



Kenya and optional Rwanda

December 3-17, 2025

December 17-21 (Rwanda)

- Tue 02 Dec Depart home for a thrilling adventure
- Wed 03 Dec Karibu! You will be met at Jomo Kenyatta International Airport by your professional safari guide, Peter Cadot when you arrive in Nairobi, and transferred to House of Waine, situated in the leafy suburbs of Langata for your overnight stay. For your first night, dinner and drinks are on your account
Hotel: House of Waine, Langata Suburbs
- Thu 04 Dec Day to relax (includes breakfast and your choice of lunch or dinner)
Hotel: House of Waine, Langata Suburbs (B,LorD)
Inclusions: Airport transfers, first night Bed & Breakfast accommodation, second night half-board accommodation.
Rates Exclude: All drinks, dinner/lunch/snacks, house wines, soft drinks, mineral water, local beers, house spirits, laundry, Champagne, luxury spirits, selected wines
- Fri 05 Dec After an early breakfast we are transferred to Wilson Airport to catch our scheduled flight and fly south, skirting the foothills of Mount Kenya, then to Samburu and Sasaab Lodge, arriving in time for lunch. Sasaab is located within the Westgate Community Conservancy in Samburu in the northern part of Kenya.
Hotel: Sasaab Lodge, Samburu West Gate Community Conservancy (B,L,D)
Inclusions: Airstrip transfers, full board accommodation, game drives, Samburu National Reserve, conservation fees, camel walks, guided walks, Samburu cultural experience, all meals, house wines, house soft drinks, house beers, house spirits, laundry, bush breakfasts and sundowners.
Exclusions: Scenic helicopter flights, Champagne, luxury spirits, selected wines, health insurance, massage treatments and personal effects, and any other activities not stipulated in the itinerary
- Sat 06 Dec We spend three days exploring the area, searching for all the great game – elephant, lion, leopard and rarer species such as the Grevy Zebra, ‘long-necked’ gerenuk, reticulated giraffe, oryx, greater kudu, as well as the spectacular birdlife abundant in this area. Perhaps, if time prevails, an insight to the Samburu people and their customs.
Hotel: Sasaab Lodge (B,L,D)
- Sun 07 Dec We shall also have an opportunity to spend a full morning/day in the Samburu National Reserve, armed with a picnic breakfast. This delightful park abounds with wildlife and beautiful scenes and when we have had enough, we shall return to Sasaab for a late lunch.
Hotel: Sasaab Lodge (B,L,D)
- Mon 08 Dec Sasaab’s design is based on strong Moroccan principles, in which African heat is a central consideration. Each room is over 100 square meters in area, allowing for enormous open-air bathrooms and huge comfortable beds. Couple this with expansive views and a cooling plunge pool, and you have the perfect formula.
Hotel: Sasaab Lodge (B,L,D)
- Tue 09 Dec After a leisurely breakfast we are transferred to Sasaab Airstrip and catch our private charter flight and fly south towards the foothills of Mount Kenya, then to Lewa Wildlife Conservancy and Lewa House, arriving in time for lunch.
Hotel: Lewa House, Lewa Wildlife Conservancy (B,L,D)
Inclusions: Airstrip transfers, Private charter flight – Sasaab, Samburu to Lewa House, full board accommodation including picnics; house wines, house soft drinks, house beers, house

spirits, unlimited exclusive use of vehicle & game-viewing drives, escorted bush walks, bush breakfasts, laundry, all conservancy fees.

Exclusions: Champagne, luxury spirits, selected wines, scenic helicopter ride, massage treatments

Wed 10 Dec In this magnificent Wildlife conservancy, perched on-top of a hill rests Lewa House a small Lodge. A dream created by Sophie, Calum and their children, (Sophie, a grandchild of the original Craig family, who once farmed this land, but now it has turned into a valuable wildlife conservancy) where they transformed a private house, to a small, delightful lodge to accommodate guests. A lovely Thatched main house is shaded by huge Acacia trees, deep rolling green lawns and outstanding views across the undulating terrain and Mount Kenya as its backdrop. Roaring log fires at night, in the main house, keep the chilly evenings at bay, leading off to one side, a large dining room table can accommodate all guests, with warm atmosphere and evening stories are exchanged of exciting wildlife happenings of the day! Food is fresh, and many of the vegetables are picked direct from the garden that complement the daily menu, touching on European, Indian, local dishes, etc.

Hotel: Lewa House (B,L,D)

Thu 11 Dec There are 80,000 acres to explore and over 70 species of wildlife and 300 species of birds to admire. We may not manage to see all of them in the days we are here. However, there are herds of elephant that visit the nearby springs to quench their thirst, while out on the plains are black & white rhino, elephant, lion, leopard, cheetah, jackal, oryx, reticulated giraffe, eland, impala, ostrich, to name but a few.

Hotel: Lewa House (B,L,D)

Fri 12 Dec Our days will be as busy as you like, as there is so much to do here or as relaxing, particularly as the swimming pool commands magnificent views across the plains to Mount Kenya or the misty hills of the Northern Frontier district!

Hotel: Lewa House (B,L,D)

Sat 13 Dec We board our morning schedule flight and fly southwest to the world famous Maasai Mara reserve, where big game is the order of the day. On the sweeping river-fed plains, the whole of wild Africa congregates, from elephant and buffalo to the prowling cats and huge herds of plains game, our home for the next four days.

Hotel: Kicheche Mara Camp (B,L,D)

Inclusions: Airstrip transfers; full board accommodation including picnics, game-viewing drives, house wines, house soft drinks, house beers, house spirits, laundry, bush breakfasts, sundowners, conservancy fees, including a \$5 per night conservancy Trust contribution and laundry.

Exclusions: Champagne, luxury spirits, selected wines, balloon rides, Maasai village visits, and any other activities not stipulated in the itinerary.

Sun 14 Dec The camp is set up in the heart of the Mara North Conservancy, in a picturesque valley, surrounded by indigenous trees and bush, commanding beautiful views across the valley and beyond to the Maasai Mara Reserve.

Hotel: Kicheche Mara Camp (B,L,D)

Mon 15 Dec Although Mara North conservancy borders the Maasai Mara reserve, there really is no reason to go any further, as wildlife is plentiful and a large pride of lion has made its home here in the conservancy, as well as a plethora of many other species.

Breakfast and lunch will be eaten in the bush when and where we want it.

Hotel: Kicheche Mara Camp (B,L,D)

Tue 16 Dec The wildlife is abundant and the gentle rolling grasslands ensure that animals are never out of sight. Birds, too, are prolific. Including migrants, well over 450 species have been recorded, among them, 57 species of birds of prey. The climate is gentle, rarely too hot and well-spread rainfall year round. The Mara North Conservancy borders the Maasai Mara National Reserve (1672 square km) which lies about 270 kilometers from Nairobi and the conservancy have exclusive us of about 67,900 acres of un-spoilt wilderness.

Hotel: Kicheche Mara Camp (B,L,D)

Wed 17 Dec We shall enjoy a leisurely breakfast in camp, freshen up and catch our morning schedule flight to Nairobi Wilson. There will be time to do some last-minute craft shopping, a light lunch (not included), and be transferred to House of Waine for your day room to freshen up. We shall have

an early farewell dinner, and then transfer to the International Airport and your onward flight home. (B,D)

Inclusions: Airport & shopping transfers, day room at House of Waine, farewell dinner at our local Restaurant, drinks, local beers, house wine, house spirits, soft drinks and transfer to Jomo Kenyatta International Airport.

Exclusions: Lunch, all drinks, any other activities not stipulated in the itinerary, airport taxes, etc.

Please Note: Each passenger, on Kenya schedule flights, shall be entitled to no more than, 1 soft-sided suitcase, including hand luggage, weighing no more than 15 kgs (33Lbs) and a maximum size of 66 centimetres in length.

Concession/Conservation fees: In case of any new fees introduced by national parks and reserves without our knowledge, we reserve the right to change quotes accordingly

Rwanda Mountain Gorilla Optional Add-on

- Wed 17 Dec After breakfast in camp we bid farewell to the camp staff and catch the morning Schedule flight to Wilson Nairobi, transfer a local craft shops for last minute shopping and enjoy a snack lunch (lunch & drinks are on your account) before being transferred to the International Airport for our flight to Rwanda - Kigali. After a short flight of one & half hours, we land at Kigali International Airport, and transferred to Serena Kigali Hotel for our overnight stay.
Inclusions: Airport transfers, Bed & breakfast accommodation
Rates Exclude: All drinks, Dinner, laundry, champagne, luxury spirits, selected wines, spa service
Hotel: Serena Kigali Hotel (B)
- Thu 18 Dec After a leisurely breakfast and checking out of the Hotel, we meet our driver guide, and take a short City Tour of Kigali, including a visit to the Genocide memorial museum, a grim reminder of senseless massacre, of over a million people in 100 days, in 1994. The recovery has been incredible, a testament to humankind's resilience. The history of Rwanda dates back centuries, Kigali has been a part of it for 100 years. Founded in 1907 as a German settlement, Kigali did not become the capital until Rwanda's independence in 1962 when it replaced the colonial seat of power in Butare. Rwanda, they say, means the land of a thousand hills, as you will discover on our very scenic drive, weaving our way round the plentiful hills, arriving late afternoon at The Bishops House, to a very warm welcome from our hosts. After freshening up, we meet in the beautifully appointed lounge, with a huge log fire, for predinner drinks, and then enjoy a sumptuous dinner. The Bishops House is located a short distance from the headquarters of the Parc National des Volcans from where guests trek on foot to see the magnificent Mountain Gorilla – perhaps one of the most dramatic, thrilling and poignant wildlife experiences possible.
Inclusions: Full board accommodation, transfers Kigali/The Bishops House/Virunga Park/Kigali, bottled water, laundry and 2 Gorilla permits per person.
Exclusions: Airport taxes, visas, etc., all drinks - wine, beers, spirits, soft drinks, Champagne, luxury spirits, premium brand wines
Hotel: Bishops House (B,L,D)
- Fri 19 Dec It is an early start this morning, with a light breakfast in order to meet with our trekking guide at 7:00 am at the park offices. Here we will be briefed by our tracker/guides on our morning program and allocated the gorilla group we will be tracking. After our briefing we will drive to where the trail starts, which is where our trek begins! Once the gorillas are located, our group will be allowed a maximum of one hour with them so that their routines are not invaded. This is one of the world's truly memorable experiences – a look into one of these magnificent creatures' eyes, brings home the bond that exists between them and us. Roughly half of the world's wild population of Mountain Gorillas is resident on the Rwandan slopes of the Virungas. Five habituated families of gorillas are visited, and these families have from seven to over thirty-five individuals in each. After our trek this morning, we will drive back to The Bishops House in time for a late lunch and afternoon at leisure. Your shoes are taken away and cleaned, and if you wish, your trousers or clothes can be laundered and will be returned early evening, or with your early morning coffee, ready for your next day's gorilla trek.
Hotel: Bishops House (B,L,D)

- Sat 20 Dec After an early breakfast, on the day of departure, we shall take our luggage with us and head to the Park Headquarters for our final morning Gorilla trek. After our trek to the Gorillas, we will meet up with our driver and head to Kigali, approximately 3-hour drive to Kigali Serena Hotel. Enjoy a farewell snack and drinks, before turning in.
Inclusions: Day room Serena Kigali, farewell snack, local wines, local beers, soft drinks & water, airport transfers to Kigali International Airport.
Exclusions: Massages, spa treatments, gym, sauna, etc. personal effects, Champagne, luxury spirits, selected wines (not included in the evening meal,) snacks at/in the airport, airport taxes.
Hotel: Serena Kigali Hotel (B, L, S)
- Sun 21 Dec Breakfast and day room at Serena Hotel, then transfer to Kigali International Airport for flight to Nairobi to catch your evening flight home
 (B)

Rwandan flight - luggage weight limit is approximately 23kg (50Lbs) per person.

Gorilla Trek addition includes:

- International return Flights – Nairobi - Jomo Kenyatta International Airport - Kigali, Rwanda - Economy class
- Meet & greet services at international Airport on arrival and transfer services as stipulated in the itinerary.
- Bed & Breakfast accommodation & day room on day of departure – Serena Hotel Rwanda/Kigali (**Excludes:** snacks drinks – these are for your account.) Farewell dinner at Serena Kigali Hotel on your last night, house wines, local beers and sodas. (Not included in your dinner - Champagne, luxury and local spirits, selected wines)
- Full board accommodation - The Bishops House – (laundry, house wines, local beers and sodas)
- Gorilla Trek - 2 gorilla treks per person
(Please note: Gorilla permits once booked and paid for are Non-refundable)
- Lunch at a local restaurant in Kigali includes water only (all other drinks during lunch are self-pay)
- Drinks – (Except *Kigali Serena Hotel* - Rwanda) local beers, house wines, local spirits, soft drinks + mineral water as indicated in the itinerary
- Kigali Serena Hotel, overnight stay and day room
- On last evening farewell snacks or dinner – drinks, local beers, wine, and mineral water
- International roundtrip flights – Jomo Kenyatta international Airport, Nairobi – Kigali/Rwanda – Economy class
- Services of Professional guide.
- Exclusive use of chauffeur driven 4x4
- Meet & greet services at international airport on arrival and meet/greet and transfer services as stipulated in the itinerary.

Excludes:

- International air transportation to and from the destination
- Personal travel and health insurance (highly recommended)
- International medical evacuation cover (highly recommended)
- Airport departure taxes
- Rwanda Visas (\$50 - per passport holder) are available on arrival at Kigali international airports or recognized border entry points.
- Dinner/lunch, snacks, drinks, etc. at the Serena Hotel Kigali on your first night
- Any services not indicated in the itinerary
- Tips and gratuities for your Professional Safari Guide, hotel, lodge staff, camp staff

PLEASE NOTE: All guests should take out comprehensive insurance cover when paying their confirmation deposit, to cover them for cancellation for any reason, curtailment, medical expenses, personal baggage, emergency evacuation back home