

Experience the best of East Africa with this 10-day journey that seamlessly blends the raw adventure of the Kenyan savanna with the serene beauty of the Swahili Coast. From the shadow of Mount Kilimanjaro to the world-famous plains of the Maasai Mara, and finally to the turquoise waters of Diani, this safari is designed for those who want to witness Africa's diverse wildlife and rich heritage in total comfort.

## **10-Day Bush and Beach Safari**

### **Day 1: Arrival and Nairobi Immersion**

Upon arrival in Nairobi, you will be met and transferred to the Holiday Inn at Two Rivers Mall. The day is yours to settle in and explore the modern amenities of the mall or soak up the atmosphere of the "Green City in the Sun." You can choose to

spend the afternoon visiting the Giraffe Center or the Sheldrick Wildlife Trust before returning to your hotel for a quiet evening. Dinner and overnight at the **Holiday Inn Nairobi Two Rivers.**

## **Day 2: Nairobi to the Amboseli Plains**

After a morning departure from your hotel, you will drive south through the heart of Maasai land towards Amboseli National Park. Arriving in time for lunch at your lodge, you will catch your first glimpse of the majestic Mount Kilimanjaro towering over the horizon. The afternoon is dedicated to exploring the park's swamps and plains, which are world-renowned for their massive elephant herds. Dinner and overnight at **Amboseli Sopa Lodge.**

## **Day 3: Full Day in Amboseli**

Following a morning departure for your

first game drive of the day, you will spend the morning and afternoon tracking predators like lions and cheetahs that roam the open savannas. Between drives, you can relax by the pool and enjoy the views of the snow-capped mountain. The marshes here provide a constant water source for buffaloes and hippos, offering excellent photography opportunities. Dinner and overnight at **Amboseli Sopa Lodge**.

#### **Day 4: Journey to Lake Naivasha**

A morning departure takes you north, driving through the scenic Great Rift Valley toward the freshwater shores of Lake Naivasha. After lunch at your lodge, you will enjoy a boat safari to observe hippos and the abundant birdlife along the water's edge. Later, you can take a guided walking safari on Crescent Island, walking among

giraffes and zebras in a serene environment. Dinner and overnight at **Sawela Lodge.**

### **Day 5: Naivasha to the Maasai Mara**

Your morning departure leads you across the floor of the Rift Valley and up the western escarpment into the legendary Maasai Mara National Reserve. Arriving in time for lunch, you will then head out for an introductory game drive in Africa's greatest wildlife sanctuary. The vast grasslands are home to an incredible density of lions, leopards, and cheetahs. Dinner and overnight at **Mara Sopa Lodge.**

### **Day 6: Exploring the Maasai Mara**

With a morning departure from the lodge, you will spend the entire day traversing the different sectors of the reserve. You will head toward the Mara River to look for

crocodiles and hippos, and keep a keen eye out for the "Big Five" hidden in the thickets. A picnic lunch in the bush allows you to maximize your time in the wilderness before returning as the sun sets. Dinner and overnight at **Mara Sopa Lodge**.

### **Day 7: From Savanna to the Swahili Coast**

After a final morning departure for a short game drive, you will transfer to the local airstrip for a flight to the Kenyan coast.

Upon landing at Ukunda, a short drive brings you to the pristine white sands of Diani Beach. The transition from the dusty savanna to the turquoise waters of the Indian Ocean provides a refreshing change of pace for the final leg of your journey.

Dinner and overnight at **Papillon Lagoon Reef**.

### **Day 8: Coastal Relaxation and Water Sports**

Enjoy a morning departure from your room to the beach or the pool for a day of pure relaxation. For those seeking adventure, the day can be spent snorkeling at the nearby marine park, kite surfing, or taking a traditional dhow cruise. Alternatively, you can simply lounge under the palm trees and enjoy the all-inclusive hospitality. Dinner and overnight at **Papillon Lagoon Reef**.

### **Day 9: Mombasa City Heritage Tour**

Following a morning departure from Diani, you will travel to Mombasa Island for a deep dive into the coast's rich history. Your exploration begins at the historic Fort Jesus, followed by a walking tour through the narrow, winding alleys of Old Town with its intricate Swahili doors and spice markets. After viewing the iconic Elephant Tusks on Moi Avenue, you will return to the

South Coast for your final evening. Dinner and overnight at **Papillon Lagoon Reef**.

## **Day 10: The Madaraka Express to Nairobi**

Your journey concludes with a morning departure from Diani Beach for a transfer to the Mombasa SGR Terminus in Miritini. You will board the Madaraka Express train for a comfortable ride back to the capital, traversing the vast landscapes of Tsavo National Park along the way. Upon arrival at the Nairobi Terminus in Syokimau, you will be met and transferred to Jomo Kenyatta International Airport for your evening flight home.