

# The Best of Kenya

## 11 days Kenya adventure

Experience the best that Kenya has to offer on this definitive tour featuring dramatic scenery, great wildlife encounters and classic safari lodges.

If you only go to Kenya once, pick this tour that takes in the drama of the Masai Mara, the beauty of Lake Elementaita and the splendour of Mount Kenya. You will meet the Big Five in Sweetwaters Game Sanctuary and have the chance of floating serenely over the Masai Mara in a hot air balloon.

The luxury eco-friendly accommodation ranges from a forest lodge in the lush woods of Mount Kenya to a deluxe tent beside a desert oasis.



## Nairobi | Ol Pejeta Conservancy | Samburu | Mount Kenya | Lake Elementaita | Masai Mara

### Day 1 - Nairobi

Meet & Greet on arrival then transfer to the nearby Eka Hotel to prepare for your adventure.

[Eka Hotel - B](#)

### Day 2 - Ol Pejeta Conservancy

Your driver/guide will meet you and take you on a leisurely 4 hour drive to Sweetwaters Game Sanctuary. There is a charming blend of under-canvas ambiance and safari luxury around the water hole within the pristine calm of the private Ol Pejeta Conservancy.

Ol Pejeta has the highest wildlife concentration of Kenya's national parks, making it perfect for intimate game-viewing. The chance of seeing the Big Five on your afternoon game drive tops off an exciting first day on safari.

[Sweetwaters Tented Camp - LD](#)

### Days 3-4 Samburu National Reserve

An early breakfast is followed by a game drive enroute to Samburu National Reserve. Two stunning mountains, Koitogor and Ololokwe, form a perfect backdrop as you enter the reserve. Large herds of elephant, big cats, giraffes, buffalo and long-knecked gerenuk are on today's safari "to see" list.

In the afternoon you arrive at Samburu Lodge. The Lodge, inspired by the architecture of the indigenous Samburu tribe, blends into its natural environment and the rooms each have private verandas that overlook the languid river. Keep an eye out for the crocodiles that make these waters their home. The game drives are fantastic in this wildlife rich reserve.

[Samburu Lodge 2 nts - BLD](#)

### Day 5 Mount Kenya

This morning Kenya's highest mountain awaits you. The magnificent UNESCO Natural World Heritage site, Mount Kenya, looms above the plains at a height of almost 5,200 metres. Formed some three and a half million years ago it is considered sacred by the Kikuyu people, who believe it is the abode of their god Ngai.

The day could be spent gazing at the incredible views, however there is a diversity of activities such as guided forest walks, trips up to the moorland zone of the mountain and trout fishing available for you.

Located on the mountain slopes at 2,134 metres above sea level is the Serena Mountain Lodge. Cool and tranquil it is an ideal place for game viewing, especially from the open-air viewing-deck overlooking a water hole, or from the "hide" which offers unique game viewing and photographic opportunities.

[Serena Mountain Lodge - BLD](#)

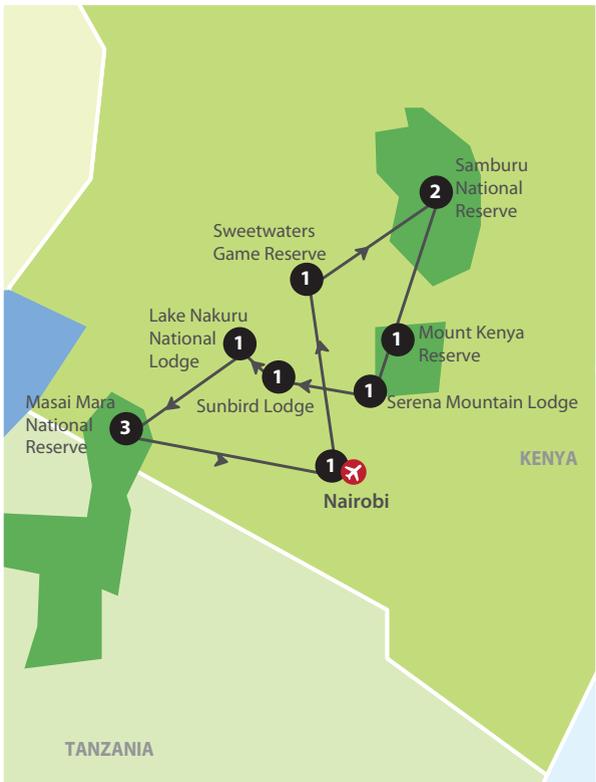
### Day 6 Lake Elementaita

Lake Elementaita is one of the famous soda ash lakes of the Great Rift Valley, home to amazing flocks of flamingos and over 400 species of birds. This perfectly formed lake is also a great place just to relax for a while.

Tonight we stay at the eco-friendly yet luxurious Sunbird Lodge which occupies a stunning setting beside the ethereal beauty of the lake. Dinner is beside an open fire overlooking the lake. .

[Sunbird Lodge - BLD](#)





**Day 7 Lake Nakuru National Park**

Today is a full day's game drive to Lake Nakuru National Park. The lake contains an abundance of algae, which is flamingos' favourite food and contributes to their colouring. Sometimes it is possible to see over a million bright pink flamingos gathered here - truly one of the greatest bird spectacles on Earth.

The area around Lake Nakuru Park accommodates a rhino sanctuary making it one of the largest concentrations of these animals in the country. Other species commonly found in this beautiful park include waterbuck, Rothschild's giraffe and giant python, with lions and leopards making the occasional appearance.  
*Sunbird Lodge - BLD*

**Days 8 - 10 Masai Mara**

Your Kenyan adventure continues as you proceed on a game drive transfer to the stunning Mara Simba Lodge in the world-renowned Masai Mara National Reserve.

The lodge features rooms with private balconies that provide uninterrupted views of the surrounding savannah and the pods of hippos in the river.

In the lodge's Masai inspired dining room you will be served traditional Kenyan dishes such as Nyama Choma, a spread of roasted meats, and sample a selection of wines and local beers.

The Masai Mara is the setting for the awe inspiring annual wildebeest migration, described as 'the greatest wildlife show on earth'.

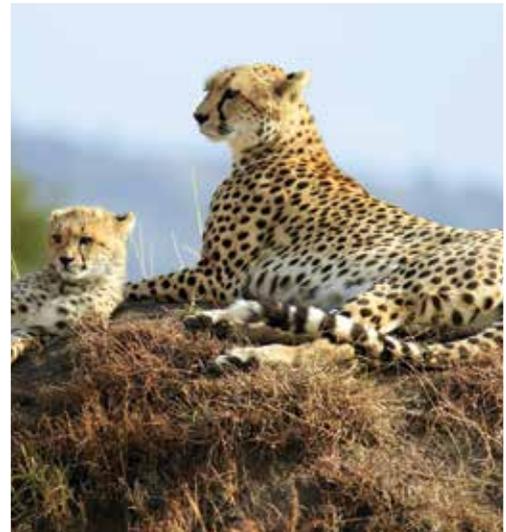
It is best viewed in the Masai Mara between July and October however any time of year in the Masai Mara is a safari extravaganza.

The diversity of the Masai Mara scenery, with its meandering rivers, towering escarpments and rolling grasslands, provides the perfect habitat for the abundance of game, including the Big Five - lion, leopard, buffalo, elephant and black rhino. During your stay there will also be the opportunity to take a hot air balloon ride over the Masai Mara plains (additional cost).  
*Mara Simba Lodge 3 nts - BLD*

**Day 11 Nairobi**

Your transfer out of the Masai Mara on the way to Nairobi is a game drive in itself - a fantastic way to finish an amazing safari!

*NB: You can be transferred to the airport for your onward flight or to a hotel in Nairobi which can be booked (additional cost) in conjunction with this tour.*



**11 days including**

- 1 night at Eka Hotel with breakfast
- Accommodation with breakfast, lunch and dinner at the following camps/lodges:
  - Sweetwaters Tented Camp 1 night
  - Samburu Lodge 2 nights,
  - Serena Mountain Lodge 1 night
  - Sunbird Lodge 2 nights,
  - Mara Simba Lodge 3 nights
- Park entrance fees, Game drives and sightseeing in a safari minibus,
- Professional English-speaking guide, Government taxes and levies
- All transportation as per itinerary

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