

*An Uncharted Outposts*

# KENYA SAFARI



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## SAFARI ITINERARY

<b>MONDAY 8</b>	Arrive Nairobi Vehicle Transfer 1 overnight	Jomo Kenyatta Int'l Airport; met upon arrival Jomo Kenyatta Int'l Airport to Serena Hotel SERENA HOTEL ( <i>Bed &amp; Breakfast</i> ) <i>Nairobi, Kenya</i>
<b>TUESDAY 9</b>	Vehicle Transfer Scheduled Flight Vehicle Transfer	Serena Hotel to Wilson Airport Wilson Airport to Mara Airstrip; met upon arrival Mara Airstrip to Olseki Camp
<b>TUE-SAT 9-13</b>	5 overnights	OLSEKI CAMP ( <i>Full Board &amp; Activities</i> ) <i>Digital Photography Workshop</i> <i>Masai Mara Game Reserve, Kenya</i>
<b>SUNDAY 14</b>	Vehicle Transfer Scheduled Flight Vehicle Transfer	Olseki Camp to Mara Airstrip Mara Airstrip to Lewa Airstrip; met upon arrival Lewa Airstrip to Wilderness Trails
<b>SUN-TUE 14-16</b>	3 overnights	WILDERNESS TRAILS ( <i>Full Board &amp; Activities</i> ) <i>Lewa Downs Conservancy, Kenya</i>
<b>WEDNESDAY 17</b>	Vehicle Transfer Scheduled Flight Driver/Guide half day disposal Dayroom Accomodations Vehicle Transfer Depart Nairobi	Wilderness Trails to Lewa Airstrip Lewa Airstrip to Wilson Airport; met upon arrival Wilson Airport to Fairview Hotel FAIRVIEW HOTEL ( <i>Meals Direct</i> ) Wilson Airport to Jomo Kenyatta Int'l Airport Jomo Kenyatta Int'l Airport (tbd)

## SERENA HOTEL



{luxury rooms}

*Amidst the bustle of one of Africa's most dynamic cities there is a sanctuary offering peaceful respite ... the Nairobi Serena Hotel.*

### LOCATION

Standing among verdant gardens, it is considered Nairobi's finest hotel. With consummate standards of modern hospitality, it is the flagship of Serena Hotels and a member of Leading Hotels of the World. Nairobi Serena is also close to the city center, cinema, theater, cabaret, nightclubs, casinos, historical museums, cultural centres and art galleries. For a change of pace, guests can explore attractions beyond the grounds of the hotel.

### ACCOMMODATIONS

Interiors inspired by Pan African design themes reach their fullest expression in the intricate timberwork that accentuates the guest rooms. Within these luxurious surroundings are found the most modern amenities. Mandhari is one of Kenya's finest restaurants where sophisticated international cuisine is offered amidst elegant surroundings. The Bambara Lounge, designed with hand carved West African motifs, is a quiet retreat exclusively for the use of hotel guests. The curved pool-side bar at Nairobi Serena is the ideal place to enjoy the beautifully landscaped gardens of the hotel while relaxing with a drink after a dip in the magnificent stretch swimming pool.

### ACTIVITIES

Golfers can pursue their passion a few minutes away at the Royal Nairobi Golf Club. Tee times may be easily arranged through the hotel's concierge. The pleasures of the Maisha Health Club, whose name is from the Swahili word for "life" could be reason alone to visit Nairobi Serena Hotel. After a workout in the Nautilus gym or an aerobics class, a guest might indulge in an aromatic oil massage, take a dip in the Jacuzzi or relax in the steam room or sauna. Specially prepared juices are available from the refreshment bar. Beauty treatments take place at the Club or in the privacy of one's own room. Bask in the sun beside the spectacular outdoor swimming pool - it is the perfect place to relax and unwind. The Poolside bar dispenses tropical refreshments all day.

# OLSEKI



*{safari chic}*

*“Olseki - Cordia monica - the sandpaper tree and a Maasai symbol of peace. The Maasai in particular, have many uses of the Olseki tree - edible fruit, useful timber for bows and special walking sticks used only by the elders during significant rites of passage.”*

## LOCATION

Set on a wonderful rocky promontory, overlooking the Ol Sabukioi River north of the Maasai Mara Game Reserve, our luxury seasonal Ol Seki Mara Camp enjoys panoramic views in an area teeming with game but not tourists. The eastern sector of Koiyaki is adjacent to the Mara, and provides an opportunity to enjoy wildlife viewing, in an area not frequented by the masses. Romantic candle lit dinners, special dining for honeymooners, a resident masseuse and your own experienced camp crew will make your stay truly memorable - a delight for all senses!

## ACCOMMODATIONS

The six spacious tents each with a double and a single bed, and two extra double tents have panoramic views and are complemented by the comfortable library tent and separate mess/dining room. This oasis of beautifully designed safari tents is nestled amongst *Cordia* and *Acacia* tree and the area attracts an abundance of wildlife and many species of birds. With all the amenities of a permanent tented camp, crisp linen, thoughtfully designed solar lighting, flush loos, and en suite hot showers, we've kept the ambience of the traditional mobile safari camp, in this tranquil and private setting.

## ACTIVITIES

Landrovers/Landcruisers equipped with roof hatches for game viewing and excellent driver/guides. Bush picnics and sundowners. Nearby opportunities to walk with experienced Maasai guides and visit local villages. Optional extras include the chance to do a balloon safari or a day fishing visit to Lake Victoria.

## WILDERNESS TRAILS



*{rustic chic}*

*Lewa Downs is one of very few private ranches in the world where you can see such a remarkable variety of wildlife and their interaction with each other in a natural habitat.*

### AMAZING HOSTS

One of Kenya's early ranches, Lewa Downs, has been home to the Craig family since they moved from Scotland and began raising cattle in 1924. The Craig and Douglas family first came to Lewa Downs in 1922, and managed it as a cattle ranch for over 50 years. Unlike many other ranchers in the area, they had always valued the wildlife that shared the land with the cattle, and developed wildlife tourism as an additional activity.

### ACCOMMODATIONS

There are five comfortable thatched roof cottages, containing spacious suites with private bath. Each has a central living room with fireplace, as well as a verandah – ideal for afternoon naps, reading, or conversation. Guests can relax by the fire in Will and Emma's cosy sitting room and share meals around a long banquet table in the open-air dining room.

### ACTIVITIES

To see and photograph the animals you may go on walks, horseback or camel expeditions, or day and night game drives in custom open-top vehicles. The experienced guides know all the best areas for spotting game and enjoy sharing their knowledge with guests. The horses are well trained and patient, so even novice riders may experience close encounters with the wildlife. Sometimes you can almost touch the giraffe!

# FAIRVIEW HOTEL



*{luxury hotel}*

*“The Fairview is that rare bird in Africa - a comfortable hotel that hasn’t decked itself out in feathers of upmarket gloss and tasteless luxury. The hotel’s leafy acres and scattered buildings are laid out on Nairobi Hill, a world away from the overheated bustle . . .” Elle Magazine*

## AMAZING HOSTS

Since 1948, the Fairview has been owned and managed by the Szlapak family, assisted in the last nine years by Mark Abbema, husband to Eliana Szlapak, herself the executive housekeeper. Last December, the Fairview was delighted to welcome back Daniel Szlapak, son of Charles, the current Managing Director, and grandson of the original owner. Born and brought up in Kenya, Daniel finished his education in the US before joining the investment bank J P Morgan in New York, where he stayed for three years. Since then, Daniel has spent a couple of years in management at the Fairview before working for a software company in California and completing his MBA at the Kellogg Graduate School of Management in Chicago.

## ACCOMMODATIONS

When The Fairview was acquired by the Szlapak family in 1946, the hotel had only 40 rooms. Since then, the hotel has grown to just over 108 rooms. As a result, the hotel offers a wide range of room alternatives. The Basic Singles are smaller than the other single room alternatives. The Standard Singles have two beds but the charge is for one person. The superior singles are more expensive than the standard single rooms since they are newer and are more spacious. The deluxe single rooms were constructed or remodeled in 1999 and offer a five star experience. All rooms are extremely spacious with large desks, tremendously large bathrooms (both a shower and a bath), and three telephones.

## ACTIVITIES

There are a variety of places to visit and things to do in the immediate area including a visit to the Karen Blixen House and Museum. Nairobi has an incredible variety of places to shop, whether it is local arts and crafts or sculptures and African fabrics. The hotel’s main restaurant which overlooks a beautiful courtyard of tropical gardens. Breakfast (which is included in the rate) is served here. Try the Barbecue served every Tuesday and Friday during the lunch-hour. The seafood bonanza on Saturday evenings is also very popular.

REGIONAL SAFARI INFORMATION

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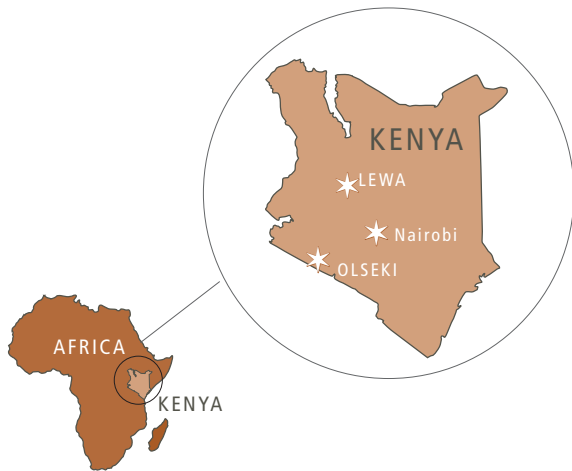
Kenya is located on the East Coast of Africa, astride the equator. It is truly a land of contrasts; comprising arid desert, rich savanna land, mountains, large lakes and dense forests. The coastal area along the shores of the Indian Ocean has tranquil beaches, turquoise waters and a wealth of history established by early Arab and Portuguese traders.

WEATHER

Because Kenya is located on the equator, there are no extremes in the seasonal temperatures and there is little humidity. The elevation of Nairobi is 5,500 feet with the most of your safari conducted at elevations of 4,500 feet or higher. The nights are cool, averaging 50 to 60°F, with highs ranging from 70 to 90°F. The rainy season is from April to May, with some short rains in November. The coolest months are July-August, and the warmest months are late December to mid-March. The coast is warm and often humid, with a steady breeze.

PEOPLE

There are more than 40 tribes in Kenya, the most distinct being the Masai and Samburu. These tribes are still found in rural areas, dressed in their non-traditional style, living a relatively nomadic life, tending herds of cattle. It is interesting to note that these people have been integrated into a developing industrial nation without having to relinquish tribal customs and values.



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REGIONAL INFORMATION

SEASON TO TRAVEL	Dec-Mar, July-Oct
WILDLIFE RATING	*****
TIME DIFFERENCE	GMT+3 hrs
CURRENCY	Kenya Shilling
LANGUAGE	English, Kiswahili
POPULATION	29,000,000
AREA	362,000 sq. mi
CAPITAL	Nairobi
VISAS	Required for US passport
VACCINATIONS	polio, tetanus, malaria prophalactic
TRAVEL INSURANCE	recommended
TIPS/COMMENTS	a country of vast diversity, easy to combine safari and coastal vacation



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## SAFARI ARRANGEMENTS

*an Uncharted Outposts custom designed itinerary*

### INCLUDED

- All accommodations
- All meals while at Olseki Camp and Wilderness Trails
- Breakfast while at Serena Hotel
- All government and hotel taxes and service charges
- All private charter flights & scheduled flights within Kenya
- All park, reserve, and conservation area entrance fees
- All game-viewing activities, guided walks, and 4x4 vehicle game drives
- All vehicle transfers to/from camps, lodges, airports, airstrip, hotels, etc.
- AMREF Flying Doctors Coverage for Kenya

### NOT INCLUDED

- Gratuities to drivers/guides and staff (approximately \$10 per person traveling per day.)
- Some alcoholic beverages (premium exports)
- Pre-trip inoculations
- International Flights
- Travel Insurance
- Kenya Visa (\$95 per person)

### RATES

Please note that prices are based on 2006 and current exchange rates. Rates are subject to change due to currency fluctuations and will be re-confirmed at time of full payment. Please note that the scheduled flights are based on current rates and routings, and are subject to change. We reserve the right to alter any published rates by giving notice in writing.

### PLEASE NOTE

All private charter flights are subject to weight limits that cannot be exceeded for safety reasons. If these weight limits are exceeded then the travelers will be held responsible for the extra costs incurred to upgrade the charter flight. Sometimes these flights cannot be upgraded due to the availability of larger aircraft - this could result in a delay in travel time and present problems for travelers. Your luggage weight should not exceed 33 lbs. per traveler. In the event of bad weather prevailing, it may be necessary to upgrade to a twin-engine plane, which is approved for instrument flight conditions. If this occurs, the extra cost of the twin-engine plane will be your responsibility.

### CANCELLATION POLICY

A \$1,000 deposit per person is required to confirm this itinerary. Balance of payment is due 60 days prior to departure. Cancellations received are subject to the following forfeiture of trip cost: 61+ days prior to departure - full forfeiture of deposit. 30-60 days - 50% of total trip cost is forfeited. 0-30 days - 100% total trip cost is forfeited.

\*\*We REQUIRE all persons traveling with Uncharted Outposts to purchase trip cancellation/insurance; all trip cancellations will forfeit deposit and within 60-days of travel will incur full cancellation penalties. Please see next page for full travel insurance details/coverage.

# TRAVEL INSURANCE

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*Please note: The following quote does not include coverage for international flight arrangements; should you be interested in complete coverage, we can amend the quote to reflect international airfare.*

Access America, Classic Coverage: Coverage up to \$6,000 per person

Age bracket between 0-30yrs: .....\$222 per person

Age bracket between 31-59yrs: .....\$255 per person

Age bracket between 60-70yrs: .....\$351 per person

*\*(Please note a \$5.00 policy fee is included within your Total Insurance Premium)*

*Please note: Travel Insurance must be purchased within 14 days of trip deposit to Cover cancellation due to pre-existing conditions. This PRE-EXISTING CONDITION PERIOD also covers relatives/partners/friends traveling with you.*

## REASONS FOR PURCHASING TRAVEL INSURANCE

*The terrorism attacks on September 11th, 2001, signaled a redefining moment for U.S. travelers. In response to the unprecedented logistical and psychological impact of these and recent events, travel insurers have revised their policies concerning travel.*

Unlike most elements of vacation planning, travel insurance isn't alluring, exciting, or even remotely interesting, which might be why so many travelers don't even consider it when planning their trips. When it comes to protecting your vacation investment and, sometimes, even your well-being, nothing is more important than travel insurance. Traveling to Africa is expensive and it is an "investment" that should be protected for the following reasons:

- To protect your family
- To protect your health and belongings.
- To have assistance anytime and anywhere.
- To achieve greater peace of mind.
  
- Trip Cancellation: Perhaps the most important coverage of all, trip-cancellation insurance will reimburse the cost of your trip if you're forced to cancel your plans for any of a number of covered reasons. These include your falling ill, death or illness of a family member.
  
- Trip Interruption: By purchasing trip interruption insurance, you will be protected from unexpected events that results in delays or premature end to your vacation.
  
- Medical Insurance: Having comprehensive medical coverage at home does not mean you will always be protected abroad. Travel-insurance packages typically come with medical coverage and include the cost of air evacuation when deemed necessary by the insurer. The medical coverage of travel insurance policies is supplemental, meaning it reimburses you for whatever amount your primary health insurance doesn't cover. An excellent supplement to travel medical insurance is the services offered by Medjet Assist, an air-ambulance company that flies members to whatever medical facility they choose if they are hospitalized on a trip abroad and require further hospitalization.
  
- War & Terrorist Threat: War or the "threat" of a terrorist act is not covered, for example: 1) If you decide to cancel your plans because of a "threat" at your specific destination, you will not be covered. 2) if a terrorist incident/violence occurs within 30 days of your scheduled arrival, then you are covered.
  
- Weather: You are protected if you are forced to cancel due to inclement weather that causes an airline to ceased operations. Note: In order to recover any money from a vacation canceled for weather-related reasons, the insurance policy must have been purchased before the storm appeared on the weather map.

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