

# Wendinger Travel

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## *Captivating African Safari* *September 13 - 24, 2024*

*\$7,328 Per Person, Double Occupancy*  
*from Minneapolis*



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Reservation requests received after **Friday, May 10, 2024**, are subject to tour availability.

## Day by Day Itinerary

### Fri., Sept. 13 – MINNEAPOLIS / EN ROUTE

We depart Minneapolis St. Paul International Airport this afternoon by scheduled service of Delta Air Lines on the overnight transatlantic flight to Paris, France. (I)

### Sat., Sept. 14 – PARIS / NAIROBI

As the sun begins to rise on the French coast we arrive in Paris and change planes for our connecting Air France flight to Nairobi, Kenya. On arrival, we'll meet our Driver Guides who will welcome us to Kenya's capital city and accompany us throughout our Safari adventure. (I)

**The Nairobi Serena Hotel** lies beyond the hustle and bustle of Kenya's most cosmopolitan metropolis, allowing you to experience a haven of elegance and calm nestled among lush gardens at the edge of Nairobi's Central Park.

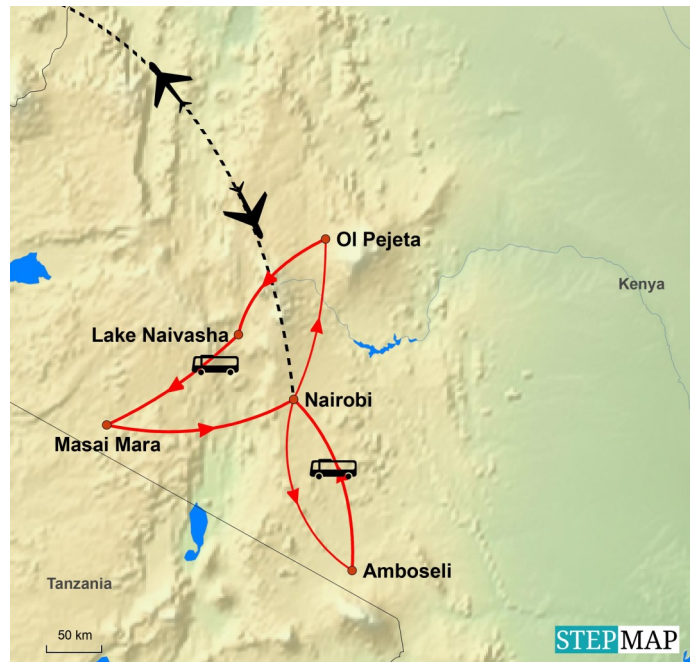
### Sun., Sept. 15 – NAIROBI / AMBOSELI

This morning we depart Nairobi and travel to Amboseli National Park, which not only offers great game viewing, but is also the best place for iconic views of Mount Kilimanjaro. The world's tallest free-standing mountain rises just across the border in Tanzania, but Amboseli has a postcard-perfect view of its snow-capped peaks. At only 150-square miles, Amboseli is a small park. However, the streams from Kilimanjaro surface in the center of Amboseli, creating wetlands that support a rich diversity of wildlife, and most of the classic big mammals will make their way here. To be found on our afternoon game drive is a species list that includes lion, elephant, buffalo, leopard, spotted hyena, giraffe and cheetah, and bird watchers will be happy with a list that tops 300 species. (B,L,D)

**The Amboseli Serena Safari Lodge** was created for adventurers with an African dream. With Mount Kilimanjaro soaring majestically beyond the golden, acacia-specked savannah, the safari lodge offers a graceful blend of stark beauty and lavish comfort in the heart of Kenya's Amboseli National Park.

### Mon., Sept. 16 – AMBOSELI

Today will feature Amboseli National Park. Eulogized by authors such as Ernest Hemingway and Robert Ruark, the inspirational sight of Kilimanjaro's snow-capped peak towering some 3 miles above the Amboseli plains provides a superb backdrop for the park's remarkable wildlife. An ever-mutating patchwork of dusty plains and marshland, this wildlife rich park is not a self-contained ecological unit but the unfenced and watery core of a more expansive semiarid ecosystem. Practically unscathed by ivory poaching in the 1980s, Amboseli is home to the region's oldest elephants, including some impressively tusked bulls that are drawn to the park's lush swamplands. (B,L,D)



### Tues., Sept. 17 – AMBOSELI / OL PEJETA

A day of travel will see us depart Amboseli National Park and return to Nairobi. After lunch, we'll set our sights on the Ol Pejeta Conservancy, a 90,000-acre wildlife conservancy located in central Kenya on the Laikipia Plateau. With the snowy peaks of Mt. Kenya as our backdrop, a game drive in East Africa's largest black rhino sanctuary is sure to be as beautiful as it is diverse. In this region of grass plains, acacia woodland and evergreen thicket, the conservancy holds some of the highest predator densities in Kenya. (B,L,D)

**The Sweetwaters Serena Tented Camp** embraces the awe-inspiring natural beauty of our surroundings, and sets the stage for a visit you won't soon forget. Located within the sprawling Ol Pejeta Conservancy, one of Kenya's most noteworthy conservancies and home to the 'Big Five', the Ol Pejeta Conservancy Tented Safari Camp is unlike any other.

### Wed., Sept. 18 – OL PEJETA

Africa's most iconic species hunt, graze, breed and fight for survival on the plains of Ol Pejeta every day, in an ecosystem that has the highest densities of wildlife in Kenya outside of the Maasai Mara. Using the latest technology to monitor species populations, and smart fencing techniques that allow the free movement of migratory wildlife, Ol Pejeta prides itself on being at the cutting edge of conservation innovation. As the largest black rhino sanctuary in East Africa, and the only place in Kenya to see chimpanzees, Ol Pejeta is also safeguarding some of the most vulnerable wildlife in the world and advocating for change.

### Thurs., Sept. 19 – OL PEJETA / LAKE NAIVASHA

Today we depart the Ol Pejeta Conservancy and travel into the Great Rift Valley, a series of contiguous

geographic trenches that stretches over 4,000 miles in length from Lebanon in Asia to Mozambique in Southeast Africa. Running through the heart of Kenya, the Great Rift Valley is home to a series of alkaline lakes in the north switching to freshwater lakes in the south. Our destination is Lake Naivasha, the highest lake in the Rift Valley. The lake itself is remarkably picturesque, set against a purple backdrop of the Eburru volcanic mountain range and lined by yellow barked Acacia Xanthophlea trees. This afternoon we'll take to the waters of Lake Naivasha for a relaxing, yet exciting, boat safari. In terms of wildlife, the lake is home to more than 300 species of birds, over a 1,000 protected Hippo, and the shores of the lake also host Giraffe, Zebra, Waterbuck and the odd eland and wildebeest. **(B,L,D)**

**The Lake Naivasha Sopa Resort** is set in one hundred and fifty acres of grassland studded with Acacia bushes and trees. The resort is not only home to resident giraffe, waterbuck and both Vervet and Colobus monkeys, but it is also a night stop for the hippos when they leave the lake every night to come and trim the grass on the expansive lawns.

**Fri., Sept. 20 – LAKE NAIVASHA / MASAI MARA**  
Early this morning we depart the shores of Lake Naivasha for the Masai Mara. Set in the northern part of the Great Plains, including Tanzania's Serengeti to the south, the Masai Mara offers perhaps the finest game viewing in the world. This vast protected landscape is Kenya's flagship conservation area. Game viewing in the Masai Mara is excellent all year round thanks to the diverse population of resident game, including the Big 5 – plus popular species like zebra, giraffe, hyena, eland and gazelle. On this afternoon's game drive, we'll learn about one of nature's greatest spectacles, the wildebeest migration. From July to November, the number of wildebeest arriving in the area is staggering. The migration is a dramatic mass movement of almost 2-million wildebeests, zebra and gazelle in a seasonal annual cycle driven by rainfall. **(B,L,D)**

**The Mara Serena Safari Lodge** allows you to discover the Kenya safari of your dreams. As the only safari lodge in the famed Mara Triangle, the setting is matched by few other hotels in the world: perched high on a bush-cloaked hill with sweeping views of the savannah and the meandering shoreline of the Mara River.

**Sat., Sept. 21 & Sun., Sept. 22 – MASAI MARA**  
The next two days will be spent in the 721-square mile Mara, as it is referred to. Established in 1961, the Mara landscape features verdant savannah grasses and lone acacia trees that evoke the classic image of this country. Not surprisingly, the romantic movie *Out of Africa* was filmed here. The Mara is perhaps the only

region left in Kenya where visitors have an opportunity to see animals in the same superabundance as existed a century ago. We'll see the great migrating herds of wildebeest, zebra and gazelle as well as the predators. Buffalo and elephant are also prevalent, and prides of more than 20 lions including large black-maned males are not an uncommon sight.

**Mon., Sept. 23 – MASAI MARA / EN ROUTE**

As all good things must come to an end, today we depart the Masai Mara and return to Nairobi, where day rooms will allow us an opportunity to freshen-up and relax prior to this evening's overnight flight to Amsterdam, The Netherlands. **(B,I)**

**Tues., Sept. 24 – AMSTERDAM / MINNEAPOLIS**

As the sun begins to rise on The Netherlands we arrive in Amsterdam and continue by connecting flight to Minneapolis St. Paul International Airport. No better time to reflect on memories of our *Captivating African Safari* to last a lifetime and new friendships made along the way! **(I)**

**\*\*\* Welcome Home \*\*\***

**I = In-flight B = Breakfast L = Lunch D = Dinner**



**The Vacation Price Includes:**

- Economy airline transportation from Minneapolis St. Paul International Airport by scheduled service of Delta Air Lines, Air France and KLM Royal Dutch Airlines.
- Transportation by deluxe private 7-seat stretch Land Cruisers with accompanying Driver Guides.
- First-class hotel accommodations.
- All meals as shown in the Day by Day Itinerary.
- Sightseeing as detailed in the Day by Day Itinerary including applicable entrance fees.
- Luggage handling and portorage charges for one suitcase per person at the hotels.
- Kenya Visa.
- Airline taxes and fees totaling \$705 per person, and all taxes for included ground services.

**The Vacation Price Does Not Include:** Items of a personal nature such as passport fees and destination entry requirements for non-U.S. Passport holders; luggage handling at airports; gratuities to the Driver Guides; meals other than those stated above; and Travel Protection.

## TOUR CONDITIONS

**TOUR DEPOSIT AND PAYMENT:** Reservations may be made by check or major credit card. Credit cards can be accepted for payment(s); however, the vacation price reflects a 4% cash discount. Please call InterTrav at 630-377-5840 to arrange payment by credit card; 4% of the payment amount will be assessed on credit card payments. You will be invoiced for the balance of payment due on or before **Wednesday, June 5, 2024**. Reservation requests received after **Friday, May 10, 2024**, are subject to tour availability.

**TOUR PRICING:** The tour price is based on a minimum participation of 18 persons and includes planning, handling and operational charges and is quoted on the current rate of exchange, tariff rates and airfares in effect as of October 16, 2023.

**CANCELLATION:** If after making your initial deposit you find it necessary to cancel from the tour for any reason, there is a cancellation charge equal to the per person deposit up to 100 days prior to departure. For cancellation between 99 and 60 days prior to departure, there is a cancellation charge equal to 50% of the tour cost. For cancellation within 59 days of departure, the cancellation charge is 100% of the tour cost. **IMPORTANT:** Cancellations will not be accepted by telephone and must be sent in writing to: Wendinger Travel, P.O. Box 386, New Ulm, MN 56073, or emailed to [info@wendingertravel.com](mailto:info@wendingertravel.com).

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