

# Enaja Safaris and Tours, Inc.

## Kenya 2020

July – August dates to be determined



**Day 1: Friday**

**Depart Greensboro**

**Day 2: Saturday**

**Ole Sereni**

[www.ole-sereni.com](http://www.ole-sereni.com)

- **Arrival in Nairobi (approximately 9 pm their time)**  
After going through immigration (visa required) and collecting our bags, we meet Patrick and our other drivers for the ½ hour transfer to our hotel. Enjoy the modern rooms and have a drink at the bar overlooking the National Park, and get a good night's sleep.

**Included: Bed and breakfast**

### **Ole Sereni**

Located just minutes from the international airport and bordering the Nairobi National Game Park, Ole Sereni offers views of animals in their natural surroundings at the waterhole from the restaurants, bar, roof-top swimming pool, and other parts of the hotel. Once home of the American Embassy, Ole Sereni combines the best features of a modern hotel and a traditional wildlife lodge offering world-class facilities and personalized service. Each of the 134 rooms is exquisitely furnished and air-conditioned.



**Days 3-5: Sun-Tues**

**Amboseli Serena Lodge**

[www.serenahotels.com/serenaamboseli](http://www.serenahotels.com/serenaamboseli)

- **After breakfast, we drive to Amboseli National Park. Upon arrival, we have a game drive on our way to camp. After checking in and having lunch, there is time to enjoy the camp before our afternoon game drive.**
- **A full day of game drives and other camp activities.**
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**Included: All meals, game drives. Optional game activities to be paid direct.**

### **Amboseli Serena Lodge**

In the shadow of Mount Kilimanjaro and beside a copse of giant acacia trees and a gently flowing natural spring stands Amboseli

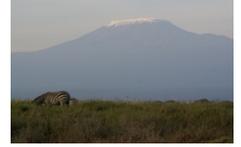


Serena Lodge, one of Africa's finest safari accommodations. The lodge offers great views of many types of big game, particularly huge herds of elephants that roam around the area. On the lodge grounds one encounters hundreds of species of wetland and migratory birds. The 92 luxury ensuite rooms are accommodated in two single-story buildings that lie to the right and left of the main reception and dining areas. Each tastefully-appointed room features a king-sized bed or luxurious twins, lavish all-encompassing mosquito-curtaining, bathroom (with walk-in shower), writing/vanity unit, and a private veranda to enjoy a

view of either majestic Mount Kilimanjaro or the expansive Amboseli plains.

## Amboseli National Park

At the foot of Mount Kilimanjaro, Africa's highest mountain, Amboseli is one of the most popular of Kenya's national parks. The snowcapped peak of Kilimanjaro, rising above a saucer of clouds, dominates every aspect of Amboseli. Despite its small size and its fragile ecosystem, Amboseli supports a wide range of mammals (well over 50 of the larger species), birds (over 400 species), and **gigantic herds of elephants**. Years ago this was the locale around which Ernest Hemingway spun his stories of big-game hunting in the wilds of Africa.



## Days 6-8: Wed-Fri

## Ol Pejeta Bush Camp

[www.olpejetaconservancy.org](http://www.olpejetaconservancy.org)

- **Today we have an early morning game drive and breakfast before the light aircraft transfer to Mt. Kenya area. After lunch and settling in, we have our first game drive in the Conservancy.**
- **Today we visit Sweetwaters Game Reserve and well as the private conservancy. We'll visit the last two remaining Northern White Rhinos on the planet and the Chimpanzee Center. Night game drive possible.**
- **A day of game drives, cultural visits, and maybe even a visit to Mt Kenya Safari Club's Rehabilitation Center followed by a drink(s) at the bar. Night game drive possible.**

**Included: All meals, game activities.**

## Ol Pejeta Bush Camp

Ol Pejeta Bush Camp, a traditional and very comfortable bush camp set on the banks of the Ewaso Nyiro River, offers guests the opportunity for a unique kind of safari experience in Kenya. Spend just one or two nights or stay as long as you want – being as active or as relaxed as you like. The six traditional safari tents at Ol Pejeta are set along the river a reasonable distance from each other, but the thick vegetation makes each tent feel really private. Each tent comes with warm blankets for the winter mornings, rechargeable solar lights and en-suite bathrooms with hot-water safari bucket showers and flushing toilets. Each has a canvas floor with rugs, a large bed with bedside tables and a luggage rack. Solar power lights the rooms, but you cannot plug things in or charge batteries in your room; this has to be done in the main communal tents. Individual verandas provide the perfect spot to while away an afternoon in privacy, watching the animals come and go along the river bank. The tents suit people who are not after a room with lots of frills, but want it to be comfortable, spacious, clean and of good quality. The central area has two separate safari tents: the unfussy lounge tent decorated with small sofas, armchairs, director's chairs; and the dining tent dominated by a central communal table. While in camp view game at the salt lick on the opposite bank of the river. It often brings in rhinos at night, which causes great excitement. Do remember that Ol Pejeta is at an altitude of 1 800 meters and so it gets **extremely cold at night** and in the early mornings, especially between June and September: wear plenty of warm layers that you can peel off as the day warms up.



## Activities at Ol Pejeta Bush Camp

Activities focus on day and night game drives in 4WD vehicles and walks accompanied by an armed escort. Alex Hunter, the affable and very knowledgeable owner, enjoys taking guests out with a tracker for a few hours looking for birds and signs of wildlife in the bush. Some of the other included activities are guided visits to Sweetwaters Chimpanzee Sanctuary and Hippo Hide; radio collared lion tracking with the Ol Pejeta predator researchers (when available); day to day cattle ranch activities; visits to the local community projects; bush breakfast, picnics and dinners. Visits to the Sweetwaters Chimpanzee refuge and the Northern White Rhino Sanctuary are also possible. Visits to the latter are best booked in advance due to limited daily visitor numbers.

## Ol Pejeta Conservancy

The 90,000 acres of open Savannah grassland that is Ol Pejeta Conservancy has some of the highest predator densities in Kenya, and still manages a very successful livestock program. It is also the largest black rhino sanctuary in east Africa, and the 700-acre Endangered Species Enclosure is home to the world's two last remaining northern white rhino. This is the only place in Kenya to see chimpanzees. A 300-acre sanctuary was established to rehabilitate animals rescued from the black market. Ol Pejeta also seeks to support the people living around its borders, to ensure wildlife conservation translates to better education, healthcare and infrastructure for the next generation of wildlife guardians.

## Sweetwaters Game Reserve

This game reserve reveals magnificent views across the game-studded plains to the snowcapped peaks of Mount Kenya. The Chimpanzee Sanctuary, a project initiated in part by the Jane Goodall Institute, allows visitors to see chimps in their own environment. The aim of this project is to set up a colony where chimps can be rehabilitated and introduced to an area similar to their natural habitat.





- *On one of the days there will be time visit to the Animal Rehabilitation facility at Mount Kenya Safari Club and Nanyuki Weavers. There is a very minimal charge at the Safari Club, but you get to actually pet, touch, feed quite a few different animals, and the monkeys will sit on your shoulder if you want. The Club also has some quite nice shops and is a great place to stroll around, have a drink, and pretend you are in an era long past.*

### Mount Kenya National Park



At an elevation of 5,199 meters, Mount Kenya is Africa's second highest mountain. To the Kikuyu tribes-people it is the home of the Supreme Being, Ngai. Part of the mountain's fascination is the variation in flora and fauna at various elevations. These forest belts are host to many different animals and plants, with at least eleven unique species. Game to view includes monkeys, bushbucks, elephants, black rhinos, duikers, leopards, and bongos (a rare type of forest antelope). A number of other rare or endangered species, such as the sunni buck, Mount Kenya mole shrew, skink (a kind of lizard), and a variety of owls, can be found here.



### Nanyuki Spinners and Weavers

Because the Kenyan highlands area around Nanyuki is a major center for sheep and wool production, the Presbyterian Church of East Africa conceived the idea of training women to become self-sufficient. Started in 1977, the women have been able to card, spin, dye, and weave sheep's wool to make rugs and blankets to generate income for their families. Today over 100 women rely on their income from this project.



### Days 9-11 Sat - Mon

### Larsen's Camp

[wildernesslodges.co.ke/larsens/](http://wildernesslodges.co.ke/larsens/)

- **After an early breakfast, we drive to Samburu National Park (about 2 hours). It is an interesting drive through local villages and changing landscapes. Keep your eyes out for camels – yes, camels! After settling into our tents and lunch, we watch game from our tents, enjoy the grounds or participate in other optional camp activities before our afternoon game drive.**
- **A full day of game drives and other game activities as well as a visit to a Samburu Village.**
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### All inclusive

### Larsen's Samburu

Larsen's, a small luxury 20 tented camp, sits in lush lawns on the banks of the Uaso Nyiro River- birds, Vervet monkeys and Diks wander freely around the camp. Tranquility and nature embrace the visitor upon entering the camp, and the river is the perfect stage for an endless parade of wildlife. From private verandas, guests can see elephants rolling and trumpeting in the shallows, timid impala nervously drinking, baboons and Vervet monkeys swinging through the canopy of trees, and bird life that bewilders viewers. The accommodations epitomize understated classic safari elegance with hurricane lamps, wooden floors, and oriental rugs; hot showers and robes in each tent add a high degree of comfort. The dining tent is open on three sides so guests can look out over the river while enjoying a first-class dinner by candlelight. Guests share their dining experiences in locations that may vary from day to day – under a canopy of fig trees, on the river front deck, by the camp fire or on the tree deck over-looking untamed wilderness.



### Samburu National Reserve

This Reserve has a natural serenity due to its distance from any unnatural development. The park's River Uaaso Nyiro and the mixture of acacia trees, riverine forest, thorn trees, and grass vegetation attract a wide variety of animals,



including elephants, lions, cheetahs, grevy's zebras, giraffes, gerenuks, buffalos, oryx, Grant's gazelles, dikdiks and waterbucks. Black rhino once again roam in the park, and you can be guaranteed leopard sightings. There are over 350 varieties of birds. These include the famous Somali Ostriches (distinguished during mating season by their unique purple/blue legs), kingfishers, humming birds, eagles,



guinea fowls and vultures.

## Days 12-14 Tues-Thurs Mara Entim

(<http://entim-mara.com/>)

- **After an early breakfast and checking out, we fly to the famous Masai Mara. After a game drive to camp, checking into our tents, and having lunch; we watch the game on the lawn. If lucky, there might be a crossing right at the camp. There is a game drive later this afternoon as well.**
- **A VERY early start (before dawn) to drive across the Mara for a sunrise hot air balloon experience. The rest of the day is at leisure for game drives and game watching.**
- **Our final day on the Mara experiencing the Wildebeest Migration.**

### *All-inclusive (including balloon safari)*

**Mara Entim**, meaning “forest” in Maasai, was designed to be in the best possible location to view the wildebeest migration in the Maasai Mara game reserve and for a few months of the year the migration is on its doorstep. Overlooking the Mara River only a short drive away from where the Talek and Mara rivers converge, the camp is positioned between major wildebeest crossings. At Entim you don't have to drive for hours to get to the wildlife action because you are right there in the middle of it, nor do you have to leave the Park before gates close at 6.30 pm. You can continue to witness the wild's most important and dramatic events, which often take place at dusk and dawn, from your tent or while sipping a cocktail. Each of the 10 guest tents overlooks the Mara River and is en-suite with flush-toilets and hot showers. There is a cozy lounge area with a small library and a separate bar and dining area that is open-fronted allowing guests the unmatched experience of eating meals while watching the animals move to and from the river to drink and forage for their food. Enjoy delicious home-cooked meals and a selection of house wines from the famous wineries of South Africa. Bread, cakes and pastries are all baked in camp, while fresh produce is flown in regularly. If you wish you can dine privately on your own verandah.



### **The Masai Mara National Reserve**

The Masai Mara Game Reserve is widely considered to be Africa's greatest wildlife reserve. The Mara comprises 200 square miles of open plains, woodlands, and riverine forest. Contiguous with the plains of the Serengeti in Tanzania, the Mara is home to a breathtaking array of life. The vast grassland plains are scattered with herds of zebra, giraffe, gazelle, and topi, and the acacia forests abound with birdlife and monkeys. Elephants and buffalo wallow in the wide Musiara Swamp while the Mara and Talek Rivers brim with hippos and crocodiles. Each year the Mara plays host to the world's greatest natural spectacle: the Great Wildebeest Migration from the Serengeti. From July to October, the promise of rain and fresh life-giving grass in the north brings more than 1.3 million wildebeests together into a single massive herd. They pour across the border into the Mara, making a spectacular entrance in a surging column of life that stretches from horizon to horizon. At the Mara River they mass together on the banks before finally plunging forward through the raging waters, creating a frenzy as they fight against swift currents and waiting crocodiles. The Mara has been called the Kingdom of the Lions, and these hunters dominate the grasslands. Cheetahs are also a common sight in the Mara, as are hyena and smaller predators such as jackals.



## Day 15 Friday Giraffe Manor

[giraffemanor.com](http://giraffemanor.com)

- **After a very leisurely breakfast, we drive or fly back to Nairobi for the unique experience of Giraffe Manor. This afternoon, we enjoy the lovely grounds, visit the public Giraffe Center, and/or visit some of the interesting sites in the area. The giraffes return to the Manor at cocktail time.**

### *All Inclusive*

### **Giraffe Manor**

Built in 1932 by Sir David Duncan, Giraffe Manor is situated on 120 acres of land. In 1974 Jock Leslie-Melville (grandson of a Scottish earl) and his wife, Betty (who also founded the African Fund for Endangered Wildlife) bought the Manor. They then moved five babies of the highly endangered Rothschild giraffe to their property where they have been successfully reared and now have calves of their own. When Jock died, Betty decided to open her house to visitors.

Exclusive, spacious, and elegant, it is the only place in the world where one can feed giraffes from the second floor bedroom window, over the lunch table, and at the front door. Guests can feed and photograph the giraffes and warthogs at the Manor, and also wander through the adjoining primeval forest to view the bushbuck, dikdik, and more than 180 bird species found there. One bedroom is furnished with Karen Blixen's (*Out of Africa*) furniture that she gave to Jock and Betty when she left Kenya.



### **Giraffe Center at Giraffe Manor**

The Center provides a taste of the Africa most tourists come to Kenya to see. In addition to the short nature walk, the Giraffe Center offers the rare opportunity to be (safely) close enough to the animals to feed and touch them. The entrance fee to the Center supports the re-establishment of the Rothschild giraffes in Kenya.



### **Karen Blixen Museum**

This museum was originally the home of Karen Blixen, who came to Kenya from Denmark in the early part of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. The present museum sits at the heart of the larger coffee plantation run by Blixen between 1914 and 1931. Upon Kenya's independence, the Danish government donated the house and surrounding land to Kenya. The house was restored by the Danish government and was used during the filming of *Out of Africa*. Much of the original furniture is on display in the house, and combined with the beautifully landscaped gardens and encompassing view of the Ngong Hills, the Museum has continued to be a very popular destination for international and local visitors.



### **Kazuri Bead Shop**

This workshop is located at the base of the Ngong Hills outside Nairobi, on a portion of the farm once owned by Karen von Blixen of *Out of Africa* fame. Lady Susan Wood founded Kazuri (which means "small and beautiful in Swahili, the language of Kenya) in 1975, after observing that many women in the villages around Nairobi were nearly destitute. She and two Kikuyu women organized a ceramic workshop and taught jewelry making to the poor, and the instruction continues to this day. Each bead that makes up a necklace or bracelet is shaped by hand, without the aid of molds or forms, by one of the 90 local women employed by Kazuri. The beads are then polished and kiln-fired, painted, and fired again before being strung. You will see the ladies making the beads at the shop.



### **Matt Bronze**

This is a wonderful gallery with a large selection of hand-made bronzes. There are pieces of all sizes prices – everything from tasteful animal footprint ashtrays to jewelry, picture frames, and life-size sculptures.



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### **Daphne Sheldrick Elephant Orphanage**



Wife of the late David Sheldrick (founder and warden of Tsavo National Park), Daphne Sheldrick has been working with wild animals for over 60 years. In 1977 she opened the Elephant Orphanage at her home in Nairobi, where today her eight trained staff members virtually replace the baby elephants' families. From 11 am to noon each day you can watch and pet the baby elephants while

learning about their lives.



## **Day 16 Sat**

### **Homeward Bound**

- **After breakfast with the giraffes, our drivers are available for the day. This day's activities will be determined by our flight times. Preferably a late-night flight. We have an early farewell dinner at the Carnivore Restaurant. After a couple of Dawa cocktails, there will be no problem sleeping on the plane.**

**Included: driver for day and dinner at Carnivore**

### **The Carnivore Restaurant**

Considered "Africa's Greatest Eating Experience," this open-air meat specialty restaurant has strikingly different food and atmosphere. All types of meat imaginable, including four choices of wild game, are roasted on traditional Masai swords over a huge, visually spectacular charcoal pit that dominates the entrance of the restaurant. The waiters then carry these meat-laden swords around the restaurant, carving unlimited amounts of the prime cuts onto sizzling, cast iron plates in front of you. A wide selection of salads, vegetable side dishes, and a variety of exotic sauces accompanies the meat feast. Dessert and coffee follow the meal. The Carnivore is also the home of the Simba Saloon, Nairobi's most popular nightclub and disco. The informal outdoor atmosphere, exceptional snacks, and outstanding entertainment ensure a vibrant and exciting night out.



## **Day 17 Sun**

### **Arrive Home mid to late afternoon**

**Cost per person based on double occupancy and payment by check**

**\$8,950**  
(**\$9,170 if by credit card**)

**Non-refundable deposit (per person): \$2,300**