OAKLAND ZOO

Presents

Wings Over Kenya

Oakland Zoo designed safari with special opportunities to meet Oakland Zoo Conservation Partners in Kenya

September 12-24, 2024
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OAKLAND ZOO – WINGS OVER KENYA SAFARI

9/12
Meet your Wildlife Safari representative airside on arrival in Nairobi who will assist you through customs and immigration. Transfer to your hotel with the rest of your day at leisure, with optional sightseeing excursion available. This evening there will be a welcome briefing with tea and coffee at your hotel.
Overnight – Eka Hotel

9/13-15
Early morning departure with our senior guides for our transfer in Wildlife Safari’s custom built 4WD safari vehicles to our lodge in Amboseli National Park. Enjoy lunch followed by an afternoon game viewing drive in Amboseli National Park, possibly around the many lakes and springs fed by Kilimanjaro’s melting snows in search of one of Amboseli’s imposing elephant herds as well as the multitude of bird species. We will have three days of unlimited game viewing in the Amboseli, including the wonderful population of elephants known individually and studied by world famous Elephant Researcher Cynthia Moss for over 50 years. As one of Oakland Zoo’s Conservation Partners we are invited to visit the Amboseli Elephant Research Camp to get the most up to date information on their research and conservation work. We will also visit a local Masai village and spend time learning about the Masai culture – a US$ 30 per person donation to the village is usually required and this payment should be made directly to the village.
Overnights – Ol Tukai Lodge (B,L,D)

9/16-19
Early morning flight from Amboseli to Samburu National Reserve, via Nairobi. Wildlife Safari will send another set of 4WD safari vehicles with expert guides from Nairobi to Samburu. Our new vehicles and guides will meet us on arrival in Samburu and conduct all of our game viewing activities. We will enjoy four full days in the Samburu sanctuary with unlimited game viewing. We are also invited to meet Oakland Zoo Conservation Partners from the Samburu Elephant Project, Reticulated Giraffe Project, the Ewaso Lion Project, and the Reteti Elephant Orphanage.
Overnights – Samburu Simba Lodge (B,L,D)

9/20-23
The Oakland Zoo group will fly from Samburu to Masai Mara National Reserve where our Wildlife Safari vehicles and guides from Amboseli will reunite with us for four days of unlimited game viewing in the Masai Mara. Enjoy an extended game viewing drive with a special lunch from our lodge and enjoy a picnic in the sanctuary. We will also visit a local school and deliver school supplies for the children as part of our “Books 4 Kids” project.
During this time, The Great Migration is occurring between Kenya and Tanzania. This is the largest herd movement of animals on the planet. In fact, with up to 1,000 animals per km, the great columns of wildebeest can be seen from space. Over 1.2 million wildebeest and 300,000 zebra along with topi and other gazelle move in a constant cycle through the Serengeti-Mara ecosystem in search of nutritious grass and water. Guided by survival instinct, each wildebeest will cover 800 to 1,000km on its individual journey along age-old migration routes.
Overnights – Mara Serena Lodge (B,L,D)
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9/24 Morning flight from Masai Mara to Nairobi. Lunch at Java then we will be escorted to Utamaduni Centre for shopping followed by a visit to the Rothschild Giraffe Centre and the David Sheldrick Elephant Orphanage. Transfer to Sheraton Nairobi Airport for dinner. Take the hotel shuttle to Nairobi airport for your onward flight arrangements. (B,L,D)

COST

US$ 8600 per person net share twin
US$ 9950 per person net single room.

To secure your spot on this exceptional safari, please contact Genny Greene by email (genny@oaklandzoo.org) or by phone (510) 632-9525 x 252. A $500 deposit is due upon registration, payable to Oakland Zoo via cash or check. A $515 deposit if using a credit card. Final payment is due to Wildlife Safari on July 1, 2024.

International flights are not included, and tour participants have the flexibility to travel on your preferred airlines. You may also arrive early, extend your stay beyond the Oakland Zoo Safari and/or combine your Safari with other travel. Please be sure that you arrive at Jomo Kenyatta International Airport in Nairobi on September 12 as our Safari begins early on September 13. Our Safari ends late afternoon on September 24 and with transportation to the airport it is necessary to make your departure flight arrangements for late evening (typically flights are between 11pm and midnight). If your departure flight leaves after the evening of September 24, you will need to make your own airport transfer arrangements. You can book your own flights directly or contact your preferred travel agent for assistance in booking your international flights.
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INCLUSIONS
✓ Accommodations indicated in the attached itinerary with private bathrooms throughout
✓ Breakfast, lunch and dinner (B,L,D) on safari in Kenya and additional meals in Nairobi
✓ All ground transport by custom built Wildlife Safari 4WD vehicles throughout Kenya
✓ All Wildlife Safari Kenya 4WD safari vehicles are equipped with WiFi at no additional cost
✓ Services of the finest guides during all sightseeing excursions and game viewing activities
✓ Anytime access to a Wildlife Safari local representative with contact to our Nairobi office
✓ Domestic flight(s) as indicated in the itinerary including ticketed taxes at current levels
✓ All required entrance fees, wildlife sanctuary fees, government taxes and statutory charges
✓ All airport transfers with our landside “meet & greet” service on arrival and departure
✓ Wildlife Safari document wallet and luggage tag

EXCLUSIONS
✓ All international and domestic airfares with taxes not outlined in the above inclusions
✓ Cost of comprehensive travel insurance which Wildlife Safari strongly recommends
✓ All items of a personal nature including beverages, gratuities, laundry, and shopping
✓ All passport and visa application fees, vaccination, and medical consulting fees
✓ All international departure taxes collected at airport of departure (if applicable)
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Wildlife Safari is a full-service tour operator, we take care of all land arrangements from the time you arrive at your destination to the time you depart on your flight home. We do not provide a hotel booking service only, nor are we a transportation company and we don’t handle partial land arrangements, as omissions can happen with more than one supplier involved in the mix. Unless noted otherwise, all hotel/lodge/camp/resort accommodations are quoted as “run of house” and room upgrades are available at a supplemental cost. As outlined in our published “Terms & Conditions”, our costs include expenses incurred for advertising, sales and marketing, promotions & reservation service.

Wildlife Safari offers exceptional destination and product knowledge learned from our forty years of “hands on” experience as a luxury travel company. Remember, booking on a website may be cheaper, but cannot provide the same level of assistance both in U.S.A. and on the ground at your destination.

All airfares and land costs are subject to change without prior notice due to events beyond the control of Wildlife Safari. Receipt of your full payment by Wildlife Safari will guarantee your travel arrangements and protects you from further cost increases, including future currency fluctuations, but only if Wildlife Safari receives your full tour payment by the due date. Receipt of payment by your agent does not constitute receipt of funds by Wildlife Safari. At times, the accommodations outlined in your itinerary may not be available due to reasons beyond the control of Wildlife Safari and comparable alternative accommodations will be provided. Changes to all reservations after confirmation will incur a $50.00 administrative fee and all changes made less than sixty days of your date of departure will be subject to the cancellation penalties as outlined in our published terms and conditions. Additional charges may apply to guarantee rooms for early arrival or late departure. Our Terms & Conditions of business as printed in all our brochures apply to every Wildlife Safari reservation. A copy is attached to this itinerary or available on request from Wildlife Safari.

Wildlife viewing may vary significantly due to numerous factors including wildlife movements and behavior, climatic conditions, human interference, species biodiversity and density in the various locations visited. Wildlife Safari works very hard to provide an outstanding wildlife experience, but we cannot guarantee the quantity, density, or diversity of wildlife species on any particular day, in any particular location, at any particular time.

Luggage on light aircraft flights within East Africa is limited to fifteen kilograms (15), including your hand luggage and camera equipment in soft sided luggage ONLY. Luggage is packed into the belly pod of the aircraft and hard sided suitcases or luggage with rigid wheel frames will not fit. Airlines reserve the right to charge for excess baggage. Extra luggage may be stored in your city hotel or nearest airport (fees may apply).

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