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KENYA
THE ORIGINAL SAFARI DESTINATION
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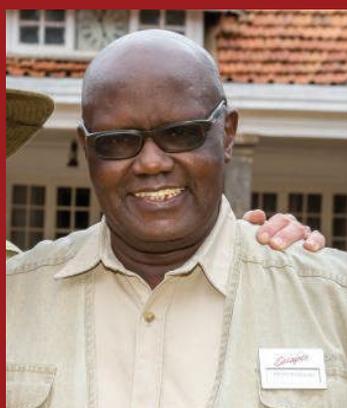
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Francis Kitayi

YOUR ESCORT – TED SCHIFFMAN

OFFERS A UNIQUE PHOTOGRAPHIC SAFARI THROUGH KENYA

Ted Schiffman has been a nature and wildlife photographer for 48 years. His photographs have been published by The National Geographic Society, the American Museum of Natural History, the Smithsonian Institution, the Sierra Club, the World Wildlife Fund, the United States Department of Interior, and encyclopedias Americana and Britannica, among many others. He has lectured at the American Museum of Natural History on the challenges facing the wildlife photographer while on assignment.

Ted has also photographed and published work about wildlife research on endangered animal species: California condor, Florida panther, the Peregrine Falcon and the lemurs of Madagascar. In addition, he has co-authored a book on backpacking photography, recently published “*Treefrogs... Prehistoric Survivors with a Global Message*,” has published 15 additional wildlife books, and has published essays on polar bears, bald eagles, and wolves that have appeared in many newspapers and magazines.

His prints are collected privately and by institutions and corporations throughout the United States and Europe. In 1972, he climbed to the summit of Mt. Kilimanjaro and is returning to East Africa this year for his 34th safari. Ted’s passion for wildlife and his experience bring an unsurpassed dedication to his clients.

YOUR PROFESSIONAL NATURALIST GUIDE – FRANCIS KITAYI

One of the best-known ornithologist naturalist guides in East Africa, Francis Kitayi has shared his vast knowledge and passion of the region’s greatest assets with Audubon, Zoological and various other groups since 1980. Francis hails from the Western Province in Kakamega in Kenya and is of the Luhya tribe. He has become known as an extremely knowledgeable guide and a favorite of many of our clients, with a wealth of information on all aspects of Kenya, its people, geography, flora and fauna. He has joined with Ted Schiffman since 1997 escorting groups on successful, rewarding and life changing Kenyan safaris.



SAFARI PROGRAM

DAY 1/2 – ARRIVAL NAIROBI

Your journey begins as you board your flight from USA en route to Nairobi, Kenya. Arrive in Nairobi, the safari capital of East Africa, where you will be welcomed by a Classic Journeys customer representative and Ted who will assist you with the transfer to your hotel for check-in. They will brief you of your program and Ted will introduce you to your tour driver and guide who will be with you throughout the safari. After check-in to your hotel, they will leave you with their mobile numbers and an emergency number for your attention through your safari.

Overnight: Eka Hotel

Meals: LD



Eka Hotel

DAY 3 – NAIROBI NATIONAL PARK & COLLECTOR'S DEN SHOPPING

Today you will visit The Nairobi National Park, which is unique in that it is the only protected area in the world with a variety of animals and birds in a capital city. As expected, the park is a principal attraction for visitors to Nairobi. The park also serves many residents and citizens living in the city, as it has a diversity of environments with characteristic fauna and flora. Open grass plains with scattered acacia bush are predominant. The western side has a highland dry forest and a permanent riverine forest in the south. In addition, there are stretches of broken bush country and deep, rocky valleys and gorges with scrub and long grass. Man-made dams have also added a further habitat favorable to certain species of birds and other aquatic life forms. The dams also attract water dependent herbivores during the dry season.

The park has a rich and diverse birdlife with 400 species recorded; however, all species are not always present, and some are seasonal. Northern migrants pass through the park primarily during late March through April.

Nairobi National Park is one of the most successful of Kenya's rhino sanctuaries. It is already generating a stock for reintroduction into the species' former range. Due to this success, it is one of the few parks where a visitor can be almost certain of seeing a black rhino in its natural habitat.

After game viewing, lunch will be at a local restaurant, then visit the Collectors Den located in Nairobi, Central Business District. Here you will shop for souvenirs as you test your bargaining power. The shop specializes in unique African goods, artwork, crafts of all kinds, and shipping services to anywhere in the world.

That evening, proceed to your hotel for dinner and overnight.

Overnight: Eka Hotel

Meals: BLD

DAY 4 – NAIROBI EXCURSION

After a briefing about the wonderful events ahead, get set for an exciting adventure as you visit Daphne Sheldrick's Elephant Orphanage at the edge of Nairobi National Park, which is a nursery and rehab center for infant elephants that have lost their families. The wife of the famous naturalist David Sheldrick, Daphne dedicated her life to the conservation of the elephant population. David was the founding Warden of Kenya's giant Tsavo East National Park, in which he served from 1948 until his death in 1976. Daphne continued her involvement and had real impact on the lives of elephants and rhinos, which would have normally died due to human poaching and surrounding population conflict. You will enjoy a visit with the elephants as they're brought by their keepers to the waterholes and salt lick to be fed and socialize – see how they roll in the mud, play fight and their affectionate interaction with their keepers.

The staff will be on hand to discuss their habitats, as well as impart interesting facts about their upkeep. Their infants are eventually released into the wild at Tsavo East National Park and ultimately into the care of other orphans who have been successfully reintroduced to the wild.

Continue to the Karen Blixen House, the former house of the Danish Baroness, Karen Blixen (1885-1962) author of the book *“Out of Africa.”* Karen lived in this green residential area from 1914 to 1931, when she left permanently for Denmark. The house was built in 1910 and when Ms. Blixen bought the property, it had 6,000 acres of land but only 600 acres were developed for growing coffee; the rest was retained under natural forest. The house was bought by the Danish Government which offered it back to Kenya in 1963. In 1986, the house, formerly used as a school was transformed to a National Museum. Much of the original furniture is on display in the house and most objects were either used by Karen herself or for the shooting of the film. Have lunch at a local restaurant and continue to the AFEW Nature Center near Giraffe Manor where you may hand-feed the Rothschild giraffes that live here. The giraffes were brought here by Jock and Betty Leslie-Melville, who founded AFEW (African Fund for Endangered Wildlife) and built the Nature center to help educate young African children about wildlife conservation. The Rothschild giraffes are the tallest species and may reach eighteen feet in height, but you can see eye to eye with them on the elevated walkway at the center.

You will also visit Kazuri Beads, located near the Karen Blixen estate. Kazuri, which means *“small and beautiful”* in Swahili, began in 1975 as a tiny workshop experimenting in making handmade beads. It is now a successful cooperation that provides and sustains employment opportunities for disadvantaged members of Kenyan society.

Tonight, a welcome dinner will be prepared for you at your hotel or local restaurant.

Overnight: Eka Hotel

Meals: BLD



*Daphne Sheldrick's
Elephant Orphanage*



Giraffe Center

DAY 5/6 – TSAVO WEST NATIONAL PARK

Begin your safari with a drive to Tsavo West (an optional flight is available at a cost) famous for the Mzima Springs. The star attraction here is a pool of natural water with underwater viewing hides for observing hippos where a gushing supply of fresh, crystal water has created an oasis for wildlife. A specially constructed underwater observatory provides visitors with a unique view into the underwater world of Mzima. The water catchment is divided into two pools; here you can view hippos and crocodiles. The upper pool is occupied by the hippos and lower pool by the crocodiles.

The first lodge ever to be built in a Kenyan National Park, Kilaguni Serena Safari Lodge is superbly situated in the shadow of Mt. Kilimanjaro, encircled by volcanic splendor, adjacent to a teeming waterhole and daily visited by vast herds of elephants, buffalo, giraffe, zebra and many plains animals. It is perhaps the finest photographic watering hole in East Africa. Inspirationally positioned so that in all the rooms, as well as the open-air restaurant with its timbered viewing decks and rock-built bar, you will enjoy uninterrupted views of the legendary snows of Kilimanjaro. The lodge also stands central to miles of lion-stalked grasslands, elephant-studded plains and wildlife-teeming bush and is ideally placed for visits to all the park's prime attractions. Faced in volcanic stone and utilizing the natural rocky outcrops of a valley known as 'the place of the young rhino', from which it takes its name, the lodge has been designed to blend chameleon-like into the savannah landscape. Cool, tranquil and hushed for optimum wildlife-viewing, the open-air dining areas all blend the traditional "Khaki-and-canvas" look with bright-painted banners, sepia-hued paintings and evocative olive-wood carvings of elephant herds and tail-erect warthogs. The elegantly renovated rooms draw on a sun-gold, sky-blue and bush-green savannah color palette and have been so styled to provide world-class luxury and a quintessential African aura while featuring private verandas with views of eternity.

Overnight: Kilaguni Serena Safari Lodge

Meals: BLD



*Kilaguni Serena
Safari Lodge*

DAY 7/8/9 - AMBOSELI NATIONAL PARK

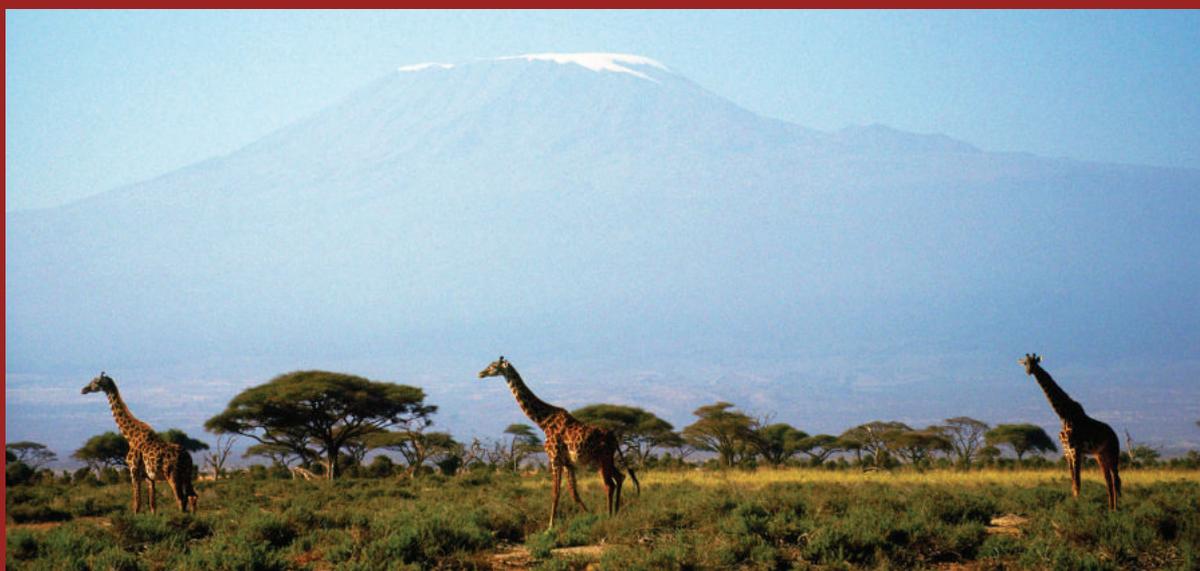
Today's drive takes you to Amboseli National Park located at the foot of Africa's highest mountain, Mt. Kilimanjaro, which Ted climbed in 1972. We travel from our lodge, only 10 miles from the base of the snow-capped peak of Mt. Kilimanjaro, as it rises three miles above a blanket of clouds and dominates every aspect of Amboseli. This park only covers 150 sq. miles but despite its small size and its fragile ecosystem, it supports a wide range of mammals (well over 50 of the larger species) and birds (over 400 species). Years ago, this was the locale around which such famous writers as Ernest Hemingway and Robert Ruark spun their stories of big-game hunting in the wilds of Africa. This too, is part of Masai land, and it's not unusual to see the proud Masai warrior or small children tending their cattle as you traverse their territory. In this land, animals and man have learned to coexist and thrive together, despite the harsh conditions. This is also the park that has been made famous by Cynthia Moss, the noted American naturalist and author who has one of the longest-running studies on elephants.

In the shadow of Mt. Kilimanjaro, beside a copse of giant acacia trees and gently flowing natural springs, stands Amboseli Serena Lodge. With Kilimanjaro's 19,340-foot snowcapped summit presiding over the landscape, the setting is unrivalled. All around the lodge roams the wildlife that has made East Africa legendary; lion, buffalo, cheetah, giraffe, baboon, gazelle, zebra and wildebeest. Influenced by native Masai architecture, the lodge is in perfect harmony with its environment. Beautifully landscaped gardens, unique guest services and exceptional amenities enhance the distinctive ambience.

The uniquely constructed guest rooms with en-suite bathrooms, individually appointed with authentic African art painted by renowned local artists, convey a distinctive Masai manyatta mood. Grouped in the manner of Masai Village, each room enjoys a view of either majestic Mt. Kilimanjaro or the expansive Amboseli plains, which are home to herds of elephants that feed on the large, feathery acacia trees. While here, you will have the chance to visit a working village, interact with the tribe members and learn about the Masai way of life and how they have co-existed through the millennia with the wildlife and environment.

Overnight: Mara Serena Safari Lodge

Meals: BLD



*Amboseli
National Park*

DAY 10/11/12 – MASAI MARA /NORTHERN SERENGETI

This morning drive to Nairobi and board your scheduled flight to Masai Mara, Kenya's most famous wildlife reserve and the setting for much of the film *"Out of Africa."* This is classic savannah grasslands, where animals are plentiful and the vistas spectacular. Here, Masai tend their cattle in concert with free roaming wildlife – all sharing the same land. You will have 3-4 days of wildlife-viewing opportunities in the Masai Mara Reserve, also known as the *"Jewel of Africa"* inhabited by many of Africa's most popular wild animals, including lion, cheetah, elephant, leopard, black rhino, and hippo. There are over 500 resident species of birds in the park including ostrich, larks and sunbirds as well as the lovely Lilac-breasted roller.

The area is famous for rolling grassland and for the Mara River, which runs through the reserve from north to south. The reserve covers an area of 700sq miles and forms part of the Serengeti ecosystem, hosting the world-famous spectacle of the annual migration of up to two million wildebeest, thousands of zebras and an escort of carnivores as they follow the rains and succulent new grass. A costly trek as many of the lame, laggard and sick will fall prey to ravenous packs of predators and many more will perish crossing the swirling flood waters of the Mara river. You will be in the Mara during prime time for the migration and you are likely to have a front-row seat as it unfolds right in front of your eyes!



*Wildebeest
Migration*

You may choose a soaring balloon safari at an additional cost while you are in the Masai Mara for an exhilarating experience over the Savannah as the early sun rises and the animals are more active. While in the Mara, a hippo pool breakfast is served al fresco after your early morning game drive, where you can enjoy a full breakfast in an elegant bush setting and be in tune with the nature that surrounds you.

The Mara Serena Safari Lodge is an interpretation of a traditional Masai manyatta village of domed huts. Accommodation is offered in 73 guestrooms, all of which have been styled to mirror the circular motif of a traditional Masai village with your rooms. The wide-spaced and secluded rooms have been individually styled in exuberant bush colors and feature large spacious en-suite bathrooms. The full spa services offered here are a treat during your stay.

Overnight: Mara Serena Safari Lodge

Meals: BLD



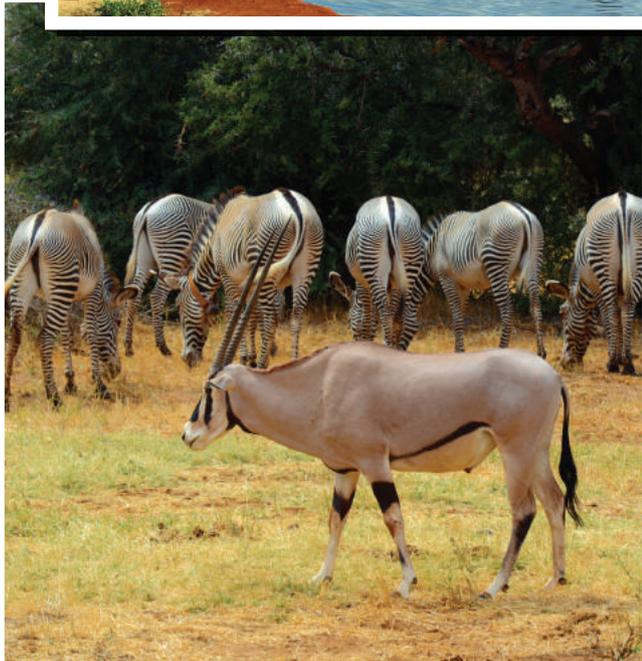
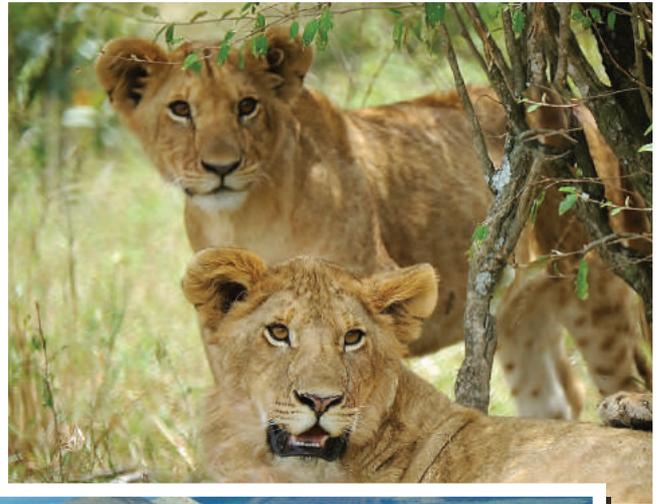
*Mara Serena
Safari Lodge*

DAY 13/14 –NAIROBI

Fly back to Nairobi. A day room will be ready for you at the Crown Plaza Nairobi, ten minutes from the airport. Soon you are escorted to the airport for your flight back home. As your journey ends, you bid a fond farewell to your driver guide and naturalist and promise to come back soon.







OPTIONAL POST-EXTENSION TO SAMBURU RESERVE

Day 13/14/15 – MASAI MARA/ SAMBURU RESERVE

Prepare to continue onto your next adventure as you fly from the Masai Mara to Samburu Reserve via Nairobi, which lies on the hot and arid fringes of the vast northern region of Kenya. The reserve is within the lands of the colorful Samburu people, close relatives of the Masai, and home to wildlife species rarely found elsewhere in Kenya: Grevy's zebra, Reticulated giraffe and Beisa oryx, all found only north of the equator. The graceful gerenuk, an antelope with its characteristic long neck, spends much of its time in a bipedal stance seeking the leaves of the tall scrub that grows in this harsh terrain.

This dramatic landscape is blanketed by the hot equatorial sun for most of the year. Relief comes from the cool waters of the Uaso Nyiro - "*Brown River*", which flows to the west on the foothills of the Aberdares and vanishes beyond Samburu in the soggy expanse known as the Lorian swamp. The scenery in Samburu is magnificent and the birdlife awesome.

Samburu Intrepids Club is a luxury tented camp in the midst of the rugged and savagely beautiful semi-arid desert of northern Kenya. Located in the Samburu National Reserve on the banks of the Uaso Nyiro River, the club offers unique game viewing in its immediate surroundings. Twenty-seven tastefully furnished spacious tents are elevated on individual decks under the shade of the acacia trees overlooking the river. The roomy tents boast the very latest in luxury camping, with soft four-poster beds, handsome mahogany closets and writing desks, and en suite bathrooms with steaming hot showers. The bathroom also offers twin washbasins, flush toilets, and sockets for shavers and battery charging. Occasional visits from the elephants and crocodiles below the decks will make your stay most memorable.

Overnight: Samburu Intrepids Club

Meals: BLD



Dinning Room at one of the tented camps.



Samburu BINGO Leopard in Tree.

DAY 16/17 – SAMBURU/ NAIROBI

Your journey ends as you fly to Nairobi from Samburu, where a day room will be ready for you at the Crown Plaza Nairobi, ten minutes from the airport. Soon you are escorted to the airport for your flight back home. As your journey ends, you say a fond farewell, "*Kwaheri*," to your driver guide and naturalist and promise to come back soon.

OPTIONAL EXCURSION IN THE MASAI MARA – BALLOON SAFARI

An exhilarating balloon safari is the most amazing way to experience the wildlife. Your early morning ride allows for an hour of uninterrupted wildlife views from the air- definitely the best way to see the migration when in season (July through October) and the incessant movement of animals in the Mara. Upon landing, enjoy a champagne brunch, set especially for you in the middle of the plains. Zebra and wildebeest may be your dining guests and Africa's colorful birds may vie for a crumb of your bread.



Safari Inclusions

- Accommodations as stipulated in the itinerary.
- Welcome dinner at your hotel or local restaurant.
- All land transportation from the airport to your hotel and on safari in a chauffeur driven safari minivan with pop-up roof for easy game viewing & photography. Alternatively, a 4 X4 Landcruiser may be scheduled as a supplement.
- Services of English-speaking driver/guides, unlimited game viewing drives and park entrance fees as indicated in the itinerary.
- All Government taxes and levies.
- Complimentary mineral water provided in the safari vehicle.
- All meet and greet services which also include all tips for the waiters, porters and room attendants.
- Ted Schiffman, your professional photographer and instructor, will accompany the group on the main program and extension as your escort for the duration of the safari.
- All domestic flights on the main program and the post extension.
- 24-hour stand-by contact number.
- All meals as indicated in the itinerary.
- Guaranteed window seat in each vehicle per passenger.
- Two-way long-range high frequency radio communication in each vehicle.
- On safari accessories in each vehicle: - First-aid kit, wildlife books, a pair of binoculars, cool box and fire extinguisher.
- Flying doctor's coverage which covers you within East Africa for the safari. In the eventuality of a medical emergency, you will be airlifted to Nairobi where you will be taken to a good hospital. Hospital bills are borne by the patient.
- Nearly all lodges and tent camps have medical professionals available.
- Services of a local professional naturalist.

Note: We proudly boast that we have the greatest number of daily game drives available while on safari.

Safari Exclusions

- All items of personal nature e.g. telephone call bills, fax/email bills etc.
- Tips and gratuities to driver- guides and local naturalist.
- Alcoholic and non-alcoholic soft drinks.
- Any additional overweight baggage fees and flight taxes.
- Laundry services.
- Any other item(s) not included in our itinerary.
- Visa fees.

Please Note that the itinerary sequence is correct at the time of publication and is subject to change.



THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT KENYA

Participants:

- Must be able to climb in and out of, as well as move within safari 4X4 vehicles, minibus, and small aircrafts unassisted.
- Must be able to tolerate riding on uneven, bumpy roads (some with many potholes) for long periods of time while game viewing - sometimes several hours.
- Although there is nearly no strenuous walking, you must be able to stand and/or walk moderate distances when visiting villages, towns, or other sites. When at altitudes of 4,000-6,000 feet throughout Kenya, some people may find they need to go slowly.
- Should generally be in good health and prepared to travel in locations without medical facilities.



In General, this trip requires:

- Flexibility and good humor- unexpected changes rarely happen but may occur.
- A spirit of adventure and curiosity.
- Interest in and willingness to appreciate a destination with a modest infrastructure and a bending definition of comfort. That being said, some locations are nestled in absolute luxury where pampering is the norm.



Air Schedules.

While we currently offer you our special Kenya Airways direct flight reduced group rate, holding a limited number of seats and choosing the best possible air arrangements for our travelers is always a challenge. Secure this flight arrangement as soon as possible. We also work with many other airlines that offer the best level of service, routings and value for our programs. If you prefer to make your own flight arrangements, notify **Classic Journeys** of your travel details within 30 days of your departure.

The start and end city for the land only program is Nairobi, Kenya.

HOW TO BOOK: USE RESERVATION FORM ON BACK PAGE OF THIS BROCHURE

To book your safari please fill in the reservation form on our website, <https://classicjourneysafrica.com/reservations-form/>, using the form at the back page of this brochure as a guideline and for your records. Once we receive your booking application form online, we will send you confirmation with an invoice schedule reminder via email for your payment and balance. The payments are due prior to your safari as per the schedule on the **“Reservation Form.”** You can make payments following the schedule conveniently online via PayPal or by use of your credit or debit card. If you wish for us to keep your credit card on file to use for your payments due, please indicate by checking this on the form by **“PAYMENT SCHEDULE.”**

CANCELLATIONS:

Reservations/Bookings that are canceled, reduced in length of stay or reduced in numbers of participants (hereinafter collectively called CANCELLATION) are subject to cancellation and No-Show fees. The scale of charges, expressed as a percentage of the tour prices, is as follows:

Refund policy:

- More than 61 days notice deposit refunded less 5% handling fee
- Less than 60 days notice 33% refunded
- Less than 30 days notice 0% refunded

Should you fail to join a tour or join it after departure or leave prior to its completion, no tour fare refund can be made. (Please note that if the reason for the cancellation falls within the terms of any holiday insurance policy, which you hold, then the insurance company, subject to the terms of your insurance will normally refund any such charges to you).



KENYA Weather & Climate

Kenya lies on the equator and has a pleasant, tropical climate, but there are large regional variations influenced by several factors, including altitude. Temperatures drop by about 6°C for every 1,000 m of elevation (or 3.5°F per 1,000 ft). Kenya's daytime temperatures average between 20°C/68°F and 28°C/82°F, but it is warmer on the coast. The coast is hot and humid all year round, but the heat is tempered by the monsoon winds. Kenya is too close to the equator to experience a real winter and summer. There is, however, both a dry and wet season.

Dry season – June to October

June, July, August, September & October – These are the coolest but comfortable months. Daytime temperatures are usually around 23°C/73°F at higher altitudes, such as the Masai Mara, and 28°C/82°F at lower altitudes, such as the coastal areas. During the dry season, the sky is clear and days are sunny. Early morning temperatures at higher altitude are typically 10°C/50°F. It is advisable to pack warm clothing, as morning game drives will be cold. There is very little rain in most of the country, so these are the least humid months, making it the best time to stay at one of Kenya's beautiful beaches and national parks for wildlife viewing.

Merits of visiting during this season

- Wildlife is easier to spot as the bush flora is less dense and animals gather around waterholes and rivers.
- It's unlikely to rain, the days are sunny with clear skies, and there are fewer mosquitoes.
- July to October are the best months to see the wildebeest migration.

Wet season – November to May

During the wet season, daytime temperatures are between 24°C/75°F and 27°C/81°F at higher altitudes. At lower altitudes daytime temperatures are more consistent and hover around 30°C/86°F. Mornings stay cool at higher altitudes, and it is advisable to pack warm clothes for early morning game drives. From December to April, the humidity is intense in Tsavo and the coastal areas.

November & December – 'Short rains':

A period of unpredictable, short rains between November and December that lasts about a month. The rain is sometimes heavy, but mostly falls in the late afternoon or evening, and will seldom have a negative impact on your safari.

January & February

During these months, a dry spell in the rainy season occurs with less rainfall. How long the spell lasts and when it takes place exactly is unpredictable.

March, April & May – 'Long rains':

These months get the most rain, and there can be a downpour on a daily basis, although it seldom lasts the whole day. It's very cloudy, especially in the highlands, including Aberdares National Park and Laikipia Plateau. Humidity is higher and will be particularly noticeable in the coastal regions.

Merits of wet season

- The scenery is beautiful and green.
- Rates drop during the low season.
- Newborn animals can be seen, and in general, you will still see plenty of wildlife.
- Migratory birds are present from September to April.
- Except for March, April and May, rains are short showers in the afternoon or evening and will rarely compromise your safari.

TANZANIA Weather & Climate

Tanzania has a pleasant, tropical climate but has large regional climatic variations influenced by several factors, including altitude. Temperatures drop by about 6.5°C for every 1,000m you climb (or 3.5°F per 1,000ft). The hottest and most humid part of the country is on the coast. Other low-lying areas, such as the western and southern parks, are also hot but much less humid. The rest of the interior is much milder, cooling down significantly at night. Tanzania is too close to the equator to experience a real winter and summer. There is, however, a dry and wet season.

Dry season –June to October

There is very little rainfall throughout the whole winter and humidity is very low. When water becomes scarce, wildlife will gather around predictable water sources.

June, July, August, September & October

Afternoon temperatures are usually between 20°C/68°F and 30°C/86°F and vary greatly according to altitude and location. Most days have a fine, clear sky and sunny weather. It cools off at night; be sure to pack warm clothing because morning game drives will be cold- especially in the northern parks. These are the coldest and least humid months and the most pleasant time of the year to visit the coastal areas. There is very little rain in most of the country.

Merits of visiting during this season

- June and July are the best months to see the wildebeest migration.
- Animals are easier to spot since they concentrate around waterholes and rivers and there is less vegetation.
- There are fewer mosquitoes because there is little to no rain; skies are clear, and most days are sunny.
- Although most tourists visit during the dry season, the parks still don't feel crowded.

Wet season –November to May

During most of the Wet season, afternoon temperatures are more consistent throughout the country (a bit above or below 30°C/86°F) but will be colder above 1,300m/4,265ft. Morning temperatures are more moderate, but still cold in most northern parks due to the high altitude. It is advisable to pack a windproof jacket and warm sweater for early morning game drives in open vehicles.

November & December – 'Short rains':

A period of about a month of short rains which occurs sometime between November and December. Its timing is unpredictable, and in Northern Tanzania, it can even happen in October. The rains will rarely interfere with your safari.

January & February

The northern parks and coastal areas tend to have a break in the rainy season with less rain around this time, but the exact timing of the dry spell is unpredictable. The other parks don't really experience a dry spell. In Selous, Ruaha and Mikumi the rain gradually builds up from November to its peak in April. Gombe, Mahale and Katavi have one continuous Wet season.

March, April & May – 'Long rains'.

These are the wettest months. It tends to rain heavily almost every day, although not often for the whole day. It is often cloudy, especially in the northern parks. Humidity tends to be high, especially in the hotter southern and western parks.

Merits of wet season

- Late January to February is the time to see the calving in the southern Serengeti, and an excellent time to see predator activity.
- The scenery is green and beautiful; it's low season, meaning lower rates and less crowded parks.
- Although wildlife is easier to spot in the dry season, you'll still see plenty and most northern circuit parks offer good year-round wildlife viewing.
- Migratory birds are present, and bird watching is at its best.
- Except for March, April and May, rains are mostly short afternoon showers and seldom have a negative impact on your trip. The Serengeti and the Ngorongoro Crater offer good wildlife viewing throughout the year. June and July are the best months for seeing the migration, and February is the best month for the wildebeest calving. The dry months offer good wildlife viewing throughout Tanzania. Tarangire and the southern and western circuit parks (including Katavi, Selous and Ruaha) are best visited in the dry season, from June to October.
- Migratory birds are present from September to April.
- Except for March, April and May, rains are short showers in the afternoon or evening and will rarely compromise your safari.

DOCUMENTS

Passport & Visas:

Each guest must ensure that passports and visas are valid for the countries visited and for the applicable time period, as outlined by the U.S Department of State (www.travel.state.gov) or by the passport holder's country. Classic Journey's staff and agents cannot be held liable for any visas not provided by each guest, nor for the cost of obtaining visas.

Pre-departure Information:

Upon receipt of your registration form and deposit, we will send a pre-departure packet to you. This packet contains all the information you need to prepare for your tour, including the complete itinerary, packing checklist, required documents, etc.

Final Documents:

Final documents and tickets will be sent to you approximately 2-4 weeks prior to departure, provided all money has been paid in full.

TRANSPORTATION

Optional Air Transportation:

No air transport is included. Contact Classic Journeys for help in arranging flights, we have many special rates with the airlines.

Transfers:

Roundtrip airport transfers are included in the tour for guests arriving and departing the safari.

TRIP DETAILS

Accommodations:

You will marvel at the wonderful accommodations provided throughout your tour. All rooms have private bathroom facilities and air conditioning and/or fans. All rates are based on double occupancy. Most rooms are twin-bedded, but king-size beds are occasionally available and should be requested in advance. Accommodations listed in this itinerary are correct at time of writing, but on rare occasions may be substituted for a different property of comparable quality.

Meals:

All meals as specified in the itinerary. Please notify us if you have special dietary needs or requests, and we will do our best to accommodate you.

Inoculations:

When it comes to vaccination and disease prevention, we suggest that travelers first review information provided by the U.S Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (www.cdc.gov/travel) and then review those details with their personal physicians.

Water:

It is always advisable to drink bottled and/or filtered water when traveling overseas. Safe drinking water will be provided to travelers free of charge in the vehicles, hotels, tents and during meals.

Baggage:

on average, international flights from the USA allow one piece of luggage not exceeding 50 pounds; however, we always recommend that you check your airline's policy just before departure, as luggage limitations are always subject to change. Despite this weight allowance, we always suggest that guests travel light. Small flights limit us to about 30 pounds. Also, soft-sided duffel bags are ideal for this tour, as they stow best in vehicles and airplanes with limited space.

TERMS & CONDITIONS AGREEMENT

a) Final Payment

Final payment is due two months prior to departure. Costs of tips/gratuities to driver guides and naturalist guide, as well as any excursion not related to the safari, and other items of personal nature are not included. It is recommended that tips/gratuities should be calculated to driver/guides and the naturalist guide at \$10-12.00 each per day.

b) Accommodation Substitution

Should the case arise whereby accommodation is not available at the quoted hotels/lodges/tented camps, alternative accommodations will be provided at hotels/lodges/tented camps of similar caliber.

c) Diet

Guests with special dietary requirements are advised to notify us 60 days prior to departure.

d) Luggage

Please keep luggage light – soft duffel bags are preferable. Luggage is limited to 15kg (33.lbs.) per person on domestic internal local flights.

e) Changes to Schedule

Although every effort is made to adhere to schedules it should be borne in mind that the Company reserves the right, and in fact is obliged, to occasionally change routes and accommodations on safaris as dictated by changing conditions. Such conditions may be brought by “force majeure” or statutory directive, seasonal rainfall on bush tracks, airfields and game areas, game migrations from one region to another or reservation problems, etc. However, the company shall make all reasonable efforts in resolving the situation not limited to offering alternatives.

f) Airline Clause

Flight fares, taxes and schedules are subject to change without prior notification by the airlines. The company will not be held liable for these changes and delays. The airlines cannot be held liable for any act, omission or event during the time the passengers are not on board their plane or conveyance. The passengers’ tickets in use by the airline or by other carriers concerned when issued, shall constitute a sole contract between the airline and the purchaser of these tickets and or passengers. Please note that the company subcontracts the flying services to independent charter operations, and they are responsible for the flying. The same will apply to train services.

g) Guide Substitution

If one of our guides is unable to take a safari due to illness or other reasons, we reserve the right to substitute personnel.

h) Prices

We will do our utmost to keep prices as quoted or published. Should fluctuation in statutory taxes, exchange rates, etc. force increases on us; we reserve the right to surcharge without notice, up to maximum of 10% of the tour rate.

i) Participant Incompatibility

The company may, at its discretion and without liability of its cost to itself, at any time cancel or terminate the passengers booking and in particular without limiting the generality of the forgoing, it shall be entitled to do in the event of illness or illegal or incompatible behavior of the passenger, who shall in such circumstances not be entitled to any refund.

j) Fitness

The client acknowledges that the safari can sometimes be demanding -it is his/her responsibility to ensure that he/she is sufficiently fit and able to embark on the tour.

k) Authority of the Safari leader

Clients will accept the authority and decisions of the safari leader appointed by the Company. The final decision on the itinerary, accommodation and conduct on the safari will be taken by the safari leader.

TERMS & CONDITIONS AGREEMENT

D) Liability

The company is insured against legal liabilities arising from any injuries which might be received by passengers in its vehicles. The Company's liability to passengers carried in its vehicles is governed by the laws of Kenya and no other Country, and all claims subject to the jurisdiction of the courts of Kenya.

The Company reserves the right to employ sub-contractors to carry out all or part of the Services agreed to be supplied and in the event of the exercise of such right the terms of clause relating to The Company is subject to the booking conditions and cancellation provisions of the Travel organizer or the airline concerned.

Neither the Company, nor any person acting for, through or on behalf of The Company shall be liable for any loss or damage including property whatsoever and without restricting the generality of errors or omission contained in the brochure or other literature, acts of God, late or non-confirmations or acceptance of bookings, loss or damage caused by delays, sickness or death whether occasioned by the negligence or not.

In addition, The Company shall have the right at any time at its discretion to cancel any tour or the remainder thereof or make alteration on route, accommodation, price or other details and in the event of any tour being rendered impossible, illegal or inadvisable by the weather, avalanches, strike, war, government or interference or any other cause whatsoever. The extra expense incurred as a result thereof shall be the responsibility of the passenger.

Please be aware that these safaris may take you into close contact with wild animals. Attacks by wild animals are rare, but no safari into the African Wilderness can guarantee that this will not occur. Neither the company, nor its employees, nor its agents can be held responsible for any injury or incident on the safari.

m) Governing Law

All terms and conditions of this agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance to the laws of Kenya, and any litigation necessary to resolve disputes between the parties shall be filed in the courts located in Kenya if such a dispute cannot be solved through arbitration.

CLASSIC JOURNEYS BANK DETAILS



1. Bank Name: **THE COOPERATIVE BANK OF KENYA LIMITED**
2. Bank Code: **11000**
3. Branch Code: **11127**
4. Swift Code: **KCOOKENA**
5. Account Name: **Classic Journeys Limited**
6. Account Number: **02120505121400**
7. Branch: **Mombasa Road**
8. Company Physical Address: **Sakina-karen, Syedna Mohammed Burhannuddin Road Opposite Saifee Park**

**To complete your reservation please fill in the online reservation form on our website,
<https://classicjourneysafrica.com/reservations-form/>**

RESERVATION FORM FOR TED SCHIFFMAN SAFARIS (Indicate trip choice)

Safari main trip cost is \$5,795, Samburu extension is \$2,195, total is \$7,990, roundtrip New York to Nairobi flight is \$960. Single room Supplement \$1,050 for the main program and \$310 for the extension

Trip Choice: July 16th Safari..... Extension (July 28th - Aug 1st)..... August 5th Safari Extension (Aug 17th - Aug 21st).....
Required Deposit: \$750.00 Due At Time Of Application.

Payments to be made using your debit or credit card via PayPal or Pesapal.

Paypal Account : info@classicjourneysafrica.com

Pesapal link : <https://payments.pesapal.com/classicjourneysafrica>.

You can also make a bank transfer to our account: CLASSIC JOURNEYS AFRICA (see attached bank details)

PRINT NAME (As on passport)
DATE OF BIRTH
NAME FOR YOUR BADGE IF DIFFERENT
STREET ADDRESS.....
CITY STATE ZIP
PHONES: HOME ()..... OFFICE ()..... MOBILE ().....
EMAIL ADDRESS:

A copy of your passport pages with your name, photo, and number must accompany this form as an attachment to confirm reservation. A photo with your smart phone is acceptable. Upon receipt of your signed reservation form, passport copy and deposit, subject to availability, we will reserve your spot on the tour. Passport must be valid for at least 6 months after the return of your trip and have at least two consecutive blank pages in the visa section.

- I certify that I have not recently been treated for, nor am I aware of any physical condition or liability that would create a hazard to myself or the other members of this tour.
- I would like a room with: ONE BED TWO BEDS (Make one selection only)
- I am sharing a room with (Their form sent separately)
- I need to secure a roommate. I understand if TED SCHIFFMAN or the tour operator cannot locate one for me by final payment date, I agree to pay the additional single supplement.
- I prefer to share with: Smoker Non- smoker
- I desire single accommodations, if available, and will pay the single supplement additional cost of: \$ 1,050 for the main program. \$310 for the extension.
- I wish to participate in the optional 4-day Samburu Reserve post-extension.
- Optional flight Nairobi/Tsavo (\$450 per person, currently, subject to change)
- Optional balloon safari. (\$500 additional per adult, \$ 300 additional per child (7-12) (both, subject to change)
- My total safari cost is: \$..... (without the deposit)
- Please contact me for assistance booking air from USA to Kenya with our Special Group Rate.
- Please send me information on air upgrades for:
 Business/First Class (Only one class-business/first- exists)

Airline Seating Preference Aisle Window Frequent Flier#.....

****We can request a seating preference on your behalf; however, this is only a request and NOT guaranteed as some seating assignments may be airport check-in only. Requests should be made in writing no later than 60 days prior to departure. Bulkhead and/or emergency row seats can only be requested at airport check-in on the day of departure. Also note that even if we obtain your preferred seat, it is not guaranteed that the seat will be provided during check-in as there might be equipment changes that nullify our selection.**

- I will make own flight arrangements and will provide you with a flight itinerary 60 days before trip departure.
- List special needs, medications taken, food allergies, personal occasions and any instructions:

All rates quoted are based on tariffs and value of foreign currency in relation to the U.S. dollar in effect as of September 2019, and are subject to change. Refund of deposit is made less any cancellation charges levied in accordance with the policy outlined in the accompanying conditions of travel herewith.

RESERVATIONS ARE ACCEPTED SUBJECT TO OUR CONDITIONS AND WILL BE CONFIRMED ONLY IF ACCOMPANIED BY COMPLETED FORM, DEPOSIT AND SIGNED BY THE PARTICIPANT. WE ALSO RECOMMEND THAT YOU OBTAIN TRAVEL INSURANCE. PLEASE INQUIRE, WE CAN HELP.

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(We recommend that you keep this copy of your information as noted above for your future reference)