

# CLASSIC KENYA

## HIGHLIGHTS

- IMMERSE YOURSELF IN THE MAASAI CULTURE
- EXCLUSIVE LODGES IN THE HEART OF UNSURPASSED NATURAL BEAUTY
- SEARCH FOR THE 'BIG FIVE'

Kenya is the birthplace of Abercrombie & Kent, and seven days of luxury safari built on our wealth of knowledge and expertise will give you an authentic flavour of the real Kenya. Stay in exclusive lodges set right in the heart of Kenyan game reserves with the spectacular backdrop of Mount Kenya and unforgettable sightings of the 'Big Five' - lion, leopard, buffalo, elephant and rhino.

## DAY 1

### *London/Nairobi*

Depart from London Heathrow to Nairobi this morning. On arrival, you

will be driven to the leafy suburb of Karen, situated at the foot of the Ngong hills to spend your first night in Kenya at House of Waine, a boutique hotel set in 2.5 acres of landscaped gardens with a heated pool.

## DAYS 2

### *Lewa Downs*

Take an onward flight from Wilson Domestic Airport to Lewa Downs. Located to the north of Nairobi in the shadows of Africa's second highest peak, Mount Kenya, Lewa is an exceptional area of natural beauty and outstanding game. The atmosphere and views of the Lewa Wildlife Conservancy from the private grounds of Sirikoi Lodge are unparalleled, and often observed to be the best game viewing in East Africa.

## DAYS 3

### *Lewa Downs*

Enjoy your first full day on safari with



a morning and evening game drive. Activities are plentiful at Sirikoi with a choice of game walks, drives, helicopter trips (additional cost) and camel treks. Alternatively you may like to simply relax and soak up Sirikoi's stunning setting, with the green lawns providing a safe haven for numerous species of antelope, warthog and blue crested cranes.

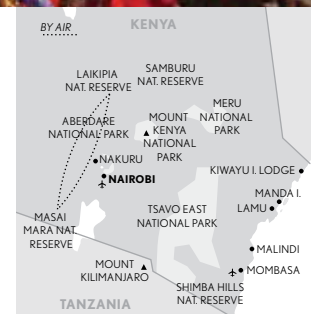
## DAY 4

### *Lewa Downs/Masai Mara*

After breakfast, you will fly from Lewa Downs to the Masai Mara Game Reserve, where you will encounter plenty of game on the journey from the airstrip. A small idyllic camp in the heart of Kenya's big game country, Sanctuary Olonana nestles in the Masai Mara



conservation area on the banks of the Mara River. Sanctuary Olonana is a stunning property with 14 bush pavilions built on platforms with private viewing decks overlooking the river. Luxuriously appointed pavilions feature two queen sized beds, en suite facilities and locally made furniture. After settling in, there will be plenty of time for an afternoon >



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game drive. Guided viewing expeditions in open-sided four-wheel drives are sure to set the pulse racing, yet the pace of your safari can be as active or as leisurely as you desire, matching the changing patterns of animal activity.

#### **DAYS 5 AND 6**

##### *Masai Mara*

Your personal steward will start your day early but gently with a cup of tea or coffee, as a world of remarkable opportunities for adventure awaits you. Each day's schedule is up to you: drive into the game reserve with a picnic lunch, or make the most of Olonana's unique position in a Conservation Area by setting out on foot, accompanied ►

by a skilled ranger and an armed guide. Gain a rare glimpse of the day-to-day lives of the famed Maasai people in the adjacent village. The area's Maasai are partners in Olonana so you are sure of a welcome if you choose to visit the local manyatta to learn more about their pastoral way of life. Every evening has the ambience of a dinner party with drinks served on the long sundeck overlooking the hippo-filled river followed by guests and guides dining together in a warm and convivial atmosphere.

#### **DAY 7**

##### *Masai Mara/Nairobi*

A final early start allows time for one last game drive before transferring back



to the airstrip for your flight to Nairobi. Alternatively, spend some time with one of the camp's guides to learn more about the many ambitious conservation projects in operation at Olonana. In the early evening enjoy a delicious dinner at one of Nairobi's top restaurants before your late flight to London, arriving the following morning.

#### **KENYA COAST EXTENSION**

An extension to the coast is a truly relaxing experience and the perfect addition to any Kenyan safari. Fly from Nairobi to Lamu on the north Kenyan coastline; a UNESCO World Heritage

Site steeped in culture and a wonderful place to wash away the safari dust! The Majlis resort is a short boat ride from the beautiful little town of Shela where you can take time to explore the labyrinth of narrow streets, encompassing amazing boutique art and craft shops before lunching at Peponi Hotel overlooking the water. Manda Bay, some 20 minutes by boat from Lamu Town, is another must-see where exceptional marine life provides outstanding snorkelling or diving. Cuisine is taken seriously with a tantalising seafood platter washed down with a crisp glass of Sauvignon Blanc is the perfect way to end the day.



Pricing for this suggested itinerary is from £4,470 per person including all accommodation, flights and transfers. However, please note that all our itineraries are individually tailored to your interests and needs, and days may be removed or added according to your requirements. If you would prefer to sleep under canvas in a traditional East African style tent, ask your consultant for details of Private Luxury Camping options. *Please bear in mind this is not a prescriptive itinerary but a suggestion to give you a taste of what is possible with the very highest level of comfort, service and convenience. Accordingly, we aim to quote to a standard as opposed to a price.*

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