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Itinerary for Quilters Safari to Kenya

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JAN 4

We begin our *Colorful Fibers of Kenya Expedition* with an overnight flight from **NEW YORK** to **NAIROBI, KENYA**.

JAN 5

Upon your arrival at the *Jomo Kenyatta International Airport*, we will pass through customs and meet our Crafttours escort who will bring us to our coach for our transfer to our deluxe hotel, the **Nairobi Serena Hotel**, one of the *Leading Hotels of the World*. We will check in and retire for the evening.

JAN 6

This morning, following a restful sleep and hearty breakfast, we will participate on a **Panoramic City Tour** of **NAIROBI**. We will travel first to a well-known street where the shops sell many African textiles, including locally produced fabric. From here we will travel through the city center, past the colorful city market, Parliament buildings, the Railway Museum and the National Museum. Following this, we will drive to the *David Sheldrick Elephant Orphanage*. Here we will have an opportunity to photograph and learn more about these adorable baby elephants. From here we will have lunch at the nearby *Coffee Garden Restaurant* before visiting renowned **Karen Blixen Museum**, home of famous novelist *Karen von Blixen*. The house contains many of her original pieces along with some items donated by the makers of the film "*Out of Africa*." Our next visit is to the **Nairobi Giraffe Center** where we will enjoy a briefing about these semi-habited giraffes and actually have the opportunity to pet and feed these extraordinary animals. We will end our day with a short drive to the **Kazuri Bead Factory**. We will have an opportunity to walk through the factory and photograph the artists as they create each bead by hand. There will be time to shop in their wonderful little gift shop before we drive back to our hotel for dinner. It is a full day of fun that is sure to capture the Kenyan culture. **B, L, D**

JAN 7

This morning, following breakfast, we will meet our safari guides who will provide for us a briefing about our Safari Expedition. We will check out of our hotel, board our safari vehicles, and begin our drive north to the **NANYUKI REGION**. Our drive will take us approximately four hours, and we will stop along the way for restroom breaks and shopping for local crafts. Upon our arrival at the deluxe **Sweetwaters Sanctuary**, we will check in and then enjoy a delicious lunch. Our tent accommodations will provide a bed, toilet, shower, sink, desk and all the comforts of home. What makes this experience so incredibly special is that it is located in the heart of a game reserve, so animals are easy to spot and close at hand. But don't fear, we are safe as can be.

Later in the day, we will board our safari vehicles and explore the African plains with our first **Game Drive**. We will return back to camp and enjoy dinner together. It will be a long, but eventful day, and we will be off to sleep as we hear sounds of the animals harmonizing outside of our tents. **B, L, D**

JAN 8

This morning very early, we will board our safari vehicles and enjoy an early morning **Game Drive**. Be sure to pack your binoculars and camera, as we will indeed see some extraordinary things. We will return to our camp for breakfast and leisure time. Following this, we will drive to see the **Nanyuki Spinners and Weavers**. This group of ladies represents a women's self help project registered under the ministry of Culture and Social Services started, which was started under the umbrella of the Presbyterian Church of East Africa on July 4th, 1977. Their focus was to train poor, widowed and single women living in the surrounding villages of Nanyuki, in the craft of spinning, knitting and weaving, making themselves self reliant. Nanyuki was targeted because it is one of the major wool producing areas in Kenya with its weather being favorable for sheep rearing and raising. It was agreed from the beginning that half of the proceeds acquired would go directly to the women under the project and the other half would be retained at the center. There will be time for shopping in their store and an opportunity for plenty of photographs!

We will return to base camp for lunch followed by an afternoon presentation with **Caryl**. In the later part of the afternoon we will board our safari vehicles for an afternoon **Game Drive**. Dinner will be served back at the camp, as we bring another full day of sights and game drives to an end. **B, L, D**

JAN 9

This morning following breakfast, we will check out and drive north to the **Samburu Game Reserve**. This will be a three to four hour drive through the beautiful landscapes of Kenya. Upon our arrival at our first class lodge/camp, we will check in and enjoy a delicious lunch. There will be time to relax this afternoon before enjoying an afternoon **Game Drive**.

Samburu, Buffalo Springs and Shaba National Reserves are three of the best animal game reserves in the entire region. Lying 225 miles from Nairobi, they are adjacent to each other, in effect forming an incredibly large area that makes up a total of 633 square miles.

During our game drive it is possible we may see wildlife species rarely found anywhere in the entire continent of Africa, including Grevys' Zebra, the long-necked Gerenuk and the Reticulated Giraffe. As the area is so arid, the game is concentrated around the *Ewaso Nyiro River* which runs through the park, making game viewing, especially for elephants, particularly good.

We will return to our hotel later in the afternoon. Dinner will be served at the lodge and the remainder of the evening is at your leisure. **B, L, D**

JAN 10

Today we will have an opportunity for an early morning **Game Drive** as we search for the *Big Five*. Be sure you have your camera ready to capture the colors, textures and design of the African plains. We will return to camp for a hearty breakfast. Following this we will drive a short distance to visit a **SAMBURU VILLAGE** for an unbelievable encounter with the locals. Here we will learn firsthand about their way of life. It will be certainly be one of the highlights of the entire expedition so be sure to bring your cameras and spending money to purchase some of their local handicrafts. In the later part of the afternoon, we will participate in another **Game Drive** and return to camp for dinner. **B, L, D**

JAN 11

Today our group has a choice of what direction they want to go. For those folks who want to fly back home, you will drive back to Nairobi in the safari vehicles, repack and enjoy a delicious dinner this evening at the world famous **Carnivore Restaurant**, renowned for its variety of delicious exotic meats,

as well as other dishes. Following dinner, you will transfer to the *Jomo Kenyatta International Airport* for our evening flight back to **NEW YORK. B, L, D**

JAN 12

We will arrive back into **NEW YORK** later in the afternoon. Meals will be served on the plane.

Total cost of this 9-day DELUXE safari expedition is only \$5687.00

MASAI MARA EXTENSION PACKAGE

JAN 11

For those who wish to extend their expedition to the MASAI MARA, we will check out of our lodge and drive to the nearby airstrip for a flight to Mara. This is a short flight, just over an hour and once we land, we will be met by our safari guides who will take us to our first-class lodge. Here we will check in and unpack before enjoying a delicious lunch. This afternoon we will enjoy a late afternoon **Game Drive** followed by dinner back at the lodge. **B, L, D**

JAN 12

Very early morning, you will participate in one of the most exciting things you have ever done in your life, we will drive to the location of our **HOT AIR BALLOON** and prepare for a morning balloon safari. Our professional pilot will glide this 16-passenger balloon just above the tree tops as the sun begins to rise and we enjoy the sights from above. It will be one of the most memorable moments of the safari, if not your entire life! Our balloon will peacefully glide over river banks and across the Masai plains until we land and our greeted by our guides. From here we will enjoy a specially prepared breakfast, complete with linen table cloth and champagne. We will drive back to our lodge to relax and enjoy the rest of the morning. In the afternoon, we will board our safari vehicles for another exciting **Game Drive**. Tonight following dinner, we will relax and reminisce about our extraordinary day. **B, L, D**

JAN 13

This morning we explore a different part of the Mara looking for the Big Five! We will return to our lodge for breakfast followed by a morning presentation by *Caryl*. This afternoon following lunch we will enjoy a visit from some of the Masai ladies who will teach us a class on beading and jewelry making. Everyone is invited to participate. Later in the afternoon we will travel out again for another **Game Drive**. Tonight following dinner we will be entertained by some of the local villagers as they sing and dance for our enjoyment! **B, L, D**

JAN 14

This morning we will drive out into the Mara for an early morning **Game Drive**. It is our last morning in Kenya, and our final opportunity to photograph this extraordinary place. We will have lunch and then pack our belongings for a departure flight back to Nairobi. After a short flight, we will arrive back into Nairobi and transfer to a facility where we will freshen up and repack our luggage for our flight back home. Tonight, we will enjoy a special "*farewell dinner*" at the world famous *Carnivore Restaurant*, renowned for its variety of delicious exotic meats, as well as other dishes. Following dinner, we will transfer to the *Jomo Kenyatta International Airport* for our flight back to **NEW YORK. B, L, D**

JAN 15

We will arrive back into **NEW YORK** later in the afternoon. Meals will be served on the plane.

Total cost of this 5-day DELUXE Masai Mara extension package is only \$2843.00

Itinerary, pricing, accommodations and escorts are subject to change. Insurance is available and highly recommended. Single rates are available upon request. Deposit is \$1000.00 to hold your space. A 3% discount applies for check payment paid in full. Please consult the [Terms and Conditions](#) on our website, as they apply starting with the first payment.

ACCOMMODATIONS

NAIROBI

Nairobi Serena Hotel

<http://www.serenahotels.com/serenanairobi/default-en.html>

RIFT VALLEY

Sweetwaters Tented Camp

<http://www.serenahotels.com/serenasweetwaters/default-en.html>

SAMBURU

Ashnil Samburu Camp

<http://ashnilhotels.com/samburu/index.asp>

MASAI MARA

Mara Serena Safari Lodge

<http://www.serenahotels.com/serenamara/>

I hope you can join me.

Sincerely,



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