



Smallgroup Travel East Africa June-July 2013



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Friday 21st June

Depart Dubai at 10:45 and arrive Nairobi at 14:45 on EK719. Overnight at Southern Sun Hotel. B & B

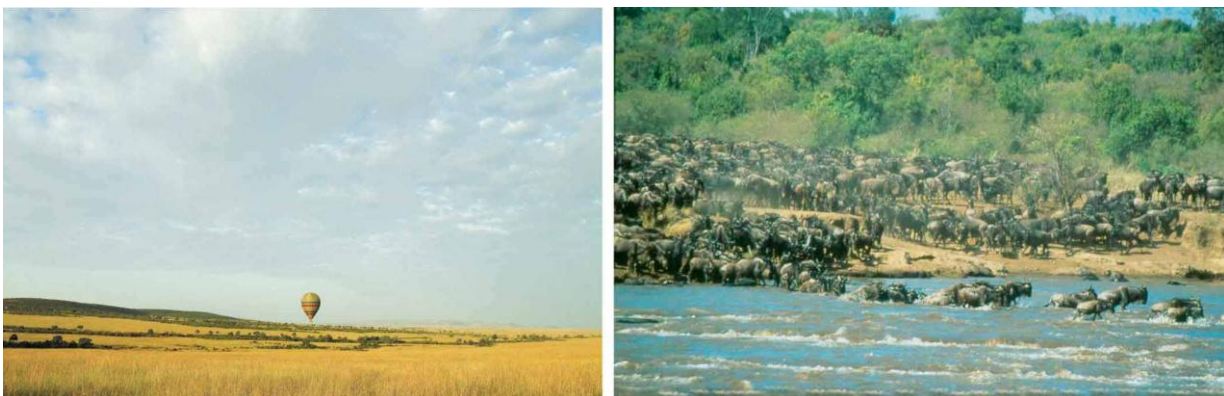
Saturday 22nd June

You will be collected and taken by road with a picnic lunch for Masai Mara, with a game drive en route to the lodge. Mara Sarova Lodge. FB



Sunday 23rd - Monday 24th June

Mara – Today you will have a full game drive day. Lunch will be provided.



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Tuesday 25th June

Depart by road for Lake Nakuru National Park, home to many flamingos, with overnight at Sarova Lion Hill Lodge. FB



Wednesday 26th June

Drive to Amboseli National Park in the shadow of Mount Kilimanjaro. Picnic lunch will be provided. Afternoon game drive and then dinner. Overnight at Amboseli Sopa Lodge. FB



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Thursday 27th June

Morning and afternoon game drives. Overnight at Amboseli Sopa Lodge. FB

Friday 28th June

After breakfast, depart Amboseli for the Namanga border drop off. You will clear customs on the Kenyan side, and the Tanzanian driver will assist you with Tanzanian immigration and customs formalities before driving onwards. Note that your USD50 visa fee must be in US cash. The Namanga border is the easiest to cross in East Africa.

Head past Arusha to Tarangire National Park for overnight. Amazing baobab trees here as well as a large elephant population and great scenery. It's a game drive en route to the lodge. Tarangire Sopa Lodge. FB



Saturday 29th June

This morning you head off to Lake Manyara National Park, which is small but very lovely, squeezed between the lake and the steep rim of the Great Rift Valley. Elephant, giraffe, buffalo, warthog as well as flamingos and birds of prey are regular sightings. The legendary tree-climbing lions of Lake Manyara are also there but hard to find. You will then climb the escarpment to the Karatu farming area for overnight at Bougainvillea. This is just a stopover, with no great pretensions! FB



Sunday 30th June

This morning you have a long and bumpy drive, yet very interesting and scenic. The road to the Serengeti is via the Oldupai ancient hominid site. You can't go down to the diggings but there is a small and useful museum and a guide to tell you what's what. The Gorge contains the bones of 3 different kinds of early people, hominids, as well as the bones of every other creature that has lived there for 2 million years. It was an area of lakes, which expanded and reduced, covering all of the hominid remains in mud over the millennia from the ash and soil deposited by the volcanoes and the high plains. The layers reached up to 100 metres, to be split by an ancient river that cut through the layers, forming the Gorge. The earliest hominids

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found are called Homo Habilis – handy man – as they made simple stone tools. They lived around the same time as Australopithecus Boisei, who were more ape like and seemed to have died off. Habilis were superseded around 1 million years ago by Homo erectus, much more like modern man and making far more sophisticated stone tools. Just 25 kms away lies the site known as Laetoli, with layers dating back 3.6 million years, where footprints of the very first hominid types were found.

From Oldupai you head west to enter the Serengeti and proceed across the Park to your lodge. With more than 2 million wildebeest, half a million Thomson's gazelle and a quarter of a million Zebra this has the greatest concentration of plains game in Africa, with the wildebeest and zebra the stars of a unique spectacular – the annual migration.

Serengeti Katikati. FB



Monday 1st July – Tuesday 2nd July

You will travel widely over the plains.

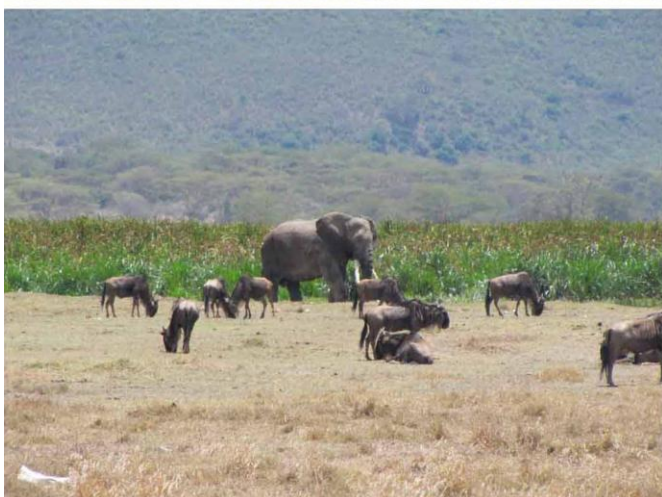
Serengeti Katikati. FB



Wednesday 3rd July

Depart by road for the Ngorongoro Conservation area and then head down into the Crater, some 600 meters. You will get an excellent opportunity to spot elephant, buffalo, black mane lion and maybe the rare black rhinoceros as well as hyena, jackal, flamingos, hippo and other species. Lion kills of buffalo are quite common and one of the main attractions. Enjoy a picnic lunch in the heart of this ancient volcanic crater and later on climb the crater for overnight just outside at Rhino Lodge.

Rhino Lodge FB



Thursday 4th July

You return to Arusha Airport, for your flight to Dar es Salaam where you will have a drive around the town en route to your overnight accommodation. The Souk at The Slipway. B&B



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Friday 5th July

You will have about 6 hours of interesting driving en route to the Selous National Park and your lodge. Those that fly will come directly from Dar es Salaam into the airstrip nearest to the lodge, to be collected by the lodge vehicle.

Selous is vast, with few vehicles around, and you will enjoy the wide spaces in the Garden of Eden. Rufiji River Lodge. FB



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Saturday 6th July

There will be a walking safari, game drive or boat safari depending on conditions at the time.

Rufiji River Lodge. FB

Sunday 7th July

Drive across the Park to a very different lodge.

Lake Manze. FB



Monday 8th July

Selous.

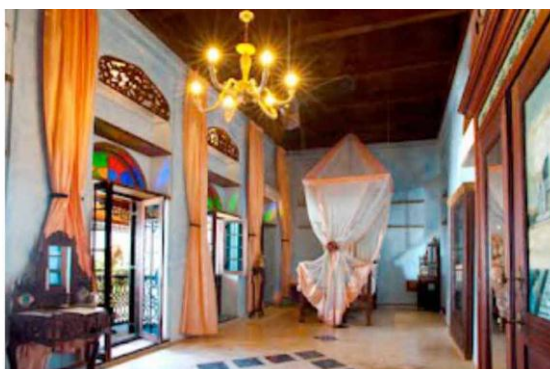
Lake Manze. FB



Tuesday 9th July

Return drive to Dar es Salaam. Those that fly to Dar es Salaam will meet up with the others on their arrival for a short flight to Zanzibar.

Emerson Spice. B&B



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Wednesday 10th July

Today you will have a walking tour of Stone Town, ending at Emerson Spice. Possible afternoon activities – more around Stone Town or down the coast to dive with dolphins.

Emerson Spice. B&B



Thursday 11th July

Full day tour of the island, ending near Nungwi.

Azanzi Beach Hotel. Dinner B&B



Friday 12th July

Day relaxing at Azanzi Beach.

Azanzi Beach Hotel. Dinner B&B



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Saturday 13th July

Transfer to Zanzibar Airport for flight to Dar es Salaam for onward departure on Emirates EK726 at 16:45 arriving Dubai at 23:20



Cost Per person based on twin share with a minimum of 12 people travelling together **\$9680 AUD per person**

Single Supplements on application

Price includes

- meet on arrival Nairobi, transfer to Southern Sun Hotel for overnight.
- 1 night Southern Sun Hotel B&B
- 3 nights at Mara Sarova Full Board
- 1 night at Sarova Lion Hill
- 2 nights at Amboseli Sopa
- Cross border transfer
- 1 night at Tarangire Sopa
- 1 night st Bougainville Lodge DB&B
- 3 nights at Katikati
- Ngorongoro Crater tour
- 1 night at Rhino Lodge
- all meals and activities for the above lodges, with water on board.
- flight from Arusha to Dar es Salaam
- meet and transfer to The Souk, at The Slipway
- 1 night at The Slipway, B&B.
- road transfer to the Selous National Park
- 2 nights at Rufiji River

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- 2 nights at Lake Manze
in Selous, all meals and lodge activities included.
- drive back to Dar es Salaam
- flight to Zanzibar
- meet and transfer on arrival
- 2 nights at Emerson Spice B&B
- walking tour of Stonetown
- guided day tour of Zanzibar, inc entrances to Jozani Forest, Butterfly and Turtle Sanctuary,
- 2 nights at Azanzi Beach Lodge, DB&B.
- transfer to Zanzibar airport
- flight to Dar es Salaam
- meet and assist

Not included.

- * Tipping
- * Excess baggage
- * Items of a personal nature.
- * Travel insurance (see note)
- * Passport & visa costs

For all international travel you must be in possession of a passport with at least 6 months validity remaining. You should also have ALL of the visas required for the countries you will be travelling to. Please check with us regarding which visas you will require. Smallgroup Travel can help with arranging your visas.

Travel Insurance:

It is a condition of travel that all travellers are adequately insured and that insurance details are advised at time of deposit. We can offer a group insurance with 25% discount off the premium. Please contact Sue suek@travelmanagers.com.au, 0414598157 . Your insurance MUST cover emergency evacuation in remote areas. If you purchase your own insurance, please check that the policy includes Africa and emergency evacuation.

Price Increases:

Prior to full payment being made and air tickets issued, tour prices can increase due to reasons beyond the control of Smallgroup Travel: currency fluctuations, variation of hotel contract rates or airline price increases. It is therefore in your interest to protect against such increases by paying in full at your earliest possible convenience. Once you have paid in full, your tour price is 'locked-in'. Airfares are *never* guaranteed until all payments have been received and tickets have been issued.

How to Reserve Your Tour:

- * Please contact Sue Kuti at TravelManagers at suek@travelmanagers.com.au or Mobile: 0414598157 to reserve your place on the tour.

* I will then send you our official booking form and booking conditions for the tour. Please complete this form and return it with your deposit of **30% of the tour. 2904 AUD per person. As lodges are small , it is necessary to pay as soon as possible.**

* Payment of your tour balance is then required 90 days before your departure.

Due by 15 March 2013.

Booking Conditions:

- Deposits are non refundable.
- If it is necessary for you to cancel your holidays the following fees will apply per person for the tour .
- More than 70 days before departure – Deposit
- Less than 90 days before departure - 100% of total tour cost
- Cancellation fees from some service providers including but not limited to airlines, cruise operators, hoteliers, coach companies, etc may apply in addition

No Show

- If you fail to check-in at your designated hotel as confirmed, 100% No Show fee will be charged.

Refund for Unused Service

- -Once you have left Australia a refund will not be given for any service not used by you due to late arrival, early departure or by notice. This includes failure of any transportation to operate as scheduled. Smallgroup Travel does not authorize any overseas suppliers including hotel management and staff to promise refunds on our behalf.

Holiday Variation

If unforeseen circumstances beyond our control require us to make necessary changes to your holiday we reserve the right to cancel or reschedule departures and itineraries. When it is necessary to change a hotel the company reserves the right to substitute accommodation of at least a similar standard.

Please read General Terms and Conditions for all TravelManagers bookings

<http://www.travelmanagers.com.au/terms-and-conditions.htm>

I hope that you will join this adventure of a lifetime!

Sue Kuti

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GROUP AIRFARE OFFER:

I have negotiated a group airfare with Emirates airlines. The fare is based on 10 people travelling together from Sydney. You may vary your return flights if you wish. Stopovers are permitted in Dubai.

The cost of the airfare will be **\$2310 plus taxes of about \$250**. The taxes will be confirmed at time of ticketing.

Approximate total is \$2556 This published fare is normally \$ 2795 including taxes

The itinerary is

1 EK 413 20JUN	depart Sydney 2110	arrive Dubai 0540	21 June
2 EK 719 21JUN	depart Dubai 1045	arrive Nairobi 1445	21 June
4 EK 726 13JUL	depart Dar el Salaam 1645	arrive Dubai 2320	13 July
5 EK 414 14JUL	depart Dubai 0215	arrive Sydney 2205	14 July

DEPOSIT:

A non refundable deposit of AUD 200 per Economy class seat is required Wednesday 3 October, 2012

NAMES/FULL PAYMENT/TICKETING:

Full payment is due by 20 March, 2013

CUSTOMERS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS and SPECIAL SERVICE ADVICE:

Important – Please note the information below and include your requests on your booking form

- Skywards frequent flyer program- eligible for points at Skywards Saver level.
- Seating is pre-assigned as a group - specific seat requests are not available in Economy class.
- Special meal request with dietary restrictions.
- Emirates cannot provide meals which are guaranteed to be free of nuts.

CABIN BAGGAGE ALLOWANCE:

- Economy Class 1 bag 55 x 38 x 20 cm weight not to exceed 7kg.

CHECKED BAGGAGE ALLOWANCE:

- Free checked baggage allowance, Economy Class – 30kg. (But remember there are limits on your baggage allowance on the trip!)
- Baggage item exceeding 3 metres in length and above 32kgs must be sent by cargo and will not be accepted as checked in baggage.

Please feel free to contact me if you wish to discuss alternative flights or airlines.



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