



SMALL GROUP
ADVENTURE

East African Safari Adventure

including 3 nights in Dubai

Hosted by Maria Fagundes-Bettis

Tour Dates: June 3rd – 18th, 2024

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DUBAI, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

– 3 NIGHT PRE-EXTENSION –

See back for tour inclusions.



Elephants roam the expansive plains of Amboseli National Park

JUNE 7 Depart the Dubai: Depart Dubai and fly to Nairobi, the capital and largest city of Kenya. JAMBO - KARIBU!! (Welcome!) Upon arrival at the Jomo Kenyatta International Airport, you will be met by a Mayflower Cruises & Tours representative who will assist with your transfer to the hotel for overnight accommodations.

JUNE 8 Nairobi – Amboseli National Park: After breakfast, depart for the drive to Amboseli National Park. Check in to the lodge and enjoy an included lunch. This afternoon, the safari adventure begins with the first game-viewing drive to Amboseli National Park. You'll have the opportunity to see buffalo, cheetah, giraffe, baboon, gazelle, hippo and wildebeest among many other inhabitants of this national park. With over 400 species of birds, flora and fauna, it's also a bird-lover's paradise. This evening, enjoy dinner at the lodge. **Meals: B, L, D**

JUNE 9 Amboseli National Park: Morning and afternoon game-viewing drives are in store for today. Amboseli National Park offers some of the most breathtaking views in Africa and is one of the best places for a photogenic view of Mount Kilimanjaro (weather permitting). Famous for its large herds of giant elephants, the park provides the classic Hollywood image of Africa. **Meals: B, L, D**

JUNE 10 Amboseli National Park – Tarangire National Park, Tanzania: Enjoy an early morning breakfast before departing via the Namanga border to Tarangire National Park where you check in to the lodge and enjoy a late lunch. An exciting game-viewing drive takes place this afternoon. Herds of elephants scratch the dry bed of the Tarangire River searching for underground streams, while migratory wildebeest, zebra, buffalo, impala, gazelle, hartebeest and eland crowd the shrinking lagoons. It's the greatest concentration of wildlife outside the Serengeti ecosystem - a smorgasbord for predators – and the one place in Tanzania where dry-country antelope, such as the stately fringe-eared oryx and peculiar long-necked gerenuk, are regularly observed. **Meals: B, L, D**

JUNE 11 Tarangire National Park – Ngorongoro Conservation Area: After breakfast, depart for the Ngorongoro Conservation Area. Lunch will be provided after checking in to the lodge on the

rim of Ngorongoro Crater, which has the largest unbroken caldera in the world and has been described as one of the great natural wonders of the world. Almost every species of African plains mammal lives in the crater, including the endangered black rhino. This afternoon, relax and enjoy the breathtaking views from the lodge before tonight's dinner. **Meals: B, L, D**

JUNE 12 Ngorongoro Conservation Area: Today's adventure is a descent of approximately 1970 feet into the crater in the game-drive vehicles, for a full day of game viewing and a picnic lunch. A photogenic paradise, an abundance of resident wildlife freely roams the plains of the crater floor while hundreds of bird species refresh in the small lakes. Unmatched for its natural variety and breathtaking beauty, there are few places on earth where such a tremendous diversity of landscape exists in an area of this size. The crater is also of great archaeological importance with the remains of some of mankind's earliest ancestors discovered in the area. Return to your lodge in the late afternoon with time to relax before dinner. **Meals: B, L, D**

JUNE 13 Ngorongoro Conservation Area – Serengeti National Park: After breakfast, depart for Serengeti National Park with a stop at Olduvai Gorge en-route. As one of the most important prehistoric sites in the world, a resident guide will provide an interpretation of the gorge. Lunch will be provided after checking in to the lodge. This afternoon, participate in a game-viewing drive in the world-famous Serengeti National Park. Covering 5700 square miles, it is Tanzania's oldest park and one of the world's last great wildlife refuges. The Serengeti ecosystem supports the greatest remaining concentration of plains game in Africa, including more than 2,500 lions and over one million wildebeests. After the game-viewing drive, return to your Serengeti lodge for dinner. **Meals: B, L, D**

JUNE 14 Serengeti National Park: After breakfast, depart with picnic lunch boxes for a full day of game-viewing drives on the Serengeti plains. "Serengeti" is derived from a word meaning "the place where the land runs on forever," and the vast national park remains true to its name. Aside from being spoiled by the variety of wildlife and bird species of the Serengeti, its landscape is stunningly beautiful, especially in the early morning and late evening light.



Immerse yourself in the culture of the locals

Elephant, buffalo, lion, rhino, zebra, giraffe and others may be spotted during your Serengeti adventure. **Meals: B, L, D**

JUNE 15 Serengeti National Park – Masai Mara Game Reserve, Kenya: It's time to leave Tanzania and return to Kenya via the Sirari/Isebania border where your driver/guides will assist with the immigration procedures. During the drive to the Masai Mara Game Reserve, a picnic lunch will take place. With rolling plains and grasslands stretching as far as the eye can see, the Masai Mara is home to the black-maned lion, Savannah (African) elephant, Cape buffalo, wildebeests, cheetah, hyena, rhino, topi, Burchelle's zebra and Masai giraffe. Arrive at the intimate Tipilikwani Camp in the evening, check in to your accommodations and enjoy dinner. **Meals: B, L, D**

JUNE 16 Masai Mara Game Reserve: If you choose, start the day with an optional sunrise hot-air balloon ride* (weather permitting). After breakfast, depart on a full-day adventure on the Masai Mara Game Reserve as you keep a lookout for the "Big Five" – lion, Savannah elephant, Cape buffalo, leopard and the black rhino. In the afternoon, visit a traditional Maasai manyatta (village) and experience the culture of this world-famous community where the Maasai still live as they have for centuries. Interact with these nomadic people and experience their way of life. Return to the camp for dinner and overnight. **Meals: B, L, D**

JUNE 17 Masai Mara Game Reserve – Lake Nakuru National Park: After breakfast, depart for Lake Nakuru National Park, arriving in time for lunch at the Mbweha Safari Camp. Afterwards, participate in an afternoon game-viewing drive. Lake Nakuru is home to prides of lion, Cape buffalo, waterbucks, wart hogs, the endangered Rothschild giraffe, black & white rhino, Burchell's zebra, impalas and the elusive leopard. After the safari, return to the lodge for dinner and overnight. **Meals: B, L, D**

JUNE 18 Lake Nakuru National Park / Nairobi / USA: Your African Safari Adventure comes to an end as you depart for a visit to the Rift Valley before continuing on to Nairobi. Lunch is included before arriving at the Jomo Kenyatta International Airport for your flight home. Depart the African continent with memories and



Tour Highlights

- 32 Meals: 11 breakfasts, 11 lunches and 10 dinners
- Airport transfers on tour dates when air is provided by Mayflower Cruises & Tours
- Experienced Safari Guide with you during the entire small group adventure
- Game-viewing drives in the Amboseli, Tarangire, Serengeti and Lake Nakuru National Parks
- Visit to a traditional Maasai village
- Crater exploration at the Ngorongoro Conservation Area
- Full-day adventure on the Masai Mara Game Reserve

photographs of the special moments, people, and unforgettable experiences. **Meals: B, L**

Itinerary is subject to change.

Arrival at your home city may be on June 19 based on flight schedule.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

Days 2 through 5: Four star hotel in Dubai, UAE

Day 6 – Sarova Stanley Hotel, Nairobi, Kenya

Days 7 and 8 – Amboseli Serena Safari Lodge, Amboseli National Park

Day 9 – Tarangire Sopa Lodge, Tarangire National Park

Days 10 and 11 – Ngorongoro Retreat, Ngorongoro Conservation Area

Days 12 and 13 – Serengeti Serena Lodge, Serengeti National Park

Days 14 and 15 – Tipilikwani Luxury Mara Camp, Masai Mara Game Reserve

Day 16 – Mbweha Safari Camp, Lake Nakuru National Park

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See wildlife upclose in Ngorongoro Conservation Area

2024 Departure	Per Person Twin	Single Room
June 3	\$10,389	\$12,589

Gomes Travel Planners/Dream Vacations Package includes:

- Roundtrip transportation from Los Banos-Modesto (other locations may be available)
- Roundtrip airfare from San Francisco (Economy fare)
- 3 Night Land/Tour package in Dubai including daily breakfast. All Transfers, 4-star hotel in Dubai Including: Admission to the observation deck at Burj Khalifa (World's tallest building)
- 4x4 adventure desert safari at sunset to a traditional desert camp, camel ride, BBQ Dinner, and Belly Dance Show
- Half-day city tour including – The man-made Palm Jumeirah island and Burj Al Arab.
- Then sail across Dubai Creek, a visit to the oldest Souk, a Spice Souk, and the biggest Gold souk in the world.
- Hotel portorage, some meals and Group Pre-Tour Get Together
A Gomes Travel Planner Host traveling with you all the way!

Exclusions: Baggage fees, personal items, tips and gratuities. Visa and passport fees.

Visa is required for Kenya and Tanzania.

**A yellow fever vaccination is required to travel between Kenya and Tanzania. Required Deposit \$2,000 per person (all forms of payment accepted VI, MC & DISC)
Payments by check - make checks payable to: Dream Vacations**

Air itineraries may not be available until documents are received. Air seats are assigned by the airline for the entire group. Seat changes can only be attempted upon receipt of tickets and documents at which time availability may be limited. If specific seat assignments are vital to your reservation, we recommend individual air reservations rather than booking air with the group.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL



Travel Insurance is recommended, and must be purchased at time of deposit

Cancellation Charges	Deposit Amount
• 91 days or more	20% of tour cost
• 90 to 45 days prior	30% of tour cost
• 44 to 15 day prior	40% of tour cost
• 14 to 1 day prior	100% of tour cost
• Day 1 of departure	100% of tour cost
• or early departure from tour	
• No refund on unused portions of the tour	



Exclusions: Mayflower Cruises & Tours reserves the right to alter its refund and cancellation policy when a substantial amount of cancellation or postponement of travel is attributable to: conditions resulting from an act of God, natural or man-made disaster, fire, government action, civil disorder, war, hostilities between nations, or unavailability of transportation through no fault of Mayflower Cruises & Tours.

Optional Excursion

- Sunrise Hot-Air Balloon Safari over the Masai Mara (Jun - Oct):
\$580 per person
- *Sunrise Hot-Air Balloon Safari over the Serengeti (May):
\$695 per person

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