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Experience one of our most popular and consistently loved safari itineraries – a journey that delivers unforgettable wildlife encounters, breathtaking landscapes, and rich cultural connections from start to finish. Begin your adventure at the foot of Mt.



Kilimanjaro surrounded by some of the highest concentrations of elephants in East Africa. Continue to Lake Manyara's lush groundwater forest, a haven for primates and birdlife. From there, explore two of the world's most iconic sites: the UNESCO-listed Ngorongoro Crater and the legendary Olduvai Gorge, the cradle of humankind. Then cap it all off with three magical nights in the southern Serengeti during the wildebeest calving season - one of nature's most dramatic and awe-inspiring events. This is classic Africa at its finest: luxurious accommodations, vibrant cultures, spectacular scenery, and wildlife in astonishing abundance. A seamless, soul-stirring safari designed to exceed expectations and create memories that last a lifetime.



## Kenya - Nairobi and Amboseli National Park

**February 19/20, 2026:** Travel from North America to Nairobi, Kenya is typically routed through Amsterdam, Frankfurt, or London. We are happy to assist with booking your flights. An optional stopover in any of these gateway cities is a wonderful way to ease jet lag and begin your journey feeling refreshed.

**February 20, 2026 - Stanley Hotel, Nairobi Kenya - [www.sarovahotels.com/stanley](http://www.sarovahotels.com/stanley)**

(3 nights): Arrive in Nairobi in the evening, where you will be warmly met and transferred to the historic Stanley Hotel for an overnight stay on a B&B basis. A perfect opportunity to unwind and enjoy a well-earned rest.

**February 21:** After a hearty breakfast in the Thorntree Café, we set out for the Giraffe Centre to meet the charming



Rothschild's giraffes up close.

From there, we continue to the Kazuri Bead Workshop to see how their beautiful ceramic beads and pottery are handcrafted by local artisans. Lunch and dinner will be enjoyed at lovely local restaurants; however, these meals are not included in the tour pricing. B



**February 22:** Today brings a very special experience as we visit the Sheldrick Wildlife Trust Elephant Orphanage Nursery where you'll have the chance to meet and observe some of the orphaned baby elephants in their care.



It's a touching and memorable encounter with these remarkable little ones. B

[www.sheldrickwildlifetrust.org](http://www.sheldrickwildlifetrust.org)



## February 23 - Amboseli Serena Safari Lodge, Amboseli National Park, Kenya (2 nights)

[www.serenahotels.com](http://www.serenahotels.com) : We travel south with the majestic silhouette of Mount Kilimanjaro rising to the east. En route, we stop at the AIC Kajiado Girls School to spend meaningful time with some truly remarkable students. The school serves more than 700 girls, including approximately 140 who have been rescued from forced marriage or are orphaned - young girls whose resilience and spirit will capture your heart. After visiting with the girls, we pause for a relaxed picnic lunch.



Our journey continues into Amboseli National Park, game driving as we make our way to our beautiful lodge. Settle in and enjoy a scrumptious dinner to end this memorable day. B,L,D

**February 24:** The day includes both an early morning and a late afternoon game drives as we explore

the wonders of Amboseli National Park. Though one of Kenya's smaller parks, Amboseli is renowned for its



## Tanzania - Lake Manyara National Park, Ngorongoro Crater, Serengeti National Park

impressive elephant population, often seen in large family groups against the backdrop of Mount Kilimanjaro. Lion sightings here can be excellent as well, adding to the excitement of the day. B,L,D

## February 25 - Lake Manyara Serena Lodge, Tanzania ( 2 nights)

[www.serenahotels.com](http://www.serenahotels.com):

Say farewell to Kenya as we travel south to the Namanga border and cross into Tanzania. Here, we goodbye to our Kenya guides and Jambo to our Tanzania guides and continue west toward Lake Manyara, watching the landscape transform in real time. Along the way, enjoy encounters with the vibrant local cultures—especially the Maasai, adorned in their strikingly colorful kangas. Lunch is in Arusha, Tanzania on a lovely coffee plantation. Arrive at your luxurious lodge perched on



the edge of the escarpment overlooking Lake Manyara National Park, just in time for dinner and a bit of unforgettable stargazing. B,L,D

**February 26:** After a hearty breakfast, we depart the lodge and descend into the valley for an in-depth exploration of Lake Manyara National Park. Known for its exceptionally high elephant population, the park often offers wonderful opportunities to observe these gentle giants up close.

Lake Manyara is also an excellent place to see large numbers of giraffe, buffalo, and a variety of primates. You can expect good sightings of Sykes monkeys, along with baboons and vervet monkeys moving through the forested areas. Lunch will be a relaxed picnic with a beautiful view of the lake. Afterward, we return to the lodge for dinner and an overnight stay.



B,L,D

**February 27 - Ngorongoro Crater Serena Lodge (2 nights) [www.serenahotels.com](http://www.serenahotels.com):**

After breakfast, we continue our journey west to the world-famous Ngorongoro Crater, one of Africa's most extraordinary wildlife spectacles. Our lodge is built directly into the rim of the dormant volcano, its ivy-covered stone blending seamlessly with the natural landscape.

After lunch at the lodge, we set

out to visit a Maasai village. This is a wonderful opportunity to ask

questions, take photos, and engage with these vibrant and gracious people, who are always eager to share their traditions and way of life.

Return to the lodge for dinner and a relaxing evening. B,L,D





**February 28:** An early departure takes us down into the heart of the Ngorongoro Crater itself. This remarkable ecosystem encompasses open savanna, lush forest, and permanent wetlands, providing a constant supply of water and grazing for antelope and zebra so there is no need for them to migrate. The crater is also one of the best places in East Africa to observe prides of lion. With luck, we may encounter a breeding pair and witness the fascinating interactions between the striking males and their tawny females.



If fortune smiles on us, we may even spot the endangered Black Rhino, an unforgettable privilege, and one we'll certainly be hoping for.

Lunch will be a relaxed picnic beside a hippo pool, where you can watch these massive creatures spout and snort as they wallow. Later, return to the lodge to enjoy another breathtaking sunset from the crater rim, followed by a delicious dinner and a restful night in preparation for the next day's adventure.

B,L,D

### **March 1 – Lake Ndutu Luxury Tented Lodge (3 nights)**

<https://tnshospitality.co.tz/lakendututentedlodge/> :

Onward to the southern reaches of Serengeti National Park, a region celebrated for its breathtaking scenery and extraordinary concentration of wildlife. Here, thousands of wildebeest, zebra, and gazelles gather across the open plains, and the wildebeest begin the remarkable task of birthing and raising their young.



At this time of year, we are perfectly positioned, right in the heart of the migration, where the drama and beauty of this natural spectacle unfold all around you.



Lake Ndutu Luxury Tented Lodge offers an exceptional blend of comfort and adventure. Each spacious tent features ensuite washrooms with hot and cold running water, both indoor and outdoor showers, flush toilets, cozy queen beds, a welcoming sitting area and a private deck accented with African-inspired décor. It's all the luxury you

could want - with canvas walls that let the sounds of the African bush drift in, reminding you that you're truly in the wild.

B,L,D

**March 2 & 3:** Over the next two days, we'll enjoy extensive game drives in search of the wildlife you've been dreaming of - elephant, giraffe, zebra, buffalo, and of course the big cats: lion, cheetah and the ever-elusive leopard. The birdlife here is exceptional, offering endless opportunities to give your binoculars a proper workout.

For those who wish, there will also be an opportunity to join a guided nature walk with a park ranger, adding a different and memorable perspective to your safari experience.



**Optional Hot Air Balloon Safari**  
**approximately \$500 USD Per**  
**Person. Space is limited.**



**March 4, 2026 – In Transit:** After breakfast, we bid a fond and heartfelt farewell to the African bush as you depart by air from the Serengeti to Kilimanjaro Airport. On arrival, you'll have lunch and access to a day room, perfect for repacking, refreshing and preparing for your overnight international flight.

OR... extend your safari with one of these unforgettable experiences:

- Explore the world-famous Maasai Mara National Reserve in Kenya
- Trek to see the endangered Mountain Gorillas in Rwanda
- Enjoy the rich culture and pristine beaches of Zanzibar
- Climb the "Roof of Africa" — Mt. Kilimanjaro



We are always delighted to craft a custom itinerary tailored just for you.

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10 Guests - \$10,595USD per person in 2 safari vehicles

16 Guests - \$9,995USD per person in 3 safari vehicles

Single Supplement \$1295USD

(pricing subject to change until final 2027 rates are released)

While we are proudly a Canadian company and would ideally price in Canadian dollars, our ground operating partners quote in USD. Given the ongoing fluctuations in the US/CDN exchange rate, quoting in USD ensures transparency and allows our guests to choose the payment method that works best for them. We are committed to keeping our pricing as competitive as possible. However, certain costs - such as park fees, government taxes, and fuel surcharges - are set locally and may change without notice. We will always do our best to communicate any increases as soon as they are brought to our attention. Thank you for your understanding.

### Payment Options

- USD Bank Draft or Cheque – Payable for the full amount quoted/invoiced
- USD Credit Card – Full amount quoted/invoiced, plus a 4% service fee.
- CDN Credit Card – USD amount quoted/invoiced, converted using the closest CDN/USD exchange rate provided by our bank, plus a 4% service fee.

### ALL INCLUSIVE OF:

- Predeparture package with unlimited information and group meetings
- Air and ground transportation between lodges
- Luxury accommodation as stated in itinerary
- All meals at lodges while on safari, bed and breakfast in Nairobi
- Game activities and park entry fees
- Entry Visa to Kenya and Tanzania
- Donation to wildlife conservation group enroute
- Gratuities for lodge staff, portering and guides
- Tour leading services by Carol Petersen, Nature Encounters Tours owner/photographer

### WHAT IS NOT INCLUDED:

- Round trip international airfare
- Items of a personal nature including drinks & laundry
- Travel insurance including cancellation, baggage, emergency evacuation or medical
- Activities or meals not included in itinerary
- Any new Government taxes



### CLIMATE -

The climate of Kenya and Tanzania will be generally dry and sunny with day temperatures averaging 28° - 30°C. The evenings could be cool at higher elevations so a sweater or fleece will be in order. The short rains have just ended so depending on what rain they did receive - expect to see some beautiful greenery too! The hottest time to visit this incredible country is in October when the daytime temperatures reach into the mid 30's





## About Your Tour Leader Carol Petersen

Carol Petersen is a wildlife photographer, videographer and founder of Nature Encounters Tours & Travel. Since 1990, she has been traveling to Africa and has personally led over 100 safaris across the continent. Her journeys span Tanzania, Kenya, Botswana, Namibia, Uganda, Rwanda, Zambia, Zimbabwe, South Africa, and beyond.



Carol's passion for wildlife is the heartbeat of her work. She has spent time with elephants in Amboseli, tracked wild gorillas in Rwanda and photographed Bengal Tigers in India. Her deep connection to nature is reflected in every image and story she shares. She believes ...

*"Once you've been a part of Africa,  
it becomes a part of you"*

Carol is actively involved with global conservation efforts and supports organizations including:  
The Friends of the Galapagos <https://www.galapagos.org>  
Sheldrick Wildlife Trust <https://www.sheldrickwildlifetrust.org>  
The Mara-Meru Cheetah Project <http://marameru.org>  
Painted Dog Conservation <https://www.painteddog.org>  
Tikki Hywood Foundation <https://www.tikkihywoodfoundation.org>  
Wildlife SOS <https://wildlifesos.org>  
Other special projects include providing education and support to many rescued young women in Kenya <http://beyondbriderescue.com>.



Her mission is to inspire others to connect with nature, protect endangered species and experience the magic of the wild firsthand.

Whether you're dreaming of your first safari or returning for another adventure, Carol brings decades of experience, heartfelt storytelling, a deep respect for the local culture and natural world to every journey.



# About Nature Encounters Tours & Travel Ltd.

Welcome to Nature Encounters Tours & Travel... where extraordinary journeys begin.

For more than 35 years, we've been crafting immersive, life-changing travel experiences that bring you face-to-face with the world's most spectacular wildlife, landscapes and cultures. Our deep, firsthand knowledge of every destination, paired with the expertise of our exceptional local guides, means you enjoy seamless service, insider access and the kind of personalized care that keeps travellers returning to us year after year. From your very first inquiry to the moment your adventure begins, we're committed to delivering nothing less than your *best vacation ever!*

Picture yourself on safari watching a lioness tenderly care for her cubs, feeling the presence of a five-ton elephant as he shows off his massive ears or relaxing on a pristine beach with the Indian Ocean whispering at your feet. Whether you stay in charming lodges or luxurious tented camps, you'll enjoy exceptional comfort, warm hospitality and settings that immerse you in the magic of the wild. Swimming pools, sweeping views and the fragrant smell of wild sage surround you as you scan the horizon for cheetah, elephant, zebra, lilac-breasted rollers, hyena and tawny eagles to name a few. Your days may include thrilling game drives in comfortable Land Cruisers; expertly guided nature walks that reveal hidden wonders or boating and canoeing through some of the world's most remarkable waterways.

At Nature Encounters Tours & Travel, responsible travel isn't a slogan, it's our foundation. Every journey supports local communities, schools and conservation efforts that protect the wildlife and landscapes you've come to experience. We proudly partner with organizations such as the Sheldrick Wildlife Trust, Painted Dog Conservation Project, Tikki Hywood Trust, Victoria Falls Anti-Poaching Unit, Mara-Meru Cheetah Project, Wildlife SOS in India and Friends of the Galapagos. When you travel with us, your adventure directly contributes to a healthier planet.

Come and dance with the Maasai in East Africa, watch tiger cubs tumble through the forests of India or photograph the whimsical courtship dance of blue-footed boobies in the Galápagos Islands. Our destinations are filled with amazing species and breathtaking places offering authentic experiences that connect you to the heart of each region.

Our mission is simple - to create unforgettable moments that stay with you forever.

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