



EAST AFRICA EXPLORER

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Tailor-Made Journeys, Suggested Itineraries, Luxury African Safaris



Africa, Kenya, Tanzania



10 days from AU\$11,950 pp



Private

Journey Overview

Venture to the sun-soaked plains of East Africa on an extraordinary 10-day journey through Kenya and Tanzania. Enjoy thrilling game drives with expert safari guides among a diverse range of ecosystems witnessing abundant and iconic wildlife, and stay in comfortable, spacious camps and lodges with ideal locations in the region's greatest parks and reserves.

Journey Highlights

- Discover diverse wildlife in places synonymous with unforgettable game sightings, including Amboseli National Park, Ngorongoro Crater and Serengeti National Park
- Explore alongside handpicked safari guides whose in-depth tracking expertise leads to amazing wildlife encounters
- Privately visit Olduvai Gorge, where the Leakey family discovered fossils linking man to his distant ancestors
- Stay in exclusive and intimate camps and lodges in idyllic locations



Itinerary

Day 1: Nairobi

Arrive in Nairobi, where you are met and transferred to your hotel, conveniently located close by to the airport.

Crowne Plaza Nairobi Airport

Day 2 Nairobi - Amboseli National Park

Journey by road to Amboseli National Park, Renowned for its thriving big-game population, especially elephants, more than 1,000 of which live in the park. From a distance, take in views of the highest mountain in Africa, the snowcapped Mount Kilimanjaro, with its impressive Uhuru Peak soaring to 5,895 metres.

Arrive at your lodge set among an acacia woodland with endless views stretching to the majestic snow-capped Mount Kilimanjaro in Tanzania. This afternoon, explore the acacia woodland, freshwater swamps, scrub brush and open plains in search of wildlife. Part of the park is composed of a dried up lake bed, where mirages rise from the shimmering heat.

Elewana Tortilis Camp Amboseli | Meals: BLD

Day 3: Amboseli National Park

Set out on early morning and afternoon game drives, crisscrossing the landscape in search of the park's large herds of elephants, as well as zebra, wildebeest, giraffe and buffalo along the salt pan trails. Prepare for predator sightings as opportunistic animals begin roaming the plains in search of prey. You may also see interesting smaller mammals such as black-backed jackals and the delightful bat-eared fox. Over 47 different kinds of birds of prey have been recorded here, including two rarities – the Taita falcon and the Southern Banded harrier eagle. Return to your lodge for dinner, followed by a relaxing evening under African skies.

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Day 4: Amboseli National Park - Arusha

Time permitting, enjoy an early morning game drive before transferring by road to cross the border into Tanzania and on to Arusha for lunch. Arusha is located in the northern highlands of Tanzania, beneath the twin peaks of Mt. Meru and Mount Kilimanjaro. Settle into your accommodation, perched high on the rim of the Great Rift Valley Escarpment with 16 private, tastefully decorated chalets featuring breathtaking views of the picturesque biosphere around Lake Manyara National Park. The remainder of the day is at leisure.

Escarpment Luxury Lodge | Meals: BL

Day 5: Arusha - Ngorongoro Highlands

Enjoy an early morning game drive in Lake Manyara National Park before a walk on the Manyara Treetop Walkway above the beautiful forest of Lake Manyara accompanied by butterflies, monkeys and birds. Explore a vibrant local market and community on a tuk-tuk ride followed by lunch at Gibb's Farm, a working coffee plantation in the highlands where there is time to stretch your legs before the short drive to your charming country lodge.

Boasting spectacular views from high up on the escarpment, Acacia Farm Lodge is situated on a working farm in the picturesque agricultural district of Karatu. After settling in, you may choose to explore the fertile farmland on a farm tour, or enjoy a nature walk exploring the surrounding forest, coffee plantations and vegetable gardens.

Acacia Farm Lodge | Meals: BLD

Day 6: Ngorongoro Highlands

Today enjoy a visit to the world famous Ngorongoro Crater, deep, volcanic crater and the largest unbroken caldera in the world. Within the crater rim resides a dazzling abundance of wildlife. See wildebeest, zebra, buffalo and gazelle on the plains, waterbuck, bushbuck and eland in the forest, a healthy elephant population, black rhino, lion, leopard, hippo and flamingo. Just outside the crater's ridge, tall Maasai herd their cattle and goats over green pastures living alongside the wildlife as they have for centuries.

Acacia Farm Lodge | Meals: BLD

Day 7: Karatu - Serengeti National Park

Drive to vast, wildlife-rich Serengeti National Park and through its spectacular mix of savanna grassland and volcanic hills, stopping en route for a privately guided tour of Olduvai Gorge, one of the key sources of prehuman hominid fossils. Renowned palaeontologists Mary and Louis Leakey made many notable finds here, including “Nutcracker Man”, who lived approximately 1.75 million years ago. Visit the on-site museum, take in views from the lookout point and examine the excavations, which revealed 3.7-million-year-old footprints and the 1.8-million-year-old skull of a human.

Continue to your camp, located in the Central Serengeti with panoramic views of , one of the planet's biggest and most enduring wildlife havens. The park also serves as a setting for the Great Migration when it passes through each year.

Nyikani Camp Central Serengeti | Meals: BLD

Days 8-9: Serengeti National Park

Spend the next two days revelling in true safari country, searching for iconic species, such as lion, leopard, Cape buffalo and elephant, as well as giraffe, cheetah, gazelle and zebra. Along the rivers and rocky outcroppings, you may also spot some of the Serengeti’s more diminutive denizens, such as leopard tortoise and rhinoceros beetle.

Nyikani Camp Central Serengeti | Meals: BLD

Day 10: Serengeti National Park - Depart Kilimanjaro

A flight returns you to Kilimanjaro Airport where your safari ends.

Meals: BL

Map



Accommodation

Elewana Tortilis Camp



Facing the magnificent snow-capped Mount Kilimanjaro and with seemingly endless views across vast plains, Elewana Tortilis Camp is a charming, rustic tented camp shaded by a natural forest bustling with life. This is a great place to start a safari, relax and recharge the spirit. With 16 spacious en suite tents raised on wooden decks with large verandas, a family tent with two bedrooms and a Private House with two bedrooms the emphasis is on service and comfort without compromising the ecosystem. Good food is a central theme, setting you up for wonderful experiences including extraordinary encounters with some of Africa's largest elephants, as well as other prolific game.

Why we like it

- Breathtaking views of the magnificent Kilimanjaro Mountain
- Cool off in the swimming pool, shaded by palms and acacia Tortilis
- Indulge in a traditional African massage treatment, the perfect remedy after spending the morning
- Visit the local Masai village, to understand how they have survived farming living in a wildlife area
- Dine al fresco, the best way to enjoy the spectacular views in the morning with a bush breakfast

Dates & Pricing

From \$11,950 per person twin share (low season) and from \$14,735 per person twin share (high season). Solo travellers on request.

As this Tailor Made Journey can be personalised to your specific requirements, it is not available for online booking. Depending on your preferred dates and arrangements, final pricing will vary.

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