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**Highlights of Samburu National Reserve:** This is located 90km north of Mt Kenya and about 360km North of Nairobi. It is situated on the banks of the Ewaso Nyiro River, a Samburu name, meaning the "River of Brown water". This means plenty of water, trees and shade to attract wildlife.

Samburu Reserve would be incomplete without a visit to the hippo pools where large numbers of Big –five Elephants wallow in the cooling muds of the River. Ewaso Nyiro River is favorite spot for prides of Lion to rest in the shade. There is also stunning birdlife with are recorded species of over 400. The Samburu complex is also home to Samburu herdsman who can be seen driving their herds through the dust, dressed in striking red blankets and carrying spears.

**Highlights of Aberdare National Park:** Aberdare National Park is located Central Highlands west of Mt. Kenya approximately 180 km from Nairobi via Nyeri encircled by the wild and beautiful moorlands of the third highest mountain range in Kenya. This atmospheric park offers a mist-wreathed realm where Elephants roam through lichen-hung forest, spectacular waterfalls plunge into churning pools and trout-filled streams cascade through mossy dells.

This park is a haven for anglers, walkers and lovers of solitude alike, it also offers matchless views of glittering coronet of Mt. Kenya and the sparkling lakes (L. Naivasha & Nakuru) of the Great Rift Valley.

The lodges are also the main attraction of the Aberdares. Both Treetops and The Fairmont Ark are built above the ground beside floodlit waterholes with salt licks. Visitors must book in advance and cannot make their own way to the lodges in private vehicles. Instead check-in is at

the Aberdare Country club for The Ark and the Outspan Hotel for Treetops where you are transferred to the respective lodge. Treetops is one of Kenya's most famous hotels as this is where British Princess Elizabeth was informed that she was enthroned as Queen of England during her visit in 1952 soon after her father's death.

Nocturnal game viewing is the highlight of the tree lodges such that the guests are at liberty to request to be notified in the event that a rare animal turns up at the waterhole. African Elephant, buffalo, rhino, leopard and bushbuck are regular visitors

**Highlights of Lake Nakuru National Park:** Lake Nakuru National park (commonly referred to as the Pink Lake) which covers 180 sq km. The park is home to Lion, Warthog, Waterbuck, Buffalo, Reedbuck and the occasional Leopard. White and black rhinos were introduced to the park some years ago and you may find white rhino at the southern end. The park has also retained its reputation as an ornithologists' delight with more than 400 species of bird found here.

**Highlights of Maasai Mara National Reserve:** This Reserve forms part of the Great Masai Mara-Serengeti Eco-system. Picnic lunch will be served at the Mara River Hippo Point where Hippos and Crocodiles can be viewed basking along the river bed. On clear days, the Mara offers fantastic orange tinted sunsets and you will definitely want to capture this moment while sipping on a sun downer back at our lodge. The ultimate action here is without doubt the annual wildebeest exodus in July and August when millions of these grass eaters move north from the Serengeti in search of pasture before turning south again in October. Balloon trips are an entirely outstanding way of seeing the savannah plains and the wildlife after which you come back down for a beautiful champagne breakfast. Hot air Balloon flight in Maasai Mara costs US\$ 460 per person.

**Summary Itinerary:**

DAY	ACTIVITY	ACCOMMODATION	MEAL PLAN
Day 1	Arrival Nairobi - Transfer to Safari Hotel	Safari Hotel/ Windsor GB	BB Resort
Day 2 & 3	Nairobi - Samburu Game Reserve, Buffalo	Elephant, Buffalo & Springs Reserve	FB
Day 4	Samburu - Aberdare National Park	The Park Treetops Lodge	FB

Day 5	Aberdare - Lake Nakuru National Park / Sarova Lion Hill	
Day 6	Lake Nakuru - Masai Mara	Keekorok Lodge FB
Day 7 & 8	Full Day at Masai Mara	Keekorok Lodge FB
Day 9	Masai Mara - Mombasa via Nairobi	Margot Beach Resort AI
Day 10 - 13	Mombasa	Voyager Beach Resort AI
Day 14	Depart Mombasa for Nairobi by domestic flight - Outbound	

### Detailed Itinerary

#### Day 1: Arrival JKIA - Transfer to a Nairobi City Hotel

Early morning arrival at NAIROBI Jomo Kenyatta International Airport, The name "Nairobi" comes from the Masai phrase Enkare Nyirobi, which translates to "the place of cool waters".

Overnight at Jacaranda Hotel 4\* / Windsor Golf Club Resort 5\* / Sarova Stanley 5\*

Meal plan (B)

#### Day 2: Nairobi – Samburu Game Reserve

After Breakfast, our representative will pick you from your hotel and brief you on the safari before you proceed to the Samburu National Reserve to arrive in time for lunch. You have an option of indulging in a late afternoon game drive.

Dinner and overnight stay at Elephant Bedroom 5\* or Ashnil Samburu Lodge 4\*

Approximate time of transit {4-4.5hrs} Meal plan (L, D)

### **Day 3: Full Day at Samburu Game Reserve**

On this day, you have an option of indulging in a pre – breakfast game drive (0630hrs with African Sun rise as your backdrop), spending the morning session at own leisure swimming at the hotels pool or simply reading a page turner. An afternoon game drive will introduce us to the animals which are indigenous to this area; the Reticulated Giraffe, Grevy's Zebra and the Somali Ostrich. Lions are also frequently seen on the riverbanks, as well as Cheetah and the elusive Leopard. Dinner and overnight stay at Elephant Bedroom 5\* or Ashnil Samburu Lodge 4\*

Meal plan (B, L, D)

### **Day 4: Samburu - Aberdare National Park**

This morning after breakfast, we proceed to Aberdare National Park. Enjoy a buffet lunch at Outspan Hotel

or

Aberdare Country Club

before being transferred to the Aberdare National Park and Check- in to Kenya's Famous Treetops

or the

Ark Lodge

. Set in the heart of Aberdare National Park this unique game lodge(s) overlook a floodlit waterhole and salt lick which attract a host of wildlife, offering a close view of the local wildlife in complete safety. Enjoy dinner at either of the Lodges.

Estimated time of transit: {3hrs} Meal plan (B, L, D)

### **Day 5: Aberdare - Lake Nakuru National Park**

After breakfast, we depart for Lake Nakuru National Park, home to huge flocks of flamingos and other wildlife via a brief stopover at the Thomson Falls. We arrive at Sarova Lion Hill in time for lunch. A late afternoon game drive in the ornithologist park will introduce you to rhinos, leopard,

lion and flamingo among other animal species. Dinner and Overnight at either Sarova Lion Hill Lodge 5\* or

Mbweha Camp 5\*

Estimated time of transit: {3hrs} Meal plan (B, L, D)

### **Day 6: Lake Nakuru - Masai Mara**

Today after an early breakfast, we proceed with our journey and enjoy the scenic drive to the Masai Mara Game Reserve. On the way we stop at the edge of the Great Rift Valley for a magnificent view of the valley and the two volcanoes. Later, we witness the people of the Masai tribes, almost completely unaffected by modern civilization. We arrive at Masai Mara Reserve and check in your Lodge. Enjoy a buffet lunch at the Lodge.

In the afternoon, we go on a game drive into the Mara reserve. See the wildlife this reserve is famous for - Gazelles, Antelopes and a variety of birds. The Lion, Elephant, Cheetah and Leopard can also be seen. Dinner and overnight stay at Keekorok Lodge 5\* / Ngerende Island Lodge 5\*\* or Ashnil Mara Camp 4\*

Estimated time of transit: {4 - 5hrs} Meal plan (B, L, D)

### **Day 7 & 8: Full Days at Masai Mara Game Reserve**

This morning early breakfast, we proceed for an extensive game drive into the reserve. There is a special opportunity to walk along the river. See Crocodiles and Hippos resting in the water. We return in the afternoon for a buffet lunch. In afternoon we drive deeper in the reserve, see herds of wild beasts, Elephants, Buffalos, Zebras, Rhinos, Leopards and the prides of Lions. Enjoy a buffet dinner at the Lodge.

Dinner and overnight stay at Keekorok Lodge 5\* / Ngerende Island Lodge 5\*\* or Ashnil Mara Camp 4\*

Meal plan (B, L, D)

**Day 9: Masai Mara - Nairobi - Mombasa**

After breakfast, we check out and drive north towards Nairobi {estimated time of transit via road is 4-5hrs}

Arrival in time for lunch at Sarova Stanley Thorn Tree Restaurant and transfer to Jomo Kenya Airport to catch your afternoon flight to Mombasa {1 hr flight}

Upon arrival at Mombasa, our representative will pick and drop you off to your beach hotel in Mombasa.

Dinner and Overnight at the Voyager Beach Resort 4\* or Serena Beach Hotel & Spa 5\* {Meal plan at Voyager is on ALL INCLUSIVE basis while at Serena is on Half Board Basis}

**Day 10, 11, 12 & 13: Mombasa**

Full days at the pristine beaches of Mombasa indulging and busking.

Kindly note that we can substantiate **Mombasa** with **Diani** which is a more isolated and quite part of the Kenyan Coast

The South Coast Beach Hotel options include but not limited to:

Diani Reef Beach Hotel 5\*

Sentido Neptune Village, Paradise & Palm 4\*

Amani Tiwi Beach Hotel 4\*

Sentido Neptune Palm 5\*

Swahili Beach Hotel 5\* newly established charming and romantic hotel

Lantana Galu Beach Apartments 5\*

Optional activities include but not limited to Half day Excursion in Mombasa city visiting old town, Fort Jesus, Hindu temple, Light House etc

Explore both the historic, cultural and modern sites of Mombasa with an experienced guide. Chance to visit Baobab Forest, Akamba Woodcarvings Factory, Fruits & Spice Market, Fort Jesus & The Old Town.

\*Other coastal attractions include snorkeling in our beautiful marine parks {Malindi, Kisite, Mombasa marine parks}

#### **Day 14: Mombasa – Nairobi - Outbound flight**

After breakfast free time at leisure Depending on your flight timings, transfer to Mombasa Airport to board your flight to Nairobi and later to your onward destination. End of your two weeks honeymoon vacation in Africa - Kenya

**Charges:**

**Honeymoon Safari investment:**

- 4\* Accommodation - Adult rate: USD 3,660 per person
  
- 5\* Accommodation - Adult rate: USD 4,595 per person
  
- 5\*\* Accommodation in Masai Mara based at Ngerende Island Lodge add a supplement of USD 710 per person

Accommodation based in a double room

**Package inclusive of:**

- Meet and greet services at the airport in Nairobi and Mombasa
- Complimentary airport transfers in Nairobi and Mombasa
- Return road transfers to all the game parks as reflected above {in customized safari coaches with good clearance and with a pop-up roof top for game viewing}
- Accommodation as reflected in the above itinerary
- All applicable Park entry fees
- Comprehensive game drives as reflected in the above itinerary
- Services of our professional English speaking driver guide
- All meals as reflected in the above itinerary respectively
- Complimentary bottled water in the safari vans
- Complimentary – Honeymooners gift hamper (Romantic Dinner at Tamarind Dhow floating Restaurant - Mombasa)
- Government taxes and levies

**Package exclusive of:**

- Visa and related fees
- Travel / Medical cover & personal insurance
- Visit to a Manyatta in Maasai Village (about US \$ 10 – 30 pp)
- Hot air balloon Safari (can be arranged at an extra cost of USD 460 per person subject to reconfirmation at the time of your booking)
- Other day tour excursions to Giraffe Center, City tour in Mombasa, Marine parks etc ranging from USD 80 per person per excursion
- Drinks (except if the accommodation is AI basis), Extra Meals, Laundry and items of personal nature
- Tips & Gratuities (You will agree with me that tipping highly depends on the service accorded to you as guests and is usually at own will. The benchmark would be between \$20 – 50 per person)
- Any other item not mentioned in the inclusive list

**NB:** The above rates are subject to change without notice should necessitating factors dictate. These may be influenced by changes in government policies, intermittent exchange rates among other factors.

\*Reservations are made subject to availability of accommodation at the time of your booking. Please refer to our booking terms and conditions.

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