

## Kenya Trails

Day 1	Transfer from Jomo Kenyatta Airport to Nairobi Hotel. Overnight Karen Residence (Bed and Breakfast)
Day 2	Morning Karen Excursions. PM drive to Rift Valley Lake Elementaita. Overnight Sunbird Lodge (Full Board)
Day 3	Drive to Lake Nakuru National Park for Game Drive. Overnight Sunbird Lodge (Full Board)
Day 4	Drive to Masai Mara Game Reserve. Overnight Mara Leisure Lodge (Full Board)
Day 5 & 6	Masai Mara Game drives. Overnight Mara Leisure Lodge (Full Board)
Day 7	Drive to Nairobi and transfer to Jomo Kenyatta International airport

### Day 1,

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On arrival at the Jomo Kenyatta International Airport in Nairobi, you will be met by our representative and given a short safari briefing before being transferred to Karen residence, ideally located in the leafy suburbs of Karen, Nairobi. Dinner will be served in the Club restaurant (at an additional cost) and you will have plenty of time to go through the material in your welcome pack and look forward to the journey ahead.

*Tucked away in a pleasant forested area overlooking the second hole of the Karen Country Club golf course, The Residences at Karen embody comfort, luxury and serenity, perfect for any getaway. You will wake up to the vast bird life chirping away welcoming the morning.*

*The word "Residence" only hints at the level of luxury and personalized service which will greet you at the Residences at Karen, it is truly home away from home. Our team of professional staff is eager to serve you and anticipate your every need. Created for use by our members and their guest, The Residence host six - two bedroom cottages and twelve apartment suites. They are perfect for entertaining out-of-town family, friends and executives or for personal getaways.*



### **Overnight The Residences at Karen (Bed and Breakfast)**

### Day 2,

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After breakfast, you will check out and meet your driver guide who will transfer you for excursions in the surrounding Karen Suburbs. Your first stop during the tour is Giraffe Centre where you will spend about an hour. The centre offers guests 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. Thereafter drive a short distance to Daphne Sheldricks' Elephant Orphanage – where you have an opportunity to visit the many baby elephants that have been rescued from threatening situations in Kenya's various national parks and even get a chance to see the calves being fed and playing with the staff.

You will then visit the Karen Blixen Museum: a chance to go back in time and discover the famous Karen Blixen's house exactly as it was when she lived in Kenya. Located in an area which was once part of Karen Blixen's vast coffee estate, 'bogani', the museum was Karen's home from 1917 until 1931. The house and grounds were made famous by

the film 'Out of Africa' and have been restored by the Danish community of Kenya. Visitors have a glimpse of typical colonial life in Kenya at the turn of the twentieth century.

After lunch at the lovely Karen Blixen Coffee Gardens, you will depart on the next part of your adventure that takes you from the hustle and bustle of Nairobi city to the small but beautiful soda ash lake located in the famous Great Rift Valley, named Lake Elementaita.

Lake Elementaita is one of the famous soda ash lakes of the Great Rift Valley, and home to numerous flamingos and over 400 species of birds. This small but beautiful lake offers you the chance to relax or choose from a number of optional activities such as horse riding, bird viewing or a visit to the natural warm spa that flows into the lake.



*Sunbird Lodge provides you with comfortable and eco-friendly luxury in a wonderfully picturesque setting that is quiet and uninterrupted. Owner-operated, the Lodge overlooks Lake Elementaita and has fabulous bird life. The lodge has spectacular views over Lake Elementaita and guests can experience the amazing sunsets from the verandahs of the cottages. Being a small and exclusive lodge holding not more than 25 guests at a time, Sunbird Lodge offers 10 large and comfortable cottages built from natural materials and thatched roofs. Each cottage has its own veranda, king size bed, additional single bed, en-suite bathroom, mosquito nets, safe and telephone.*

### **Overnight at Sunbird Lodge - Luxury Cottage (Full Board)**

#### **Day 3**

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After a hearty breakfast you will set out on a full day's game drive to **Lake Nakuru National park** which is about thirty minutes' drive from Elementaita. The lake is situated in the middle of the national park to which it gives its name. Teeming with wildlife the park has so much to offer. Lions, buffalos as well as the many rhinos that call this corner of Kenya home, If you are lucky you may even spot a leopard relaxing in a tree beside the lake.



After a game-packed day you will drive back to Sunbird Lodge in time to enjoy the sun set over the lake, before sitting down for dinner and toasting to the day's adventures.

### **Overnight at Sunbird Lodge (Full Board)**

#### **Day 4,**

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Today you make your way by road to the Masai Mara National Reserve. You will arrive for lunch at your camp and spend the rest of the afternoon relaxing by the pool and waiting for the late afternoon when the temperature cools to head out on your first Mara game drive. The **Masai Mara** is one of Africa's greatest wildlife reserves. Acacia dotted plains, tree-lined rivers and woodlands are abundant with wildlife and an array of birdlife. Game viewing is spectacular year-round; you may see a pride of lions stalking their prey, observe a herd of elephant and their fascinating social structure, or see pods of hippo wallowing in the rivers. The great wildebeest migration is one of nature's wonders; an estimated two million animals migrate in a year-round pattern through Tanzania and Kenya, following the rain. Around July each year the huge herds begin dramatic river crossings and the grasslands of the Mara are covered by a mass of moving wildebeest, offering easy opportunity for crocodile and predators that are never far away. When in the Mara visit a traditional Maasai village or take a balloon safari at an extra cost.

Back at the camp, dinner is served and this gives you the perfect opportunity to look back at your day and relive all those highlights.

*Mara Leisure Camp is located along the Talek River, at the confluence of the Masai Mara's four game-viewing areas on the northern boundary of the Masai Mara National Reserve. A variety of accommodation in semi-permanent*

*luxury tents is available to suit families or individuals, as well as cottages for those who don't want canvas walls. Mara Leisure offers impeccable service, delicious cuisine, free WIFI and plenty of activities all making a stay here a truly memorable one.*

**Overnight Mara Leisure Camp (Full Board)**

**Day 5 & 6**

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This morning, there is the opportunity to rise early and experience a game viewing adventure from an entirely different perspective! A hot air balloon safari across the Masai Mara (at additional cost) which takes off in the crisp morning air, and lasts for approximately an hour, allows for a beautifully peaceful experience floating silently high above plains, forests and rivers. if you have not booked a balloon ride, after breakfast you will drive across the mara plains in search of the big five and other plains game. Keep your eyes peeled as you hunt for the last members on your “must see” list.

**Overnight at Mara Leisure Camp (Full Board)**

**Day 7,**

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After breakfast and check out, you will be driven back to Nairobi, stopping beside the Rift Valley for one last photo and to enjoy your packed lunch (included).

After arriving in Nairobi, you will be transferred to Jomo Kenyatta International Airport (JKIA) for your outbound travel.

End of services

**RATES BASED IN USD\$ - 2019**

- DATES & PRICES
- EASTER & XMAS AND NEW YEAR RATES INCLUDE ALL SUPPLEMENTS
- CHRISTMAS DEPARTURE STARTS ON SATURDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER AND CAN BE COMBINED WITH THE TANZANIA NEW YEAR DEPARTURE

DATE		USD PER PERSON
Request rates other dates not shown		

1-May-19	30-June-19	\$1740
1-July-19	31-Oct-19	\$2165
1-Nov-19	20-Dec-19	\$1790
21-Dec-19	XMAS DEPT	\$2320

**DEPARTURE DATES FOR 2019:**

- PLEASE NOTE ALL DEPARTURES REQUIRE A MINIMUM OF 2 PEOPLE TO OPERATE

6Jan 2019		7July 2019		1Dec 2019
20Jan 2019		14July 2019		21Dec 2019 ( Xmas )
3Feb 2019		21July 2019		28Dec 2019 ( NY )
17Feb 2019		4Aug 2019		
3Mar 2019		11Aug 2019		
17Mar 2019		25Aug2019		
19April 2019 ( Easter)		8Sept 2019		
19May 2019		22Sept 2019		
2June2019		6Oct 2019		
16June2019		20Oct 2019		
23June20019		10Nov2019		

**Safari Price includes:**

- ✓ Full board accommodation while on safari
- ✓ Bed and breakfast accommodation in Nairobi
- ✓ Transfers to and from the airport
- ✓ A safari briefing at the start
- ✓ All game drives and site seeing as per the itinerary in shared 4X4 custom made Land Cruiser driven by a professional English speaking guide
- ✓ Excursions and scheduled activities as per the itinerary
- ✓ Park Entrance fees throughout
- ✓ Flying doctors medical evacuation cover
- ✓ 1 litre of water per person per day while in our safari vehicle
- ✓ Current Government taxes and levies

**Safari Price excludes:**

- ✓ International Airfares
- ✓ International and domestic departure tax
- ✓ Laundry services
- ✓ Meals and excursions not described in the itinerary above
- ✓ Entry Visas to the country
- ✓ Travel and health insurance
- ✓ Balloon flight in the Masai Mara (additional charge USD450 per person)
- ✓ Any optional tours or excursions not mentioned in the itinerary above
- ✓ Gratuities (tips) to your guide, hotel staff and porters
- ✓ Any other items of a personal nature, such as drinks, laundry, telephone and postage.