

Leopard Orchid Safaris

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Ruiru, Kenya

4-DAY TASTE OF KENYA - HIGH END

OVERVIEW

This is a 4-day safari visiting the most famous national parks in Kenya, the Maasai Mara and Lake Nakuru. The Maasai Mara National Reserve is one of the best places in Africa for wildlife viewing. Game drives are a great way to experience the park and they take place all year round. If the big cats are what you're looking for on your Kenyan safari, you are guaranteed to spot them at the Mara. Lake Nakuru is a rhino sanctuary, harbouring a population of over 40 black and over 60 white rhinos.

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

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

Early in the morning, you'll be picked up from the airport or from the hotel then drive to Lake Nakuru National Park. Across the equator, southwards of Bogoria, lies the Rift Valley's most famous lake, Lake Nakuru. Known all over the world for its flamingoes, it's alkaline and is recognized as being one of the Natural Wonders of the World. Lake Nakuru is now a rhino sanctuary, harboring a population of over 40 black and over 60 white rhinos, but the flamingos, of course, have always been the main attraction. At times there may be almost 2 million flamingos in the residence, forming a stunningly beautiful deep pink band around the edge of the lakeshore. You will arrive in time for lunch then have an afternoon game drive.

DAY 2: LAKE NAKURU NATIONAL PARK /MASAI MARA NATIONAL RESERVE

You'll have an early morning drive to Masai Mara National Reserve. It holds on as one of the few places left on earth where wildlife still lives comparatively undisturbed, in the numbers that once roamed the plains and forests of Africa. As the northern tip of the vast Serengeti ecosystem, the Mara hosts the spectacular seasonal migration of many thousands of wildebeest, zebras and attendant predators. You will arrive in time for lunch then have an afternoon game drive.

DAY 3: MAASAI MARA NATIONAL RESERVE

After breakfast, we have a full-day game drive with packed lunch provided. The reserve is well known for its black-manned lions, as well as its abundant resident wildlife. It's one of the few places where it's possible to see the Big Five during a morning game drive. Many of the cheetahs are so tame they seek shelter from the hot sun under one's vehicle and several even climb onto the roof to get a better view of prospective prey.

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For the bird enthusiast, almost 500 species have been recorded: among these 16 species of eagles, many hawks and falcons, 6 species of vultures, 8 species of storks, 4 of bustard (including the kori bustard, the world's heaviest flying bird), and 9 species of sunbirds.

DAY 4: MASAI MARA NATIONAL RESERVE /NAIROBI

You will enjoy a morning game drive in the Mara and depart late in the morning to Nairobi, arriving at about 5 pm. Lunch will be eaten en-route.

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.

CHARGES: \$4,598 PER PERSON