

G A M E P L A N A F R I C A
Journeys of a Lifetime



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Man's greatest gift is his sense of wonder. It is the capacity to observe and reflect on the many facets of life that make each day different, a celebration of new information. East Africa provides an extraordinary stage for developing wonder. Hemingway described it with words and Pollack portrayed it on screen, but both fall short of that sense of wonder you feel upon witnessing the indescribable natural beauty of Tanzania and Kenya first-hand.

This exceptional safari explores the best of Tanzania and Kenya and travels to extraordinary national parks and reserves such as the Serengeti National Park, Ngorongoro Crater and Olduvai Gorge, Sweetwater's Game Reserve, the soda lakes of Lake Nakuru National Park and the acacia-dotted savannahs of the Maasai Mara Game Reserve. Traveling in such diverse habitats, you will experience unparalleled wildlife viewing opportunities and exciting cultural experiences. While on safari you will experience deluxe lodges and tented camps and will be accompanied by highly skilled safari guides, who will introduce you to the vast wealth of wildlife found in East Africa.

Please join us on this incredible wildlife adventure!

Safari Highlights:

- Tanzania and Kenya – unrivalled wildlife and habitat diversity
- Exploration of the best known and most distinguished parks and reserves in East Africa
- Accommodation includes deluxe lodges and tented camps, carefully selected to emphasize wildlife viewing and comfort
- Expert naturalist safari guides accompany you throughout your safari
- Custom, comfortable 4x4 Land Cruisers in Tanzania and Minivans in Kenya ensure window seating and roof-hatch access, guaranteeing exceptional wildlife viewing experiences
- Maasai village and school visits
- Optional evening game drives and nature walks

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Day 1: Depart U.S.

Depart USA. (Note: International flight costs are not included in the safari pricing.)

Day 2: Arrive Kilimanjaro Airport

Arrive Kilimanjaro Airport where you are met on arrival and transferred to the Serena Mountain Village for an overnight stay.

Day 3: Arusha/Serengeti National Park

This morning we fly to one of the grandest settings in all of Africa, the Serengeti Plains. The most famous of Tanzania's national parks, the Serengeti is home to more than two million large mammals, representing the largest concentration of its kind on Earth. Living in a state of continual migration in search of water and fresh grazing land, these animals struggle against the seasonal weather patterns of this harsh environment. Upon arrival we enjoy our first game drive en-route to our lodge arriving in time for lunch. This afternoon we explore the Serengeti until we

return for dinner and overnight at the Serengeti Serena Safari Lodge, strategically located to maximize wildlife viewing. Overnight Serengeti Serena Safari Lodge. (BLD)

Day 4: Serengeti National Park

Today we enjoy morning and afternoon game drives providing ample opportunity to observe a multitude of wildlife in this unprecedented setting. Overnight Serengeti Serena Safari Lodge. (BLD)

Days 5 & 6: Olduvai Gorge and Maasai Village/Ngorongoro Crater

After breakfast we depart the expansive plains of the Serengeti and navigate southeast to the Ngorongoro Crater, unrivaled as a wildlife spectacle. After a brief stop to gaze into the massive geophysical structure, we continue around the crater's rim and descend its eastern slope to one of the most important prehistoric archaeological sites on Earth, the Olduvai Gorge. It was here, in 1959, that Mary Leakey discovered fossilized hominid bone fragments dating back 1.75 million years. Continued research unearthed several other significant finds resulting in Olduvai's recognition as the "cradle of mankind." After hearing a lecture and visiting the museum we visit a local Maasai Village where we have wonderful opportunities to interact with the Maasai, and visit their school.

The next two days are spent exploring the Ngorongoro Crater. The Earth's largest unbroken caldera, its towering crater walls encircle an assortment of soda lakes amidst lush savannah and acacia forests – a veritable Garden of Eden. The abundance of food and water provides a permanent home to over 30,000 large mammals. This is the only place in East Africa where one can easily observe a natural population of black rhino.

Our nights are spent at the magnificent Ngorongoro Serena Lodge where we enjoy delicious meals and superb service. Overnight Ngorongoro Serena Lodge. (BPLD)

Day 7: Arusha/Nairobi, Kenya

This morning we drive to Arusha for early lunch. After lunch, we continue our journey to Nairobi via the Namanga border. After our visit we drive to our hotel for dinner and overnight. Dinner and overnight at the Nairobi Serena Hotel. (BLD)

Day 8: Nairobi /Sweetwater's Game Reserve – Ol Pejeta Conservancy

After breakfast we enjoy a visit to the Giraffe Center, the Daphne Sheldrick Animal Orphanage. For over 25 years, from 1955 until 1976, Kenyan born Daphne Sheldrick lived and worked alongside her late husband, David, the famous founder Warden of Kenya's giant Tsavo National Park. During that time she raised and rehabilitated back into the wild community orphans of misfortune from many different wild species, including elephants and rhinos. We enjoy lunch at the Karen Blixon Home and Museum. This afternoon we travel to Sweetwater's Tented Camp located in the Ol Pejeta Conservancy. A 90,000 acre private wildlife conservancy, Ol Pejeta is situated on the equator, in Kenya's Laikipia District, between the foothills of the Aberdares and the magnificent snow-capped Mount Kenya. The Ol Pejeta Conservancy boasts an astounding variety of animals, including the "Big Five" (endangered black rhino, leopard, elephant, buffalo and lion), grevy's zebra, Jackson's hartebeest, cheetah and chimpanzee. Overnight Sweetwater's Tented Camp. (BLD)

Day 9: Sweetwater's/Ol Pejeta Conservancy – Jane Goodall Chimpanzee Sanctuary

Today we enjoy a full day exploring the Ol Pejeta Conservancy with morning and afternoon game drives and a visit to the Jane Goodall Chimpanzee Sanctuary. Overnight Sweetwater's Tented Camp. (BLD)

Day 10: Sweetwater's/Lake Nakuru National Park

Following breakfast we drive to Lake Nakuru National Park, described by Roger Tory Peterson as the greatest ornithological spectacle in the world. After lunch we enjoy an afternoon game drive. Overnight at Lake Elementaita Luxury Tented Camp. (BLD)

Day 11: Maasai Mara Game Reserve

Our journey today is traveling to the Maasai Mara Game Reserve arriving in time for lunch at our lodge. This afternoon we enjoy our game drive and our first encounter with the area's magnificent wildlife. This northern extension of the Serengeti ecosystem, one of the world's most rewarding wildlife observation sites, thrives with life. The rich savannah is famous for its concentration of plains animals. Overnight Mara Serena Lodge. (BLD)

Day 12: Maasai Mara Game Reserve

Today we explore the Maasai Mara Game Reserve with morning and afternoon game drives. Overnight Mara Serena Lodge. (BLD)

Day 13: Maasai Mara/Nairobi/Depart

After breakfast we drive back to Nairobi. Lunch and dayrooms at Nairobi Serena Hotel. Early evening transfer to the airport for our departing flights. (BL)

Day 14: Arrive USA

Arrive home in the USA.

Land Cost**Prices for 2016:**

From US\$9,154.00* per person sharing based on 2 adults traveling

From US\$7,819.00* per person sharing based on 4 adults traveling

From US\$7,369.00* per person sharing based on 6 adults traveling

From US\$1,410.00* single supplement

*Cost varies depending on date of travel.

Optional balloon safari: US\$593.00

(Note: International flight costs are not included in the safari pricing listed above.)

SAFARI INCLUDES:

- Pre-departure information to help you prepare for your safari
- All transfers and meet and greets
- All meals as stated in the itinerary
- All game drives, activities, and cultural and school visits
- Olduvai Gorge lecture and museum
- All taxes, service charges and park fees,
- Transportation in comfortable 4x4 Toyota Land Cruisers in Tanzania and minivans in Kenya - guaranteed window seat
- Expert naturalist safari guides
- Bottled water while on game drives; coffee and tea with meals
- Temporary membership in Flying Doctors Service

SAFARI EXCLUDES:

- International air
- Travel insurance
- Tips to safari guides, tented camp crew & lodge staff
- Passport and visa fees
- Items of personal nature such as laundry, souvenirs, alcoholic beverages, soft drinks, juice, bottled water with meals, telephone and internet charges.