

10 Days Kenya Sunset Africa Safari & Victoria Falls Adventure

Accommodation in any of the below listed options

Transport using either Safari Vans or 4X4 Landcruisers

Safari Prices are Valid from January to Dec 2019

Safari Overview: On this thrilling safari we sample Kenya's most popular prime wilderness destination; Samburu "the oasis of life in the Northern Semi-Desert", Aberdares, Lake Bogoria and Lake Naivasha and finally head to Masai Mara, well known for the rolling plains, the big five and the wildebeest migration. Wind-up your trip with adrenaline as you either go for flight over Victoria falls or bungee jumping or white water rafting amongst other activities in Zimbabwe.

Full Itinerary

Day 1: Arrival in Nairobi and drive Samburu Game Reserve

Arrive in Jomo Kenyatta International Airport, flight TBA. Meet safari driver-guide and after safari briefing and drive to Samburu Game Reserve arriving for lunch, Afternoon game drives in Samburu Game Reserve.

Samburu National Reserve was one of the two areas in which conservationists George and Joy Adamson raised **Elsa the Lioness**. Their story was made famous by the bestselling book and award-winning movie "Born Free". **Samburu National Reserve** is situated on the banks of the Ewaso Ngiro River in the dry northern Kenya and neighbors the homes of the Samburu tribe of Kenya, a tribe known for their remote culture, pastoral and nomadic way of life.

The presence, of the Ewaso Ngiro River - and its shady trees - attracts plenty of wildlife. Giraffe, large herds of elephants, buffalo, gerenuks, gazelle, waterbuck and zebra (including the endangered Grevy's zebra) from the surrounding savannah plains trek to the water, Lion, leopard and cheetah are also quite easy to spot, thanks in part to the lack of grass cover. The reserve provides the opportunity to see wildlife that only lives in the dry north of Kenya; namely: the long necked gerenuk, Grevy's zebra, reticulated giraffe and Beisa onyx. The elusive Kenya leopard is often known to visit the park, especially in the evenings.

Birdlife is as plentiful as wildlife at Samburu National Reserve, which boasts over **350 different species of birds** including vultures, kingfishers, marabouts, bateleurs, guinea fowl, Somali ostriches and others.

Optional visit to a Samburu Cultural Village at US \$25 (price guaranteed only with advanced booking)

For more details about Samburu Game Reserve, click on this link <http://trailsof africa.co.ke/samburu-game-reserve/>

Dinner and overnight at either of the following hotels in Samburu

- **Option 1:-**Deluxe 5Star Hotel: Samburu Simba Lodge
- **Option 2:-**Mid/Standard 4Star Hotel: Samburu Sopa Lodge/ Samburu Simba Lodge
- **Option 3:-**Budget 3Star Hotel: Samburu Sopa Lodge

Meals: Lunch and Dinner at the hotel.

Day 2: Full Day in Samburu Game Reserve

Breakfast in the hotel and depart for a full day game drive with picnic lunch boxes or enjoy morning and afternoon. Alternatively, enjoy game drives in Samburu Game Reserve with lunch break in between the game drives.

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Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner at the hotel.

Day 3: Samburu Game Reserve to Aberdares National Park

After breakfast drive to Aberdares national Park arriving for lunch. Well known to the world as the home of succession where in came a princess and out went the Queen of England while at Treetops lodge, Aberdares is a land of fortune and diversity. The Park got its name from Lord Aberdares, one of the founder members of the Royal Geographical Society. Located in the central highlands, west of Mount Kenya and 160kms from Nairobi, the foothills of the Aberdares National Park is covered with huge trees, which, as you go higher, gradually give way to bamboo forests. From about 3, 000 meters upward the landscape consists primarily of alpine moorland which gives way to an area of grass land with, from time to time, giant lobelias presenting an attractive contrast. Try this destination of fortunes.-and who knows? You might be the next one queen or king!

Attractions: The major physical attractions: Lesatima and Kinangop peaks, numerous waterfalls, Twin & Elephant hills, Table Mounts, black rhinos, elephant, buffalo, giant forest hog, lion, leopard, baboon, black & white colobus and sykes monkeys are abundant. Bird viewing is incredible with over 250 species of birds recorded.

Activities:- include Night viewing of wildlife at the Ark & Treetops, Game Drives, Trout fishing, visit to the Kimathi hideout used by the legendary Mau Mau General.

Lunch at the hotel and enjoy your afternoon and evening watching wildlife from the hotel terrace as they come to drink water at the waterhole.

For more details about Aberdares National Park click <http://trailsofafrica.co.ke/aberdare-national-park/>

Dinner and Overnight at of the following hotel booked on FB basis.

- **The Ark Lodge:** Hotel website: <http://thearkkenya.com/>

Meals: Lunch and Dinner at the hotel.

Day 4: Aberdares National Park to Lake Bogoria

After breakfast drive to Lake Bogoria, a beautiful place with the pink cloud of flamingoes and the geysers bubbling with the most spectacular hot water volcanic springs. Much more is the fascinating phenomenon of the hot springs, an indication that molten rock does not lie far below the earth's surface.

For more details about Lake Bogoria click <http://trailsofafrica.co.ke/lake-baringo-lake-bogoria-national-reserve/>

Dinner and overnight at either of the following hotels in Aberdares

- **Option 1:**-Deluxe 5Star Hotel: The Ark Lodge
- **Option 2:**-Mid/Standard 4Star Hotel: The Ark Lodge
- **Option 3:**-Budget 3Star Hotel: The Ark Lodge

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner at the hotel.

Day 5: Lake Bogoria to Lake Naivasha

After breakfast drive to Lake Naivasha arriving for lunch. After lunch enjoy afternoon boat ride and bird watching in Lake Naivasha.

Lake Naivasha Boat Ride: Lake Naivasha is a freshwater lake lying north west of Nairobi. Lake Naivasha is well known for boat rides and as a gateway to Crescent Island. During the boat ride the boat captain will explain in detail the various animals and birds in the lake. Among the resident birds are fish eagles, ospreys, lily-trotters, black crakes and a variety of herons. Hippos also live in the lake. The waters of the lake draw a great range of game to the shores. Giraffes wander among the acacia, Hippos

wallow in the swamps and Colobus monkeys call from the treetops while the Lakes large hippo populations sleep the day out in the shallows.

Dinner and overnight at either of the following hotels in Naivasha

- **Option 1:-**Deluxe 5Star Hotel: Great Rift Valley Lodge
- **Option 2:-**Mid/Standard 4Star Hotel: Lake Naivasha Country Club
- **Option 3:-**Budget 3Star Hotel: Fish Eagle Inn

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner at the hotel.

Day 6: Lake Naivasha to Masai Mara Game Reserve

After breakfast drive to Masai Mara Game Reserve, Lunch at your hotel and enjoy afternoon game drive in the Game Reserve.

Optional Afternoon Visit to a Masai Cultural Village: This afternoon, join the Masai dancers donning their African regalia and the jingling on their feet, flow by the rhythm of African beats and dance to their tunes that will leave you refreshed. Cost is \$25 per person. (Price guaranteed only with advanced booking)

Masai Mara Game Reserve: The Reserve, the Land of Big Cat Diary and Disney's African Cats, is considered a "must see" for any new and repeat visitor traveling on a safari to Kenya. It is on the "to do" list for many Kenyans and visitors alike because the park is graced by a wide variety of unique and exquisite wildlife and birds. Masai Mara is the best place to see the "Big Five" animals (**elephants, lions, leopards, rhinos and buffalo**).

Home of the Great Wildebeest Migration: The location of the 'Annual Great Wildebeest Migration' – one of the natural wonders of the world – is a gloriously beautiful, wildlife-rich savannah landscape. The annual wildebeest migration from June to October consists of over 1.5 million wildebeests, gazelles gnus and Zebras roar converge at the border of Tanzania's Serengeti and Kenya's Masai Mara making a spectacular entrance in a surging column of life that stretches from horizon to horizon, before finally plunging wildly into the raging waters of the Mara River, creating a frenzy as the fight against swift currents and waiting hungry crocodiles takes priority. Those that survive crocodiles and raging waters cross over to the patiently waiting predators such as hyenas, jackals, leopards and lions for another survival battle.

Wildlife – The Mara is known as one of the finest wildlife destinations in the World. There is an excellent chance of seeing the Big 5, cheetah, serval, hyena, bat-eared foxes, black-backed and side-striped jackals, hippo, crocodile, baboons, warthog, topi, eland, Thompson's gazelle, Grant's etc

For more details about Masai Mara Game Reserve click <http://trailsofafrica.co.ke/masai-mara-game-reserve/>

Dinner and overnight at either of the following hotels in Masai Mara

- **Option 1:-**Deluxe 5Star Hotel: Keekorok Lodge / Sarova Mara Game Camp/ Mara Azure Haven.
- **Option 2:-**Mid/Standard 4Star Hotel: Mara Simba Lodge/Mara Sopa Lodge.
- **Option 3:-**Budget 3Star Hotel: Olmorani Tented Camp.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner at the hotel.

Day 7: Full Day in Masai Mara Game Reserve

Breakfast in the hotel and depart for a full day game drive with picnic lunch boxes or enjoy morning and afternoon game drives in Masai Mara Game Reserve with lunch break in between the game drives.

Optional Masai Mara Balloon Ride: for those going for the balloon safari, you will be going for the early morning balloon, you will be picked at the hotel by the Balloon Company at 5.30am and drive to the balloon launch site where you will gather for takeoff. Enjoy early morning ballooning over the plains, getting a bird's eye view of the game below as the sun creeps slowly over the horizon. After approximately one hour aloft, the balloon lands while a breakfast is being prepared for us nearby. The smell of bacon, sausages and eggs drift on the breeze as we

sample exotic Kenyan fruits and homemade pastries and, if you wish, glasses of bubbly to toast our flight, a tradition initiated by the Montgolfier brothers. Cost Per Person: \$480. (Price guaranteed with advanced booking)

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- **Option 2:-**Mid/Standard 4Star Hotel: Mara Simba Lodge/Mara Sopa Lodge.
- **Option 3:-**Budget 3Star Hotel: Olmoran Tented Camp.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner at the hotel.

Day 8: Masai Mara Game Reserve to Nairobi and Departure

Breakfast in the hotel and drive to Nairobi. On arrival, transfer to airport in time for your flight to Victoria Falls in Zimbabwe (flight cost not included but can be offered upon request). Arrive and transfer to your hotel for dinner.

Meals: Breakfast lunch and dinner.

Day 09: Victoria Falls

Breakfast and then participate in any of the listed activities below which should be pre-booked in advance.

Helicopter flight over the Falls

After take-off the helicopter turns out towards the magnificent Victoria Falls, our pilot will fly left and right hand circuits over the Victoria Falls in both directions giving you the best viewing, photographic and filming opportunities. A trip up the Zambezi River and back over the Zambezi National Park completes your flight.

White Water Rafting (seasonal, approx. 07h30 – 15h00), including lunch

Low or High Water trips depart daily, depending on the time of year. The rapids on the Zambezi River are officially defined as "Grade 5" by the British

Canoe Union (Grade 6 being commercially un-run-able). Guests should be reasonably fit for this activity, as there is a fairly steep walk into & out of the Batoka Gorge as well as the white water rafting activity itself.

Upper Zambezi Canoe Safari (min 2 pax, approx. 07h00 – 14h00), including a continental breakfast, lunch, soft drinks & beers

Guests start the day with a game drive in an open vehicle into the Zambezi National Park where they have the chance to see some game on the way. After a continental breakfast and thorough safety briefing which covers safety conditions of the river, rapids, canoeing instruction, and general information, the safaris starts. On these trips guests paddle their own canoes, following their qualified Canoe Guide as he leads the way. The trip duration is spent canoeing - (18kms) - downstream, running small grade class one and two rapids, exploring channels, bird and game viewing. A picnic lunch is served on the mainland or an island. Cold mineral water and beers are served at the take out point at the end of the day and guests are back in Victoria Falls by about 14h00. Routes taken on this trip can vary due to logistical, road and weather conditions.

Full day Zambezi National Park Safari including a light breakfast, lunch, mineral water & soft drinks.

(Please note that the National Park may be closed during the rainy season if the roads are deemed to be unsafe to travel on. This could be anytime between November and February.) This safari can be a game drive, a bush walk, or a birding safari, or a combination of these, depending on guest requirements.

Walking Safari:

Venturing into the unfenced 57 000 hectare (250 sq mile) Zambezi National Park, this walk is combined with a game drive to a suitable walking area of the park. Whilst following in the footsteps of elephants, guests are able to learn about a variety of aspects of the wildlife in the area, as the Professional Guide shares his/her knowledge

and experiences with them. A walk through the bush in a great way to re-tune your senses and get a ground level experience of the parks inhabitants, large or small.

Game Drive:

Exploring the vast genuine wilderness of the Zambezi National Park, these drives set off either in the early morning or mid-afternoon. Using an open four-wheel drive vehicle, the game drive allows the guests to discover many interpretations of the bush and all its inhabitants, related to them by our suitable trained and qualified guides. This is an uncontrived bush experience, covering a genuinely wild, unfenced wilderness area.

Birding:

Either by open safari vehicle, by foot or by boat we search for an array of species through a variety of habitats such as Teak and Mopane woodlands, grassland and riverine forest.

Depending on seasonal conditions, species that can be seen include African Skimmer, Collared Palm-thrush, Rock Pratincole, Raquet-tailed Roller, Western-banded Snake Eagle, Kori Bustard, African Finfoot and others.

Adrenaline High Wire Adventure (09h00-12h30 or 14h00-16h30)

(Note that this activity takes place from The Lookout on the side of the Gorge and NOT from the Bridge. Bungee Jumping and other Bridge activities are available as an optional extra, not included in the price.)

101 ways to throw yourself over a cliff!

The high wire pass includes the Zip Line, Flying Fox and Gorge Swing

In the afternoon your guide will fetch you for your tour of one of the most magnificent sights in the world, the Victoria Falls! (Note that if your chosen activity from the above is longer in duration, we may have to move your tour of the Falls to tomorrow morning). The tour takes around 2 hours. While it is neither the highest nor the widest waterfall in the world, it is classified as the largest, based on its width of over a mile and height of 350 feet, resulting in the world's largest sheet of falling water. Be sure to wear comfortable shoes.

Dinner tonight is at The Boma for an evening of African entertainment and a taste of African cuisine in the form of a buffet.

(Breakfast & dinner included)

Day 10: Victoria Falls to Johannesburg

This morning you can have a laid back breakfast before checking out for your flight back home. (flight cost not included). Depending on your flight departure time, you can participate in any of the activities should there not be sufficient time for any of them on the previous day. Please speak to your consultant about this before making your own arrangements for any activities this morning.

*****end of our services, wishing you an excellent safari*****

Request for costs for the above safari.

For price inquiry in **USD-\$, GBP-£ or Euros-€** and bookings, contact our Sales Team sales@trailsofafrica.co.ke

During the safari, we cover the following for you:

- Arrival and departure airport **transfers** in Nairobi.
- 2 nights stay in Samburu game Reserve on **Full Board Basis**.
- 1 night stay in Aberdares National Park on **Full Board Basis**.
- 1 night stay in Lake Bogoria National Park on **Full Board Basis**.
- 1 night stay in Lake Naivasha on **Full Board Basis**.
- 2 nights stay in Masai Mara game Reserve on **Full Board Basis**.
- Custom-made **Safari Vehicles**.
- All clients are **guaranteed a window seat** with each car carrying a **maximum 6Pax**.
- We offer **Safari game drives** as per the itinerary.

- National Park and Game Reserve **entrance fees** are covered.
- **English-speaking drivers** will guide and inform you during the safari.
- Throughout the safari, we ensure you have **drinking water**.
- Exclusive **private use** of the vehicle for each group.
- Exclusive **private safari chauffeur/guide** for each group.
- Accommodation and activities in Victoria Falls.
- We offer **24 hour support** throughout the safari, should you need anything

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