

*Full Itinerary*

## INTO THE WILD: A KENYAN SAFARI



TALK TO OUR WELL  
TRAVELLED TEAM OF  
EXPERTS

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Monday to Friday 09:00 - 18:00  
GMT



### JOURNEY SNAPSHOT

**ACTIVITY LEVEL:**

Level 1

**DESTINATION:**

Into the Wild: A Kenyan Safari

**DURATION:**

8 days / 7 nights

**FLIGHT INFORMATION:**

Please arrange your flights to arrive into Nairobi Jomo Kenyatta International Airport [NBO] on Day 1, and depart from Nairobi Airport [NBO] on Day 8

**PICKUP LOCATION:**

Nairobi's Jomo Kenyatta International Airport [NBO]

## OVERVIEW

This safari is undoubtedly one of the most comprehensive experiences Kenya has to offer—an extraordinary and magical journey!

Kenya is the ultimate safari destination - by day we'll see a host of wildlife whilst keeping a look out for the "Big 5" Lion, Leopard, Elephant, Buffalo and Rhino. By night, enjoy spectacular African sunsets, nocturnal wildlife and luxury accommodation. A truly unforgettable journey deserving of the number one spot on your bucket list.

You will travel to many different eco systems where you will see animals specific to those area. Crossing the equator, you will see hot desert, jungle and savannah. Your specially modified 4x4 vehicles and expert driver guide takes you into the heart of the bush and the great Masai Mara. The word safari means journey in Swahili and this journey ia a truly magical journey that will alter you soul forever.

Explore our Big Journey escorted tour dates by booking below, or contact us to arrange a custom tour on a date that suits you better!

## ITINERARY SUMMARY

**DAY 1** - Welcome to Nairobi

**DAY 2** - Journey to the Wild – Aberdare and Sweetwaters

**DAY 3** - Exploring Ol Pejeta Conservancy

**DAY 4** - Lake Naivasha and Crescent Island

**DAY 5** - Into the Heart of the Maasai Mara

**DAY 6** - Discovering the Magic of the Mara

**DAY 7** - Discovering the Magic of the Mara

**DAY 8** - Farewell to Kenya

## FULL ITINERARY

### DAY 1 - WELCOME TO NAIROBI

Nairobi is the largest city between Cairo and Johannesburg. Just south of the equator, Nairobi enjoys a spring-like climate. It is a modern city with its main avenues ablaze with colour from tropical bushes and vines.

Less than 100 years ago, there was a river in an empty wilderness where Nairobi now stands. Nairobi has long attracted world attention as the centre of big-game safaris for the rich and famous. Perhaps the most famous historical safari was that of Teddy Roosevelt, who had 500 porters.

On arrival you will be transferred to the hotel where you will meet your Big Journey Company representative.

**Accommodation:** Tamarind Tree Hotel

### DAY 2 - JOURNEY TO THE WILD – ABERDARE AND SWEETWATERS

We have an early departure from Nairobi as we head to Mweiga by safari vehicle, where lunch awaits us at the Aberdare Country Club.

Afterward, you'll embark on an afternoon game drive in the Solio Ranch Conservancy, renowned for its remarkable rhino conservation efforts. It is home to one of the largest populations of black and white rhinos in East Africa, making it a critical sanctuary for these endangered species. The conservancy is also famous for its stunning landscapes, which feature open savannahs, acacia woodlands, and dramatic mountain backdrops, offering visitors excellent opportunities for wildlife viewing and photography.

In addition to rhinos, Solio Ranch hosts a diverse array of wildlife, including lions, leopards, giraffes, buffalos, zebras, and various antelope species, as well as a rich variety of birdlife. Its manageable size and well-maintained infrastructure make it an ideal destination for intimate and impactful game drives.

In the late afternoon, we arrive at Sweetwaters where you'll settle into the luxurious Morani Tent for the next two nights.

**Included meals:** Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

**Accommodation:** Sweetwaters Serena Camp

### DAY 3 - EXPLORING OL PEJETA CONSERVANCY

Spend the day discovering the wonders of Ol Pejeta Conservancy, home to a remarkable array of wildlife, including the Big Five. You'll enjoy morning and afternoon game drives, giving you plenty of opportunities to spot lions, elephants, rhinos, and more. In the evening, return to the comfort of your tented camp for a delicious dinner and a relaxing night under the African stars.

**Included meals:** Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

**Accommodation:** Sweetwaters Serena Camp

### DAY 4 - LAKE NAIVASHA AND CRESCENT ISLAND

After an early breakfast we say goodbye to Sweetwaters as we drive to the picturesque Lake Naivasha.

Lake Naivasha's name comes from the masai word En-aiposha meaning "heaving" or "to and fro" in reference to how turbulent the waters can get in the afternoons. This area is home to resident giraffe, waterbuck and both Vervet and Colobus monkeys and is also a night stop for hippos.

Lake Naivasha is an ornithologist's paradise, as well as having excellent fishing with tilapia and black bass first introduced by the early settlers. This is the perfect place to relax, walk with a guide or just sit under a canopy of mature shady Yellow Fever trees and listen to the sound of the animals and view the rich bird life.

You'll arrive in time for lunch at the luxurious Enashipai Resort & Spa, where we will stay for the night. In the afternoon, we will enjoy a serene boat trip to Crescent Island, where you can walk among grazing zebras and giraffes.

**Included meals:** Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

**Accommodation:** Enashipai Resort & Spa

### DAY 5 - INTO THE HEART OF THE MAASAI MARA

We enjoy an early breakfast this morning before heading out to Kenya's richest game reserve: the Masai Mara.

The jewel in Africa's crown, Masai Mara is host to the most spectacular array of wildlife. Here, 1,510 square kilometres of open savannah, woodlands and tree-lined rivers create an eco-system which supports huge numbers of bird and mammal species. The western border of the park is the spectacular Siria Escarpment, and together with the acacia dotted plains, creates scenery of stunning beauty across the whole region. Lion are found in abundance throughout the park as are elephant, giraffe, a variety of gazelle species and zebra. Cheetah and leopard are also regularly seen and, if lucky, you may also find rhino.

Game viewing is never dull in the Mara, and patience is often rewarded with unique sightings: a pride of lion stalking their prey; a solitary leopard retrieving its kill from the high branches of an acacia tree; male wildebeest sparring to attract females into their harem; even a herd of elephant protecting their young from opportunistic predators. The annual wildebeest migration traditionally is present in the Mara from July-September and at this time nature's dramas unfold before your very eyes at every turn.

As well as wildlife, the Masai Mara is also home to many members of the colourful Masai tribe who may be seen around the borders of the park - morans (warriors) loping across the plains, young boys herding goats, or elders grouped under a tree discussing matters of the day.

Check-in and lunch upon arrival at the camp.

In the afternoon, depart from camp to undertake a game drive in the reserve before returning to camp early evening for dinner.

**Included meals:** Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

**Accommodation:** Ashnil Mara Camp

## DAY 6 - DISCOVERING THE MAGIC OF THE MARA

Day spent undertaking morning and afternoon game drives.

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## DAY 7 - DISCOVERING THE MAGIC OF THE MARA

Day spent undertaking morning and afternoon game drives.

**Included meals:** Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

**Accommodation:** Ashnil Mara Camp

## DAY 8 - FAREWELL TO KENYA

An early morning wakeup call before undertaking a last game drive in the Mara. Return to camp for breakfast, departing thereafter to Nairobi and drop off at the airport for onward flight arrangements.

Flights home on this final day must depart after 6pm local time so that the morning's last game drive can be enjoyed.

**Included meals:** Breakfast

**Accommodation:** None

## WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Meet & Greet at the Nairobi Airport on arrival
- Accommodation as detailed in the itinerary
- Transfers as detailed in the itinerary
- Meals as detailed in the itinerary
- Transport in 4x4 vehicle
- Park Entrance Fees into specified Parks and Reserves
- All activities, visits and excursions as detailed in the itinerary
- 2 x ½ litre Mineral Water Bottles per person, per day in Safari vehicle
- National English speaking tour guide
- Tour Director from The Big Journey Company as well as the local tour guide (subject to minimum group size being reached.)

## WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED

- ATOL Protection
- Return flights to/from Nairobi Airport [NBO] - Please contact us for a flight quotation
- All entrance fees to non-stipulated attractions
- Visa entry to Kenya
- Drinks
- Gratuities
- Visas, travel and medical insurance
- Any personal items and anything not mentioned under included in price above
- Any meals not mentioned in itinerary
- Any optional activities offered
- Any COVID tests or related entry & exit requirements

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- Please note, flights to/from Kenya are not included in this package. The Big Journey Company would be happy to provide a quotation for your flights - please contact us for further details
- Vaccinations are recommended for Kenya. Please consult your doctor for advice
- British and US Passport holders require an E-Visa to visit Kenya
- Please let The Big Journey Company know prior to travelling if you have any medical needs or take any medication that we need to be made aware of to ensure that you have a safe and pleasant tour
- Check in is after 2-3pm and check out is before 10am unless otherwise specified in the itinerary
- Cancellation 90 – 0 days prior to departure cancellation fee is 100%. It is your responsibility to ensure the correct travel insurance in place to protect you against the need to cancel your holiday. Deposits are non-refundable. Balance payments due 14 weeks prior to departure
- Further terms and conditions apply and will be provided upon request or at the time of booking. The Big Journey Company reserves the right to withdraw any offer prior to accepting a reservation request. This does not affect your statutory rights. This offer is subject to availability and space is limited

## BOOK YOUR JOURNEY

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