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Unforgettable Vacations With Purpose



KENYA: SAFARI & CONSERVATION

Spot African Animals and Help Protect Them on this Wildlife Adventure



MOMENTS THAT MATTER:

- Experience the world-renowned wildlife of the Maasai Mara
- Help protect lions, rhinos & cheetah with innovative conservation projects
- Come face-to-face with the world's last remaining northern white rhinos
- Venture into a Maasai boma and experience traditional village life
- Learn how to track wildlife in the African savannah as you participate in the conservancy's population data collection
- Visit beading collectives supporting women's empowerment and learn more about their unique arts



TRIP AT A GLANCE

Day 1 - Touch down in Nairobi and arrive at Ol Pejeta Conservancy

Day 2 - Join conservationists to track African lions and meet anti-poaching squads

Day 3 - Meet the world's last two white rhinos and get up close with chimps

Day 4 - Drive to Nairobi and stop at Brakenhurst Botanic Gardens

Day 5 - Visit orphaned baby elephants and their caretakers at the Sheldrick Wildlife Trust, and visit a rescued giraffe center just outside Nairobi

Day 6 - Travel to the Maasai Mara region of Kenya and settle in to your safari camp

Day 7 - Enjoy two game drives and relax in accommodations

Day 8 - Monitor lions and cheetahs, and meet a local Maasai herder

Day 9 - Meet with two conservation organizations and create your own beaded jewelry with the Maa Trust.

Day 10 - Drive back to Nairobi for your flight home or continue on to the extension



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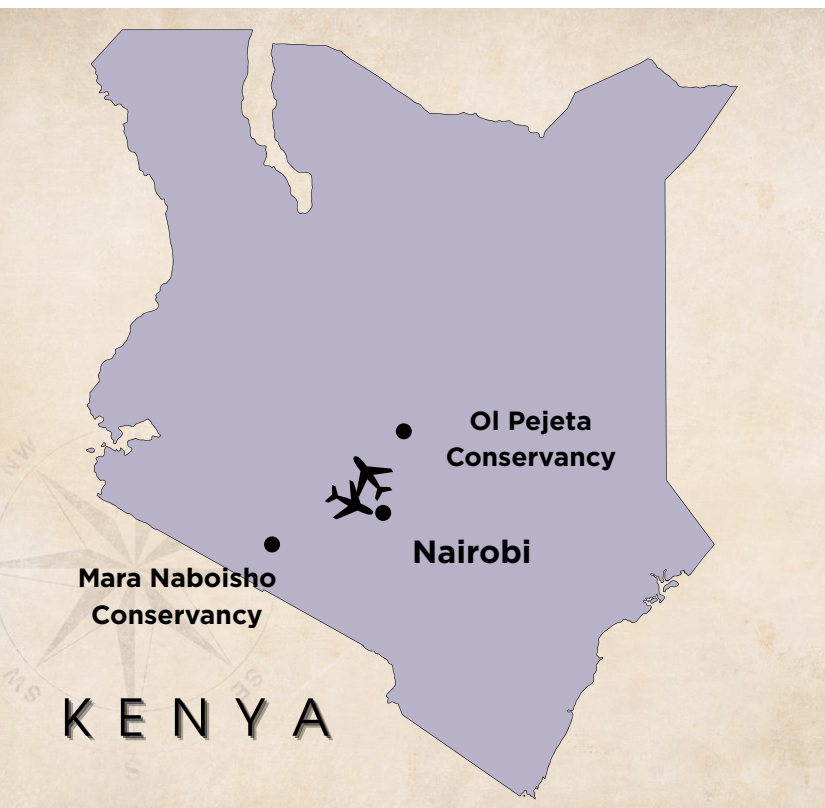
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OUR PURPOSE

Engage with local conservationists, researchers and indigenous communities to learn what it takes to protect critically endangered species. Make a direct contribution to conservation as you collect population data on the region's wildlife, help remove invasive plants from the bush, track lion movement with researchers, and more that will be used by local conservation groups to protect these exquisite creatures.

Over the course of 10 days, you'll be immersed into an African safari experience unlike any other. Whether you're viewing the world's last remaining northern white rhinos, dining with the endangered Rothschild giraffe, or supporting an elephant orphanage, this will be a truly up close and personal experience with wildlife in East Africa.

Take time to meet with the indigenous Maasai communities that inhabit the reserves and experience their traditional ways of life, and visit two different beading initiatives that empower the women of the region (with a chance to make your own bracelets!). Each night, return to the comfort of some of Kenya's finest tented camps or your lodge in Nairobi where 100% of your stay benefits the Kibera slums. All promise to provide an unforgettable stay that only add to this trip of a lifetime.



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HIGHLIGHTS



OL PEJETA CONSERVANCY

The first stop on your wildlife adventure is the Ol Pejeta Conservancy, an important wildlife reserve in the foothills of Mt. Kenya. The reserve is home to crucial populations of the African lion, whose numbers have plummeted in recent decades, and the critically endangered black rhino. Most precious of all, though, is the northern white rhino – only two females remain, and they both live here. You'll have the chance to come face-to-face with this creature and learn more about the conservancy's uncertain plans to bring the species back.



SUPPORT ORPHANED BABY ELEPHANTS

A visit to the Sheldrick Wildlife Trust is a popular activity, but a huge highlight for animal lovers. Learn about this organization's efforts to save orphaned baby elephants, many of whom were young when their mothers were killed by poaches, or were found in a ditch and abandoned. All of the orphaned baby elephants are raised and eventually released back into the wild. Get to know the individual stories of each baby elephant, and if you're lucky, witness a mud bath!



MARA RIPOI CONSERVANCY

Our home away from home is the 13500-acre Mara Ripoi Conservancy, a vital wildlife corridor in Maasai Mara, offering abundant wildlife viewing. On morning, afternoon, and sunset game drives, you'll have the chance to spot these animals, while contributing to their survival by collecting important data. The camp focuses on providing a close-to-nature experience with eco-friendly practices. The camp features comfortable tents with en-suite facilities and meals are prepared using fresh ingredients.



JOURNEY TO VISIT A MAASAI FAMILY

Your safari vehicle will bring you to the outskirts of the conservancy to find a herd of cows on their walk home for the evening. Join a Maasai herder as he walks the cattle back to a small village and inside their boma. You will be welcomed with open arms by the women and children of the village, who will help you milk cows, introduce you to the sheep, cows, and calves in the boma, and then invite you into their home to learn more about how they live.



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DAY 1: Arrive in Nairobi and Drive to Ol Pejeta Conservancy

After touching down in Nairobi and meeting your Discover Corps group, we'll take the scenic drive out of the city to Ol Pejeta Conservancy. Located on the plains of Mt. Kenya, the conservancy features a comfortable tented camp clustered around a water hole that attracts wildlife from the conservancy. Settle into your accommodations and gear up for a big day ahead! (L,D)

DAY 2: Track African Lions with Local Conservationists

Our conservation efforts begin today! This morning we'll meet the reserve's wildlife protection squads and anti-poaching dogs, joining them for an interactive experience to see how these dogs protect the vulnerable wildlife of the reserve.

Next, we'll join a member of the pioneering Exploring Lions Project. This group aims to help the African lion population, which has declined 30-50% in the last two decades. This morning we'll experience these creatures up close and personal, helping the research team track lions and collect valuable data. Afterwards, take a safari game drive through the conservancy with our expert local guide and visit the equator line! (B,L,D)

DAY 3: White Rhinos, Chimps & Game Drive

Head out into the park today on an early morning game drive, keeping your eyes peeled for elephants, giraffes and other wildlife in the savannah. We'll then visit the endangered species enclosure, which houses the world's last two remaining northern white rhinos.

Next, visit the chimpanzee sanctuary, which was established in partnership with the Jane Goodall Institute. This facility is the only one of its kind in Kenya and offers refuge to chimpanzees rescued from illegal trade or poor captivity conditions. Observe the chimps in large, natural enclosures that mimic their native habitats and learn about their individual stories and the challenges they face in the wild. (B,L,D)

DAY 4: Botanical Gardens & Drive to Nairobi

As your time in Ol' Pejeta comes to an end, set off for the rolling green hills of Southern Kenya, stopping to marvel at the Great Rift Valley along the way. On your way to Nairobi, enjoy lunch at the sprawling botanic gardens and indigenous forest of Brackenhurst, one of Kenya's top eco-destinations. We'll meet with Plants for Life International to explore the area's biodiversity before continuing on to our lodge in Nairobi for the night. (B,L,D)



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DAY 5: Meet Baby Orphaned Elephants, the Rothschild Giraffe, and Kazuri Beads

The Sheldrick Wildlife Trust is a fantastic organization dedicated to rescuing and rehabilitating orphaned baby elephants from the wild. Get to know each of their baby elephants and hear their difficult stories, with some losing their mothers to poaching, others found abandoned in man-made ditches, and more. These elephants find a home here at the center before being released back into the wild to thrive. After you experience here, visit a Giraffe Center to learn about the endangered Rothschild giraffe.



Visit Kazuri Beads, a women's empowerment initiative where workers use volcanic clay to create jewelry and other items that have become popular in places like London and New York. Tour the factory and get to know the women who work there.

DAY 6: Travel to the Maasai Mara Region

Today we'll hit the road for the world-renowned Maasai Mara region of Kenya. The 50,000-acre private wilderness is home to some of the highest densities of wildlife in East Africa, including some rarer species such as the aardvark. We'll settle into our accommodations, beautiful tented camps surrounded by acacia forest, and end the day with a sunset game drive and sun-downer. *(B,L,D)*



DAY 7: Community Projects & Game Drives

Over the next three days, we'll immerse ourselves into conservation and community projects and experience amazing game drives. Today, you will enjoy two game drives. One in the morning, and another in the afternoon. In between, take some time to relax at the camp. *(B,L,D)*

DAY 8: Participate in Population Data Collection and Visit a Maasai Village

During your morning game drive, we'll collect data on the number of animals and species we see as we use tools from the conservancy to gather the data. This data is collected each week, so it will be important that we record and submit this data to aid in this conservation project of the conservancy, which aims to show trends in wildlife populations.



In the evening, experience an age-old tribal tradition as you accompany a Maasai herder and his livestock in a 30 minute walk through the bush and back to the corral. Once you arrive in the Maasai village, you will be welcomed like family by the women and children who call this land home. Learn to milk a cow, get to know more about rural life, and spend time in one of the homes in the village as you learn more about family life from both your driver, part of the Maasai tribe, and the women who live here. *(B,L,D)*





DAY 9: Big Cat Project, in the Mara before Your Last Game Drive

Start your day with a talk at the Mara Predator Conservation Programme, one of the conservation programs designed for predator species protection and preservation within the Maasai Mara ecosystem. This program aims at ensuring a long-term survival of predators through addressing challenges they face. We'll also get to know the CER-K, an organization concerned with the conservation and restoration of Kenya's ecosystems, and help with some tree planting, habitat restoration, and other environmental efforts.

Later, pay a visit to the Maa Trust, a bead initiative where many of the Maasai women who live in the Mara work each day. You'll have the opportunity to create your own bracelet and learn more about this ancient craft. (B,L,D)

DAY 10: Return Home or Continue to Zanzibar Island

Wake up for your last breakfast at the camp and say goodbye to the incredible staff - a team you won't soon forget! Then it's time to hit the road back to Nairobi for your flight home or for those who are continuing on, your flight to Zanzibar Island for some much needed beach time. (B)



PREMIER LODGING

Ol Pejeta Days 1-3

Sweetwaters Serena Camp, your home during your time in Ol Pejeta Conservancy, serves as sheltered oasis clustered around a waterhole that attracts wildlife from the surrounding plains of Mt. Kenya, and you can take in the view from the private veranda.

Nairobi Days 4-6

Continue on for two nights at the Trademark Hotel, a centrally located 4-star hotel for our explorations of the Nairobi area.

Maasai Mara Days 7-10

Finally, our stay in the Maasai Mara region is the stuff safari dreams are made of. Shaded by thick acacia forest, our eco-friendly camps allow for comfortable viewing of some of the best game vistas in Africa. Fall asleep to the sounds of wildlife in the bush before waking up to tea or coffee brought to your tent each morning with the rising sun.





OPTIONAL EXTENSION: Zanzibar Island



DAY 10: Overnight in Nairobi and Relaxing Evening

After saying your goodbyes to the group, spend the evening in Nairobi. Relax at the hotel prior to our flight out the next morning.

DAY 11: Visit a Tortoise Sanctuary on Prison Island and Explore Stone Town

In the morning, we'll fly to Zanzibar and start the adventure exploring Stone Town. Your expert guide will lead you through the buildings and take you back into history as you learn about the former slave market and experience the underground rooms where they were held, see the Anglican Cathedral, the House of Wonders, the Sultans' Palace Museum, the Freddie Mercury House, and more. While tracing the steps of the past, the walking tour also provides a window into modern life in Stone Town. Not far off the coast is Prison Island. Despite the harrowing name, the prison built on Prison Island was never used and the island is now home to a tortoise sanctuary. Get hands-on with the many tortoises who live out their days in the cool shade of the trees before a dip in the ocean off this secluded island and a dinner back in Stone Town. (B,L,D)



DAYS 12 & 13: Drive to the Northern Part of the Island for Beach Time and Optional Snorkeling

After breakfast, hit the road 1 hour to the Northern part of the Island, Nungwi, home to some of Zanzibar's most beautiful beaches. We'll spend two days here soaking in the beaches & sun. Walk to town, relax on the water, or opt for a massage at your gorgeous ocean-front hotel. For those who love adventure, choose from a menu of water sports and different organized activities, including world-class snorkeling half-day trips (at own cost). (B,D)



DAY 14: Explore a Local Spice Farm Before Returning Home

Wake up for your last breakfast overlooking the Indian Ocean before heading to the airport. Along the way, stop at a local spice farm for lunch and tour through the greens. Explore the spice farm with an expert guide where you can touch, smell and taste different spices and tropical fruits. Learn about their properties, origins, and uses as medicines in food and drinks. Depart for your flight homes in the evening. (B,L)





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10 DAYS / 9 NIGHTS

PRICING

ADULT: \$6,895***CHILD: \$5,995*****OPTIONAL
EXTENSION****ADULT: \$1,895****CHILD: \$1,795**

The above prices reflect the price of double occupancy. Single Room Supplements are \$1195 per person for the trip and \$495 for the Zanzibar Island extension. This will guarantee you your own, single occupancy room for the entirety of the trip. As we are staying in small, boutique safari camps, each departure is limited to only 1 single room offered first-come, first-served. Once it's booked, this option will no longer be available. Please book early if you intend to request a single room. If you are a solo traveler and would like us to match you with a roommate of the same gender, please book as double occupancy. See full details on the website page for the trip. Child prices apply to those 16 years younger sharing a room with an adult. You are required to pay the SRS for the extension.

***Peak season supplements may apply; see website for details**

**SEE WEBSITE FOR CURRENT LIST OF
DEPARTURE DATES**

RECOMMENDED FOR

- Adults & children ages 8+
- Travelers who are comfortable with MODERATE physical activity

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Have a group of 6 or more? We can operate a trip for your group. Whether it's a family reunion, corporate group, alumni association or a professional or student organization, we'll make it easy and turnkey for your group to have an incredible experience.

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- 7 nights in premier level lodging, 2 nights lodging in standard level lodging
- All meals throughout the trip, including a soft drink or local beer or wine
- English-speaking local guides that are there to support, guide, and inform you throughout the trip
- Reliable in-country transportation with experienced drivers
- All gratuities for hotels, meals, baggage, and transportation
- \$50,000 emergency medical evacuation insurance
- Turnkey customer support from preparing for your trip to arrival back home & 24/7 Emergency Hotline

WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED

- Tips for the Discover Corps Guide and Driver
- All alcoholic beverages beyond one per dinner and lunch
- International airfare
- Kenyan Visa
- For Extension: \$400 one-way flight supplement (You are also responsible for your International flight back home from Zanzibar), Tanzanian Visa, Mandatory Zanzibar Travel Insurance, snorkeling or other activities on Days 12 & 13, 2 lunches & 1 dinner

RETURNING ALUMNI?

We like to reward those who travel with us again and again. Enjoy a \$250 discount off our trip if you are a returning Discover Corps traveler.

PAYMENT PLANS

Discover Corps offers monthly payment plan options for all of our trips. Contact us anytime, before or after booking, to sign up for a monthly payment plan or with any questions:

Although unlikely, prices, dates, and accommodations subject to change with a 60 day notice from Discover Corps.



Our Mission

Discover Corps' mission is to inspire travelers to become advocates for our planet's natural wonders, cultural treasures, and local communities through immersive and sustainable travel experiences.



OUR DESTINATIONS

ALASKA	JAMAICA
AUSTRALIA	JAPAN
BALI	KENYA
BAJA	MOROCCO
BHUTAN	OAXACA
CHILE	PERU
COSTA RICA	SOUTH AFRICA
CUBA	TANZANIA
EGYPT	THAILAND
GALÁPAGOS ISLANDS	UGANDA
GREECE	VIETNAM
GUATEMALA	



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