

THE ASSOCIATION OF FORMER STUDENTS
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

NATURAL WONDERS OF TANZANIA & KENYA
15-DAY SAFARI

JUNE 18 – JULY 2, 2018



\$8320 per person plus international airfare
Single Supplement - \$1320

Join the Traveling Aggies as you explore the best of Tanzania and Kenya and travel to extraordinary national parks and reserves such as the acacia dotted plains of the Serengeti National Park, Ngorongoro Crater and Olduvai Gorge, Sweetwater's Game Reserve, the soda lakes of Lake Nakuru National Park and the savannahs of the Maasai Mara Game Reserve. Traveling in such diverse habitats, you'll experience unparalleled wildlife viewing opportunities and exciting cultural experiences. While on safari you will stay in deluxe lodges and tented camps and will be accompanied throughout by highly skilled safari guides, who will introduce you to the vast wealth of wildlife found in East Africa. Special visits to the Daphne Sheldrick's Animal Orphanage and Jane Goodall's Chimpanzee Sanctuary, as well as an optional hot air balloon safari are some highlights of your safari experience.

SAFARI HIGHLIGHTS:

- Tanzania & Kenya – unrivalled wildlife and habitat diversity
- Exploration of the best known and most distinguished parks and reserves in East Africa
- Accommodation include deluxe lodges and tented camps, carefully selected to emphasize wildlife viewing and comfort
- Expert naturalist safari guides accompany you throughout your safari
- Custom, comfortable 4x4 Land Cruisers in both Tanzania and Kenya ensure window seating and roof-hatch access, guaranteeing exceptional wildlife viewing experiences
- Giraffe Centre, Daphne Sheldrick's Animal Orphanage and Karen Blixen Home
- Jane Goodall's Chimpanzee Sanctuary
- Maasai village & school visit
- All internal flights – Arusha to Serengeti and Maasai Mara to Nairobi

Day 1 – June 18 - Depart USA

Day 2 – June 19 - Amsterdam / Kilimanjaro Airport / Arusha

Arrive Kilimanjaro Airport via Amsterdam. After obtaining your visa and clearing customs you will be met by Safari Legacy transferred to the *Serena Lake Duluti Lodge* for overnight.

Day 3 – June 20 - Arusha / Fly to the Serengeti National Park

This morning we fly to one of the grandest settings in all of Africa, the Serengeti Plains. One of the most spectacular of Tanzania's national parks, the Serengeti is home to more than two million large mammals, representing the largest concentration of its kind on Earth. The Serengeti gets its name from the Maasai word meaning "endless plain." With nearly 6,000 square miles of grassy plains, kopjes, woodlands and riverine forests, the Serengeti is best known for its big predators, including cheetah and leopard, as well as large prides of lion and clans of hyena. Upon arrival we enjoy our first game drive en-route to our lodge arriving in time for lunch. This afternoon we explore the Serengeti until we return for dinner and overnight at the Serengeti Serena Safari Lodge. Overnight *Serengeti Serena Safari Lodge*. (BLD)

Day 4 – June 21 - Serengeti National Park

Today we enjoy morning and afternoon game drives as we explore the Serengeti National Park. Overnight *Serengeti Serena Safari Lodge*. (BLD)

Day 5 – June 22 - Olduvai Gorge and Maasai Village / Ngorongoro Highlands

After breakfast we depart the expansive plains of the Serengeti and navigate southeast to the Ngorongoro Crater, unrivaled as a wildlife spectacle. After a brief stop to gaze into the massive geophysical structure, we continue around the crater's rim and descend its eastern slope to one of the most important prehistoric archaeological sites on Earth, the Olduvai Gorge. It was here, in 1959, that Mary Leakey discovered fossilized hominid bone fragments dating back 1.75 million years. Continued research unearthed several other significant finds resulting in Olduvai's recognition as the "cradle of mankind." After hearing a lecture and visiting the museum we visit a local Maasai Village where we have a unique opportunity to interact with the Maasai and learn about their way of life. Continue to the Ngorongoro Highlands where we overnight at the *Ngorongoro Serena Lodge* overlooking the craters rim. (BLD)

Day 6 – June 23 - Ngorongoro Crater

Rise early this morning and descend into the Ngorongoro Crater. Earth's largest unbroken caldera, its towering crater walls encircle and assortment of soda lakes amidst lush savannah and acacia forests – a veritable Garden of Eden. The abundance of food and water provides a permanent home to over 30,000 large mammals such as hyena, Thomson's' gazelle, bull elephant, zebra lion and African buffalo. Rarer sightings include cheetah and a natural population of black rhino. Enjoy a full day exploring the crater with picnic lunch. Overnight *Ngorongoro Serena Lodge*. (BPLD)

Day 7 – June 24 - Ngorongoro Highlands / Arusha / Cultural Heritage / Nairobi, Kenya

This morning we return to Arusha arriving in time for lunch and shopping opportunities at the Cultural Heritage Centre and Museum. After lunch we continue our journey to Nairobi via the Namanga border. (A visa to Kenya will be needed and can be obtained here at the border or online via E-Visa) On arrival in Nairobi in the late afternoon we check into our hotel for dinner and overnight. Overnight *Nairobi Serena Hotel*. (BLD)

Day 8 – June 25 - Nairobi – Giraffe Centre / Daphne Sheldrick's Animal Orphanage / Karen Blixen Home / Sweetwater's Game Reserve – Ol Pejeta Conservancy

After breakfast we enjoy a visit to the *Giraffe Center and the Daphne Sheldrick Animal Orphanage*. For over 25 years, from 1955 until 1976, Kenyan born Daphne Sheldrick lived and worked alongside her late husband, David, the famous founder Warden of Kenya's giant Tsavo National Park. During that time she raised and rehabilitated back into the wild community orphans of misfortune from many different wild species, including elephants and rhinos. After our visit, we enjoy lunch at the Karen Blixen Home and Museum. This afternoon we travel to Sweetwater's Tented Camp located in the Ol Pejeta Conservancy. A 90,000 acre private wildlife conservancy, Ol Pejeta is situated on the equator, in Kenya's Laikipia District, between the foothills of the Aberdares and the magnificent snow-capped Mount Kenya. The Ol Pejeta Conservancy boasts an astounding variety of animals, including the "Big Five" (endangered black rhino, leopard, elephant, buffalo and lion), grevy's zebra, Jackson's hartebeest, cheetah and chimpanzee. Overnight *Sweetwater's Tented Camp*. (BLD)

Day 9 – June 26 - Sweetwater's / Ol Pejeta Conservancy – Jane Goodall Chimpanzee Sanctuary

Today we enjoy a full day exploring the Ol Pejeta Conservancy with morning and afternoon game drives and a visit to the Jane Goodall Chimpanzee Sanctuary. Overnight *Sweetwater's Tented Camp*. (BLD)

Day 10 & 11 – June 27 & 28 - Sweetwater's / Lake Nakuru National Park

After breakfast we drive to Lake Elmenteita Luxury Tented Camp. After lunch we enjoy a late afternoon game drive in the park. Described by Roger Tory Peterson as the greatest ornithological spectacle in the world. Also a rhino sanctuary, Lake Nakuru is one of the best places in African to observe the critically endangered black and white rhino. Enjoy morning and afternoon game drives. Overnight *Serena's Lake Elmenteita Luxury Tented Camp*. (BLD)

Day 12 & 13 – June 29 & 30 - Maasai Mara Game Reserve

Our journey today is traveling to the Maasai Mara Game Reserve arriving in time for lunch at Keekorok Lodge en route. This afternoon we enjoy our game drive and our first encounter with the area's magnificent wildlife. This northern extension of the Serengeti ecosystem, one of the world's most rewarding wildlife observation sites, thrives with life. The rich savannah is known for its concentration of plains animals which attracts predators such as leopard, cheetah and lion. Overnight *Mara Serena Lodge*. (BLD)

Day 14 – July 1 - Maasai Mara / Nairobi / Depart

After breakfast transfer to the airstrip for your flight back to Nairobi. Lunch and *dayrooms* at *Nairobi Serena Hotel*. Early evening transfer to the airport for our departing flights. (BL)

Day 15 – July 2 - Amsterdam / USA

B - Breakfast; L - lunch; PL - picnic lunch; D - dinner; DR – dayroom

What's Included?

- Pre-departure information to help you prepare for your safari
- All transfers and meet and greet by Safari Legacy
- All meals
- All game drives, activities, museum visits and cultural visits
- Full day in the Ngorongoro Crater
- All taxes, service charges & park fees
- Transportation in comfortable 4x4 Toyota Land Cruisers both in Tanzania and Kenya
- Expert Safari Legacy naturalist safari guides
- Bottled water while on game drives; coffee and tea with meals
- Temporary membership in Flying Doctors Service

In summary, everything except international air, travel insurance, passport and visa fees, tips to safari guides, tented camp crew & lodge staff, waiters, portorage, items of personal nature such as laundry, souvenirs, alcoholic beverages, soft drinks, juice, bottled water with meals, telephone and internet charges.

An optional Balloon Safari is available in the Serengeti - \$485 and/or the Maasai Mara Game Reserve - \$450 per person. This optional balloon safari will replace a morning game drive and will include a full champagne breakfast upon landing. Advance reservation is highly recommended.



Lake Elmenteita Serena Tented Camp

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RESERVATION FORM

A deposit of \$500 per person is required for *The Association of Former Students, Texas A&M University's Natural Wonders of Tanzania and Kenya Safari* which departs on **June 18, 2018** and returns on **July 2, 2018**. Deposits and reservation forms are due at the time of booking and are payable by check. Credit cards are not accepted for deposits or payments. Please make checks payable to Safari Legacy, and return your deposit and reservation form to:

The Association of Former Students
Texas A&M University
505 George Bush Drive
College Station, TX 77840-2918
800.633.7514 / 979.845.7514

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OPTIONAL HOT AIR BALLOON SAFARI IN THE SERENGETI - \$485 PP – YES ____ NO ____

OPTIONAL HOT AIR BALLOON SAFARI IN THE MAASAI MARA - \$450 PP - YES ____ NO ____

TRAVELER INFORMATION

Please provide your name(s) as it appears on your passport

Passport Name _____ Date of Birth _____

Name Badge _____ Class Year _____

Passport Name _____ Date of Birth _____

Name Badge _____ Class Year _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (Home) _____ (Work) _____ (Cell) _____

E-mail address _____

ACCOMMODATIONS

Prices are based on double occupancy. If a single room is requested or we are unable to find a suitable roommate, the single supplement rate will be charged in the amount of \$1,320.

Assign Roommate: ___ Yes ___ No
(Single supplement charge will be applied if necessary)

Person with whom you wish to share a room _____
Bedding Request: Queen Bed ___ Twin Beds ___

TRIP CANCELLATION INSURANCE & AIR MEDICAL EVACUATION

We strongly recommend purchasing Trip Cancellation and Interruption Insurance as well as air evacuation insurance. You will receive more information on travel insurance from The Association of Former Students.

AIR TRANSPORTATION

Safari Legacy's air supplier will be happy to assist you with air reservations from your hometown to Africa. Please email your air request to: jennifer@safarilegacy.com or call 205-621-2664, for a quote and schedule. (Credit cards can be used for all air reservations)

FINAL PAYMENT

Final payment is due 90 days prior to departure. All final payments are payable by check. **Credit cards are not accepted.** Checks are made payable to Safari Legacy and mailed to: Safari Legacy, 4179 Old Cahaba Pkwy, Helena, AL 35080.

I have read and accept the conditions and further understand and agree that the safari I am taking may involve risks. I therefore assume all risks involved with regard to this safari and agree that The Association of Former Students, Texas A&M University and Safari Legacy, Inc. US office, Safari Legacy, Ltd. in Tanzania, and its affiliates will in no way be responsible for any injury to myself or my belongings. This is acknowledged by myself knowingly and willfully and shall be binding on my heirs and next of kin. Each traveler must sign this waiver.

Date _____

Signature(s) _____

**An E - confirmation will be sent to you by email upon receipt of this reservation form and deposit.*

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SAFARI LEGACY GENERAL TERMS & CONDITIONS - USA

Cancellation Policy

All cancellations must be received in writing or by email and are effective upon receipt in our office. Cancellations received up to 90 days prior to departure will be refunded all monies less and administrative charge of \$150. Cancellations between 89 and 61 days prior to departure as assessed a penalty of 50% of the safari cost. Cancellations between 60 and 0 days prior to departure are assessed a penalty of 100% of the safari cost.

Some safaris may incur additional cancellation fees (**especially gorilla safaris, which gorilla permits are non-refundable**). There will be no refund for any unused portions of a safari once it has commenced. Cancellation penalties on airfares and gorilla permits are additional and may not be included in the above cancellation charges. Cancellation insurance for the total safari cost is strongly recommended.

Cancellation by Safari Legacy:

If the safari is canceled by Safari Legacy because of extraordinary conditions, all monies paid to Safari Legacy for land arrangements and internal flights if applicable will be refunded in full. Safari Legacy cannot accept responsibility for any other expenses incurred for preparing for the safari, including non-refundable airline tickets, passport or visa fees, etc...

Our Published Rates:

Changes in rates are rare, and caused by extraordinary circumstances outside Safari Legacy's control. In the rare event that a cost should increase, cancellation is allowed without penalty prior to 90 days before departure. All prices are per person, based on double occupancy. All prices are subject to change.

Travel Documents/Vaccinations:

Travelers must be in possession of valid passports with an expiration date beyond 6 months of your return date, and any visas, permits and certificates required for the whole of their safari and shall arrange such vaccinations as are normally recommended for the countries through which they intend to travel. Information as to these matters and as to climate, clothing, baggage, gear, and similar matters is given in good faith but without responsibility on the part of Safari Legacy.

Schedule of Mail-outs:

On receipt of your reservation & deposit, you will receive a confirmation E – package by email. (If you do not have email access please let us know and we can send the confirmation by mail). This confirmation E package will include items to help you prepare for your safari. A final packet of information is mailed 21-30 days prior to departure, which will include your final itinerary, guest list, e ticket receipt if air was issued by our air supplier, guidebook, luggage & name tag(if applicable to your safari). Final packets are not mailed until all payments, liability forms and a signed copy of these terms and conditions are received.

Release of Liability:

In consideration of the services and arrangements provided by Safari Legacy, you, for yourself and for your heirs, personal representatives or assigns, do hereby release, waive, discharge, hold harmless and agree to indemnify Safari Legacy, and its owners, officers, directors, agents, contractors, subcontractors and employees from any and all claims, actions, or losses for bodily injury, property damage, wrongful death, loss of services, loss of personal belongings, lost profits, consequential, exemplary, indirect or punitive damages or otherwise which may arise out of or occur during your travel in connection with the scheduled travel package and any activities conducted in conjunction therewith.

YOU SPECIFICALLY UNDERSTAND THAT YOU ARE RELEASING, DISCHARGING AND WAIVING ANY CLAIMS OR ACTIONS THAT YOU MAY HAVE PRESENTLY OR IN THE FUTURE FOR THE NEGLIGENT ACTS OR CONDUCT OF THE OWNERS, DIRECTORS, OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, CONTRACTORS OR SUBCONTRACTORS OF SAFARI LEGACY.