KENYA SAFARI
ITINERARY
Elephant Monitoring

TSAVO EAST NATIONAL PARK

JUNE OR NOVEMBER 2017

OPTION 03
DAY 01 : ARRIVE IN NAIROBI, KENYA

Arrive at Jomo Kenyatta International Airport, met by your tour Director Ms Pat Awori inside the airport and she will assist you through the Immigration and Customs formalities, then proceed to your waiting safari vehicle and be and transferred to House of Waine.

House of Waine is nestled in the leafy residential area of Karen and set in beautiful tranquil gardens. The House has the charm of a family home and accommodation is in spacious, individually styled rooms with mini bar, telephone, TV and tea and coffee-making facilities. Meals are served in various areas of the house and there are two bars exclusively for use of guests. There is also a heated swimming pool and a conference room.

Dinner will be at House of Waine.

Overnight at House of Waine (Meal: Dinner)

DAY 02 : NAIROBI

After breakfast, depart for a full day excursion in Karen area.

Begin by a visit to the Giraffe Centre which offers the unique experience of hand-feeding these gentle giants at eye level from a raised platform, while watching the warthogs below snuffle around looking for titbits. The centre is the headquarters of the African Fund for Endangered Wildlife (AFEW) which was setup to raise money to relocate the endangered Rothschild giraffe to safe areas.
Lunch today will be at the **Tamambo Karen Blixen Coffee Garden**, which is located in a beautiful tranquil garden setting and offers a wide variety of dishes including seafood, steak and poultry.

After lunch visit **Kazuri Beads** which was started to help women around Nairobi with regular employment so that they could support their families and educate their children. Meet the women and chat with them about their lives as they work. The jewellery also makes great gifts!

**15:00 Hrs** Private visit to **David Sheldrick Wildlife Trust's elephant orphanage** (Subject to availability). Here you will be able to interact with the small elephants and talk to their keepers to learn more about this worthwhile project and the importance of the elephant in Africa’s conservation efforts.

The David Sheldrick Wildlife Trust’s elephant Orphanage is a small charity, established in 1977 by Dr. Dame Daphne Sheldrick to honor the memory of her husband, famous Naturalist, David Sheldrick, the founder Warden of Tsavo East National Park in Kenya. For over 25 years Kenya born Daphne lived and worked alongside her late husband and during that time she raised and rehabilitated back into the wild orphans of misfortune from many different wild species, including elephants aged two and upwards. She is a recognized International authority on the rearing of wild creatures and is the first person to have perfected the milk formula and necessary husbandry for both infant milk dependent elephants and rhinos. For her work in this field Daphne has received several prestigious awards. The elephant orphans raised by the Trust are gradually rehabilitated back into the wild elephant community of Tsavo National Park when grown, a transition that is made at their own pace and in their own time, but usually taking approximately eight to ten years. A number of ex-Nursery orphans have now had young born in the wild.

During the your private visit, you will **adopt orphaned baby elephant visit** to gives them a second chance at living freely in the wild.

Later, you will be transferred back to House of Waine.

**Dinner and overnight at House of Waine (Meal: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)**
DAY 03 : NAIROBI / TSAVO EAST NATIONAL PARK (Approx. 7 hours drive)

After breakfast at house, begin your drive through scenic countryside to Tsavo East National Park, Lunch on your way. Arriving at Satao Camp Tsavo East, late afternoon with en route game viewing.

Satao Camp Tsavo East is nestled beneath the shade of old Tamarind trees, just in front of a waterhole where a variety of animals come to drink. All tents are en-suite with running water, flush toilets and a traditional bucket shower, and each tent has its own small patio with table and chairs. There is a main restaurant but breakfast and lunch are sometimes served outside, under the shade of the trees and in the evenings, after dinner relax around the the campfire, watch the stars as you and swap stories of the days adventures.

There is time to relax after lunch, before your afternoon game viewing drive in the park.

Overnight at Satao Camp Tsavo East – Suite (Meals: Breakfast, lunch & dinner)

DAY 04, 05, 06, 07, 08, 09 & 10 : TSAVO EAST NATIONAL PARK

Spend the next seven days game viewing and exploring the surrounding area.

At just over 21,000 km sq. Tsavo is the largest National Park in Kenya and because of its size the park was split into two, Tsavo West & Tsavo East. Tsavo East is mainly arid, thorny scrubland and is home to large herds of elephants. This harsh wilderness has many interesting aspects including and the spine of the Yatta Plateau, one of the world’s longest lava flows. An additional attraction is the Athi River flanked by stately doum palms which, near the Manyani gate form the Lugard Falls and Mudanda Rock.

A wide variety of animals can be seen in Tsavo East National Park like lion, leopard, cheetah, zebra, giraffe, serval cats, antelope, kongoni, lesser kudu, elephants and more than 500 species of birds have been recorded in the area.
Tsavo East National Park is one of the oldest and largest parks in Kenya at 13,747 square kilometres. Situated in a semi-arid area previously known as the Taru Desert it opened in April 1948, and is located near the town of Voi in the Taita-Taveta County of the former Coast Province. The park is divided into east and west sections by the A109 road and a railway. Named for the Tsavo River, which flows west to east through the national park, it borders the Chyulu Hills National Park, and the Mkomazi Game Reserve in Tanzania.
“Theatre of the Wild”
The sight of dust-red elephant wallowing, rolling and spraying each other with the midnight blue waters of palm-shaded Galana River is one of the most evocative images in Africa. This, along with the 300 kilomtere long Yatta Plateau, the longest lava flow in the world, make for an adventure unlike any other in the Tsavo East. The park forms the largest protected area in Kenya and is home to most of the larger mammals, vast herds of dust–red elephant, Rhino, buffalo, lion, leopard, pods of hippo, crocodile, waterbucks, lesser Kudu, gerenuk and the prolific bird life features 500 recorded species.

Tsavo East Features
The slightly larger Tsavo East is generally flat, with dry plains across which the Galana River flows. Other features include the Yatta Plateau and Lugard Falls.

The park can be accessed through several gates. Tsavo East can be accessed through Manyani Gate, Voi Gate, Buchuma Gate and Sala Gate. Tsavo West can be accessed through Mtito Gate, Man Eaters Gate, Chyulu Gate and one other near Maktou.
Today, after breakfast at the camp, begin your drive back to Nairobi.

On arrival in Nairobi you will be transferred to Ole Sereni Hotel where dayrooms will be reserved for you.

Ole Sereni Hotel is located a short drive from the Jomo Kenyatta International Airport and combines the best features of a modern City Hotel with the tranquility of a safari lodge, as the hotel overlooks the Nairobi National Park.

Later transfer to Jomo Kenyatta International Airport for your international departure flight.

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