

SKYSAFARI

ABOVE AND BEYOND

SkySafari Kenya

8 Day Luxury Air Safari

Nairobi • Meru • Loisaba • Masai Mara



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The warm, dry-grass smell of the heat-hazed savannah, a lion's roar rumbling through the star-streaked night, mighty peaks piercing gigantic skies, near-endless bush teeming with life – Kenya is the Africa of your imagination. Planet earth on an epic scale. A place that fills your nostrils, kisses your skin, tingles your spine.

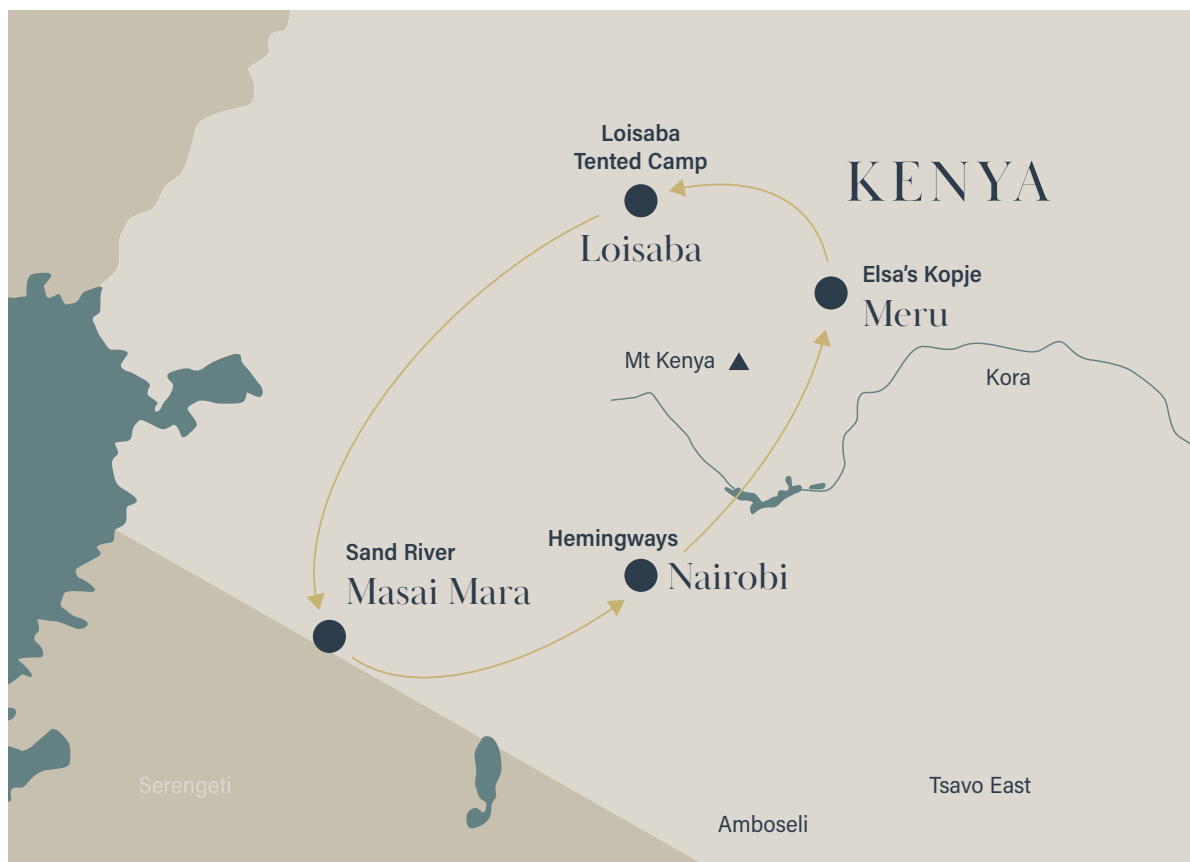
And we'll deliver you directly into this soul-stirring wilderness, not a minute wasted. Make your way to Meru National Park. Meru National Park offers a diversity of animals unrivalled by any other park in East Africa. Take off for Loisaba, where cutting-edge conservation helps preserve landscapes as dramatic as they are biodiverse. Fly right to the matchless Masai Mara for arguably the finest game-viewing in the world.

Our carefully curated SkySafari Kenya delivers maximum variety and adventure in high style, with high efficiency. There's no needless waiting or stops en route: you'll be driven straight onto the strip to board our elegant private aircraft – which seat only eight passengers – to soar straight to your next exquisite home, deep in the wilderness. That means more time tracking big cats on foot, learning bird calls, searching for the Big Five and chinking G&T glasses as the sun sinks below the horizon.

Our combination of executive plane, direct flights, top-class guides and luxurious camps and lodges in the most magnificent of locations is A-list decadence at an affordable price. It's kind to the planet too: we not only operate on a carbon negative basis, but every one of our trips contributes to Land & Life, a foundation committed to a sustainable future that sees local communities benefit from tourism, safeguarding nature for the next generation.

So fly with us, to explore deeper, to help conserve more and to spend longer immersed in the sights, smells, sounds and sensations of the African bush.

YOUR ADVENTURE AT A GLANCE...



DAY 1: Nairobi

- Land in Nairobi, where we'll fast-track you through the international airport and deliver you quickly to Hemingways Nairobi Hotel
- Dinner at Hemingways Nairobi

Accommodation - Hemingways Nairobi

DAY 2: Nairobi & Meru National Park

- Breakfast and briefing at hotel
- SkySafari private ground transfer to Nairobi – Wilson Airport
- SkySafari flight to Merui National Park
- Lunch at camp
- Afternoon game drive
- Dinner at camp

Accommodation – Elewana Elsa's Kopje

DAY 3: Meru National Park

- Early morning game drive
- Bush breakfast
- Lunch at camp
- Visit the Rhino Sanctuary
- Scenic sundowners in the bush
- Private dinner at camp

Accommodation – Elewana Elsa's Kopje Meru

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DAY 4: Meru National Park & Loisaba Conservancy

- Breakfast at camp
- Morning nature walk to Elsa's Memorial
- Departure to Mughwango airstrip
- SkySafari flight to Loisaba Conservancy
- VIP welcome and briefing about conservancy
- Game drive en-route to Loisaba Tented Camp
- Arrive at camp in time for lunch
- Afternoon Game Drive and sundowners
- Dinner at camp

Accommodation – Elewana Loisaba Tented Camp

DAY 5: Loisaba Conservancy

- Walking Safari with traditional Samburu guides
- Return to camp for breakfast
- Lunch at camp
- Afternoon - choice of game drive, horse/camelback exploration or bush running/trekking, fishing or visit with the anti-poaching sniffer dog team
- Sundowners in the bush
- Dinner under the stars at camp

Accommodation – Elewana Loisaba Tented Camp

DAY 6: Loisaba Conservancy & Masai Mara

- Breakfast at camp
- Game drive en-route to Loisaba airstrip
- SkySafari flight to the world famous Masai Mara
- Game drive en-route to Elephant Pepper Camp
- Lunch at camp
- Afternoon game drive
- Sundowners in the bush
- Dinner at camp

Accommodation – Elewana Sand River Masai Mara

DAY 7: Masai Mara

- Early breakfast at camp
- Full day game drive
- Picnic hamper lunch served in the bush
- Masai village visit
- Dinner under the stars at camp

Accommodation – Elewana Sand River Masai Mara

DAY 8: Masai Mara & Nairobi

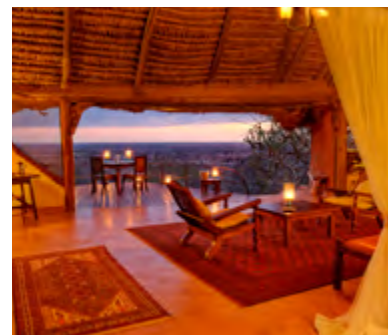
- Breakfast at camp
 - Transfer back to Keekorok airstrip
 - SkySafari flight to Wilson Airport, Nairobi
 - SkySafari private ground transfer to Hemingways Nairobi Hotel for the afternoon where a day room will be available
 - SkySafari private ground transfer to Kenyatta International Airport for outbound flight
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Day 1: Nairobi

Kenya's capital and the tech hub of Africa, with a national park spread beneath its skyscrapers, Nairobi is unique. We'll whisk you away from the hubbub to Hemingways, a sumptuous haven of calm, built on an old coffee plantation at the foot of the Ngong Hills.

It's ideally placed for exploring – perhaps to feed the inmates at the Giraffe Centre, meet orphaned elephants at the Sheldrick Wildlife Trust or visit the Karen Blixen Museum. Or you might simply feel like relaxing on site, where you can wander the bird-filled gardens, dip in the pool, take afternoon tea on the terrace or sip cocktails in the Hemingways bar.



Day 2-3: Meru

A vast wilderness, Meru National Park features jungle, coursing rivers, swampland, khaki grasslands and gaunt termite cathedrals, all intertwined under a seemingly endless African sky. Little visited and utterly unspoilt, few places are comparable.

The park covers 1800 sq kms, and is the core of an ecosystem that includes Kora, Bisandi, North Kitui and Rahole Reserves, an additional over 5000 sq kms of wilderness.

Meru was brought to fame in the 1960s through Joy Adamson's best-selling book, *Born Free, the true story of Elsa the lioness, and her release into the wild*. The 1966 feature film of the same starred Virginia McKenna and Bill Travers, and was the first of its kind to depict wild animals as endearing creatures, whose plight the audience could sympathise with. George Adamson continued to work with lions, living to the south of Meru National Park, until his death in 1989. Both Joy Adamson, and Elsa the lioness, are buried there.

Elsa's Kopje is in the heart of the park, perched around the rocky Mughwango hill and offering 360 degree views that stretch from the 17,000 foot peak of Mt Kenya to the east, to virtually infinity to the west. Below the hill is the site of George Adamson's camp, and the hill was the playground of Elsa the lion. There is a fertile spring to the east of the hill and guests can watch vast herds of elephant, buffalo and giraffe make their way across the plains below. Elsa's Kopje is one of only two lodges in the National Park, and so guests will have this vast wilderness practically to themselves.

Meru has enormous diversity of habitat and wildlife, from cool forests at 3400 ft to the west, dropping down to 1000 ft semi-desert plains with giant baobab and commiphora trees. It has thirteen clear spring fed rivers lined with palms and riverine forest, and home to basking hippo. This is lion and elephant country, but you'll also discover rare species including caracal, the beautiful Lesser Kudu, aardwolf, and over 400 species of birds. The park also has an 84 sq km rhino sanctuary housing over 60 black and white rhino.

Day 4-5: Loisaba Conservancy

Great game, good looks, high adventure, an exclusive feel and a groundbreaking attitude to conservation make the Loisaba Conservancy one of the most exciting destinations in Kenya. Sitting within Northern Laikipia, it's a ravishing landscape of rolling river valleys, rich forests and open plains, home to the Big Five, endangered rarities like wild dog and more than 260 species of birds.

As the wildlife is varied here, so are your options for getting out among it. The contemporary-luxe Elewana Loisaba Tented Camp – perched on an escarpment, with unhindered views to Mt Kenya – offers excellent game drives, of course. But you can also ride through the bush on horse-back – a thrilling way to get unusually

close to wild animals. Or you could bound down the ridges by mountain bike, raft through canyons and take a sunset trek by camel. Or witness Loisaba's cutting-edge conservation first-hand. Visit the conservancy headquarters to see the extraordinary work being done here and meet the sniffer dogs – Warrior, Machine, Memusi and Nanyokie – and the anti-poaching team to find out how they safeguard the wilderness.





Day 6-7: Masai Mara

The vast, fertile plains of the Maasai Mara boasts a plethora of wildlife; with over 450 bird species and both resident and transient populations of lion, leopard, buffalo, elephant, giraffe, to name a few, the plains are dense with game. Elephant Pepper Camp is perfect for those wanting to observe the spectacle of the migration, classified among the "Seven Wonders of the World", when, from July to November, over 1.3 million wildebeest and zebra cross from the Serengeti in search of greener pastures.

The camp's remote location allows the stars to shine bright at night, undimmed by harsh lighting; guests enjoy the unique experience of listening to

the sounds of lion, leopard and hyena foraging and hunting, whilst being cosseted with traditional and modern comforts such as a campfire and cosy duvets.

Upon waking, tea and freshly-baked biscuits ease guests into a morning of game drives or bush walks across the conservancy in the company of highly experienced local guides and wildlife rangers. Blankets warm the guests on night game drives back to camp after sundowners in the bush. Delicious Northern Italian cuisine, fresh baking and sensational salads complete the rustic luxury sensation.

Day 8: Nairobi - Departure

Relax over breakfast before jetting back to Nairobi, where cocktails at Hemingways await – whether you're about to fly home or continue your journey, you'll want to toast this sublime Kenyan adventure.

