

Africa 2024



WINDSONG TRAVEL

Friday 23rd August 2024

Depart Australia for Dubai
 Arrive Dubai Transfer to Hotel
 Accommodation 1 Night Hyatt Regency Dubai

Saturday 24th August 2023

Transfer to Airport
 Depart Dubai for Nairobi
JAMBO - KARIBU!! Upon arrival at the Jomo Kenyatta International Airport, you will be met with our traditional, unique & special welcome (bubbly, wet towels and presentation of authentic safari hat and a beautiful authentic canvas pouch filled with safari essentials). You will then proceed to your hotel for check in. Rest of the day is spent at leisure with overnight at the hotel.
 Sarova Stanley Hotel: Stanley Room BB

**Sunday 25th August 2024 Nairobi**

After breakfast you will proceed to Daphne Sheldrick Elephant Orphanage. This centre has played a significant role in Kenya's conservation efforts. The baby elephants are brought from the national park for a mud-bath at the orphanage, where for an hour (i.e. 1100hrs - 1200hrs) you can get close to them and sometimes touch them. You may not feed the animals but will get a chance to view the handlers feeding them. The orphanage offers hope for any orphaned baby elephant fortunate enough to be found alive and so far, it is proud to have saved over 150 orphaned infant elephants, which would otherwise have perished. The baby elephants are raised at the orphanage with the intention of gradually reintegrating them into the wild. The age range of the elephants can vary from a few months to three years. Each elephant is assigned to its own keeper, who acts as a surrogate mother and will stay with the elephant until it is released back into the wild.

Thereafter, you will visit the renowned Giraffe Centre, where you will be given a rare opportunity to get up close to these gentle giants in this natural sanctuary, which was founded to protect the endangered Rothschild giraffe. Here you are able to climb to the top of a platform and stand eye to eye with the giraffes and feed them with small pellets. Enjoy lunch at the Karen Blixen coffee garden

You will then visit the Kazuri Bead Factory- Kazuri meaning 'small and beautiful' in Swahili, makes exquisite handmade ceramic beads, jewelry and pottery. Established more than 25 years ago, over the years it has given a number of near-destitute women an important livelihood. You can watch all processes of the beads being made at the workshop, a finely dexterous process, and there's also a shop. The designs are colorful and bold, reflecting Kenya's culture and wildlife.

Return to your hotel for an afternoon of relaxation and freshening up. Later you will be transferred to the Manji Family residence for a welcome dinner party.
 Sarova Stanley Hotel: Stanley Room L-D-BB

**Monday 26th August 2024****OI Pejeta Conservancy**

After breakfast, you will depart for OI Pejeta Conservancy arriving at your tented camp in time for lunch. The OI Pejeta Conservancy and its sumptuous ranch were once the private domain of famed multi-millionaire, Adnan Kashoggi. We enjoy a game drive in this game wealthy conservancy with a visit to the Chimpanzee Sanctuary, a charming haven established by the Jane Goodall Institute to provide sanctuary to orphaned chimps, and the specially protected refuge of black rhino. In fact Sweetwaters boasts excellent game viewing with the highest ratio of game to area of any park or reserve in Kenya. The camp overlooks one of the busiest waterholes in the area and offers an astounding variety of animals including all the Big Five and myriad of plains game. This is Africa as Teddy Roosevelt saw it years ago when he led one of the first safaris to tour Africa in comfort and splendor. The tents at Sweetwaters will remind us of this past era.

Dinner and overnight at your camp.

Sweetwaters Tented Camp: Morani Wing LDBB

Tuesday 27th August 2024 OI Pejeta Conservancy

Today, you will enjoy two game viewing drives per day in the morning and afternoon. Home to the Big Five (the endangered black and white rhinos, elephants, lion, leopard & Cape buffalo) and a host of other animals such as the grevys zebra, cheetah, gazelles, black-back jackals, ostrich, baboons, waterbuck, Oryx, eland and several hundred bird species, OI Pejeta's combination of these amazing wildlife and stunning views guarantees an unforgettable safari experience. Meals and Overnight at the camp.

Sweetwaters Tented Camp: Morani Wing LDBB



Wednesday 28th August 2024 Samburu Game Reserves

After breakfast, you will drive further north to the Samburu National Reserve, set in the rugged semi-arid northern region with spectacular scenic landscape. Upon arrival, you will be met by the camp's representative and transferred to the camp to a warm welcome then lunch, short siesta before heading for an afternoon game viewing drive. The verdant riverine forest is a stark contrast to the arid thorn studded plains. The Samburu region is the best place to find several endemic Northern species; including the Gerenuk (twiga gazelle) due to her long neck, the beisa Oryx, the Reticulated Giraffe, the Somali ostrich and Grevy's Zebra. Samburu is also an ornithological paradise, home to many birds including local species such as the Palm Nut Vulture and the Vivacious Dove. Leopards are often seen at dusk. The Samburu culture is a truly fascinating one, sharing a great deal of ancestral and linguistic ties to the Maasai. The entire Samburu region is a place of breath taking and magical beauty, a place where the vision of a deep red sunset silhouetting the doum palms along the river as a leopard emerges to hunt brings the perfect end to a day on safari..... Dinner and overnight at the camp.

Elephant Bedroom Camp LDBB



Thursday 29th & Friday 30th August 2024 Samburu Game Reserves

Spend these two days in Samburu with morning and afternoon game viewing drives in both Samburu game reserves. These game reserves provide some of the best and most colourful game viewing in the country. The Ewaso Nyiro River which meanders through the vast, dry, doum palm dominated reserve brings life along the green, scenic river banks, home and refuge to many wildlife. Meals and overnight at our camp.

OPTIONAL ACTIVITY: Visit to a Samburu Manyatta to see how the tribe lives in this harsh surrounding
Elephant Bedroom Camp LDBB

Saturday 31st August 2024 Lake Naivasha

After breakfast we depart for Lake Naivasha with a brief stop at the Thompson's Falls for a breath-taking view of the great scenery. Thereafter, drive to Lake Naivasha with its commanding setting at the foot of the Rift Valley Escarpment. The lake is an important horticultural area for Kenya. Arrive for lunch at your lodge. Afternoon at leisure by the lake side with a boat ride
Dinner and overnight at your lodge.

Lake Naivasha Sopa Lodge LDBB



Sunday 01st September 2024 Masai Mara Game Reserve

After a sumptuous breakfast, you will continue to Masai Mara. It is perhaps the only region left in Kenya where the visitor may see animals in the same super-abundance as existed a century ago. Enjoy a game viewing drive enroute to the camp. Arrive for lunch and some relaxation time. In the afternoon you will proceed on another game viewing drive in this vast and expansive reserve teeming with game. Mara game reserve is famous for her big five; the most sought after in the early 20th century, when Kenya was a hunters' paradise. These include the lion, Cape buffalo, the savanna elephant, black rhino and the elusive leopard. The vast savanna grasslands as far as the eye can see is home to impalas, maasai giraffes, waterbucks, warthogs, thompson & grand gazelles, topis, the resident wildebeests among many others. Dinner and overnight at your lodge.
Mara Serena Safari Lodge LDBB

Monday 02nd & Tuesday 03rd September 2024 Masai Mara Game Reserve

On these two days, you will have an option of either enjoying two extensive game viewing drives per day or departing with packed lunch boxes for a full day of game viewing. Be on the look-out for the big five that Maasai Mara is famous for. These include the lion, savannah (African) elephant, the Cape buffalo, the leopard and the black rhino. We may even be so lucky to witness a leopard or a cheetah sprint and make a kill!
Mara Serena Safari Lodge LDBB



Wednesday 04th September 2024 Nairobi

After breakfast, you will be transferred to the airstrip for your flight to Nairobi. Upon arrival, you will be met and transferred to Jomo Kenyatta International Airport for onwards flight. Packed Lunch Included
Flight Nairobi to Dubai
On arrival in Dubai you will be transferred to your Hotel
Hyatt Regency Dubai

Thursday 05 September 2024

Your day is free to explore Dubai. We can help you arrange various activities
Breakfast Included
Hyatt Regency Dubai

Friday 06 September 2024

Today we bid farewell
Transfer to Airport
Fly Dubai to you Homeport



PRICE INCLUDES:

- Economy Air Travel Sydney – Dubai – Nairobi – Dubai - Sydney
- Departure Taxes
- Airport transfers
- Breakfast daily
- Full Board at Game Lodges
- All Accommodation and sightseeing as per itinerary
- Escorted by James Cracknell
- All sightseeing and entrance fees

Cost per person twin share \$14986.00

Single Supplement \$2053.00

Although travel insurance is not compulsory it is highly recommended at the time of booking.

A non-refundable deposit of \$2000.00 per person is required to secure a seat.

Full Payment will be required by 01 June 2024

Credit Card fees will apply 1.5% Visa & MasterCard 3.5% Diners and Amex

Tour price does not include:

- Personal Travel Insurance
- Meals other than specified
- Optional Sightseeing
- Items of Personal nature
- Driver Guide Tipping



CONDITIONS:

Price Includes

Land Arrangements: Transfers, Sightseeing, additional meals and accommodation as per the itinerary. Lodge Accommodation in Kenya is on a full board basis whilst accommodation in Nairobi & Dubai is on a bed & breakfast basis.

Vehicles: In Kenya we normally take a maximum of 6 clients in a vehicle, so everyone gets a window seat

Airfare: This Quote includes all airfares from Sydney / Dubai / Nairobi / Dubai / Sydney economy.

Price Excludes

Passports, visas, insurance, emergency evacuation costs, meals not specified in the itinerary, laundry, tips, items of a personal nature including medication and excess luggage. Kenyan Visa cost is approx. \$80 USD

Exchange Rates

The tour costs have been calculated using current exchange rates. Should the Australian dollar fall in value against these currencies we will have no alternative but to impose a currency surcharge.

Deposit & Booking Form

A non-refundable Deposit of \$2000.00 per person is required at the time of booking. A completed booking form is also required.

COVID Cancellations - If the tour has to be cancelled prior to final payment 01 June 2024 due to COVID related travel restrictions the full deposit will be refunded in full less any expenses incurred by Windsong Travel. The expenses will be advised to the client at the time of commitment.

Cancellation Fees

Windsong Travel's cancellation policies will be strictly enforced. In summary, cancellations more than 60 Days prior to departure incur loss of deposit

59-41 Days 45%

40-31days 65%

30 Days or less no refund

Final Payment

Final Payment is due 01 June 2024

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