Classic Safari: Kenya & Tanzania

16 days from $9,796 total price
from Boston, New York, Wash DC
($8,995 air, land & safari inclusive plus $801 airline taxes and fees)

On safari ... it's one of the most alluring phrases in all of travel. And Kenya and Tanzania count among the most alluring places to be “on safari.” As our small group travels from grasslands to highlands, to reserves and national parks, we enjoy intimate wildlife drives, see stupendous landscapes, stay in excellent accommodations, and meet gracious local people.

Day 1: Depart U.S. for Nairobi, Kenya

Day 2: Arrive Nairobi After arriving in Nairobi, we transfer to our hotel. As arrival times may vary greatly, we have no group activities or meals planned.

Day 3: Nairobi We see highlights of Kenya's cosmopolitan capital city today, stopping for a tour of the Karen Blixen Museum, the one-time home of the Danish writer who, as Isak Dinesen, wrote Out of Africa. We also visit the Giraffe Centre, where we see several of the endangered Rothschild's giraffe here up close. Tonight, we enjoy a welcome dinner at our hotel. B,D

Day 4: Nairobi/Amboseli This morning we visit a nearby Maasai village. Later: a wildlife drive and time for relaxing at our lodge in the foothills of Kilimanjaro beneath a copse of feathered acacia trees. B,L,D

Day 5: Ngorongoro Crater On our morning tour of the 100-square-mile crater we have our only chance to see all of Africa’s “Big Five” – elephant, buffalo, rhino, lion, and leopard – in one place. B,L,D

Day 6: Amboseli/Lake Manyara We travel today to peaceful Lake Manyara National Park, one of Tanzania's smallest and most diverse parks. Bordered by the dramatic Western Escarpment of the Great Rift Valley, Lake Manyara is notable for its abundant birdlife, diverse vegetation, tree-climbing lions, plains animals, and hippos. B,L,D

Day 7: Lake Manyara/Ngorongoro Conservation Area This morning we enjoy a wildlife drive at Lake Manyara then set out for Ngorongoro, a UNESCO Conservation Area, International Biosphere Reserve, and site of Ngorongoro Crater, the world's largest intact volcanic caldera. On the crater's floor is Africa in microcosm: grassland, swampland, lakes, forest, mountains, and unparalleled wildlife. B,L,D

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Day 9: Ngorongoro/Serengeti National Park We’re bound this morning for the Serengeti, the Maasai's 5,700-square-mile “endless plain” considered Africa's finest park and one of the world's last great wildlife refuges. En route we visit 31-mile Olduvai Gorge, where in 1959 anthropologist Mary Leakey
discovered the 1.8-million-year-old skull of Australopithecus boisei – and revolutionized the study of human evolution. Reaching our lodge, we embark on an afternoon wildlife drive. B,L,D

Day 10: Serengeti Twice a year, some two million wildebeest, 200,000 zebra, and 300,000 Thomson’s gazelle migrate to new grazing lands between Masai Mara and the Serengeti, sparking one of nature’s most spectacular sights. But the Serengeti’s vast treeless plains teem with animal life year-round, and this is the best place to see lion and cheetah up close. Perhaps we will on today’s two wildlife drives. B,L,D

Day 11: Serengeti/Masai Mara We leave Tanzania today, crossing into Kenya and continuing on to Masai Mara by air. Kenya’s premier wildlife reserve rich with animal life, the Mara is the traditional homeland of the native Maasai people. Known especially for the annual migration that sees some two million wildebeest, plus hundreds of thousands of other plains animals migrate here from the Serengeti (Masai Mara being the continuation of the Serengeti in Kenya), the Mara sits in the Great Rift Valley and comprises 583 square miles of vast plains, acacia forests, grass-covered hills, and slow-flowing rivers. We arrive at our tented camp late this morning then have our first wildlife drive here later this afternoon. B,L,D

Post-Tour Extension

August 8-11, 2021
Mount Kenya
3 days/2 nights for $1,395 total price
Single Supplement: $595

Encounter more wildlife during a stay at the Mount Kenya Safari Club, which houses the conservancy founded by actor William Holden.

Your Tour Price Includes

• 2 nights’ accommodations: 2 nights at Fairmont Mount Kenya Safari Club (Deluxe); day room in Nairobi at Tamarind Tree Hotel (First Class)
• 6 meals: 2 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 2 dinners
• Extensive sightseeing, including animal orphanage at Mt. Kenya Wildlife Conservancy; wildlife drive; and Jane Goodall Chimpanzee Sanctuary
• Services of an Odysseys Unlimited representative
• Private transportation
• Transfer to Nairobi airport
• Gratuities for dining room servers, airport and hotel porters, and driver/guide

Guests on the extension will leave Nairobi on Day 15.

Tour Depart: July 25, 2021

Tour Price Includes

• Round-trip air transportation from listed cities; all flights within itinerary
• 13 nights’ accommodations: 10 nights in Deluxe and Superior First Class hotels and lodges; 3 nights in tented camp
• 36 meals: 13 breakfasts, 11 lunches, 12 dinners
• Extensive wildlife viewing as described, including all park entrance fees
• Mineral water while on safari
• Services of an Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director
• Private 4x4 transportation throughout your trip with guaranteed window seating
• Luggage handling for one bag per person
• Gratuities for driver/guides, dining room servers, and airport and hotel porters
• $100 frequent traveler credit towards your next Duke/Odysseys Unlimited tour ($200 after 3 tours; $300 after 10 tours)

This was a wonderful experience. It is great to travel with fellow alumni and Duke faculty.”  
- Carolyn and Tom Arthur ’68

Day 12: Masai Mara We spend today “on safari,” venturing out on early morning and late afternoon wildlife drives during prime viewing hours. B,L,D

Day 13: Masai Mara Again today we’re “on safari,” with morning and afternoon wildlife drives in this reserve that is just slightly larger than the state of Rhode Island. B,L,D

Day 14: Masai Mara/Nairobi Today we re-enter the urban world as we fly from the Mara back to Nairobi. Tonight we toast our safari adventure at a farewell dinner. B,L,D

Day 15: Nairobi/Depart for U.S. After a morning at leisure, we transfer to the Nairobi airport and board our connecting flight to the U.S. B

Day 16: Arrive U.S. We reach the U.S. today and connect with our flights home.

The Serengeti boasts Africa’s largest lion population.

For reservations, call Duke Travels at (919) 684-2988
Tour Prices
Tour prices quoted are guaranteed through December 31, 2021, and include accommodations based on double occupancy; airfare from your departure city; airline taxes, surcharges, and fees, and port charges and cruise line fees (where applicable), which are subject to change until final payment has been made; internal air, rail, and motorcoach transportation; meals, sightseeing, and transfers as described; hotel taxes; entrance fees for included sightseeing; the services of an Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director; luggage handling for one bag per person; and all gratuities as described below. Please note that the cost of air upgrades is subject to change.

Gratuities
Tour prices include all gratuities for local guides, dining room servers, airport and hotel porters, and all drivers on base tours and on optional extensions when accompanied by an Odysseys Unlimited representative. Please note that gratuities for the Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director and shipboard personnel (if a cruise is included in your tour) are not included unless otherwise specified. These tips are optional and should be extended on a voluntary basis. Gratuities are not included on “On Your Own” optional extensions.

Not Included in Your Tour Price
Airfare from your hometown to your departure city; costs of passports and visas; personal expenses such as beverages, laundry, room service, and meals not specified; immunizations and inoculations; communications charges; airport transfers when purchasing a land-only package; gratuities to your Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director and shipboard personnel (if a cruise is included in your tour) unless otherwise specified, which are at your discretion (suggested gratuities $10-$15 per guest, per day); and a Travel Protection Plan. Additional baggage fees levied directly by the airline(s) may apply and are subject to change at any time. You should confirm directly with your airline(s) prior to departure.

Registration and Payment
A deposit of $500 per person confirms your reservation and is fully refundable up to 95 days prior to departure. Full payment is due at least 95 days prior to departure and may be made by personal check or credit card. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. reserves the right to cancel any reservations that are not paid in full at any time after final payment is due. If you make your reservation after the final payment date, payment in full will be required upon reservation.

A minimum number of participants is required to secure the services of a Duke Travels representative (faculty or host). Every attempt will be made to find a Duke host who will join the program to add a uniquely Duke perspective to the experience. If this is important to you in making your decision to travel with this program, please call 1-919-684-3046 before making your final payment.

General Terms and Conditions
Please read this information carefully, as payment of a deposit represents your acceptance of the following Terms and Conditions.

Important Information About Your Tour

The Small Group Travel Experience
Cancellations and Refunds
If you must cancel your tour, the effective date of cancellation will be upon our receipt of your written notification. Refunds for cancellations are subject to the following per person charges:

**For all tours (except as noted)**

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**For Africa’s Wildlife, Egypt & the Eternal Nile, Ethiopia: Cradle of Civilization, Southeast Asia Odyssey**

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Please note that we will not refund the cost of any unused portion of your tour package, should you or your travel companion cancel your participation during the tour. If due to unforeseen circumstances Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. cancels your tour, you will receive a complete refund of all payments you have made to us.

**Pre-Departure**

After reserving your tour, you will receive pre-departure mailings that include a detailed itinerary, visa requirements, and reading list. We will send your final tour documents, including airline itineraries (with e-ticket numbers) two to three weeks before departure.

**Single Travelers**

We welcome single travelers, and offer a limited number of single accommodations on each tour. Because hotel and cruise rates are priced by the room or cabin, the per person cost for accommodations occupied by one person is higher than that shared by two people. We will endeavor to keep single supplements at a reasonable cost. Please note that single rooms in many foreign hotels may be smaller than those to which you are accustomed.

**Changes to Your Reservation**

We will not charge a fee for any changes made to your reservation outside of 95 days before departure. From 94 to 30 days before departure, if you make any changes to your reservation, a $100 per person administrative fee will apply, in addition to any fees or penalties imposed by airlines, hotels, or other third parties. Changes are subject to availability and cannot be guaranteed. If your reservation changes from double occupancy to single occupancy for any reason, you will be charged the single supplement. **No changes to your reservation can be made within 30 days of departure.**

**Required Information**

Upon reservation, we will need to obtain from you passport information including the following, in accordance with the Transportation Security Administration’s (TSA) Secure Flight program, as well as by our international travel partners: your full legal name as it appears on your passport, as well as your date of birth and gender (for further information, please visit tsa.gov). In the event an airline ticket is issued with incorrect information you have provided, or if you use a different passport than originally cited, you will be responsible for charges associated with the ticket’s reissue. In addition, airlines may require that we provide them with your contact information prior to departure.

**Travel Documents**

A passport valid for at least six months after the completion of your tour is required for U.S. citizens on all tours in this catalog. If your tour requires a visa(s), we strongly recommend that you have at least six blank visa pages available; for tours not requiring a visa(s), we recommend that your passport have at least three blank visa pages. We will send you specific visa and entry requirements after you make a reservation. You are responsible for obtaining these documents. If you are not a U.S. citizen, please contact your embassy or consulate to ensure you obtain the proper documentation.
Smoking
For the convenience of the majority of our travelers, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. has a No Smoking policy (including e-cigarettes and vaping) on all tour buses. We will arrange sufficient rest stops so those who wish to smoke may do so.

Health and Medical Issues
We welcome all travelers, but request that you be in good health to participate in an Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. tour. All of our tours involve a reasonable amount of walking (typically two to three miles per day), often uphill or on uneven or cobblestone streets. **You must be able to get on and off motorcoaches and boats on your own.** We regret that we cannot provide individual assistance; in such cases you must be accompanied by a companion who will assist you. Please note that many of our itineraries, for reasons beyond our control, do not accommodate wheelchairs. Please call or e-mail us to inquire, and we will do our best to answer any questions you may have. Please call or email us to inquire, and we will do our best to answer any questions you may have. We reserve the right to remove anyone whose physical condition or behavior, in our opinion, compromises the operation of the tour or detracts from the enjoyment or safety of the other tour members. In that event, Duke Alumni and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. assume no financial responsibility for any unused portion of the tour. While we do our best to accommodate food allergy concerns, we cannot guarantee zero cross-contamination.

Air Transportation
Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. includes in its tour price round trip economy air from designated gateway cities as shown, and contracts with those airlines the company feels provide the level of service, routings, and value necessary for your entire trip. While another airline may offer a more direct connection, it may be at a price unavailable at the lower group rates. You will receive your preliminary air schedule approximately 2½ months prior to departure. **Please note that seat assignment on your international flight is usually done at airport check-in. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. is unable to guarantee any seat assignments.**

Due to the nature of tour operator tickets, other restrictions apply, including, but not limited to, frequent flyer mileage accrual, stopovers, alternate travel dates, upgrades, and airline taxes and departure fees. If you prefer to make your own travel arrangements, booking the tour “Land Only” is available on most tours. Since international and domestic air schedules are subject to change at any time, we recommend that if you choose to make your own airline reservations, you do not purchase non-refundable tickets or those with high penalties for changes. If you choose to make your own air arrangements, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. shall not have any liability for any loss resulting from cancellation of this tour or changes in this tour.

Responsibility
The liability of Duke Alumni or Duke University (DUKE), as sponsor, and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. (OU), as tour operator, is strictly limited. As operator, OU purchases transportation, hotel accommodations, and restaurant and other services from independent suppliers not under their control. OU serves only as agents for these suppliers in securing tour arrangements, and therefore will not accept responsibility for wrongful, negligent, or arbitrary acts or omissions of these independent contractors, or of their employees, agents, servants, or representatives. DUKE and OU are not liable for injury, damage, loss, accident, or delay that may be caused by events not within our control, including, without limitation, acts of terrorism, war, strikes, the defect of any vehicle, or the negligence or default of any third party. All coupons, receipts, and tickets issued are subject to the terms and conditions specified by the air carriers, cruise lines, and other independent suppliers. OU will make every effort to operate our tours as planned, but we reserve the right to make itinerary changes as necessary. If unforeseen circumstances require OU to change a hotel, we will select alternative accommodations of the same or better quality. Cruise itineraries may change due to factors such as government regulations, water levels, or weather conditions.
DUKE TRAVELS RESERVATION FORM

Enclosed is my/our deposit for $______($500 per person) for ____ person(s) on the tour listed below. I/We understand the final payment is due at least 95 days prior to departure. Payment may be made by American Express, Discover, MasterCard, VISA, or by personal check. Please make check payable to Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., and send, with completed reservation form, to: Duke Travels, Box 90572, Durham, NC 27708. For more information, please call Duke Travels at (919) 684-2988. For trip information only, please contact Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. at (888) 370–6765.

Tour Name ____________________________________________________________

Departure Date __________________________________________________________________________________________

Pre- or Post-Tour Extension (as described on tour page): Please sign me/us up □

Full Passport Name___________________________________________________ Date of Birth ____________ Gender ______

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Home Phone (______ )___________________________________________ Cell Phone (______ )_____________________________________

E-mail(s) ___________________________________________ Badge Name(s) _______________________________________

Please book my/our air from ___________________ I/We request an air upgrade to _________________________________

I will share a room with ___________________________________________ I request a single room (limited availability) □

I/We request an upgrade to a thatched tent suite (for Africa’s Wildlife only) □

Please Note: The undersigned has read the schedule of activities for the above-referenced tour, and agrees that their signature below represents their acceptance of the General Terms and Conditions.

Signature(s) _________________________________________________________________________ Date________________

Method of Payment

☐ Check ☐ American Express ☐ Discover ☐ MasterCard ☐ VISA

Account # ___________________________________________ Security Code ____________ Exp. Date ________

Name of Cardholder _____________________________________________________________

Signature ________________________________________________________________________________

Final invoicing will be sent by our tour operator, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. The balance of the program price must be paid to Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. Final payment is due at least 95 days prior to departure, and is payable by check or credit card.