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### Journey to the Pride Lands 2024





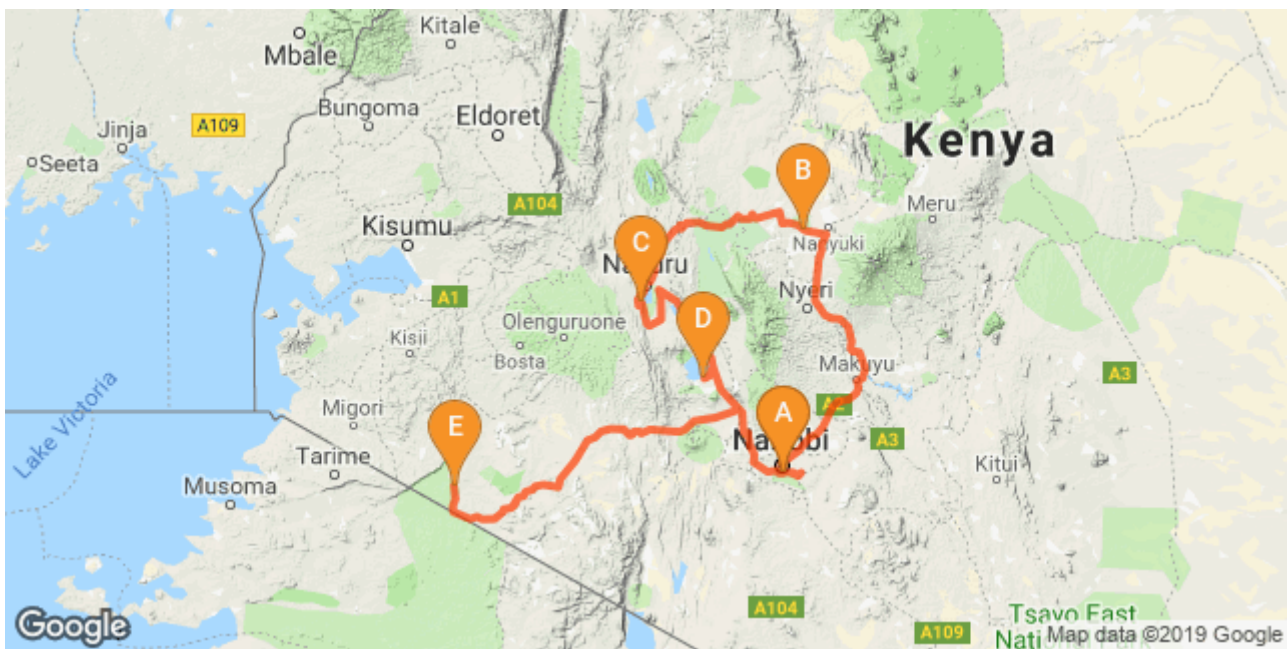


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*Nairobi - Ol Pejeta Conservancy - Lake Nakuru National Park - Lake Naivasha - Masai Mara*

*10 Days / 9 Nights*

*Date of Issue: 12 June 2024*



[Click here to view your Digital Itinerary](#)

## Introduction

Accommodation	Destination	Basis	Duration
The Boma Hotel	Nairobi	B&B	<b>2 Nights</b>
Sweetwaters Tented Camp	OI Pejeta Conservancy	FB	<b>2 Nights</b>
<a href="#">Lake Nakuru Sopa Lodge</a>	Lake Nakuru National Park	FB	<b>1 Night</b>
<a href="#">Lake Naivasha Sopa Resort</a>	Lake Naivasha	FB	<b>1 Night</b>
Mara Serena Safari Lodge	Masai Mara	FB	<b>2 Nights</b>
The Boma Hotel	Nairobi	B&B	<b>1 Night</b>

## Key

B&B: Bed and Breakfast

FB: Dinner, Bed, Breakfast and Lunch

## Included

- Accommodation as mentioned in the itinerary or of similar standard
- All transport in fully kitted vehicle
- Game drives and activities as mentioned
- Meals as per itinerary
- Park entrance fees
- Airport transfers on day of arrival and departure of tour

## Excluded

- Flights
- Pre and post tour accommodation
- Optional activities
- All drinks
- Gratuities
- Personal expenses such as telephone calls, curios etc.
- Travel insurance

## Day 1: The Boma Hotel, Nairobi

### Nairobi

Nairobi is Africa's 4th largest city and is a vibrant and exciting place and although it has developed a reputation which keeps tourist visits brief there are some fascinating attractions: its café culture, unbridled nightlife, the National Museum, the Karen Blixen Museum and most notably just 20 minutes from the city centre wild lions and buffalo roam in the world's only urban game reserve.

## Day Itinerary

Upon arrival at Jomo Kenyatta International Airport you will be transferred to your accommodation in Nairobi. This thriving metropolis is world famous. The cool climate made this site the ideal place for the colonial railway depot and later became the colonial capital in 1907. Today Nairobi is one of the most

important business and banking hubs in all of Africa, yet it has kept the "out of Africa" charm. Depending on your time of arrival, a variety of additional activities can be organised.

### Overnight: The Boma Hotel

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### Basis

Bed & Breakfast

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## Day 2: The Boma Hotel, Nairobi

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### Day Itinerary

After a scrumptious breakfast, we start the day off with a Nairobi City tour. Our first stop is the Kazuri Bead Factory, a social enterprise established in 1975 as a project to assist single mothers make a living. Today more than 300 women work at the factory creating a variety of bead work and pottery. After our tour of the Bead Factory we then head to the Giraffe Centre, where you can learn about the endangered Rothschild Giraffe and experience an up close and personal encounter. After lunch we then head to the Sheldrick Elephant Orphanage for a special behind the scenes, foster parent visit where we get to meet the young orphaned elephants as they come in from the day. After the elephants retire we return back to our accommodation for the evening.

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### Kazuri Beads

Kazuri, which means 'small and beautiful' in Swahili, began in 1975 as a tiny workshop experimenting on making handmade beads. The factory is located in what used to be part of the Karen Blixen Estate (of the Academy Award winning film Out of Africa).





### **Giraffe Centre**

The African Fund for Endangered Wildlife Kenya (A.F.E.W. Kenya) also known as the Giraffe Centre is a non-governmental, non-profit making organization, which was founded by Betty and Jock Leslie-Melville in 1979. This was in a bid to save the endangered Rothschild Giraffe, which had lost its natural habitat in Western Kenya to agriculture and there were only 130 left in the wild. Funds were raised and 4 herds of the Rothschild giraffes were moved to 4 parks namely Lake Nakuru National Park, Mwea Game Reserve, Ruma National Park and Nasalot Game Reserve.



### **The David Sheldrick Wildlife Trust**

Founded in 1977 by Dr. Dame Daphne Sheldrick D.B.E, in honor of the memory of her late husband, famous naturalist and founding Warden of Tsavo East National Park, David Leslie William Sheldrick MBE, the DSWT claims a rich and deeply rooted family history in wildlife and conservation. Born from one family's passion for Kenya and its wilderness, the David Sheldrick Wildlife Trust is today the most successful orphan-elephant rescue and rehabilitation program in the world and one of the pioneering conservation organisations for wildlife and habitat protection in East Africa.

To date the David Sheldrick Wildlife Trust has successfully hand-raised over 150 infant elephants and has accomplished its long-term conservation priority by effectively reintegrating orphans back into the wild herds of Tsavo, claiming many healthy wild-born calves from former-orphaned elephants raised in care.




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**Day 3: Sweetwaters Tented Camp, Ol Pejeta Conservancy**


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**Ol Pejeta Conservancy**

Resting at the foothills of Mount Kenya and the Aberdare Mountain Range, in central Kenya's Laikipia County, the Ol Pejeta Conservancy is the largest black rhino sanctuary in East Africa. It is also home to the last three remaining northern white rhino in the world. Originally a working cattle ranch in colonial Kenya and now a pioneering wildlife conservancy, Ol Pejeta works to protect wildlife and provide a sanctuary for rescued chimpanzees. The Conservancy is a popular safari destination and is home to the renowned 'Big Five' as well as a wide selection of other African animals including: zebra, giraffe, hippo, cheetah, jackal, serval, hyena, vervet monkey and many more. Visitors can enjoy an assortment of outdoor activities such as horse rides, game walks, and nocturnal game drives.

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**Day Itinerary**

After breakfast you will be met by your safari guide and set out north, making our way across the fertile lands of Thika, the breadbasket of Kenya found on the slopes of the towering Mt. Kenya. The drive takes us across the equator where we will stop for a picture before arriving at the Ol Pejeta Conservancy. We will enjoy a hot lunch on arrival before heading out for an afternoon game drive in the 360 sq Km reserve.

**Overnight: Sweetwaters Tented Camp**

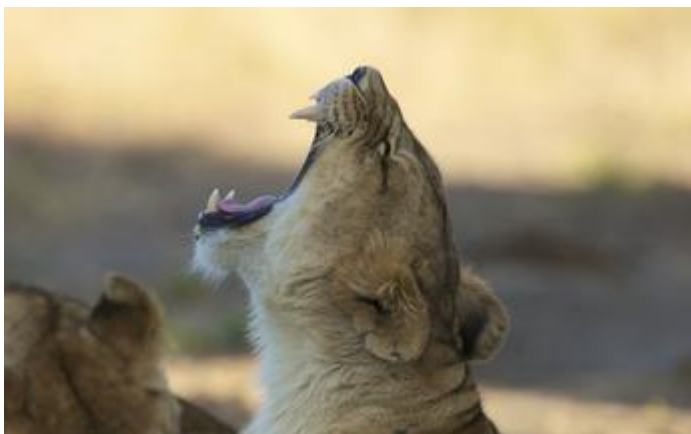
A sheltered oasis, clustered around a water hole and set in the pristine calm of the private Ol Pejeta Conservancy, Sweetwaters Tented Camp offers a charming blend of under-canvas ambiance and safari luxury. Located on the plains of Mount Kenya, the camp features thirty-nine luxury tents, each with its own private veranda overlooking the water hole. The central Rhino Restaurant is housed in the former manager's house of this once colonial farm, and offers both regional and international cuisine. Also within the house is the Kashoggi Bar and lounge, which centres on a blazing log fire. The Waterhole Bar, built in the style of a game-viewing hide, overlooks the waterhole and offers unrivalled wildlife-watching.





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### Day 4: Sweetwaters Tented Camp, Ol Pejeta Conservancy

#### Day Itinerary

Today is your chance to become a ranger for the day and assist the Ol Pejeta conservation team. You will be given a workbook of various activities and questions to solve throughout the day as we enjoy our game drive and a visit to the chimpanzee sanctuary. At the end of the day we meet one of the Tourism Rangers at the Morani Information Center who will review your data collection and will administer the ranger oath along with presenting you a ranger hat and honorary certificate (activity for children).



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### **Sweetwaters Chimp Sanctuary**

Sweetwaters Chimpanzee Sanctuary has been providing lifelong care and refuge to orphaned and abused chimpanzees since 1993. The sanctuary takes in chimpanzees from West and Central Africa rescuing them from the pet trade, conflict zones and poaching or smuggling seizures and offers them safety and security in natural enclosures.

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## **Day 5: Lake Nakuru Sopa Lodge, Lake Nakuru National Park**

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### **Lake Nakuru National Park**

Lake Nakuru National Park was created to protect the Lake and its flocks of Lesser Flamingo which are drawn to the algae that flourishes in the saline waters of the soda lake. The national park is home to hippos, black and white rhino, Rothschild giraffe, buffalo and eland.

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### **Day Itinerary**

After breakfast we will enjoy a short game drive as we leave Ol Pejeta and make our way to the lake region of Kenya. The winding road takes us back and forth across the equator multiple times. We stop for lunch and a visit to the Thomson's Falls, where the Ewaso Ng'iro River drops over 70 meters. After lunch we continue to Lake Nakuru National Park where we will enjoy a game drive on arrival.

### **Overnight: Lake Nakuru Sopa Lodge**      [View iBrochure](#)

Located on a range of hills that form the western limits of Africa's Great Rift Valley, the lodge offers spectacular views over the vastness of Africa. The lodge also overlooks Lake Nakuru and its surrounding National Park, one that is a paradise for bird watchers and wildlife lovers alike. Lake Nakuru National Park is mainly a wooded and bushy grassland with a wide ecological diversity and characteristic habitats that range from the lake waters to the escarpment and ridges.



### **Thomson's Falls**

The waters of the Ewaso Narok River plunge 72m over the Thomson's Falls.

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### Day 6: Lake Naivasha Sopa Resort, Lake Naivasha

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#### Lake Naivasha

Lake Naivasha is the highest of the Rift Valley Lakes and despite having no outlet is one of only two Rift Valley freshwater lakes. The beautiful lake is fringed by papyrus and acacia trees and supports a vast array of bird species. Although it is more than 10kms across it is very shallow and its area varies considerably with the rainfall, so much so that in the early 1900s it totally dried up.

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#### Day Itinerary

In the morning we finish exploring Lake Nakuru and the wildlife and then continue down the Great Rift Valley to Lake Naivasha, one of the few freshwater lakes found in the Rift Valley. We will enjoy a boat excursion on the lake, followed by a guided walking safari on Crescent Island.

#### Overnight: Lake Naivasha Sopa Resort [View iBrochure](#)

Set in one hundred and fifty acres of grassland studded with Acacia bushes and trees, the resort is not only home to our 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 our expansive lawns. With Sopa's traditional and conscientious care for the environment, we carefully positioned all the buildings on our property so we did not have to fell any of the many trees there. As a result of this, we had to come up with a radically innovative and artistic design for the main public area building which now snakes its way between the trees with long and graceful curves. The lodge features two swimming pools with a children's section and a pool complex with its bar, snack kitchen, pizzeria and health spa; tennis court and two conference halls with their four differently sized meeting areas.



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### Crescent Island Game Sanctuary

There is just one "Crescent Island Game Park". Located on Lake Naivasha, Kenya in the Great Rift Valley. It is one of the most beautiful parks in Kenya and is Naivasha's best-kept secret. Guides are on a first come first serve basis, for whom there is no charge, but they should be given a tip. Surrounded by water, it is actually a peninsula and is accessible by boat from East or West as well as by road. From the top of the hill, there is a 360-degree view across the Lake from Longonot to Hell's Gate to the Mau Escarpment to Eburu and onto the Aberdares. Walking along the ridge in the golden hour before sunset whilst watching the animals grazing with the water shimmering beyond, is what Africa is all about.

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**Day 7-8: Mara Serena Safari Lodge, Masai Mara**



## Masai Mara

The Masai Mara together with Tanzania's Serengeti form Africa's most famous wildlife park. The image of acacia trees on an endless grass plain epitomises Africa for many, and then add a Maasai warrior and some cattle to the picture and the conversation need go no further. The annual wildebeest migration through the Serengeti and the Masai Mara is the largest mass movement of land mammals on the planet – with more than a million animals following the rains. But that is not where the game viewing ends; large prides of lions, elephants and giraffes in grasslands, gazelles and eland to mention but a few. Aside from traditional vehicle safaris, hot-air ballooning over the Mara plains has become almost essential and you can even do a horseback safari.

## Day Itinerary

We continue south into Maasai Country where we find the world famous Masai Mara, the inspiration behind the film the Lion King. Maasai Mara National Park is one of the most exciting parks in Kenya hosting the annual wildebeest migration with more than 1.5 million wildebeest and some half a million zebra make their way into the park from the Serengeti in search of greener pastures. The Masai Mara is also known for a huge variety of other wildlife, but in particular it is a great place to spot Lion and Cheetah. The following day we will enjoy the game drives exploring grassy plains and rolling hills with the famous Acacia trees and excellent wildlife.

## Overnight: Mara Serena Safari Lodge

Secreted deep within the Masai Mara National Reserve, the Mara Serena Safari Lodge is the ultimate safari destination. Set high on a bush-cloaked hill, embraced by arcing vistas and washed by a sea of richly rolling grasslands, it stands centre-stage to one of Africa's most dramatic wildlife arenas and has a ringside seat for the greatest wildlife show on Earth, the legendary migration of the wildebeest. Drawing its inspiration from the traditional Maasai cultural motif of a cluster of domed, mud-colored huts encircled by a "Boma" of brushwood, the Mara Serena offers a rare blend of raw African splendor and sumptuous sophistication. The essentially ethnic décor also draws on a vibrant colour-palette of sun-burst colors, embellished by a unique selection of Maasai art to create the look and feel of a traditional bush encampment. The lodge features individual rooms, each with their own balcony and view of eternity, a sky-blue swimming pool and a spectacular restaurant, overlooking a water hole where a fantasia of creatures collect to drink.



## Masai Mara National Park

Situated in the southwest of Kenya, covering an area of 1 510 square km (583 square miles), the Masai Mara National Reserve is a land of breathtaking vistas, abundant wildlife and endless plains. The quintessential Masai Mara safari delivers many attractions, as the reserve is home to an excellent year-round concentration of game, including the more than two million wildebeest, zebras and other antelopes that make up the famous Great Migration. The reserve is a photographer's and naturalist's paradise, with an abundance elephant, buffalo, giraffe, lion and cheetah alongside the migratory wildebeest and zebra.

Leopards are frequently encountered, endangered black rhino hide in the dense thickets and large rafts of hippo and enormous crocodiles are found in the Mara River. The park is also home to over 450 bird species.




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## Day 9: The Boma Hotel, Nairobi

### Nairobi

As previously described

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### Day Itinerary

After breakfast and a final morning game drive we make our way back across the Great Rift Valley and up the Escarpment returning back to the bustling city of Nairobi.

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## **Day 10:      End of Itinerary**

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### **Day Itinerary**

The tour ends after breakfast this morning and you will be transferred to the airport for your outbound flight.

### **Basis**

Bed & Breakfast

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## Transport

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### Transfers

Date	Company	Pick Up	Drop Off	Time	Vehicle
		Jomo Kenyatta International Airport [NBO]	The Boma Hotel		Transfer
		The Boma Hotel	Sweetwaters Tented Camp		Transfer
		Sweetwaters Tented Camp	Lake Nakuru Sopa Lodge		Transfer
		Lake Nakuru Sopa Lodge	Lake Naivasha Sopa Resort		Transfer
		Lake Naivasha Sopa Resort	Mara Serena Safari Lodge		Transfer
		Mara Serena Safari Lodge	The Boma Hotel		Transfer
		The Boma Hotel	Jomo Kenyatta International Airport [NBO]		Transfer