

MARA TOTO TREE CAMP

MARA NORTH CONSERVANCY | MAASAI MARA NATIONAL RESERVE

“When we designed this camp, it was based on an original 19th-century styled camp with light canvas and high apex tents, supported by huge gum-poles.

Right along the river’s edge and tucked into the canopy of some of the most spectacular ebony trees, its position creates a hidden haven to retire to between exciting safari drives. Leopards are often seen, and lions are often heard from here. It is ideal for families, or small parties, explorers, adventurers and photographers who want to experience Africa the way we have for many years just better!” - Dereck Joubert, CEO

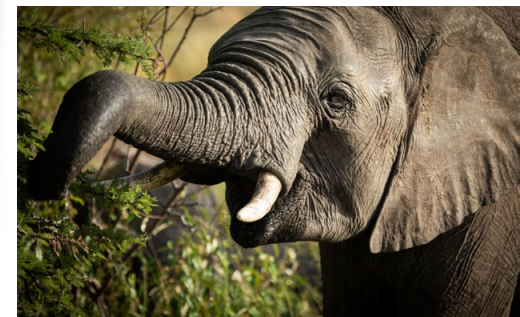
Mara Toto Tree Camp offers guests a choice of four light and airy, spacious canvas tree canopy tented suites, each with en-suite bathrooms complete with double vanity basins, copper baths and huge brass safari showers.

This Réserve-Collection safari camp is tucked away into the shade of old trees, the perfect place for you to return to after a morning, afternoon or full day’s exploration within Kenya’s Maasai Mara ecosystem. We use open safari vehicles for the best viewing and bird watching.

Mara Toto Tree Camp’s design draws from Africa’s original explorers but with all the modern comforts needed for those wanting to spend days or weeks with us and still live in a camp inspired by East Africa’s romantic safari era.

Wildlife here is, of course, spectacular, and we have access to the Maasai Mara Reserve and the more private 28,000-hectare Mara North Conservancy. Take the best advantage of two migrations – the famous annual southern migration of over one million animals from the Serengeti and the green season migration from Loita Plains, where over 100,000 zebras and wildebeest arrive from the northwest. It is never quiet around Mara Toto Tree Camp.

Mara Toto Tree Camp, tucked away in a forest canopy on a slight bend in the Ntiakitiak River, is just a few kilometres from its sister camps - Mara Plains Camp and Mara Expedition Camp – and pairs perfectly with our Mara Nyika Camp in the private Naboisho Conservancy.



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CAMP FEATURES

Mara Toto Tree Camp can accommodate a maximum of 8 adult guests.

Total Number of Bedrooms:

- 4 double or twin configuration suites;
- 2 Guide rooms, each with a double bed and a bathroom.

Type of Lodge:

Réserve-Collection Safari Camp

Lodge Season & Opening:

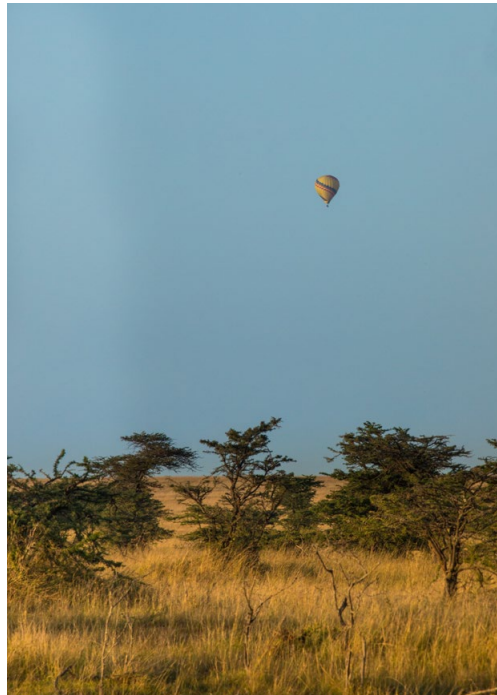
Year Round

Ideal length of stay:

3 / 4 Nights

CHECK OUT TIME

We maintain a high level of flexibility when it comes to check-out times at our camps. However, due to some scheduled air transfer schedules, there are instances where we may kindly request guests to check out of their suites by 9:00am. In such situations, our lodges and camps are set up to ensure that guests can utilise the facilities located in the central area. This includes access to Wi-Fi, the provision of complimentary drinks and lunch in the event of any unexpected delays, and access to hides or other activities if available.



CAMP CO-ORDINATES

1°21'08.0"S 35°09'46.0"E

ACCESS DIRECTIONS

- Daily scheduled light aircraft transfers to the ol Kiombo Airstrip;
- Flight Time from Nairobi's domestic Wilson Airport is approximately 1 hour;
- The camp is a 30-minute drive from the airstrip;
- Co-ordinates: S1°24'31.0" E35°06'38.0";
- Airstrip length: 1200m.

ACTIVITIES

Wildlife viewing

Early morning and late afternoon/ evening safari drives take place in some of the Maasai Mara's most luxurious wildlife-viewing vehicles. Each Toyota Land Cruiser safari vehicle is open-sided, canopied and customised for photographers (fold-down screens, raised roofs, photographic bars, multi-plug invertors). Each vehicle is also stocked with a fridge with drinks and snacks, ready for longer days out if the wildlife viewing is exciting and just too hard to leave. We choose to accommodate four guests (or two couples) on a safari vehicle; however, if a family or group travels together, we would easily accommodate up to six guests.

Every day on safari brings a unique and distinct experience. Safari drives typically start at sunrise, returning for lunch and depart again in the mid-afternoon before returning just after sunset.

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The beauty of a safari experience at Mara Toto Tree Camp is that guests enjoy access to both the Maasai Mara National Reserve and the private Mara North Conservancy. This allows one to truly experience the best range of habitat and traversing areas available and thus unlock what is truly an amazing East African safari experience in the greater Maasai Mara.

Our schedule is flexible, and guests are encouraged to create their own itinerary according to their interests with guidance and recommendations from our professional guides.

Hot Air Ballooning

Hot-air ballooning over the Mara is available at additional cost and is a truly stunning way to experience the landscape and an unforgettable sunrise.

Photography

Each of Mara Toto Tree Camp's guest suites has a professional camera set, including a camera body and lenses. Photos will be downloaded to a memory stick on guest's departure. Each suite comes with a pair of high-quality binoculars for guest use as well. Photographic tuition can be arranged for guests (at an additional cost) and we recommend prior booking if possible. Tuition can be either on company cameras or own guests' personal cameras.

Private vehicle option

Available for more flexibility upon request at extra cost, not compulsory for families travelling with children.

Private Guides

Private guides are encouraged and welcomed.

CENTRAL FACILITIES

- Central lounge, dining room and wine room;
- Coffee/tea station;
- Outdoor fire area with seating.
- Great Plains Safari Boutique: Selling locally and regionally produced crafts, many of which support local community projects in the nearby Maasai communities. The Boutique also stocks the d&b clothing line: Dereck and Beverly Joubert have inspired this bespoke range of clothing they typically wear, and which is perfect and cool while on safari yet elegant when in the city. All materials are responsibly sourced. Visit www.greatplainsconservation.com/safariboutique

FOOD AND BEVERAGE

- All meals included and prepared by our Executive Chefs and their teams in a state-of-the-art kitchen that guests are welcome to visit;
- All drinks and beverages are included, including imported spirits and champagnes;
- Group meals and/or individual tables, a la carte menu options;

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- Indoor and outdoor dining;
- Private dining on guest's private verandah on request;
- All dietary requirements are catered for from regular to vegan to children; prior notice required;
- We are extremely flexible on timings. Picnic breakfasts or lunch (or both) are the norm due to very active safari drives, often delivered to the bush!

ACCOMMODATION DETAILS

BEDROOM FEATURES

- The 4 guest suites each feature a private lounge area on a raised deck built up into the canopies of the trees;
- large bedroom with ensuite bathroom;
- Shaded tented suites are of light tan canvas with plenty of netted windows and high ceilings;
- Uniquely designed custom tented suites, build up into the canopies of the trees;
- Tea and coffee station;
- Either twin or double bed configuration.

Bathroom features

- En-suite with flush loo, shower (indoor), copper bathtub and double basins;
- Hot and cold running water;
- Soap, shampoo, conditioner and lotion provided;
- Low voltage hairdryers provided are provided in each suite. High voltage devices such as shavers are not recommended.

ACCOMMODATING CHILDREN AND SHARING ACCOMMODATION

- We look forward to having children stay with us who are 6 years and older;
- No triples possible;
- Children must be supervised as the camp is built high into the tree line canopy, open and unfenced, with high predator densities in and around camp, and there is water surrounding the camp;
- Great Plains Young Explorers Kid's program is available – thoughtfully designed to explore various experiences and topics from birding to cooking to art to tracking wildlife.

SPA TREATMENTS

Mara Toto Tree Camp offers guests a range of spa treatments to be enjoyed in-room. Spa treatments are excluded from the nightly accommodation rate.

FITNESS

- Yoga mat, light weights available in each suite;
- Stationary exercise bikes.

LAUNDRY

Included in nightly tariff - next day service, weather permitting.



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POWER AND COMMUNICATION

Power

- The camp is run by an impressive solar farm;
- This system produces 240V, 24-hour electricity to the suites and main area;
- Plug points in each suite;
- Type of plug: large British three-pin; converters available for most international plugs;
- The power system does not allow for any high-wattage device.

Internet & Mobile

- Mobile reception is relatively reasonable;
- Each guest suite has access to complimentary Wi-Fi;
- No cell phones or computers are allowed in the public areas of camp or on safari vehicles, only in guest suites' privacy.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

Health

- Malaria: Minimal exposure risk– Malaria prophylaxis are recommended if guests are concerned; however, this is a remote area with little occurrence;
- Kenya is considered a Yellow Fever Zone. Consult your medical practitioner prior to travel;
- Guests must hold comprehensive medical insurance and emergency evacuation insurance;
- Senior staff all has first aid training;
- Nearest decent medical facility is in Nairobi.

Possibility of Disabled Access

The camp layout is conducive to guests who use wheelchairs due to interconnected raised decking and pathways between suites and the main area.

SAFETY

- The camp is unfenced to wild animals that do move through the property especially at night. Security guards are armed with traditional spears;
- Fire extinguishers in each suite.

MONEY MATTERS

Safes

Safes are provided in every suite.

Accepted Payment on Location

- Staff gratuities can be paid in Kenyan Shillings, US Dollars or GB Pounds;
- Credit card facilities are available in camp (except American Express) subject to 3.5% charge.

The Team

Lodge Owners

Great Plains Conservation

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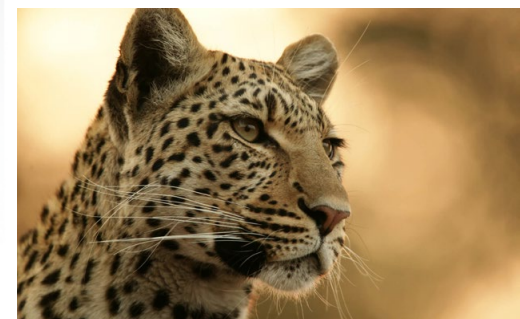
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FOUNDATION INITIATIVE

Big Cats Project

Big Cats need land now more than ever. There are an estimated 44 million acres of land in Africa on which Big Cats roam that is unprotected or under hunting management. As National Geographic Explorers, Great Plains Founders, Dereck and Beverly Joubert established the Big Cats Initiative (BCI). More than a decade later, BCI has funded 150 projects in 27 countries and is now operated directly by Great Plains. We look for good ideas that we can help scale up to prevent and reverse the decline of big cats. www.greatplainsfoundation.com/big-cats-initiative

In addition to our own programs Great Plains Foundation keeps a list of school needs in the countries where we work. Needed items can be hand-carried by travelers or we can help purchase them locally. To learn more or to help support students and educators as part of your trip please reach out info@greatplainsfoundation.com



GUEST SUITE



GREAT PLAINS

CONSERVING AND EXPANDING NATURAL HABITATS

GREAT PLAINS - KENYA



GREAT PLAINS CONSERVATION STRIVES TO FIND THE RIGHT FORMULA OF CONSERVATION, COMMUNITIES AND COMMERCE THAT MAKES A LASTING, SUSTAINABLE DIFFERENCE TO THE WORLD'S ICONIC WILDLIFE HABITATS



Kenya

Tanzania

Nairobi

Shompole

Ol Donyo Lodge

Camp Kunji

Mara Toto Tree Camp
Mara Expedition Camp
Mara Plains Camp & The Jahazi Suite at Mara Plains
Mara Nyika Camp & The Sambuk Suite at Mara Nyika

Serengeti National Park

Maasai Mara Reserve

Mount Kilimanjaro

Tanzania National Park

Tanzania National Park

Lake Naivasha

Lake Nakuru

Lake Nyanza

Arushii National Park

Ol Donyo Lodge

Ngorongoro Crater

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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	4 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 (to be pre-booked)	Yes	n/a	n/a	n/a
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	Yes	Yes (In-room only)	Yes (In-room only)
Fitness	Gym & 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 (to be pre-booked)	n/a
Horseback Riding	n/a
Hot-Air Ballooning (at an additional charge)	Yes
Bicycling	Yes
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