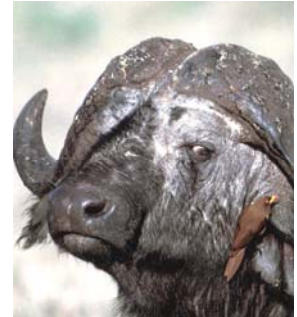
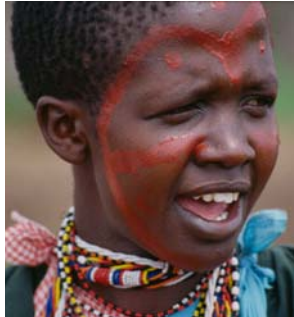


KENYAN WILDLIFE SAFARI

DATE: MAY 12 - 23, 2007



Saturday, May 12th

Depart U.S.A

Board your flight from Chicago O'Hare in the early evening to Nairobi via a stop in Amsterdam. Meals aloft.

Sunday, May 13th

Nairobi, Kenya

Arrive at Jomo Kenyatta Airport in the evening. You will be met by a Nature Expeditions representative and transfer to the Nairobi Serena Hotel allowing your mind and body to relax and adjust to the different time zone.

Overnight at **NAIROBI SERENA HOTEL**.

Monday, May 14th

Mount Kenya/Samburu

After breakfast at your hotel, depart with your driver/guide in a safari minivan with pop-up top that will be your second home for the next several days. Each person is guaranteed a window seat for easy game viewing and photography. Drive northward toward Mount Kenya, **crossing the equator**, through tea and coffee plantations, via the vibrant **Karatina Market**, to the **Trout Tree Restaurant** for lunch. Built in and around a huge fig tree, the **Trout Tree Restaurant** serves char-grilled trout as fresh as it gets... right over the trout ponds. Other entrées are available too. Two troops of Colobus monkeys are resident at the farm and the sound of constantly rushing water from the fish ponds under the restaurant further complement the meal, a full sensory feast. After lunch continue driving north into the semi-desert bush country of **Samburu**. Here you will encounter people from the nomadic tribes of Samburu, Borana, and Turkana who have lived for centuries in this land blessed with a variety of landscapes rich in color and wildlife. Samburu is famous for rare species of wildlife not found in other parts of the country such as the reticulated giraffe, Grevy's zebra, Somali ostrich, and hundreds of species of birds. Overnight at Samburu Serena Lodge, situated on the banks of the Uaaso Nyiro River in the center of the Samburu National Reserve. The thatched-roofed but exquisite lodge and cabins echo the robust rhythms of African riverfront life. Dinner and overnight at **SAMBURU SERENA LODGE**.

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Tuesday and Wednesday, May 15th and 16th

Samburu

Relax and enjoy two days in the exhilarating but refreshing environs of Samburu with both morning and afternoon game viewing drives. As well as seeing the wildlife unique to the Samburu area, you will marvel at elephants, rhinos, lions, cape buffalo, crocodiles, reticulated giraffe, Grevy's zebra, warthog, gerenuk, beisa oryx, Colobus monkey, and even leopards. One afternoon between game drives you can be entertained by **Samburu Dancers** or always can swim in the pool or nap on your porch. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner and overnight at **SAMBURU SERENA LODGE**.

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Thursday, May 17th
Sweetwaters



After breakfast set out to Sweetwaters Wildlife Sanctuary with its luxury tented camp with a view of snow-capped Mt. Kenya and set in a 22,000 acre Rhino Sanctuary on Ol Pejeta Ranch. En route stop at the **Nanyuki Weavers Cooperative** for a brief tour. Catch a glimpse of daily Kenyan life and culture while watching the women perfect their craft. Continue to Sweetwaters, arriving in time for lunch. Enjoy an afternoon game drive that will reveal the full range of African wildlife including lion, leopard, cheetah, elephant, hippo, oryx and more. Visit up close with "Morani", the tame rhino at the wildlife orphanage and observe chimps from an observation platform at the **Jane Goodall Institute's Sweetwaters Chimpanzee Sanctuary**. Although chimpanzees are not indigenous to Kenya, a colony has been established where orphaned, abused or abandoned chimps can be rehabilitated and taught to fend for themselves in an area that resembles their natural habitat. The tented accommodations at

Sweetwaters Camp provide the ultimate in safari experience. All tents face a waterhole where numerous animals regularly come to drink. In the evening, sit on your porch and observe the animals move in and out of the shadows. Each tent is beautifully appointed with private bathroom facilities. Dinner and overnight at **SWEETWATERS TENTED CAMP**.

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Friday, May 18th
Great Rift Valley/Lake Nakuru

After breakfast, a morning drive via magnificent **Thompson's Falls** down the escarpment to the floor of the **Great Rift Valley**, which splits the African continent, will take you to **Lake Nakuru National Park**, a protected game sanctuary for endangered species such as the white rhino. The park was created in 1960 as a bird sanctuary and is world-renowned for its millions of pink Flamingoes, both lesser and greater, found around the lake. A great variety of other water birds are to be seen and up to 400 species of birds are resident here. Rothschild giraffe may be seen as well as other game including both black and white rhinos, leopards, and possibly



the unique chance to see a pride of tree climbing lions. Lunch will be served at Lion Hill Sarova Lodge. Afternoon game drive until sunset. Dinner and overnight at **LION HILL SAROVA LODGE**.

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Saturday, Sunday and Monday, May 19th – 21st
Maasai Mara

After early breakfast, morning drive across the **Great Rift Valley** escarpment to the **Maasai Mara Game Reserve**, arriving in time for lunch at the Mara Safari Club. This camp is positioned on an ox-bow of the Mara River, so that all the deluxe tented accommodations have a view of the hippo-filled river. At the Mara Safari Club, the swimming pool, nightly activities of wildlife slide shows, traditional dancing, and talks on Maasai culture, combined with your game viewing ventures, all make your experience in the Maasai Mara excitingly unique and luxurious. The resident naturalist also takes nature and bird walks in the environs of the Club for those who feel in need of even more activity and a little exercise. During your three days here, you will have the opportunity to explore this great reserve in depth. On morning and afternoon game drives you will have the chance to see elephant, Maasai giraffe, prides of lion, cheetah, zebra and thousands of impala, topi, wildebeest, and Grant's and Thomson's gazelles. The Mara is the scene of the annual migration of millions of grazing animals up from the Serengeti plains in search of water and grasses. Between morning and afternoon game drives you will have the opportunity to visit a Maasai village and a Maasai school. Overnights at **MARA SAFARI CLUB**.

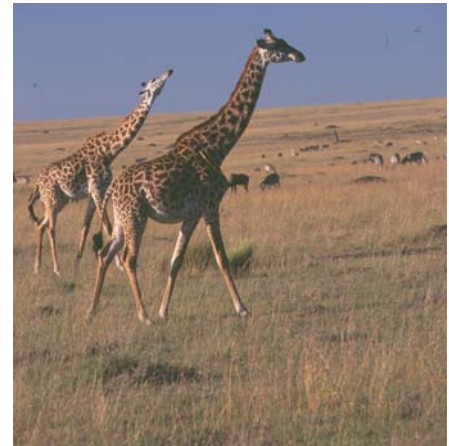
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Tuesday, May 22nd

Maasai Mara/Nairobi

Early morning game drive. Return to Camp for breakfast. Mid-morning transfer to the airstrip for the scheduled flight back to Nairobi. Met on arrival and transferred to the **Nairobi Serena Hotel** for use of a day room. You'll have the early afternoon for lunch on your own and to relax, pack, and reflect on the memorable experiences on your safari in the best parks in Africa. Prior to a **Farewell Dinner** at the famous **Carnivore Restaurant** visit the home of Karen Blixen and the Kazuri Bead Factory. The original home of *Out of Africa* author **Karen Blixen** is now a museum that portrays her life and experiences from the time Blixen moved there in 1914 until her departure in 1931. Transfer from the restaurant to Jomo Kenyatta International airport for your outbound flight.

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Wednesday, May 23rd

Arrive U.S.A.

Arrive home to share pleasant memories of your Kenyan safari with family and friends.

Meals included indicated by: B=breakfast L=lunch D=dinner

Group Air Schedule:

May 12, 2007	KLM #612	Chicago O'Hare / Amsterdam @ 4:45 pm / 7:35 am (+1)
May 13, 2007	KLM #565	Amsterdam / Nairobi @ 10:15 am / 7:20 pm
May 22, 2007	KLM #566	Nairobi / Amsterdam @ 10:05 pm / 5:30 am (+1)
May 23, 2007	KLM #611	Amsterdam / Chicago O'Hare @ 10:30 am / 12:05 pm