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## RE: 5-DAY LAKE NAKURU-MASAI MARA-LAKE NAIVASHA/CRESCENT ISLAND SAFARI



#### **OVERVIEW**

This 5 day safari takes you to Masai Mara, Lake Naivasha and Lake Nakuru. Masai Mara remains a top game reserve famous for its exceptional population of lions, leopards, cheetahs among others. Lake Nakuru is found in the Rift valley part of Kenya and is one of the Rift valley soda lakes with an elevation of 1754 meters above sea level. The park is famous for the big five and bird's sanctuary. Lake Naivasha is at the highest elevation of the Kenyan Rift valley at 1,884 meters and home to a variety of types of wildlife including over 400 different species of bird.

## **GETTING THERE**

- This tour starts and ends in Nairobi
- Fly to/from Jomo Kenyatta Airport (NBO) in Nairobi
- A transfer from and back to the airport is included
- Additional accommodation before and at the end of the tour can be arranged for an extra cost

#### **TOUR FEATURES**

#### **Private tour**

This tour will be organized exclusively for you and won't be shared with others.

# Can start any day

If availability permits, this tour can start on any day.

## Can be customized

You can request changes to this tour.

## **ACCOMODATION & MEALS**

DAY	DESTINATION	ACCOMMODATION	MEALS
1	Lake Nakuru National Park	Ziwa Bush Lodge  Boutique tented lodge outside  Lake Nakuru NP	Lunch & dinner included
2-3	Masai Mara Game Reserve	Zebra Plains Mara Camp  Boutique tented camp bordering  Masai Mara Game Reserve	All meals included
5	Lake Naivasha/Crescent Island	Lake Naivasha Country Club  Luxury lodge on the shores of  Lake Naivasha	All meals included
5	Nairobi (City)	End of Tour (No accommodation)	Breakfast included

## **INCLUDED**

- ☑ Park fees
- ☑ All activities (Unless labeled as optional)
- ☑ All accommodation
- ☑ A professional driver/guide
- ☑ All transportation
- ✓ All Taxes/VAT
- ☑ Meals(As specified in the day-by-day section)
- ☑ Complimentary drinking water(In the vehicle on all days)

## **EXCLUDED**

☑ International flights(From/to home)

- Additional accommodation before and at the end of the tour
- ☑ Tips(Tipping guideline US\$10.00 pp per day)
- Personal items (Souvenirs, travel insurance, visa fees, etc.)
- ☑ Government imposed increase of taxes and/or park fees

#### DAY BY DAY ITINERARY

#### ARRIVAL

- You'll be collected from the airport or Nairobi hotel/residence.
- Accommodation before the tour starts can be arranged for an extra cost.



**DAY 1: NAIROBI - LAKE NAKURU NATIONAL PARK** 

Pick up from Nairobi at 7:00am. Depart for Lake Nakuru National Park via the Nairobi-Nakuru highway. Along the way, we shall have a brief stopover at the spectacular Great Rift Valley, which is fault line some 3,500 miles (5,600km) long stretching from Ethiopia's Red Sea through Kenya, Tanzania, Malawi, and into Mozambique. Lake Nakuru National Park offers you a rare insight into Kenya's most diverse flora, fauna and wildlife and is famous for its huge flocks of pink flamingoes. The birds' throng on Lake Nakuru itself, one of the Rift Valley soda lakes that comprises almost a third of the park's area. More than 450 species of birds have been recorded here as well as a rich diversity of other wildlife. Lions, leopards, warthogs, waterbucks, pythons, and white rhinos are just some of the animals you might see, and the landscapes range from sweeping grasslands bordering the lake to rocky cliffs and woodland. The park also protects the largest euphorbia candelabrum forest in Africa.

- Main Destination: Lake Nakuru National Park
- Accommodation: <u>Ziwa Bush Lodge</u> (Semi-luxury tented lodge in Nakuru)
- Meal plan: Lunch and dinner (Breakfast not included); Drinking water (Other drinks not included)



#### DAY 2: LAKE NAKURU-MASAI MARA NATIONAL RESERVE

Rise up early for breakfast, check out and depart Nakuru for Masai Mara National Reserve. We will arrive at the camp with enough time to settle in before lunch with a little time to relax before we head out for our afternoon game drive between 1600hrs to 1830hrs. Masai Mara is one of the lushest reserves in Africa and is globally renowned for the Great Migration when thousands of wildebeest, zebra, and Thomson's gazelle travel to and from the Serengeti, from July through October. In the Mara River, throngs of hippos and crocodiles lurk.

- Main Destination: Masai Mara Game Reserve
- Overnight: Zebra Plains Mara Camp (boutique tented camp bordering Masai Mara NR)
- Meal plan: Breakfast, Lunch and dinner; Drinking water (Other drinks not included)



**DAY 3: EXPLORE MASAI MARA** 

Rise early today for breakfast. As the cool, fresh air fills your lungs you will feel invigorated and rejuvenated, ready for a great full day game drive. Roll down the windows or stand up through the customized pop up roof hatch and enjoy this unhindered 360 views, and the possibilities for what lies ahead. Masai Mara is one of the lushest reserves in Africa and is globally renowned for the Great Migration when thousands of wildebeest, zebra, and Thomson's gazelle travel to and from the Serengeti, from July through October. In the Mara River, throngs of hippos and crocodiles lurk. The park is also known for providing excellent predator sightings in their natural habitats thanks to its relatively large populations of lion, cheetah, and leopard. We will also see lots of Elephants, Masai giraffe, common zebra, impala, Thompson's and Grant's gazelles, Topi, Hartebeest, Black-backed jackal, spotted hyena and more. We shall also enjoy our packed lunch in the game reserve and in the evening return to camp for dinner and overnight.

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- Overnight: Zebra Plains Mara Camp (boutique tented camp bordering Masai Mara NR)
- Meal plan: Breakfast, Lunch and dinner; Drinking water (Other drinks not included)



DAY 4: MASAI MARA – LAKE NAIVASHA/CRESCENT ISLAND

Enjoy your breakfast, checkout and depart for Lake Naivasha. We will arrive at the lodge with enough time to settle in before lunch with a little time to relax before we head out for a boat ride that takes you to the Crescent Island for a once in a lifetime "walk with the animals". A haven for birders, Lake Naivasha is at the highest point in the Great Rift Valley, and one of the best ways to view the wildlife here is by boat. More than 400 species of birds have been spotted here, including African fish eagles. Hippos slosh in the water, and giraffes, zebra, buffalo, and eland graze around the edges of the lake. Keep a lookout for colobus monkeys in the canopies too.

- Main Destination: Lake Naivasha/Crescent Island
- Accommodation: Lake Naivasha Country Club (Luxury lodge on the shores of Lake Naivasha)
- Meals & drinks: All meals included; Drinking water (Other drinks not included)



**DAY 5: LAKE NAIVASHA - NAIROBI** 

You spend this last morning in Naivasha admiring the unspoiled Africa as you prepare for a drive back to the buzzing Kenya's capital bringing to an end what we hope shall be a safari of your lifetime. We hope to welcome you back to magical Kenya! And as we say here, "Karibu Tena".

• Main Destination: Nairobi

• Overnight: End of tour; no accommodation

• Meal plan: Breakfast (Lunch and Dinner not included) Drinking water (Other drinks not included)

## **END OF TOUR**

- Additional accommodation can be arranged for an extra cost.
- You'll be dropped off at the airport or your Nairobi hotel/residence.