

FACT SHEET



LOCATION

Located in South Western Kenya in the Loita Hills Massif, Olarro Lodge and Olarro Plains sit within the Maasai Mara region about 200km from Nairobi.

Both luxury lodges lie within Olarro's very own 20,000-acre wilderness – Olarro Conservancy - owned entirely by us, open only to our guests.

Olarro Conservancy sits along the corridor of the annual wildebeest migration and plays a significant role in the Greater Nguruman, Loita, Mara, and Serengeti ecosystems.

ACCESS

BY AIR – THE MOST COMFORTABLE WAY TO ARRIVE

From Nairobi's Wilson Airport, take a 50-minute charter or scheduled flight to Siana airstrip, where you will be met by one of our private drivers who will take you on to Olarro. This is when your safari experience really begins: a one hour drive through stunning scenes, taking in breathtaking views like no other, and becoming familiar with your new surroundings.

Charter flights also depart from and land at Jomo Kenyatta International Airport (JKIA)

BY HELICOPTER – A TRANSFER THAT'S BOTH BEAUTIFULLY SCENIC AND LUXURIOUS

This is not just a transfer but an aerial safari – arrive at Olarro having gained a bird's eye view of its surroundings.

The helicopter journey departs from Nairobi and takes you directly to our helipads at Olarro with no onward journey required, other than a short drive through our conservancy if Olarro Plains is your choice of accommodation. The flight lasts approximately one hour, but this transfer is as much an experience as it is a means of getting here. Take this opportunity to see the savannah's sights before touching down at Olarro.

BY ROAD – A BREATHTAKINGLY SCENIC ARRIVAL

The drive from Nairobi to Olarro takes 4 hours, approximately. Though long, it does take in some arresting vistas, heading out from the city along the Great Rift Valley escarpment, down across the valley floor, before climbing up into the Loita foothills. Signage is limited, so GPS is essential.



OUR RETREATS

With two different lodges on offer at Olarro, guests can choose between a secluded hilltop haven and a lodge meticulously planned to offer uninterrupted savannah views. We recommend guests to divide their stay between Olarro Lodge and Olarro Plains to truly experience what Olarro has to offer.

OLARRO LODGE

Olarro Lodge is hidden high in the hills. With individual luxury lodges clustered around a central lodge, the world outside rarely intrudes on the tranquility here.

There are just 8 luxury lodges here. Each of these secluded sanctuaries boasts its own spacious bedroom and sumptuously appointed en-suite, complete with rainfall shower. Their interiors – elegantly designed with Kenyan influences – cocoon you in luxury. Every room has been designed as a tranquil retreat from the world outside.

Set away from the other lodges sits Little Olarro, our completely secluded suite. With two en-suite bedrooms, its own lounge and dining room, it's a truly exclusive abode.

Scattered amongst the flora, each room is a private paradise. Share savannah surroundings together at the main lodge. Cool off in the cascading waters of the swimming pool. Climb to the Upper Deck and quench your thirst for views and aperitifs. Dine beside a roaring fire. Retreat to the spa to deepen the peace this place induces.

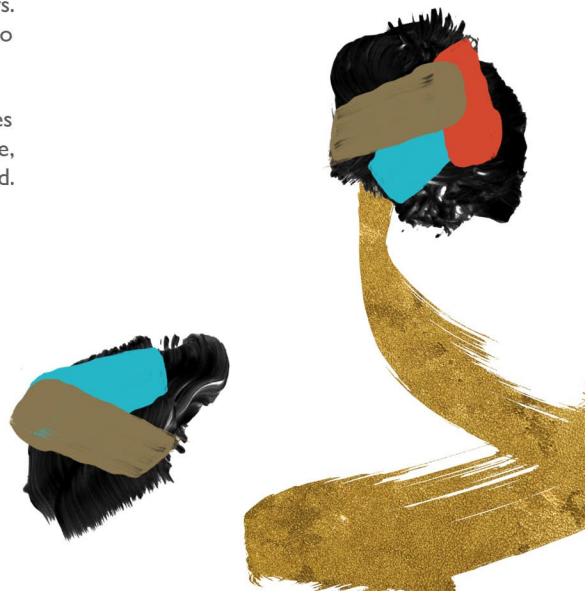
While wild Africa is never far away, lush hillsides and protective fences surround Olarro Lodge, keeping the safari experience carefully contained.

OLARRO PLAINS

With a location chosen for the unblinking vistas it offers, Olarro Plains couldn't be closer to nature. Here, untamed Kenya is never more than a glance away.

An open and airy luxury lodge, the safari spectacles flood effortlessly and endlessly into Olarro Plains. Watch animals gather to drink without moving an inch, as the property overlooks a waterhole and a live feed beams every beat into the bar. Though fences keep you safe from wildlife, here the line between wilderness and refinement blurs. Live seamlessly in both realms at once.

Olarro Plains has 4 double and 4 twin rooms – all en-suite. Spacious and beautifully designed, each one is as flawless as the last. Every detail, from their positioning to the décor, has been thoughtfully considered. Step out onto your own private veranda. Pointing west, ready for dusk and the setting sun, each suite's vantage point is as breathtaking as it is exclusive.



	Olarro Lodge	Olarro Plains
Number of Rooms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 Double Rooms • 3 Twin Rooms • 1 Suite (Little Olarro) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 Double Rooms • 4 Twin Rooms
Maximum Number of Guests	25	20
All-Inclusive	<p>The following is included in our “all-inclusive” rates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All meals • Beverages (including tea, coffee, bottled water, soft drinks, local beers, house wines and select spirits) • 2 activities each day in Olarro Conservancy (see below) • Transfers to and from Siana Airstrip (approx one hour each way) • Laundry service <p>Exclusions are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Olarro Conservancy Fees (Adult: USD 47 / Child: USD 24 per person per night) • Park Fees in Maasai Mara National Reserve • Entry fee to Maasai Village • Premium alcoholic drinks (champagne, luxury spirits and special wines) • Hot air balloon safari and helicopter flight • Guaranteed exclusive use of the vehicle • Babysitting services • Spa treatments • Gratuities 	
Activities	<p>Guided day and night game drives (maximum 6 guests per vehicle); Quad biking (for guests 16 years old and above); Cultural visit to the Maasai Village; Bush dining, sundowners and picnic excursions; Children’s activities; Educational visit to the Olarro Conservancy HQ.</p> <p>Activities are limited to 2 per person per day.</p>	
Children	Welcome but parental supervision advised. Baby cots on request.	
Minimum Stay	No minimum stay, however we recommend a minimum of 3 nights to fully appreciate the Olarro experience.	
Air-Conditioning	No, due to the elevation it is not required.	
Check-In	12 Noon	12 Noon

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King or Twin Beds With Luxurious Linen	Yes	Yes
En-Suite With Walk-In Rainfall Shower	Yes (Bath only in Room 7)	Yes
Bath	Little Olarro and Room 7	No
Flush-Toilets	Yes	Yes
Sofa	Yes	Yes
Complimentary WiFi	Yes	Yes
Terrace	Yes	No
West Facing Veranda	No	Yes
Private Entrance	Yes	Yes
Yoga and Gym Equipment	Yes	Yes
Minibar	Yes	Yes
Swimming Pool	Yes	Yes
Spa	Yes	Access at Olarro Lodge
Restaurant	Yes	Yes
Room Fans	No	No
Mosquito Nets	Not Required	Not Required
In-Room Safe	Yes	Yes
Hairdryers	Yes	Yes
Laundry	Yes	Yes
Hot Water Bottles	Yes	Yes
Private 4X4 Safari Vehicle	Yes – Available on Request at an Additional Charge	Yes – Available on Request at an Additional Charge
Credit Card	MasterCard and Visa	MasterCard and Visa
Check-Out	10AM	10AM
Power	240v AC Solar and Wind 24 hrs with Back-Up Generator	240v AC Solar and Wind 24 hrs with Back-Up Generator
Souvenir Shop	Yes	Access at Olarro Lodge
Helipad	Yes	Access at Olarro Lodge

OLARRO CONSERVANCY

A 20,000-acre private conservancy, Olarro is a place that not only gives privileged access to Kenya's wildest drama, but also provides protection and hope for the area's wildlife. So while you retreat to the serenity of Olarro's lodgings, Olarro Conservancy offers sanctuary for animal kind.

Recruited from local communities, our specially trained rangers are Olarro Conservancy's guardians. As well as tracking animals on behalf of guests, they also put their skills to work for the Kenyan Wildlife Service to help put a stop to poaching.

Olarro Conservancy and its rangers play a big part in protecting many African animals. But we don't just stop at protection. Having undertaken threatened species surveys, Olarro Conservancy is also here to restore and enrich the ecosystem, with increased protection of endangered species.

We ensure that encounters with Africa's animals – species that migrate in millions and those on the brink of existence – never become extinct. Instead, rare glimpses will be replaced by enduring experiences.



ECO LODGE & COMMUNITY

Olarro has undertaken three main courses of action:

- Create a conservancy for environment and wildlife protection, conservation and sustainability.
- Change the land use so that the green cover is retained and overgrazing and deforestation are avoided.
- Ensure that the operations of Olarro itself are as close to carbon neutral as possible.

Olarro is 99% powered by renewable energy. Olarro has a sophisticated installation of solar and wind energy-generator systems. These renewable energy systems include wind turbines and solar panels that charge deep-cycle batteries, solar water heaters to supply all the hot water needs and solar pumps which provide all the water requirements for our lodges as well as the water filter for the swimming pools.

Our aim is to create a self-sustaining tourist operation with the dual goal of improving the standard of living for the local Maasai community.



GENERAL INFORMATION

WHAT SHOULD WE BRING?

A quick wild kit list:

- Long-sleeved shirts that offer protection from the sun and insects
- T-shirts
- Shorts or a light skirt
- Jeans or safari trousers for evenings and cooler days
- Jackets and sweaters for early morning and late afternoon game drives
- A lightweight waterproof jacket in case of rain
- Comfortable walking shoes
- Sunscreen, sunglasses, a hat, insect repellent, moisturiser and lip salve
- Binoculars and camera equipment

When it comes to packing, remember that the maximum luggage allowance on small and internal flights is usually only 15kg. Please pack accordingly, but we do offer a laundry service to help with this restricted limit.

PASSPORTS AND VISA REQUIREMENTS

All foreign visitors need to have a passport that will still be valid 6 months after the intended stay. This also has to have at least two consecutive blank visa pages. If you're travelling through more than one country, we recommend leaving 3 to 4 consecutive pages blank. You could be denied entry if there isn't enough space.

Many nationalities, including the US and the UK, require a visa to enter Kenya. As of September 2015, Kenya introduced an e-Visa system and they can be obtained through the online portal. Although manual applications on arrival are still accepted, the online process is strongly recommended in order to avoid any queues and potential issues on arrival.

Depending on your nationality and country of origin, the visa requirements may vary or change without notice. We advise checking with the appropriate consular authority before your departure.

MEDICINES & VACCINATIONS

Since Olarro is situated at an altitude of 6,000 feet, there is no known occurrence of malaria in the area. However, you may still want to protect yourself, should your journey take you into areas where malaria and mosquitoes do occur. We recommend discussing this further with your doctor.

SPECIAL DIETARY REQUIREMENTS

Provided we are notified in advance, we will accommodate those guests who prefer only vegetarian meals. However, we regret that due to our unique location we may not be able to provide meals requiring other more strict religious observance apart from Halal meals.



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