

# Young Explorers

We can all recall the freedom of our youth when we were outside all day, making forts, catching tadpoles and climbing trees. We were all explorers of some kind, even if just in our suburban garden.

We explored, we discovered, we might have even gotten lost, but we always returned the wiser and more enlightened. Safaris with kids are much the same – a time to stimulate all the senses. Safaris open up a whole new world to us all, but for kids that world is even more enchanting.

Exciting new animals are a huge part of a safari experience, but delving deeper and more personal into what lies in heart of the land and its people while learning and experiencing gives great satisfaction and interaction to kids (and parents). Stepping away from everyday life to build a mini Maasai boma, or treasure hunting and practicing your newly learnt traditional bush survival skills is an experience we would all cherish. For kids, it is magical.

The freedom and purity of Africa is the ideal way to escape the “everyday” and bond with the land and with each other.

Great Plains Young Explorers program is designed to enhance both a child and a family’s overall safari, weaving themes of conservation and culture into each fun activity with the intention of giving children tangible examples and moments to bring back to their peer group. The future of conservation is, after all, in the hands of these young ambassadors.

We at Great Plains Conservation understand how families enjoy travelling. Our safaris are renowned for being 100% flexible to your family’s needs from flexible meal times to activities planned to suit you. At the end of your stay you will progress from Young Explorers to Conservation Ambassadors.



# Why

## FAMILY SAFARI WITH GREAT PLAINS?



Specialised Young Explorers program in place for families



Entertainment-filled complimentary rucksack of items from hats to activity booklets and more on arrival



Wide range of activity offerings per camp to choose from depending on your families interests



Experienced wildlife guide for your family



100% flexibility for meals and activities



Staff who love and understand children and cater in adapting the experience in camp for our younger guests.



Private vehicle available to book for your family



Personal meals cooked to preference



# Endless

## ACTIVITY OPTIONS TO CHOOSE FROM

### DANCE LIKE A WARRIOR:

How high can you jump? Time to learn the impressive ceremonial traditions of the young Maasai. What is the meaning behind their formidable jumping, the reason behind the traditional dress and the celebration that accompanies both?

### SCHOOL FOR A DAY:

Don't worry, there's no homework! Ever wondered what it might be like to attend school in Africa? Here's a chance to visit with local kids, and even maybe a pick up soccer match.

### HORSE RIDING (OL DONYO LODGE ONLY, 12YRS+):

Ride out across the plains on horseback and enjoy the peace and quiet and the landscape. Horse Riding in the bush does require certain levels of experience for safety.

### COOKING EXPERIENCES:

Become culinary masters by creating your own pizzas in our outdoor pizza ovens or baking cookies with our highly talented chefs.

### MINI-SPA TREATMENTS (RÉSERVE CAMPS ONLY):

Treat yourself to a mini pedicure or manicure with our wellness specialists.

### BIKE RIDE ON THE PLAINS (OL DONYO LODGE ONLY):

Safari Cycling! Cycle across the plains among animals such as giraffes, zebra and impala.

### MAASAI BEADING:

Bush Beading! Bead traditional Maasai bracelets and necklaces with the Maasai ladies at the nearby village while learning the cultural relevance of the beautiful artwork.

### ANIMAL TRACKING:

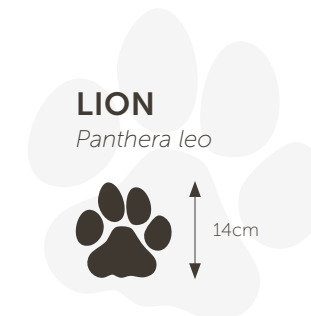
Track around camp using your activity booklet to identify species.

### BUSH SURVIVAL SKILLS COURSE:

The Warrior Way! Learn the Maasai's traditional livelihood techniques, from fire starting, shelter making, cooking, catching water to making bows and arrows.

### LIVING LIKE A WARRIOR:

Putting survival skills to the test! After the in depth training and completion of the Bush Survival Skills Course, try it all out including the opportunity to sleep out in the bush whether it be on top of the kopjes, at our local tree house or in pop tents on the crater.



### AFRICAN ELEPHANT

*Loxodonta africana*



# Family safaris

**WITH GREAT PLAINS ARE**

- Safe
- Inspiring
- Interesting and engaging
- Entertaining
- Responsible
- Ethical
- Professional
- Sensitive
- Organised
- Relaxed
- Fun
- Memorable



# GREAT PLAINS CONSERVATION

## QUICK CAMP FACTS

### KENYA CAMPS

ACTIVITY	OL DONYO LODGE	MARA PLAINS CAMP & THE JAHAZI SUITE AT MARA PLAINS	MARA NYIKA CAMP & THE SAMBUK SUITE AT MARA NYIKA	MARA TOTO TREE CAMP OPENING JULY 1, 2024
Camp Classification	Réserve-Collection	Réserve-Collection	Réserve-Collection	Réserve-Collection
Location	Mbirikani Group Ranch	Olare Motorogi Conservancy	Naboisho Conservancy	Maasai Mara National Reserve
Size of concession / reserve	110 000 Hectares / 275 000 Acres	13 300 Hectares / 33 000 Acres	20 000 Hectares / 50 000 Acres	28 000 Hectares / 69 000 Acres
Traversing	Mbirikani Group Ranch	Olare Motorogi Conservancy & Maasai Mara National Reserve	Naboisho Conservancy & Maasai Mara National Reserve	Mara North Conservancy & Maasai Mara National Reserve
Number of Suites / Tents	8 Suites	5 Suites	3 Suites	4 Suites
Family Accommodation	One 2-bedroom suite	The 2-bedroom Jahazi Suite at Mara Plains	The 2-bedroom Sambuk Suite at Mara Nyika. One two-bedroom suite	n/a
Children can be accommodated from:	5 Years	6 Years	6 Years	6 Years
Day Drives	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Night Drives	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes (water level dependent)
Cultural Experience	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Private Vehicle (at an additional charge)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Guided Walks	Yes	No	No	No
Horseback Riding	Yes	n/a	n/a	n/a
Hot-Air Ballooning (at an additional charge)	n/a	Yes	Yes	Yes
Mountain Biking	Yes	n/a	n/a	n/a
Hide	Yes	n/a	n/a	n/a
Main Swimming Pool / Private Plunge Pools	Yes (Main Pool & Private Plunge Pools)	Yes (Jahazi Suite only)	n/a	n/a
Shower	Indoor & Outdoor	Indoor	Indoor	Indoor
Bath	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hairdryers (low voltage)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Mosquito Nets	Yes	Yes (On all tent sides)	Yes (On all tent sides)	Yes (On all tent sides)
Fans	Standing fan	Overhead fan	Standing fan	Standing fan
Wi-Fi – in-room (complimentary)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Safe - In-room	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Spa treatments (at an additional charge)	Yes (In-room only)	Yes	Yes (In-room only)	Yes (In-room only)
Fitness	In-room Equipment	In-room Equipment	In-room Equipment	In-room equipment
Boutique on site	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

## KENYA CAMPS

ACTIVITY	MARA EXPEDITION CAMP
Camp Classification	Explorers Collection
Location	Maasai Mara National Reserve
Size of concession / reserve	28 000 Hectares / 69 000 Acres
Traversing	Mara North Conservancy & Maasai Mara National Reserve
Number of Suites / Tents	5 Tents
Family Accommodation	One 2-bedroom family tent
Children can be accommodated from:	6 Years
Day Drives	Yes
Night Drives	Yes (water level dependent)
Cultural Experience	Yes
Private Vehicle (at an additional charge)	Yes
Guided Walks	No
Horseback Riding	n/a
Hot-Air Ballooning (at an additional charge)	Yes
Mountain Biking	n/a
Hide	n/a
Main Swimming Pool / Private Plunge Pools	Main swimming pool
Shower	Indoor
Bath	n/a
Hairdryers (low voltage)	n/a
Mosquito Nets	Yes (On all tent sides)
Fans	Standing fan
Wi-Fi – in-room (complimentary)	Yes
Safe - In-room	Yes
Spa treatments (at an additional charge)	n/a
Fitness	Yoga mats
Boutique on site	n/a