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## 2013 ITINERARIES AND PRICES

BTS001: 5NIGHTS 6DAYS SAFARI NYUMBU TRAILS

Highlights: Nairobi - Samburu - Lake Nakuru - Masai Mara - Nairobi/ Serengeti

Trip starts: Nairobi, Kenya

Trip ends: Nairobi, Kenya/ Tanzania

Safari Options: We may customize any of our itineraries to suit you. You are at liberty to reduce or add a number of nights, change a hotel (upgrade/downgrade), add local flights, change a given routing, proceed to Tanzania etc. Please contact our expert consultants for your preferred trip plan.

## **NYUMBU TRAILS SAFARI RECAP**

Day	Activities	Hotels
Day 01: Nairobi/ Samburu game Reserve	Transfer -Nairobi - Samburu [3.5hrs drive] - Game Van. Lunch included Afternoon game drive - included Park fees - Samburu - included	Samburu Sopa Lodge/ similar. Meal plan B.L.D
Day 02: Samburu Game Reserve	Full day in the park Samburu: Morning & Afternoon Game Drive - Gerenuk - rear antelope species Conservation Fees - Samburu All meals (included)	Samburu Sopa Lodge/ similar. Meal plan B.L.D
Day 03: Samburu/ Lake Nakuru National Park	Transfer - Samburu - Lake Nakuru National [4 Hour Drive] - Game Van Lunch (included), Conservation Fees Game drive - pink lake with flamingoes Dinner (included)	<b>Lake Nakuru Lodge</b> / similar. Meal plan B.L.D
Day 04: Lake Nakuru/ Masai Mara Game Reserve	Transfer - Nakuru - Masai Mara [4.5 Hour Drive] - Game Van Lunch (included) Mara: Afternoon Game Drive - Conservation Fees - Mara Dinner (included)	Mara Sopa Lodge/ similar. Meal plan B.L.D
Day 05: Masai Mara Game Reserve	Full day - Game Van All meals (included) Mara: Morning & Afternoon Game Drives Park Fees - Mara	Mara Sopa Lodge/ similar. Meal plan B.L.D
Day 06: Optional Nairobi or Serengeti	Optional morning game drive You may drive to Serengeti or end this program with drive back to Nairobi - Depart  FB = Full Board, BB = Bed and Breakfast, HB = Half Board	Nairobi End / proceed to Serengeti

Beach Extensions: Note that you may connect a flight to one of the Indian Ocean Islands of Mombasa, Lamu, Malindi or Zanzibar to unwind by the pristine beach. Please contact our expert consultant for your preferred trip plan.

PRICES: [based on the above lodges/ similar] with guaranteed window seats

	HIGH	SHOULDER	PEAK	LOW
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	01/03/13-31/03/13		22/12/13-01/01/14	
	16/06/13-30/06/13			
	01/11/13-21/12/13			
Each of 2 pax sharing	\$1745	<b>\$1756</b>	\$1809	\$1646
Each of 3 pax sharing	\$1516	\$1528	\$1581	\$1418
Each of 4 pax sharing	\$1402	\$1414	\$1467	\$1304
Each of 5 pax sharing	\$1333	\$1345	\$1398	\$1235
Each of 6 pax sharing	\$1288	\$1300	\$1353	\$1190
S.R.S.	\$210	\$226	\$235	\$56

NOTE: Easter [1st of April] & Christmas supplement [24th, 25th, 26th and 31st of Dec] \$40 per person will apply.

#### **INCLUDED:**

All transfers in Nairobi.

Ground transport in a custom made tour van with pop up roof for game drive and photography. Game drives with a qualified private Spanish speaking driver guide while on safari.

Your park entrance fees

Drivers and vehicle park entrance fees.

Drivers allowance

1 litre of bottled drinking water per person per day

Specialised and personalised services

#### **EXCLUDED:**

Optional visit to Masai village \$30 per person

Optional Masai Mara hot air balloon safari \$435 per person

Visa fees

Tips/gratuities.

Items of a personal nature and any other not mentioned above.

Day 01: Nairobi/ Samburu National Park [Home of Gerenuk]: Upon arrival at Jomo Kenyatta International Airport, you will complete the customs and immigrations formalities then met and assisted by **Beyond Tours & safaris** Representative. A short Safari brief then commence drive down to the cool slopes of Mt. Kenya, across the plain of Laikipia, to your finally destination, the sandy desert region of Samburu. This scenic commute will take approximately 4 hours. Enjoy lunch (included in tour price). Another species unique to the Samburu region is the Gerenuk. With luck, you'll see some while on your game drive. It's amazing to watch them stand on their hind legs to eat! The Gerenuk also known as the Waller's Gazelle is a long-necked species of antelope found in dry bushy shrub and steppe in East Africa. The word Gerenuk comes from the Somali language, meaning "giraffe-necked", and leads to another common name, the Giraffe-necked Antelope. All Meals and overnight at **Samburu Sopa Lodge**/ similar. Meal plan full board.

The Samburu National Reserve is located on the banks of the Ewaso Ng'iro River (Brown river in the local language) in Kenya; on the other side of the river is the Buffalo Springs National Reserve in Northern Kenya. It is 165 km² in size and 350 kilometers from Nairobi. Samburu is distinctive for its arid plains and herds of animals drawn to the river and water holes. Photographers love this park for its stark lighting and contrasts. In the arid North of Kenya, water means life. The river draws wildlife in great numbers to its banks, providing high quality game viewing.

**Day 02: Samburu National park:** Early this morning you'll meet up with your guide for your game drive. One of the amazing things about Samburu is that you'll most likely see species that are unique to this region. The Grévy's Zebra (Equus grevyi), also known as the Imperial Zebra, is the largest species of zebra. It is found in the Samburu area as well as parts of Ethiopia. Compared to other zebras, it is taller, has larger ears, and its stripes are narrower. Grévy's Zebra is considered endangered, partly due to hunting for its skin, which fetches a high price on the world market. It also suffers habitat destruction, human disturbances at water holes and competition with domestic grazing

animals. There are estimated to be 17 000 Grévy's Zebra still living in the wild. With luck, you'll see some today! Enjoy lunch and dinner (included in tour price). All Meals and overnight at **Samburu Sopa Lodge**/ similar. Meal plan full board.

**Day 03: Samburu/ Lake Nakuru National park:** After breakfast depart for Thompson's Falls named after Joseph Thompson who was the first European to walk from Mombasa to Lake Victoria in the early 1880's. A short stop over then proceed drive to Lake Nakuru National Park, famed for being home to thousands of lesser and greater flamingoes. This park also provides sanctuary of Rothschild giraffe, black and white rhino and the elusive leopard. Arrive in time for lunch, after refreshing up and a short rest have an afternoon game drive till dusk. All Meals and overnight at **Lake Nakuru Lodge/** similar. Meal plan full board.

Lake Nakuru is one of the Rift Valley soda lakes. The lake's abundance of algae attracts the vast quantity of flamingos that famously lines the shore. Other birds also flourish in the area, as do warthogs, baboons, Lions, Leopards, Giraffes, Hippos and other large mammals. Black and White rhinos have also been introduced. This Park was created in 1968 to protect the huge flocks of over a million the lesser flamingo that breed and nest at the edge of Lake Nakuru, giving it the characteristic pink rim. Nakuru is the provincial capital of Kenya's Rift Valley province, and is the fourth largest urban centre in the country. Lake Nakuru is one of the Rift Valley soda lakes and provides the visitors with one of Kenya's best known images, thousands of flamingos joined into a massive flock. A pulsing pink swathe of life that carpets the water, the flamingos are a breathtaking sight. The lake forms part of the Lake Nakuru National Park which has good game viewing for a day safari.

**Day 04: Lake Nakuru - Masai Mara**: Breakfast then commence drive to Masai Mara National Reserve offering wonderful scenery and plenty of game and recently named one of the Seven Wonders of the World brought about by the crossing of river Mara by the thousands and thousands of wildebeest, a site to behold. Arrive in the late evening. Enjoy lunch and afternoon game drive till dusk. All Meals and overnight at **Mara Sopa Lodge**/ similar. Meal plan full board.

As Simba proudly surveys his kingdom in his majestic glory, Ndovu leisurely chews on succulent tree branches, his family close by. Not too far ahead, Nyati and his comrades graze on the lush Mara plains as the lonesome and often ill-tempered Kifaru stomps along in solitude. And finally, the elusive Chui... lounging above the ground on a lofty tree branch, on the lookout for his next meal. Together, they make the Big 5. Known as such not for their size, but for the difficultly they presented hunters who tried to capture them. And this is their home. The Masai Mara - Kenya's finest game reserve - gentle rolling grasslands teeming with a plethora of animals and bird life. See Thomson and Grant Gazelles, Topi, Eland, Zebra, Waterbuck, Giraffe, Hippo, Wildebeest, Warthog, Crocodile, Ostrich, Vultures among others, and over 450 bird species, with over 50 birds of prey. One thing is for sure... at the Masai Mara, you will experience nature in all its wild wonder!

**Days 05: Maasai Mara Game Reserve:** Masai Mara is named after the traditional inhabitants (Maasai) and the Mara River. At some point during your stay in the Mara, you'll drive by the river which is a great place to spot wildlife. This area is a photographer's delight where with any luck you'll be able to take amazing pictures of the hippos and elephants in the water. Full day at the reserve with morning and afternoon game drives in search of the 'big 5'. Masai Mara is at the northern most extension of the Serengeti Plains and one of the richest wildlife game reserves. Its home to the splendid black –manned lion, the elusive leopard, stately giraffe, vast bulk of elephants, rhino, thundering herds of zebra, migrating wildebeest and numerous other plains game. The small size funnels animals into a tight space, and park rules allow for off-road driving which means that guests can venture into plains covered with hundreds or even thousands of animals. Take an optional hot air balloon ride over the plains, with the opportunity for amazing pictures of the animal herds below. Thereafter return to **Mara Sopa Lodge**/ similar for meals and overnight. Meal plan full board.

Masai Mara offers an absolutely unique variety of animals. The reason is that this hilly region is both humid and fertile, and is crossed by the Mara and Talek rivers, full of crocodiles and hippos. The abundance of water and excellent availability of food are the reasons why the Masai Mara, which in fact is a continuation of the Tanzanian Serengeti National Park, has the greatest population of wild animals in the whole of Africa. There is a particularly dramatic "spectacle" from July to November, the annual migration of huge herds of Gnus and zebras. Predators such as Hyenas, Jackals, Leopards and Lions of course, closely follow these herds. Gigantic herds of over 200 buffaloes can also be observed. Plenty of food is available for elephants, giraffes, and the many species of antelopes. Soak in the

abundance of untamed wilderness, fresh and natural scenery, filled with exotic wildlife during our expertly guided game drives, enjoyed in open vehicles. For those interested in a more intimate encounter, we conduct a safe and exciting walking safari where you have the chance to come face to face with nature's beauty both in flora and fauna...

**Optional:** (A visit to the Masai villages and hot air balloon taking off in the beautiful early morning, you drift above the browsing game and have tremendous opportunities for unusual photographs. What could be more uplifting than an early morning safari in a hot air balloon flying over the vast plains of Africa? Witness an African sunrise as a plethora of wildlife roam the land beneath you. At the end of the flight you land on the plains, in the midst of this enchanting savannah a champagne breakfast is laid out with the mouth watering aroma of sausages, eggs, and bacon, sizzling over a charcoal fire. Drive in a leisurely fashion with game viewing on your way back to your camp).

**Day 06: Nairobi:** Time permitting you may enjoy a morning game drive. Breakfast enjoy sight and sound of Africa back to Nairobi. Transfer to the airport for your flight back home. End of the itinerary. This safari can be combined with Taita hills/ Amboseli/ Tsavo/ Mt. Kenya/ Aberdares/ Sweetwaters/ Solio/ Lewa/ Meru/ Lake Naivasha/ Lake Baringo/ Northern Tanzania Tsavo etc.... please contact our expert consultants for your preferred tailor made safari

**NAIROBI** is the least expensive arrival city for flights with a full range of hotels and local attractions. Dubbed the "Safari Capital of the World" cool, clear and cosmopolitan Nairobi is the natural departure point for most safari itineraries. A city of contrasts, it is simultaneously the largest, the youngest, the most modern, the highest (1700m) and the fastest growing city in East Africa. High-altitude Nairobi enjoys a pleasant tropical climate all year round. There are ATMs and banks to stock up on cash, great restaurants, and malls where you can purchase any forgotten items. Depart from Nairobi international airport - end of itinerary.

#### BTS002: 9NIGHTS 10DAYS ACROSS KENYA

Highlights: Nairobi - Amboseli - Mt. Kenya - Samburu - Lake Nakuru - Masai Mara - Nairobi/ Serengeti

Trip starts: Nairobi, Kenya

Trip ends: Nairobi, Kenya/ Tanzania

Safari Options: We may customize any of our itineraries to suit you. You are at liberty to reduce or add a number of nights, change a hotel (upgrade/downgrade), add local flights, change a given routing, proceed to Tanzania etc. Please contact our expert consultants for your preferred trip plan.

#### **ACROSS KENYA SAFARI RECAP**

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Day	Activities	Hotels
Day 01: Nairobi/ Amboseli National park	Transfer - Nairobi- Amboseli [3 Hour Drive] - Game Van Lunch (included) Amboseli: Afternoon Game Drive - Conservation fees - Amboseli Dinner (included)	Amboseli Sopa Lodge/ similar. Meal plan B.L.D
Day 02: Amboseli National Park	Game Van Lunch (included) Amboseli: Morning & Afternoon Game Drives Conservation Fees – Amboseli Dinner (included)	Amboseli Sopa Lodge/ similar. Meal plan B.L.D
Day 03: Amboseli/ Mt. Kenya	Transfer - Amboseli - Mt Kenya [4.5 Hour Drive] - Game Van Lunch (included), Conservation Fees Mt Kenya: Optional activities Dinner (included)	Serena Mountain Lodge/ similar. Meal plan B.L.D
Day 04: Mt. Kenya/ Samburu Game Reserve	Transfer - Mt Kenya - Samburu [2 to 3 Hour Drive] - Game Van Lunch (included) Samburu: Afternoon Game Drive - Gerenuk -Park Conservation Fees - Samburu Dinner (included)	Samburu Sopa Lodge/ similar. Meal plan B.L.D
Day 05: Samburu	Game Van	Samburu Sopa Lodge/

Game Reserve	Lunch (included) Samburu: Morning & Afternoon Game Drive - Gerenuk - Conservation Fees - Samburu Dinner (included)	similar. Meal plan B.L.D
Day 06: Samburu/ Lake Nakuru National Park	Transfer - Samburu - Lake Nakuru National [4 Hour Drive] - Game Van Lunch (included), Conservation Fees Game drive Dinner (included)	<b>Lake Nakuru Lodge</b> / similar. Meal plan B.L.D
Day 7: Nakuru/ Masai Mara Game Reserve	Transfer - Nakuru - Masai Mara [4.5 Hour Drive] - Game Van Lunch (included) Mara: Afternoon Game Drive - Conservation Fees - Mara Dinner (included)	Mara Sopa Lodge/ similar. Meal plan B.L.D
Day 8 & 9: Masai Mara Game Reserve	Game Van Lunch (included) Mara: Morning & Afternoon Game Drives Park Fees – Mara Dinner (included)	Mara Sopa Lodge/ similar. Meal plan B.L.D
Day 10: Optional Nairobi or Serengeti	Optional morning game drive You may drive to Serengeti or end this program with drive back to Nairobi - Depart  FB = Full Board, BB = Bed and Breakfast, HB = Half Board	Nairobi End / proceed to Serengeti

Beach Extensions: Note that you may connect a flight to one of the Indian Ocean Islands of Mombasa, Lamu, Malindi or Zanzibar to unwind by the pristine beach. Please contact our expert consultant for your preferred trip plan.

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	16/06/13-30/06/13				
	01/11/13-21/12/13				
Each of 2 pax sharing	\$2981	\$2999	\$3137	\$2799	
Each of 3 pax sharing	\$2601	\$2919	\$2757	\$2419	
Each of 4 pax sharing	\$2411	\$2429	\$2567	\$2229	
Each of 5 pax sharing	\$2297	\$2315	\$2453	\$2115	
Each of 6 pax sharing	\$2222	\$2240	\$2378	\$2039	
S.R.S.	\$383	\$408	\$403	\$56	

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## **INCLUDED:**

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Ground transport in a custom made tour van with pop up roof for game drive and photography. Game drives with a qualified private Spanish speaking driver guide while on safari.

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1 litre of bottled drinking water per person per day

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# **EXCLUDED:**

Optional visit to Masai village \$30 per person

Optional Masai Mara hot air balloon safari \$435 per person

Visa fees

Tips/gratuities.

Items of a personal nature and any other not mentioned above.

**TRIP SUMMERY:** A photographer's dream, the Kenya Discovery is the perfect tour for those adventurers who want awe-inspiring game drives, unparalleled wildlife and enchanting landscapes at an excellent price. Accompanied by private guide explore the misty mountains of Mount Kenya, the second highest snow topped mountain on the continent. Experience Samburu – Kenya's hot arid desert. See the crocodile-filled Uaso Nyiro River, miles of lion-stalked grasslands and elephant-studded bush. Travel through the Rift Valley to Lake Nakuru National Park - home to thousands of pink flamingos, monkeys, baboons and famed rhino sanctuary, the legendary savannah of the Masai Mara and the land of giants Amboseli National Park, 260 km (160 mi) south of Nairobi, on the Kenya and Tanzania border. The most famous for its spectacular views of Kilimanjaro. A system of swamps makes this low-rainfall area one of the best wildlife-viewing experiences in the world.

Featuring five very different game experiences, thousands of animals and incredible family adventure, this cost effective private guided safari should be carefully considered by those who want the classic 'out of Africa' experience...

Day 01: NAIROBI/ AMBOSELI NATIONAL PARK (Land of Giants): Upon arrival at Jomo Kenyatta International Airport, you will complete the customs and immigrations formalities then met and assisted by Beyond Tours & Safaris Representative. A short Safari brief then commence drive to Amboseli National Park nestled on the slopes of Africa's highest snow-capped mountain Mt Kilimanjaro via Namanga the Kenya –Tanzania boarder, arrive in time for lunch. The park is famous for being the best place in Africa to get close to free-ranging elephants. On a clear day, you'll also have spectacular views of Mount Kilimanjaro, the highest free-standing mountain in the world. Enjoy an afternoon game drive with your private guide giving you the chance to view and photograph the big 5 which include the Lion, Leopard, Rhino, Buffalo and Elephant till dusk. Return to the lodge for dinner and overnight at Amboseli Sopa Lodge / similar. Meal plan (FB)

**DAY 02: AMBOSELI NATIONAL PARK:** This day you will spend a full day in the park with morning and afternoon game drives. Lunch and dinner included. Amboseli National Park is 260 km (160 mi) south of Nairobi, on the Kenya and Tanzania border. It is most famous for its spectacular views of Kilimanjaro. A system of swamps makes this low-rainfall area one of the best wildlife-viewing experiences in the world. The park protects two of the five main swamps, and includes a dried-up Pleistocene lake and semi-arid vegetation. Noted in particular for its large elephant herds, Amboseli is the third most visited game area in Kenya after Masai Mara and Nakuru. Return to the lodge for dinner and overnight at **Amboseli Sopa Lodge/ similar. Meal plan (FB).** 

DAY 03: AMBOSELI/ MOUNT KENYA REGION: Breakfast then depart via Nairobi to Mount Kenya National Park. Mount Kenya (5,199 m) is Kenya's highest mountain, a national icon, a climbers' Mecca, the nation's namesake, a UNESCO Natural World Heritage site and a wildlife stronghold. One of the world's highest National Parks, it is also an extinct volcano some three and a half million years old and the sacred home of Ngai, God of the Kikuyu people. The misty northern heights of Mount Kenya are now in your reach, thanks to the newly-paved highway from Nairobi. Recognized as one of the only two snow capped peaks in Africa, and the second highest mountain on the continent.

Mount Kenya is the highest mountain in Kenya, and the second highest in Africa (after Mount Kilimanjaro). The highest peaks of the mountain are Batian (5,199 m - 17,058 ft), Nelion (5,188 m - 17,022 ft) and Lenana (4,985 m - 16,355 ft). It is located in central Kenya, just south of the equator, around 150 km (95 miles) north-northeast of Nairobi. The area around the mountain is protected in the Mount Kenya National Park, which is a designated UNESCO World Heritage Site. The mountain is best seen at dawn, when the days early light silhouettes its impressive summit high over the surrounding plains. Meals and overnight at **Serena Mountain Lodge/ similar Meal plan FB** 

**DAY 04: MOUNT KENYA/ SAMBURU:** Your guide will drive you down the cool slopes of Mt. Kenya, across the plain of Laikipia, to your finally destination, the sandy desert region of Samburu. This scenic commute will take approximately 2 to 3 hours. Enjoy lunch (included in tour price). Another species unique to the Samburu region is the Gerenuk. With luck, you'll see some while on your game drive. It's amazing to watch them stand on their hind legs to eat! The Gerenuk also known as the Waller's Gazelle is a long-necked species of antelope found in dry bushy shrub and steppe in East Africa. The

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**DAY 06: SAMBURU** / **LAKE NAKURU (4hrs drive approx):** After breakfast depart for Thompson's Falls named after Joseph Thompson who was the first European to walk from Mombasa to Lake Victoria in the early 1880's. A short stop over then proceed drive to Lake Nakuru National Park, famed for being home to thousands of lesser and greater flamingoes. This park also provides sanctuary of Rothschild giraffe, black and white rhino and the elusive leopard. Arrive in time for lunch, after refreshing up and a short rest have an afternoon game drive returning to the lodge in the evening.

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**DAY 07: NAKURU/ MASAI MARA GAME RESERVE (4hrs drive approx):** As Simba proudly surveys his kingdom in his majestic glory, Ndovu leisurely chews on succulent tree branches, his family close by. Not too far ahead, Nyati and his comrades graze on the lush Mara plains as the lonesome and often ill-tempered Kifaru stomps along in solitude. And finally, the elusive Chui... lounging above the ground on a lofty tree branch, on the lookout for his next meal. Together, they make the Big 5. Known as such not for their size, but for the difficultly they presented hunters who tried to capture them. And this is their home. The Masai Mara - Kenya's finest game reserve - gentle rolling grasslands teeming with a plethora of animals and bird life. See Thomson and Grant Gazelles, Topi, Eland, Zebra, Waterbuck, Giraffe, Hippo, Wildebeest, Warthog, Crocodile, Ostrich, Vultures among others, and over 450 bird species, with over 50 birds of prey. One thing is for sure... at the Masai Mara, you will experience nature in all its wild wonder!

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**DAY 08 & 09: MASAI MARA GAME RESERVE:** Masai Mara is named after the traditional inhabitants (Maasai) and the Mara River. At some point during your stay in the Mara, you'll drive by the river which is a great place to spot wildlife. This area is a photographer's delight where with any luck you'll be able to take amazing pictures of the hippos and elephants in the water. Full day at the reserve with morning and afternoon game drives in search of the 'big 5'. Masai Mara is at the northern most extension of the Serengeti Plains and one of the richest wildlife game reserves. Its home to the splendid black –manned lion, the elusive leopard, stately giraffe, vast bulk of elephants, rhino, thundering herds of zebra, migrating wildebeest and numerous other plains game. The small size funnels animals into a tight space, and park rules allow for off-road driving which means that guests can venture into plains covered with hundreds or even thousands of animals. Take an optional hot air balloon ride over the plains, with the opportunity for amazing pictures of the animal herds below. Thereafter return to the lodge for dinner and overnight at **Mara Sopa Lodge/ similar. Meal plan FB** 

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**DAY 10: MASAI MARA/ DEPART (5hrs drive):** After breakfast at your lodge you commence drive back to Nairobi, arrive late afternoon and drop off at the airport. This safari can be combined with Taita hills/ Tsavo/ Aberdares/ Sweetwaters/ Solio/ Lewa/ Meru/ Lake Naivasha/ Lake Baringo/ Northern Tanzania Tsavo etc.... please contact our expert consultants for your preferred tailor made safari

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### BTS003: 4NIGHTS 5DAYS SAFARI NDOVU

Highlights: Nairobi - Amboseli - Lake Nakuru - Masai Mara - Nairobi/ Serengeti

Trip starts: Nairobi, Kenya

Trip ends: Nairobi, Kenya/ Tanzania

Safari Options: We may customize any of our itineraries to suit you. You are at liberty to reduce or add a number of nights, change a hotel (upgrade/downgrade), add local flights, change a given routing, proceed to Tanzania etc. Please contact our expert consultants for your preferred trip plan.

# SAFARI NDOVU RECAP

Day	Activities	Hotels
Day 01: Nairobi/ Amboseli National park	Transfer - Nairobi- Amboseli [3 Hour Drive] - Game Van Lunch (included) Amboseli: Afternoon Game Drive - Conservation fees - Amboseli Dinner (included)	Amboseli Sopa Lodge/ similar. Meal plan B.L.D
Day 02: Amboseli/ Lake Nakuru National Park	Transfer - Amboseli - Lake Nakuru National [4.5 Hour Drive] - Game Van Lunch (included), Conservation Fees Game drive Dinner (included)	Lake Nakuru Lodge/ similar. Meal plan B.L.D
Day 03: Nakuru/ Masai Mara Game Reserve	Transfer - Nakuru - Masai Mara [4.5 Hour Drive] - Game Van Lunch (included) Mara: Afternoon Game Drive - Conservation Fees - Mara Dinner (included)	Mara Sopa Lodge/ similar. Meal plan B.L.D
Day 04: Masai Mara Game Reserve	Game Van Lunch (included) Mara: Morning & Afternoon Game Drives Park Fees – Mara Dinner (included)	Mara Sopa Lodge/ similar. Meal plan B.L.D
Day 05: Optional Nairobi or Serengeti	Optional morning game drive You may drive to Serengeti or end this program with drive back to Nairobi - Depart  FB = Full Board, BB = Bed and Breakfast, HB = Half Board	Nairobi End / proceed to Serengeti

Beach Extensions: Note that you may connect a flight to one of the Indian Ocean Islands of Mombasa, Lamu, Malindi or Zanzibar to unwind by the pristine beach. Please contact our expert consultant for your preferred trip plan.

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	16/06/13-30/06/13			
	01/11/13-21/12/13			
Each of 2 pax sharing	\$1445	\$1556	\$1571	\$1432
Each of 3 pax sharing	\$1254	\$1266	\$1382	\$1242
Each of 4 pax sharing	\$1160	\$1172	\$1287	\$1148
Each of 5 pax sharing	\$1102	\$1114	\$1229	\$1090
Each of 6 pax sharing	\$1064	\$1075	\$1191	\$1052
S.R.S.	\$172	\$188	\$197	\$56

NOTE: Easter [1st of April] & Christmas supplement [24th, 25th, 26th and 31st of Dec] \$40 per person will apply.

### **INCLUDED:**

All transfers in Nairobi.

Ground transport in a custom made tour van with pop up roof for game drive and photography. Game drives with a qualified private Spanish speaking driver guide while on safari.

Your park entrance fees

Drivers and vehicle park entrance fees.

Drivers allowance

1 litre of bottled drinking water per person per day Specialised and personalised services

#### **EXCLUDED:**

Optional visit to Masai village \$30 per person Optional Masai Mara hot air balloon safari \$435 per person Visa fees Tips/gratuities. Items of a personal nature and any other not mentioned above.

Day 01: Nairobi/ Amboseli National Park [Land of Giants]: Upon arrival at Jomo Kenyatta International Airport, you will complete the customs and immigrations formalities then met and assisted by **Beyond Tours & safaris Representative**. A short Safari brief then commence drive to Amboseli National Park nestled on the slopes of Africa's highest snow-capped mountain Mt Kilimanjaro via Namanga the Kenya -Tanzania boarder, arrive in time for lunch. Enjoy afternoon game drive till dusk. Return to the lodge/ tented camp for dinner and overnight at Amboseli Sopa Lodge/ similar. Meal plan B.L.D.

AMBOSELI NATIONAL PARK is famous for being the best place in Africa to get close to free-ranging elephants. On a clear day, you'll also have spectacular views of Mount Kilimanjaro, the highest free-standing mountain in the world. Enjoy an afternoon game drive with your private guide giving you the chance to view and photograph the big 5 which include the Lion, Leopard, Rhino, Buffalo and Elephant till dusk. Amboseli National Park is 260 km (160 mi) south of Nairobi, on the Kenya and Tanzania border. It is most famous for its spectacular views of Kilimanjaro. A system of swamps makes this low-rainfall area one of the best wildlife-viewing experiences in the world. The park protects two of the five main swamps, and includes a dried-up Pleistocene lake and semi-arid vegetation. Noted in particular for its large elephant herds and it is the third most visited game area in Kenya after Masai Mara and Nakuru.

**Day 02: Amboseli - Lake Nakuru National park:** After breakfast depart via the Great Rift valley viewing point, a short stop over then proceed drive to Lake Nakuru National Park, famed for being home to thousands of lesser and greater flamingoes. This park also provides sanctuary of Rothschild giraffe, black and white rhino and the elusive leopard. Arrive in time for lunch, after refreshing up and a short rest have an afternoon game drive till dusk. All Meals and overnight at **Lake Nakuru Lodge/similar**. Meal plan full board.

Lake Nakuru is one of the Rift Valley soda lakes. The lake's abundance of algae attracts the vast quantity of flamingos that famously lines the shore. Other birds also flourish in the area, as do warthogs, baboons, Lions, Leopards, Giraffes, Hippos and other large mammals. Black and White rhinos have also been introduced. This Park was created in 1968 to protect the huge flocks of over a million the lesser flamingo that breed and nest at the edge of Lake Nakuru, giving it the characteristic pink rim. Nakuru is the provincial capital of Kenya's Rift Valley province, and is the fourth largest urban centre in the country. Lake Nakuru is one of the Rift Valley soda lakes and provides the visitors with one of Kenya's best known images, thousands of flamingos joined into a massive flock. A pulsing pink swathe of life that carpets the water, the flamingos are a breathtaking sight. The lake forms part of the Lake Nakuru National Park which has good game viewing for a day safari.

**Day 03: Nakuru - Masai Mara:** Breakfast then commence drive to Masai Mara National Reserve offering wonderful scenery and plenty of game and recently named one of the Seven Wonders of the World brought about by the crossing of river Mara by the thousands and thousands of wildebeest, a site to behold. Arrive in the late evening. Enjoy lunch and afternoon game drive till dusk. Dinner and overnight at **Mara Sopa Lodge/** similar. Meal plan (FB)

As Simba proudly surveys his kingdom in his majestic glory, Ndovu leisurely chews on succulent tree branches, his family close by. Not too far ahead, Nyati and his comrades graze on the lush Mara plains as the lonesome and often ill-tempered Kifaru stomps along in solitude. And finally, the elusive Chui... lounging above the ground on a lofty tree branch, on the lookout for his next meal. Together, they make the Big 5. Known as such not for their size, but for the difficultly they presented hunters who tried to capture them. And this is their home. The Masai Mara - Kenya's finest game reserve - gentle rolling grasslands teeming with a plethora of animals and bird life. See Thomson and Grant Gazelles, Topi, Eland, Zebra, Waterbuck, Giraffe, Hippo, Wildebeest, Warthog, Crocodile, Ostrich, Vultures among

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