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AFRICAN SAFARI ADVENTURE

NOVEMBER 13-22, 2022
in the Finest Hotels, Lodges, and Tent Camps

NAIROBI |
NGORONGORO
CONSERVATION AREA |
SERENGETI NATIONAL
PARK | MAASAI MARA



Two Safari programs sold-out in 2019, so we encourage you to book early!

Few places on earth can lay claim to such superlative natural wonders as Africa. The timeless savannahs of the Serengeti. Ngorongoro Crater, the famed "Eighth Wonder of the Natural World." Our Olivia safari is superbly organized and crafted to perfection with the finest operators, guides, hotels, lodges and tented camps. We have run tours to Kenya and Tanzania many times since 2007. Our safaris are a wonderful way to experience Africa up close and personal with the animals and culture, truly making for a trip of a lifetime.

AWARDS & ACCOLADES

**Voted World's Best Tour Operator & Safari Outfitter—Travel & Leisure Magazine*

**Voted Trip of a Lifetime—Travel & Leisure Magazine*

**Voted Best Outfitters on Earth—National Geographic Adventure Magazine*





ITINERARY SUMMARY

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Nairobi (Arrival)

Nairobi

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Ngorongoro Conservation Area

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Serengeti National Park

Serengeti National Park/Maasai Mara

Maasai Mara

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Maasai Mara/Nairobi

INCLUDED

- Accommodations for 10 days/9 nights in the finest hotels, lodges, and tent camps
- Airport group arrival transfer and departure transfers on days of program (November 13 and 22) with personal VIP “Meet and Greet” upon arrival at your gate and assistance through immigrations at the Jomo Kenyatta International Airport.
- Private day-use rooms on the day of departure, November 22
- All meals Nov. 14-22
- Water, soft drinks, coffee, and tea at all meals
- Local beer and wine included at lunch and dinner at Ngorongoro Crater Sopa Lodge and Mara Safari Club in Maasai Mara
- All alcohol included at Four Seasons Safari Lodge Serengeti
- \$50 laundry credit at Four Seasons Safari Lodge Serengeti
- Special enhancements:
 - Meet a Maasai elder
 - Visit to the Giraffe Center
 - Visit to the Dame Daphne Sheldrick’s Wildlife Foundation in Nairobi (as seen on “Oprah”).
 - View elephant feeding
 - Lunch and shopping after visit to Elephant Orphanage
- Option to visit and participate in an AmericaShare project, Mukuru slums
- Safari briefing conducted by your Micato Safari Director

INCLUDED (CONT.)

- Three flights with all transfers and safaris to enhance your comfort and minimize lengthy drives:
 - Scheduled flight from Nairobi to Lake Manyara, via Arusha
 - Private charter flight from the Serengeti to Maasai Mara
 - Scheduled flight from the Maasai Mara to Nairobi
- On safari, we will seat a maximum of 6 guests in our 9-passenger vehicles guaranteeing a window seat and access to pop-up roof hatch for each guest.
- Each vehicle is equipped with ice chests with complementary beverages, binoculars, and safari library with wildlife books.
- Services of the Flying Doctors' Society, an emergency airborne medical unit
- An authentic safari hat and wooden animal necklace as a welcome gift
- An Olivia safari vest (be sure and let us know your size)
- All entrance fees to parks (fees subject to increase)
- Government taxes, VAT, and service charges for accommodations and included meals
- All portage throughout
- All gratuities, including the Driver Guides and Safari Director
- Micato's concierge service at all hotels.
- Hospitality Desk, fully staffed throughout the day in Nairobi and on safari
- Olivia representative to accompany the group.



NOT INCLUDED

International flights to and from Nairobi, alcoholic beverages at the Fairmont Norfolk in Nairobi (except where indicated), beverages outside of meals, laundry, individual insurance, transfers for guests arriving prior to November 13 or departing after November 22, cost of obtaining necessary visas, other incidentals, and NDAs.



FAIRMONT NORFOLK HOTEL

The Fairmont Norfolk Hotel is a world-famous hotel built in the Tudor style. Since its opening on Christmas Day 1904, the Norfolk has delighted generation after generation of visitors with its service, luxurious style and unfailingly high standards. In the early days, this was the stomping ground for adventure seekers and prominent people including President Theodore Roosevelt, Lord Baden-Powell, the Earl of Warwick and the Baron and Baroness Von Blixen. More recently, the hotel has been featured in numerous safari movies. The hotel's first gourmet chef arrived from the Waldorf Astoria in New York, and meticulous attention to cuisine has been the Norfolk's legacy ever since. The Ibis Grill has been rated one of the top ten restaurants in the world by Condé Nast Traveler and The Lord Delamere Terrace is still the meeting place for Nairobi's smart set. The hotel has 24-hour room service and all amenities including pool, hairdresser, and shops. It is the 5-star hotel of Nairobi in terms of rooms, amenities, food, service and ambiance.



SOPA NGORONGORO CRATER LODGE

Facing the always magnificent sunsets to the west, and located at the highest point on Ngorongoro crater's entire rim, Ngorongoro Sopa Lodge stands well over half a kilometer above the crater floor and offers unparalleled views across this enormous caldera. Themed around traditionally circular African houses with conical roofs and decorated with examples of Africa's rich tapestry of artistic traditions by way of rich woodcarvings and sculptures, the lodge harmonizes perfectly with its dramatic surroundings. But the drama does not just stop with the great outdoors: it also flows through the split-level interiors of the main building which all offer an unsurpassed generosity of space while somehow managing to combine an almost magically welcoming ambience of both warmth and coziness.



FOUR SEASONS SAFARI LODGE, SERENGETI

Nestled in the Central Serengeti for the best wildlife observation, Four Seasons Safari Lodge Serengeti ensures your peace of mind with strategic fencing and an expert security team of local Maasai who are familiar with life in the Serengeti. Elevated wooden walkways keep you safely above the animals while providing a superior viewing perspective. Highlights include being able to take a dip in their infinity pool while watching over the watering hole where local wildlife frequent! All Horizon rooms are well appointed. This is luxury at its best while on Safari.



MARA SAFARI CAMP, MAASAI MARA

You'll enjoy a luxury tented camp, the Mara Safari Club, located right where the Mara River bends, and affording a spectacular view. The camp is the epitome of luxury in the wild, and is superbly furnished to the highest possible standard with well-appointed canvas tents, each with its own bathroom with hot and cold running water and amenities such as shampoo, body lotion, shower gel, and thick plush bath towels. Each morning a buffet feast is prepared over blazing coals—you'll savor mountains of bacon, eggs the way you like them, fresh milk, hot baked croissants, exotic fruits and freshly-brewed Kenyan coffee.



CATEGORY

DOUBLE OCCUPANCY SAFARI SPACE

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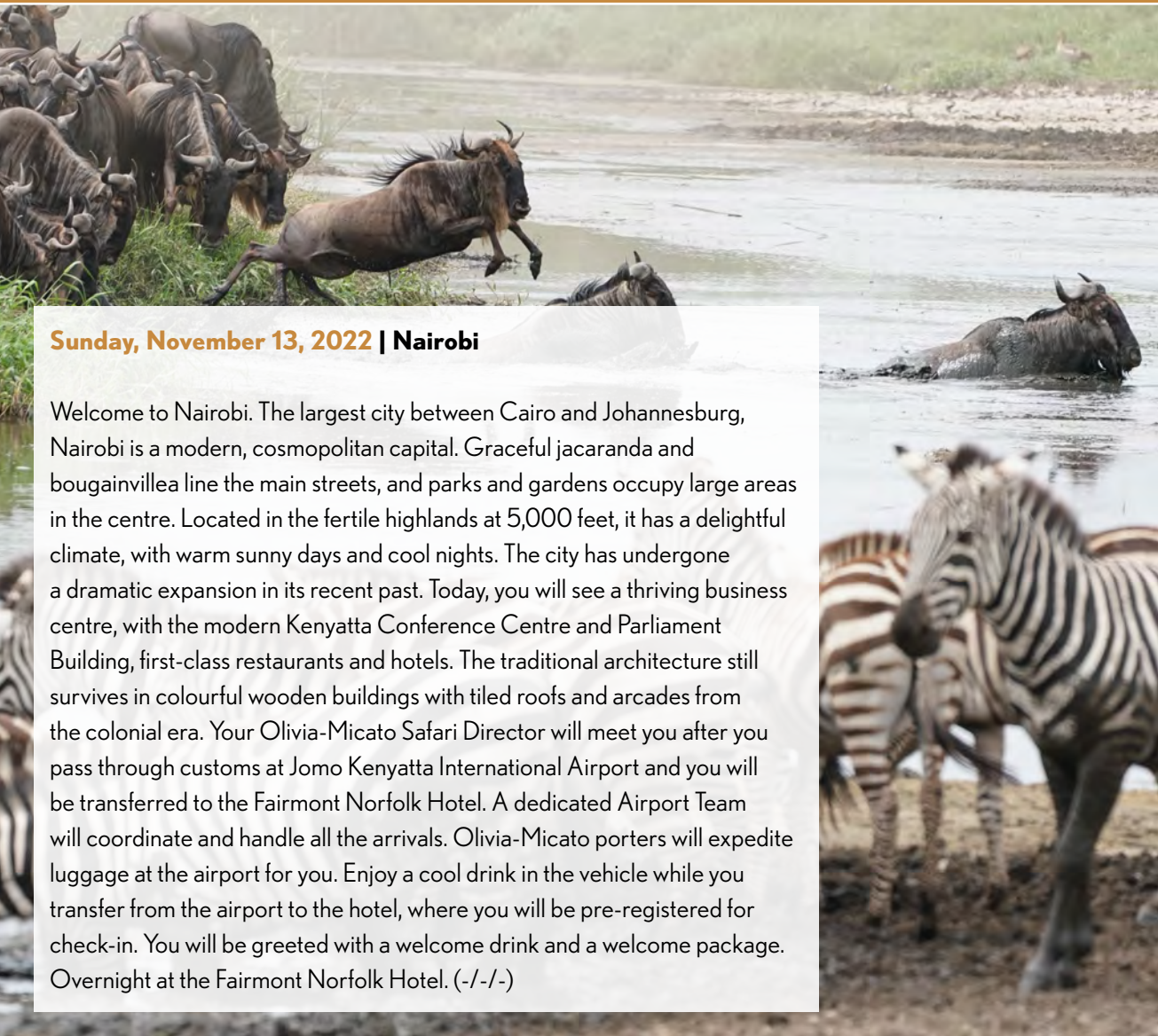
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Sunday, November 13, 2022 | Nairobi

Welcome to Nairobi. The largest city between Cairo and Johannesburg, Nairobi is a modern, cosmopolitan capital. Graceful jacaranda and bougainvillea line the main streets, and parks and gardens occupy large areas in the centre. Located in the fertile highlands at 5,000 feet, it has a delightful climate, with warm sunny days and cool nights. The city has undergone a dramatic expansion in its recent past. Today, you will see a thriving business centre, with the modern Kenyatta Conference Centre and Parliament Building, first-class restaurants and hotels. The traditional architecture still survives in colourful wooden buildings with tiled roofs and arcades from the colonial era. Your Olivia-Micato Safari Director will meet you after you pass through customs at Jomo Kenyatta International Airport and you will be transferred to the Fairmont Norfolk Hotel. A dedicated Airport Team will coordinate and handle all the arrivals. Olivia-Micato porters will expedite luggage at the airport for you. Enjoy a cool drink in the vehicle while you transfer from the airport to the hotel, where you will be pre-registered for check-in. You will be greeted with a welcome drink and a welcome package. Overnight at the Fairmont Norfolk Hotel. (-/-/-)





Monday, November 14, 2022 | Nairobi

After an early morning breakfast at your hotel, your Olivia Staff and Olivia-Micato Safari Director will give you a Safari Briefing where you will have a chance to ask all the questions you have about your upcoming safari. You will also be properly welcomed with an authentic safari hat and a hand-carved animal necklace. (B/L/D)

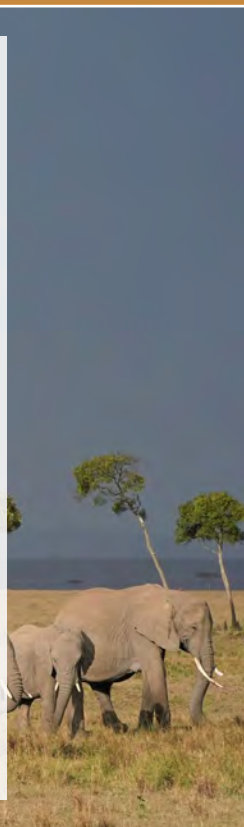
Visit to Giraffe Centre: The Giraffe Centre, resting within 120 acres of primeval forest, is only eight miles from Nairobi. It is home to the African Fund for Endangered Wildlife (AFEW), devoted to the preservation of endangered Rothschild giraffe. The centre raises and relocates the giraffes to the wild. In addition to a multitude of other good works, AFEW brings thousands of African school children, many of whom would otherwise never see a wild animal, to the centre for educational programming. You will have the rare treat of hand-feeding these gentle giants while facing them eye-to-eye from an elevated viewing platform.

Visit the Dame Daphne Sheldrick Elephant Orphanage: Featured on *Oprah* a few years ago, it was established by Dame Daphne Sheldrick adjacent to her home on the edge of Nairobi National Park. An engaging world-class conservation figure, her late husband was the first Game Warden of Tsavo National Park and in his memory, she initiated a memorial foundation and animal orphanage. Mrs. Sheldrick is the premier authority on the successful raising of milk-dependent infant elephant and rhino orphans, and their re-releasing into the wild. Out visit will coincide with the animals' 11 am feeding.

Lunch and Shopping: Enjoy lunch and optional shopping in the Karen area of Nairobi. We will visit two different shops – one for a little bit of everything from carvings, belts, beads, paintings, t-shirts and so much more, and the other an African bead shop where you can meet the local women and see them making the beads. We return in the late afternoon for free time. Dinner and overnight at the Fairmont Norfolk Hotel.

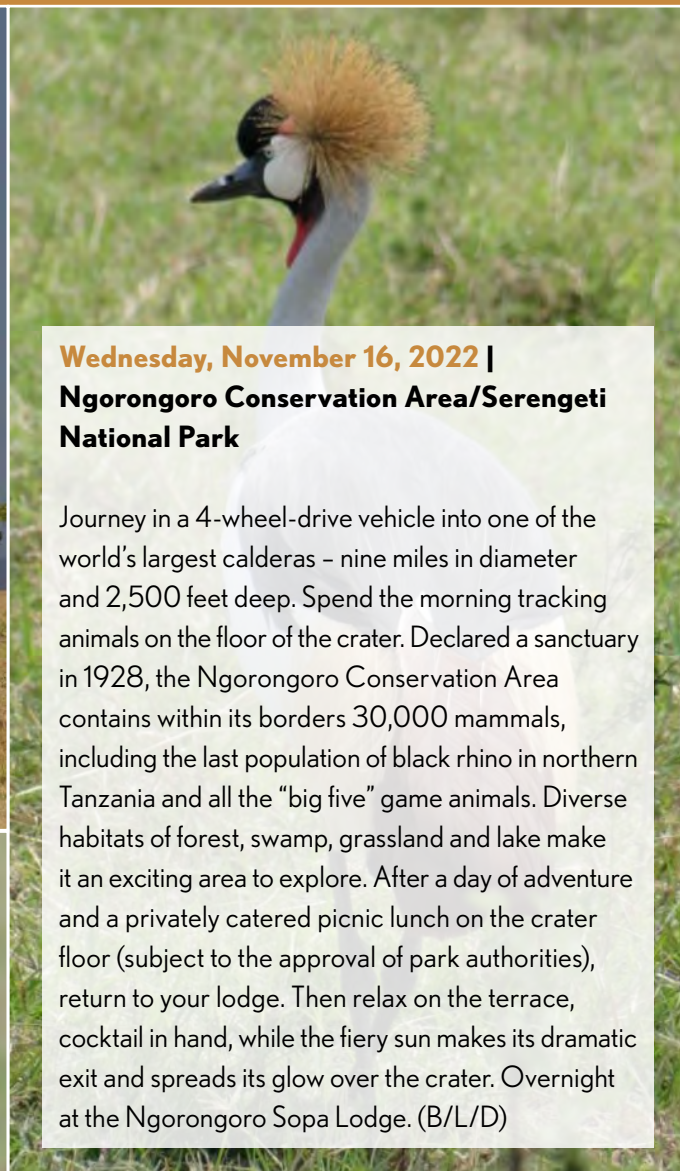
Tuesday, November 15, 2022 | Nairobi/Ngorongoro Conservation Area

After an early breakfast, you're off on safari! A flight will take you to Kilimanjaro Airport in northern Tanzania. After clearing immigration formalities, you will continue with a charter flight to the airstrip at Lake Manyara. Enjoy lunch at the Lake Manyara Serena Lodge before driving two hours to the Ngorongoro Conservation Area. Your lodge sits facing the always magnificent sunsets to the west. Located at the highest point on Ngorongoro crater's entire rim at 7,500 feet altitude, Ngorongoro Sopa Lodge stands above the crater floor and offers unparalleled views and sometimes rainbows across this enormous caldera. Themed around traditionally circular African houses with conical roofs and decorated with examples of Africa's rich tapestry of artistic traditions by way of rich woodcarvings and sculptures, the lodge harmonizes perfectly with its dramatic surroundings. But the drama does not just stop with the great outdoors: it also flows through the split-level interiors of the main building which all offer an unsurpassed generosity of space while somehow managing to combine an almost magically welcoming ambience of both warmth and coziness. Don't be surprised if you see rainbows over the crater as we always do! Dinner and overnight at the Ngorongoro Sopa Lodge. (B/L/D)



Wednesday, November 16, 2022 | Ngorongoro Conservation Area/Serengeti National Park

Journey in a 4-wheel-drive vehicle into one of the world's largest calderas - nine miles in diameter and 2,500 feet deep. Spend the morning tracking animals on the floor of the crater. Declared a sanctuary in 1928, the Ngorongoro Conservation Area contains within its borders 30,000 mammals, including the last population of black rhino in northern Tanzania and all the "big five" game animals. Diverse habitats of forest, swamp, grassland and lake make it an exciting area to explore. After a day of adventure and a privately catered picnic lunch on the crater floor (subject to the approval of park authorities), return to your lodge. Then relax on the terrace, cocktail in hand, while the fiery sun makes its dramatic exit and spreads its glow over the crater. Overnight at the Ngorongoro Sopa Lodge. (B/L/D)





Thursday, November 17, 2022 | Ngorongoro Conservation Area/Serengeti National Park

After breakfast, drive to Serengeti National Park. Stop en route to visit Olduvai Gorge, where for more than 50 years the Leakey family has been uncovering fossils of humans and animals, including the fossil of *Homo habilis* (handy man), the first tool user, thought to have lived 1.75 million years ago. The area has yielded abundant specimens dating back at least two million years, including the remains of prehistoric elephants, giant horned sheep and enormous ostriches. With its vast rolling plains, flat-topped acacias and huge herds of animals, the Serengeti is just what you expect Africa to be. It is an amazing wildlife spectacle, with herds of wildebeest, zebra and gazelle covering the plains from horizon to horizon. The Serengeti is the first, largest and most famous of Tanzania's national parks. An estimated three million large animals inhabit 5,700 square miles, an area the size of Connecticut. Stop for a picnic lunch, and then continue on your game drive. Here, most ostrich and Grant's gazelle are semi-migratory. Topi, hartebeest, impala and African buffalo are resident woodland creatures. Giraffe browse alone or in small groups wherever they find trees and shrubs. Bohor reedbuck and waterbuck restrict themselves to the dense vegetation near watercourses. We may even see the end of the wildebeest migration. You'll arrive at the Four Seasons Safari Lodge Serengeti in the late afternoon. Nestled in the Central Serengeti for the best wildlife observation, Four Seasons Safari Lodge Serengeti ensures your peace of mind with strategic fencing and an expert security team of local Maasai who are familiar with life in the Serengeti. Elevated wooden walkways keep you safely above the animals while providing a superior viewing perspective. Highlights include being able to take a dip in their infinity pool while watching over the watering hole where local wildlife frequent! All Horizon rooms are well appointed. This is luxury at its best while on Safari. Dinner and overnight at the Four Seasons Lodge. (B/L/D)

Friday, November 18, 2022 | Serengeti National Park

On morning and afternoon game drives, explore the vast Serengeti in depth. The open woodland and plains are ideal places to observe large predators. Lions are plentiful, and spotted hyenas even more so. Golden jackals and bat-eared foxes are the most abundant canine species. Cheetahs are regularly sighted pacing the plains, and at dusk or dawn you stand the best chance of seeing nocturnal felines such as civet, serval, genet and African wildcat. The wealth and diversity of birds is just as staggering as the mammal population. Ostriches, secretary birds and bustards wander the plains; vultures and eagles are abundant; and the sunbirds, king fishers and bee-eaters are well-represented. Perhaps the most distinctive small bird is the lilac-breasted roller, an exquisitely coloured creature often seen perched on trees along the roadside. All meals and overnight at the Four Seasons Lodge. (B/L/D)

Saturday, November 19, 2022 | Serengeti National Park/Maasai Mara

Following breakfast this morning, transfer to the airstrip for your private charter flight to the Maasai Mara, via a stop in Kisumu for customs and immigration formalities. Continue to the Maasai Mara. (Please note we may have to switch planes in Kisumu). Arrive in the early afternoon and transfer to your tented camp. This is the Africa of your imagination, where panoramas are vast. It is a country of rolling grasslands, dense thickets of scrub, groves of acacia woodland, and even luxuriant forest, which grows along the Mara River and its tributaries. The Maasai Mara is considered the finest game sanctuary in the country, home to an astonishing number and variety of animals. According to the season, hundreds of thousands of migratory wildebeest, gazelle and zebra move back and forth between the Mara, the plains and the woodlands to the south. You will have a short game drive en route to the Mara Safari Club, a luxury tented camp. Each tent is complete with a private bathroom and shower and all tents face the Mara River. After lunch and some free time, you will have an afternoon game drive. Dinner and overnight at the Mara Safari Club. (B/L/D)





Sunday, November 20, 2022 | Maasai Mara

The brilliant orange sun is up at 6 am, and so are you. As soon as you are ready, it's off into the bush. The dew is fast disappearing and the predators are on the prowl. Your driver sets off in pursuit of the great herds. This is true big game country, where prides of more than twenty lions, including the majestic black-maned male, are not uncommon. Other inhabitants of the Mara include elephant, giraffe, buffalo, cheetah, leopard, hyena, topi, gazelle and black rhino, and hippos can be found along the Mara River. This morning there is an optional hot air balloon excursion available. Prices as of 2021. Price may change for 2022.

Optional Hot Air Balloon Safari (participation limited): cost \$500

For the adventurous, a wonderful option is available today: You leave camp before dawn – the sky is clear, the air is brisk, and the conditions are perfect. As the sun rises over the Mara plain, your balloons lift off one after the other, and the scene takes on a party air as these bright splashes of colour rise into the blue. Watch as a stunning panorama unfolds below you, and the balloon's basket becomes your lookout post for a bird's-eye view of the beauty of Africa. Float silently just a few hundred feet above herds of wild animals. Gazelle and impala watch curiously with their tails flagging – a warning to others that you are approaching. A pride of lions stalks an unsuspecting herd of wildebeest. Giraffes poke their heads out of the forest where they have been nibbling tender leaves. The tranquillity of the experience is interrupted only by the occasional “whoosh” of the air heaters. You will go aloft with one of Africa's finest ballooning companies. Baskets of 12 – 18 and 20 seats are available. Their excellent professional pilots and ground crews assure your safety and pleasure both during the flight and at a celebratory champagne breakfast upon touch down in the middle of the bush. Return to the camp for lunch and a midday rest.

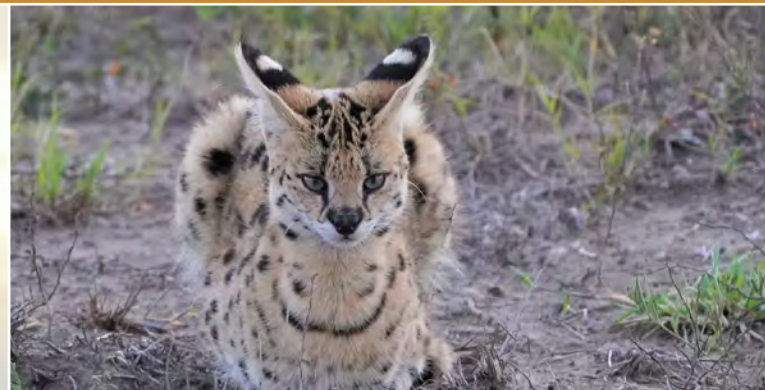
This afternoon we visit a Maasai Village with a game drive on our way back to camp. Dinner and overnight at the Mara Safari Club. B/L/D

Monday, November 21, 2022 | Maasai Mara

Today you have a choice of a morning game drive or an optional Hot Air Balloon* excursion. Return to Governor's Camp for lunch and enjoy a leisurely afternoon watching the hippos along the river, reading or napping. This afternoon enjoy your final game drive of the week! On your final evening on safari, savour the romance of the African plains during a special last night "Sun-Downers" on the Maasai Mara plains at sunset.

Sundowners: A private, safe and secluded area on the Maasai Mara game reserve is set up for farewell Sundowners. As the sun swiftly sinks over the plains, we toast and share highlights of a memorable week together. Overnight at Mara Safari Club. (B/L/D)

**Day of Hot Air Balloon option is subject to change.*



Tuesday, November 22, 2022 | Maasai Mara/Nairobi

After breakfast enjoy a short morning game drive on the way to the air strip where you board your flight to Nairobi crossing the Great Rift Valley. You will be met at Wilson Airport in Nairobi and have the opportunity for an *optional visit to a few projects sponsored by AmericaShare. You are then transferred to the Fairmont Norfolk Hotel for lunch where a private dayroom has been reserved for you. (Dayrooms are included and available from 12 pm to 6 pm). Your luggage will be in your rooms with plenty of time to shower and repack before dinner and your evening flights home. Should guests have flights that depart the following day and wish to stay in rooms later than 6 pm, a special price to turn the day room to an overnight room is available. *Those opting not to go to the AmericaShare projects will be transferred directly to the hotel. Rooms may not be ready to occupy until 2 pm.

AmericaShare Visit: As part of Olivia's Safari, you have an opportunity to connect personally with the people of an AmericaShare project and see first-hand how lives are changing. AmericaShare is the non-profit arm of Micato Safaris. Your excursion will take you to visit the community centre, Harambee House, an oasis in the heart of the Mukuru slum. You can hear about the lives of the young people as well as laugh, play, and share photos and stories. Every interaction seems to bring a smile to the faces of the kids and to the Olivia travelers who visit them. Each guest is invited to take part in this visit, and many mark it as the highlight of their trip. Olivia will once again provide you with the opportunity to make a difference in the lives of the places we visit. Perhaps you will even be motivated to sponsor a child for boarding school for a year.

After dinner at the hotel, you will be transferred to the airport for your flight home.
(B/L/D)





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PRICING DOES NOT INCLUDE NDAs (TAXES, PARK FEES, & GRATUITIES): \$499 PP

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ACTIVITY LEVEL

These trips do require a certain level of mobility, including longer walks to accommodations, stairs and some uphill terrain to reach rooms/platform tents and staging areas for vehicles and airplanes, walking on rocky, and sometimes uneven terrain, and the ability to get in and out of vehicles that require big steps. We regret that wheelchairs cannot be accommodated on this terrain. All guests must be ambulatory and able to walk up and down stairs, walk long distances from ¼ mile and up to 1 mile without assistance. If you do have limited mobility that requires assistance, you are required to travel with someone who can assist you. Please contact us with any questions.

FLIGHTS/VACATION STRETCHERS

All flights should arrive at any time on November 13, 2022 into **Jomo Kenyatta International Airport (NBO)** and depart **NBO** after 10 pm on November 22, 2022. We are offering optional 1-, 2-, and 3-night pre- hotel packages that include a VIP meet-and-greet for those who wish to come in early, rest, and enjoy the hotel facilities before the big adventure. Please note, if you book a pre- or post-hotel night on your own, and not through Olivia directly, the airport transfer is not included.

AIRFARE

Please check our airline discounts page for the latest discounts available approximately 11 months prior to the trip:

<https://www.olivia.com/airfare-specials>



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