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AQS HIGHLIGHTS OF KENYA



Day 1 Arrival - Nairobi

Arrival of your flight into Jomo Kenyatta International Airport.

Met by our team outside the immigration hall and transfer to the hotel.

Assisted in check-in on Bed and breakfast basis.

Day 2 Nairobi - Masai Mara (5H30)

Breakfast and check out.

Introduction to your Driver-Guide and get a short safari briefing. Depart and drive to **Masai Mara National Reserve**.

Arrive at the camp, check in and lunch.

Afternoon game drive in the reserve till sundown

Evening return to the camp for dinner and overnight stay.

Day 3 Masai Mara

Optional: Enjoy a hot air balloon safari with champagne breakfast (USD 430.- pp)

Full day spent game-viewing in the reserve.

Picnic lunch boxes will be provided

All meals and overnight stay.

Day 4 Masai Mara-Lake Nakuru (6H)

Breakfast and check out. Depart and drive to *Lake Nakuru National Park*.

Arrive at the lodge, check in and lunch

Afternoon game drive in the park and around the lake till sundown.

Evening return to the lodge

Dinner and overnight stay.

Day 5 Lake Nakuru - Ol Pejeta Conservancy (4H30)

Breakfast and check out. Depart and drive to *Mount Kenya Region*.

Arrive at the camp, check in and lunch.

Afternoon game drive in the conservancy with a visit to the *chimpanzee sanctuary and the Rhino research Centre*. Dinner and overnight

Day 6 Ol Pejeta - Samburu Game Reserve (3H)

Breakfast and check out. Depart and drive to Samburu region.

Arrive at the lodge and check in. lunch.

Afternoon game drive in the reserve till Sundown

Dinner and overnight stay

Day 7 Samburu Game Reserves

Day spent in the exploring the reserve with morning and afternoon game drives

All meals and overnight stay.

Day 8 Samburu - Aberdares National Park (4H)

Breakfast at the lodge and drive to *Aberdares National Park*

Arrive at the base hotel for check in and lunch

Afternoon transfer by the lodge vehicle to the Tree Lodge

Observation of large and small mammals at the lit waterhole.

Dinner and overnight stay.

NB: Only an overnight bag is allowed at the tree lodge the rest of luggage is left at the base hotel

Day 9 Aberdares - Nairobi - Amboseli National Park (3h + 4h30)

Breakfast and checkout. Depart and drive to Amboseli National park via Nairobi

Arrive in Nairobi and head to *Pampa Churrascaria* for lunch.

After lunch continue with the safari.

Arrive and game viewing enroute to the camp for check in.

Dinner and overnight stay

Day 10 Amboseli National Park

Full day spent game viewing in the park with Morning and Afternoon game drives.

Enjoy the scenic view of the Kilimanjaro with elephants walking beneath the mountain.

All meals and overnight stay at the lodge.

Day 11 Amboseli - Nairobi (4h30) - Depart

Early morning game drive in the park.

Later come back to the lodge for breakfast and check out.

Depart and drive back to Nairobi with picnic lunch boxes

Arrive and transferred to the Jomo Kenyatta International Airport for your departure flight

WE WISH YOU A MEMORABLE SAFARI EXPERIENCE!

Location and Park Information

Nairobi

Nairobi is the capital city of Kenya. The largest and most populous city in East Africa, with a current estimated population of about 4.5 million, Nairobi started life as a railways depot in 1899. Today, the city skyline is dominated by modern high rise buildings and is a tourism and trade hub. Nairobi is now one of the most prominent cities in Africa politically and financially. A vibrant city with a mix of races and cultures, providing the visitor with several sightseeing options such as museums, a national park, golf courses, resorts and posh night clubs. Nairobi is one of the leading cities in Africa.



Masai Mara

Covering an area of over 1,500 square km, the Masai Mara National Reserve is one of the most popular tourism destinations in Kenya. The reserve is located between the Great Rift Valley and Lake Victoria in primarily open grassland. The swampy land provides more access to water and less access to tourists. The eastern end is closest to Nairobi and hence easier to access by tourists. The Masai Mara is regarded as the jewel of Kenya's wildlife viewing areas. There have been some 95 species of mammals, amphibians and reptiles and over 400 bird species recorded on the reserve. Nowhere in Africa is wildlife more abundant, and it is for this reason a visitor hardly misses to see the big five (buffalo, elephant, leopard, lion, and rhino).



Lake Nakuru

The most famous of the Great Rift Valley lakes, **Lake Nakuru** is renowned for its magnificent birdlife. This 188sq. kms. park is a paradise for those who are particularly interested in ornithology and also offers the opportunity of seeing white rhino, the rare Rothschild's giraffe, large herds of buffalo and an abundance of various plains game. Sightings of leopard resting in the branches of acacia trees are common. The 40sq. kms. alkaline Lake Nakuru lies within the park and has been given the conservation world's **Ramsar Site** designation.



Ol Pejeta Conservancy

The Ol Pejeta Conservancy boasts an astounding variety of animals including the non-indigenous chimpanzees and the big 5 (the endangered black rhino, leopard, elephant, buffalo and lion). The combination of amazing wildlife and stunning views across the open plains of the sanctuary, with views of Mount Kenya on clear weather, guarantee an unforgettable safari experience.



Samburu Game Reserves

In the arid North of Kenya, water means life. The waters of the great Ewaso Nyiro river draw wildlife in great numbers to its banks, creating an oasis of green. This river flows through three great northern reserves, Samburu, Buffalo Springs and Shaba. This is spectacular country, set against a backdrop of the mighty Mountain Ololokwe. The verdant riverine forest is a stark contrast to the arid thorn studded

plains. Samburu is visited by large herds of Elephants, drawn by the promise of water. In the dry season, the elephants use their tusks to dig deep into the dry river beds, unearthing precious water. These waterholes then become a focal point for other game. The Samburu region is the best place to find several endemic Northern species, including Gerenuk, the Reticulated Giraffe, the Somali Ostrich and Gravy's Zebra.



Aberdares National Park

The Aberdare National Park covers the higher areas of the Aberdare Mountain Range of central Kenya and the Aberdare Salient to their east. The park is located about 100 km north from Nairobi and stretches over a wide variety of terrains because it covers altitudes from about 7,000 feet (2,100 m) to 14,000 feet (4,300 m) above sea level. The Aberdare National Park covers an area of 766 square kilometers and forms part of the Aberdare Mountain Range. The park has a wide range of landscapes - from the mountain peaks that rise to 14,000 feet (4,300 m) above sea level, to their deep, v-shaped valleys intersected by streams, rivers, and waterfalls. Moorland, bamboo forests and rainforests are found at lower altitudes. Animals easily observed include the lion, leopard, baboon, black and white Colobus monkey, and Sykes monkey. Rarer sightings include those of the golden cat and the bongo - an elusive forest antelope that lives in the bamboo forest. Animals like the eland and melanistic serval cats can be found higher up in the moorlands. The Aberdare National Park also contains a large population of black rhinos. Even the bird viewing is rewarding, with over 250 species of birds in the park, including the endangered Aberdare Cisticola, Jackson's Francolin, sparrow hawk, goshawks, eagles, sunbirds and plovers.



Amboseli National Park

Amboseli National Park is renowned for its large elephant population, including some impressively tusked bulls drawn to a series of large, lush swamplands. This area is home to many Maasai communities centered on the park. It has an area of 400 square kms, with its southern boundary along the Tanzanian border. Here you may have the opportunity to observe herds of wildebeest, zebra and impala graze on the open plains. There are areas of acacia forest that make for good birding and are home to many small mammals. Cheetahs are also often sighted in the park. The main feature dominating the Amboseli plains is the Mount Kilimanjaro. With its peak at 5895m above sea level, it is the highest mountain in Africa. On a clear sky and often in the morning, visitors are rewarded with magnificent views of it's snow-capped summits.

