

4 DAY Safari Itinerary: **KENYA EXPRESS – EAST TSAVO, WEST TSAVO, AMBOSELI**



There are few countries left in the world where nature, people, climate and wildlife help to create a land of enchantment. Even fewer where politics does not limit or entirely prevent travel. Kenya is lucky enough to fit this description. From the tropical Indian Ocean coast to the highlands, the Rift Valley to the lakes, you encounter a fascinating mix of tribes and races in a country almost completely unspoiled. The last of the three East African countries to achieve independence, Kenya is undoubtedly the most advanced and prosperous. Its 582,644 square kms of natural beauty fully justify the place it occupies among the popular destinations of international tourism. The view of wild animals moving freely is undoubtedly the high point of almost any holiday in Kenya. The wildlife is definitely the most spectacular and exciting aspect of spending a holiday in Kenya. **You can't visit this country without experiencing a safari**, or visiting the most beautiful and famous parks and wildlife reserves around the world! The safari itinerary is designed to enable you to experience truly unique emotions, allowing you to explore, discover and enjoy Kenya and its beautiful parks, its atmosphere and its endless landscapes, its people and its realities.

DAY 1: Malindi (or Mombasa)-Tsavo East
 Early morning departure from the coast with destination East Tsavo. Where the light is full of unforgettable colours, making it a unique area of East Africa. We will start the morning with a safari, then return to the Epiya Chapeyu field / Bigi Camp (or similar) for lunch. The afternoon will be spent exploring the park, with return to camp for dinner and overnight stay. The park of East Tsavo is mostly flat, with the river Galana flowing over large areas of the Savanna. The main highlight is the Yatta plateau, 190 km long, it is the largest volcanic area of the world and was created by the volcanic activity of Idoinyo Sabuk. Amongst the numerous endemic species in Africa present in the park can be mentioned jackals, yellow baboons, cheetahs, wild dogs, African dormice, elephants, giraffes, African hare, leopards, lions, antelopes, and zebras. You can often see flocks of red elephants, huge herds of buffalo, black rhinos quenching their thirst along the Galana River. Suddenly the wonderful world of the Savanna will **embrace you , with it's smells and colours, and especially animals.** The film "The Ghost and the Darkness" was filmed in this park.



DAY 2: East Tsavo-Amboseli After breakfast, departure for Amboseli's park. You will have lunch at Amboseli Lodge (or similar). Safari until sunset. Here the sun sets just ... behind Kilimanjaro! Dinner and overnight stay at the lodge. The Amboseli Park is the territory of the legendary Masai tribe, and is very famous for the extraordinary variety of large animals: lions, leopards, elephants, buffalo, hippos, to name a few. The reserve is nicknamed the "Land of the Giants" and its 1300 elephants fully confirm this, as probably nowhere else in Africa can you find a concentration of similar size. The largest and most famous giant, however, is Mount Kilimanjaro, with its 5,895 m it is the setting on the southern edge of the park and is also the highest peak in Africa. It was here in Amboseli , where the film based on Hemingway's novel "The Snows of Kilimanjaro" was filmed.



DAY 3: Amboseli-West Tsavo Dawn, as soon as the sun rises, is the best time to visit the Amboseli park. Return to the lodge for breakfast, then the journey continues to West Tsavo, Passing through a Masai village where the tribe lives with their goats and cattle. A picnic lunch. Dinner and overnight stay at Ngulia Safari Lodge (or similar). Near the lodge there is a well, where, at night the animals come to drink, offering an unforgettable sight to spectators. West Tsavo is more mountainous and humid, with floodplains and it's lake, the Jipe. The immense natural park of Tsavo (East and West) is probably the largest park in the world, covering an area of almost 21,000 square miles. From the national road leading from Mombasa to Nairobi it is divided in two and the two sides are called East Tsavo, the smaller, and West Tsavo an immense territory that reaches the border with Tanzania, and from which on clear days you can enjoy views of Kilimanjaro.



DAY 4: West Tsavo -Malindi (or Mombasa) Breakfast. The entire day is devoted to visiting the most beautiful and exciting places of the park, such as the springs of Kitani and Mzima, which is home to hippos and crocodiles. Lunch at Lion Hill Camp. After lunch, the return to the coast, passing through coconut plantations and picturesque villages. You arrive late afternoon at the destination. End of programme.

