature rooms designed in both the original decor and with props from the 1985 film. The grounds include original equipment from the coffee farm. The Kazuri Bead Factory began in 1975 as a tiny workshop making handmade beads. Founded by the late Lady Susan Wood, starting with two Kenyan women, she created employment for struggling single mothers. The workshop now employs more than 300 local women.

The Giraffe Centre was originally a breeding center for the endangered Rothschild Giraffe, and has evolved to operate conservation and educational programs for Kenyan school children. Giraffe Centre has preserved the original habitat for the giraffes and a variety of birds and animals, including warthogs. The David Sheldrick Wildlife Trust was established in 1977 to honor David Leslie William Sheldrick MBE, Naturalist and Warden of Tsavo East National Park. His widow, Dame Daphne achieved success in rearing infant elephants with a special milk formula. The orphans are taken care of by a dedicated team of “keepers”. All the elephant orphans raised by the Trust are gradually rehabilitated back into Tsavo National Park. This transition is made at their own pace and in their own time.

The Boma (B) includes breakfast

30 JUNE – DEPART NAIROBI / ZANZIBAR

Early breakfast in the hotel. Transfer to Jomo Kenyatta International Airport for your departure flight to Zanzibar. *Airport departure / assistance with flight check-in, customs and immigration.*

07:50AM Depart Nairobi on KQ # 490 to Zanzibar

09:10AM Arrive Zanzibar

Arrive Zanzibar International Airport. Private transfer (by Zanzibar Serena) to your hotel. Check-in to your room may not be available until this afternoon. Arrangements for walking tours, etc. can be made directly with the hotel concierge.



Zanzibar Serena Inn is situated on the sea front of ancient Stone Town, flanked by an exotic mix of sultan's palaces, Portuguese forts, ancient dhow harbors, and bright bazaars. The Zanzibar Serena Inn is a haven of tranquility and opulence among the bustle of one of Africa's most ancient and enchanting towns. The scent of cloves, exotic sultan's palaces, Portuguese forts, ancient dhow harbors, slave markets, and bright bazaars combined make Zanzibar an exotic destination. Zanzibar Serena Inn is a haven of tranquility and opulence among the bustle of Zanzibar.

Zanzibar Serena Inn (B) includes breakfast

01 JULY – ZANZIBAR

Breakfast in the hotel. Full day Zanzibar. Lunch and dinner are on your own.

Optional activities to book through the hotel: Mangapwani Beach day, guided Stone Town tour, dhow trip and idyllic island escape; Swahili feast with live Taarab music

Zanzibar Serena Inn (B) includes breakfast

02 JULY – ZANZIBAR

Breakfast in the hotel. Full day Zanzibar. Lunch and dinner are on your own.

Zanzibar Serena Inn (B) includes breakfast

03 JULY – ZANZIBAR

Breakfast in the hotel. Private transfer (by Zanzibar Serena) to the airport for your flight to Nairobi.

09:50AM Depart Zanzibar on KQ # 491 to Nairobi

11:10AM Arrive Nairobi

Arrive Nairobi Jomo Kenyatta International Airport. *Airport arrival / assistance with immigration and customs.* Private transfer to your hotel; lunch and dinner are on your own. Transfer to Jomo Kenyatta International Airport for your late evening departure flight. *Airport departure / assistance with flight check-in, customs and immigration.*

The Boma (dayroom)

\$5,420 per person, sharing a room

Includes: all accommodations and daily breakfast, all meals and drinks on safari, full day driver/guide on safari, internal flights (Nairobi/Mara, Nairobi/Zanzibar), all airport transfers, half-day driver/guide in Nairobi, entry fees to parks and activities as stated in the itinerary.