

# ICONIC AFRICA – A TAILOR MADE JOURNEY KENYA, ZAMBIA AND VICTORIA FALLS



#### DAY ONE

Arrive at Jomo Kenyatta International Airport and transfer to Giraffe Manor for 2 nights on a bed and breakfast basis.

Giraffe Manor is an exclusive boutique hotel set in 12 acres of private land within 140 acres of indigenous forest in the Langata suburb of Nairobi. As one of Nairobi's most iconic buildings, Giraffe Manor has extraordinary appeal, reminiscent of the 1930s when European visitors first flocked to East Africa to enjoy safaris. With its stately façade, elegant interior, verdant green gardens, sunny terraces and delightful courtyards, guests often remark that it's like walking into the film Out of Africa: indeed, one of its twelve rooms is named after the author Karen Blixen. However, the most fascinating thing about Giraffe Manor is its herd of resident Rothschild's giraffe who may visit morning and evening, sometimes poking their long necks into the windows in the hope of a treat, before retreating to their forest sanctuary.

## DAY TWO

Today we have included a full day private tour to the Sheldrick Elephant Orphanage, The Giraffe Centre and the Karen Blixen Museum. We have also incorporated a visit to Kazuri Beads – Kazuri, which means "small and beautiful" in Swahili, began in 1975 as a tiny workshop experimenting in hand crafted ceramic beads.

Kazuri Beads founder started with two single motherhood women and soon discovered that there were many others in the villages around Nairobi, most of who were disadvantaged and were in great need of regular employment. Today Kazuri has grown tremendously and now has a large workforce of over 340 women skilled in the crafting of ceramic beads, strung into beautifully and artistically jewellery.



## DAY THREE

Transfer by road to Wilson Airport. From Wilson Airport, depart with Governors' Aviation to Musiara airstrip in the Masai Mara, followed by a short road transfer to Governors' Camp or Little Governors' Camp for three nights.

Located on the edge of the Masai Mara National Reserve, the camp is accessed by a very short boat ride across the Mara River, then an escorted walk through the riverine forest. Vehicles are left on the far river bank and the camp is therefore quiet and undisturbed. The guest tents at Little Governors' have wooden decks with large verandas for guests to enjoy the constant game activity that takes place around the marsh in front of camp.

The entire camp is under canvas with all of the comforts of a luxury hotel. Some of the 37 tents line the riverbank, tucked into the forest they enjoy uninterrupted views over the Mara River, others have views across the sweeping plains of the Masai Mara. The tents are big, bright and allow in lots of natural light. All tents are classic safari style each with en-suite bathrooms and a private veranda. There is a bar tent with deck overlooking the Mara River and dinning tent with views over the plains. Please also be sure to enquire about our Spa tent which offers a range of treatments including facials, massages, manicures and pedicures.

Governors' Camp has been awarded a Silver Eco Rating from Eco – Tourism Kenya due to our sustainable tourism practices in place in camp.



#### DAY SIX

Return to Musiara airstrip for your air transfer back to Wilson Airport and onward road transfer to The Crowne Plaza Nairobi International Airport for one night on a bed and breakfast basis.

#### DAY SEVEN

Transfer to Jomo Kenyatta International Airport for your Kenyan Airways flight to Livingstone, Zambia. Arrive at Harry Mawanga Nkumbula International Airport and transfer by road to Toka Leya Camp for three nights on an all-inclusive basis.

Overlooking islands in the Zambezi River, Toka Leya offers the perfect combination of relaxation and adventure. Morning explorations of the river, the surrounding Mosi-oa-Tunya National Park or nearby Victoria Falls can be followed by a tranquil afternoon at our spa or practicing inspired yoga on the panoramic deck of our gym.

The camp's twelve spacious, en-suite safari-style tents (including three family tents) with expansive decks serve up the dramatic views and glimpses of wildlife. Wooden walkways snake between the units and the main area where the dining, bar and lounge area are complemented by an infinity pool, a sundeck for sumptuous meals and a convivial fire pit for night-time gatherings.

Wildlife which can be seen in the area includes hippo, crocodile and elephant as well as an incredible diversity of birdlife. Toka Leya is centrally located in the Mosi-oa-Tunya Park which hosts species such as buffalo, giraffe, zebra, wildebeest and white rhino. The occasional predator is also seen. Several sought-after bird species are found including African finfoot, half-collared kingfisher, African skimmer (seasonal), Schalow's turaco and rock pratincole (seasonal).



#### DAY TEN

Clearing immigration formalities en route, transfer by road from Toka Leya to Victoria Falls International Airport for your Wilderness Air flight to Little Makalolo Camp in the Hwange National Park for three nights on an all-inclusive basis.



Little Makalolo lies in the heart of one of the best game viewing areas in Hwange National Park. Overlooking a vibrant waterhole it offers privacy for guests who enjoy small camps and a sense of remoteness. The camp's six traditional-style tents – including a family unit – are spacious and en-suite, with indoor and outdoor showers. Solar power is used for tent lights and to heat water, ensuring a lighter environmental footprint.

Linking the tents to the main area are teak walkways. Here a false mopane tree in the centre of the camp shades a separate dining and living area with an open fire deck for those convivial evening fireside tales under the stars. A raised pool deck, which also shelters the bar and breakfast 'room', offers evocative views of the much-frequented waterhole in front of camp.

# DAY THIRTEEN

Transfer back to Linkwasha airstrip for your Wilderness Air flight back to Victoria Falls International Airport for your international flight back home.



Extend your safari to Mana Pools in Zimbabwe or cross the border over into Botswana and enjoy a safari in Chobe or the Okavango Delta – or fly down to Cape Town after your iconic journey! There are many options to extend this safari – please ask!

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