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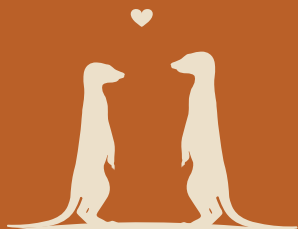
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SIR RICHARD BRANSON'S KENYAN SAFARI CAMP

WEDDINGS AT MAHALI MZURI

Congratulations! Our priority is you, your partner and your guests (if you choose to invite them) and ensuring that your day is all you had hoped for. We can arrange everything from intimate ceremonies just for the two of you to larger celebrations for your nearest and dearest.



ABOUT MAHALI MZURI

Located within Kenya's private Olare Motorogi Conservancy, Mahali Mzuri offers a magical setting with 12 luxury tented suites, a heated infinity pool and dedicated spa treatment tent.

Highly experienced Maasai Guides will take you on twice daily drives through the Olare Motorogi Conservancy to spot wildebeest, elephants, zebra, lions and leopards, and this game experience continues back at camp. Mahali Mzuri is set overlooking a river valley, ensuring great game viewing from the dining pavilion and from your tented suite.

Foodies will indulge in a selection of African and international menus paired with fine quality wines. In the evening, dinner might be served in the decadent main dining tent, communally with your guests, out in the bush or somewhere private for two.



As well as civil ceremonies we also offer blessings too where you can incorporate unique Maasai traditions into your day. It's up to you how authentic you would like to be!



TRADITIONAL MAASAI BLESSING RITUALS

Whether you are renewing your vows or celebrating an anniversary we would be delighted to organise a special ceremony for you and your partner.

For those looking for the traditional Maasai blessing this is the perfect option for you, but be warned – some traditions are not for the faint hearted!

A Maasai bride traditionally wears a cow hide dress over her wedding gown. A group of Maasai Elders prepares the ground by spilling milk for the bride to walk over, and then they spit wine, milk or cow's blood at the bride's feet as a sign of good luck. The Elders, and possibly the groom, will then drink the cow's blood or goat's milk from a handmade gourd to celebrate!

If you would like the more 'conservative' option we can dress the bride in Maasai beaded necklaces, a headdress, and drape Maasai wraps around your wedding clothes during your ceremony. Of course, this is all optional and it is entirely up to you what you'd like to wear on your big day.

LOCATION, LOCATION, LOCATION...



THE CEREMONY

In the heart of the Kenyan Bush there are plenty of places to toast the happy couple, but here are just some of our favourites:

LONE TREE HILL

With stunning Savannah views, it's a beautiful location to say your vows covered by large canopied trees.

BIG ROCK

Expect panoramic views of the conservancy and incredible sunsets; it's a special spot for ceremonies, sundowners or bush dinners.

POOL DECK

This location is perfect for smaller ceremonies, receptions or private dinners. The infinity pool extends the view during the day and in the evening is lit up with candles and lamps creating a romantic atmosphere.

FIRE DECK

From this spectacular elevated space with views out into the gorge, watch the sun set while the firepit provides the perfect romantic atmosphere.

SHEPHERD'S NOOK

This area offers privacy and is a small but beautiful area. It's also the perfect spot to continue the celebrations with a reception or bush dinner.

THE RECEPTION

From dancers to dinners, here are just a few ideas of how you can get the party started!

MAASAI DANCERS

For a traditional celebration the Maasai dancers perform their traditional song and dance, which involves the men jumping in the centre of a circle formed by other Maasai warriors. This is traditionally performed to try and impress the young women with their athleticism!

BUSH DINNER

A bush dinner is the perfect setting for couples looking for an intimate and romantic evening. It's the ideal location for smaller groups too.

BUSH GAME DRIVES

Spend your first moments as a married couple amongst the wild animals roaming the Kenyan plains.





THE FEAST

Our chefs have developed numerous pan-African dishes influenced by a variety of cultures, flavours and spices. Whether dining under the African sky in the open bush, on a deck or in the dining tent, our menus and meals promise to be exciting, social and inspirational.

From bush BBQs to champagne picnics to sundowners, our team will treat you to a wide selection of African and international menus. All of our breads and pastries are baked daily. We can cater for those with special dietary needs so just let us know in advance and we'll do our best to have exactly what you need.



SAMPLE SET MENU

Feast your eyes on this! Here's an example of the wedding feast you could enjoy on your big day. For a full menu please contact our reservations team.

-STARTERS-

Chilli and garlic prawns served with avocado, mango, red bean and salsa

-MAINS-

Grilled prim beef fillet mignon, served with a traditional Kenyan irio cake, chilli broccoli, zested cauliflower and Vichy carrots

-DESSERT-

Mini pavlova with quintet of berries and Melba coulis

YOUR INTIMATE & WILD WEDDING

PURE ROMANCE:

Designed for those couples who prefer a private, romantic wedding with minimum fuss:

- A bottle of champagne for the bridal couple on arrival
- Bouquet for the bride and a boutonniere button hole for the groom
- Decorations for the ceremony: flower arrangements, chairs, hanging mason jars with candles and rose petals
- Champagne and canapés after the ceremony
- A gourmet Bush breakfast the next day for the newlyweds (or breakfast in bed if you prefer!)
- A private vehicle exclusively for you on your wedding day

PURE INDULGENCE:

Designed for those couples who prefer a private, romantic wedding with an indulgent twist. Pure Indulgence includes all of the above, plus the following:

- A group of Maasai Elders, should you wish to invite them to your ceremony, can perform their traditional celebration
- Maasai singers performing at your wedding feast
- A simple single tier wedding cake (Victoria sponge)

Both packages include your accommodation, all meals and drinks (including alcohol), twice daily game drives, transfers from the nearest airstrip, wireless internet, laundry service and all taxes.

RATES IN 2021

PURE ROMANCE: from \$6,800 for two people based on a minimum 3 night stay.

PURE INDULGENCE: from \$7,400 for two people based on a minimum 3 night stay.

ADD THAT SPECIAL TOUCH *(for an additional charge)*

- **Maasai blessings:** The bride and groom dress in traditional ceremonial beaded necklaces and are met by a group of dancing warriors and ladies and led to the Maasai Elder. The blessing is open air, colourful and joyful
- **Civil ceremonies:** To hold a legal wedding in Kenya, you'll need to comply with *Kenyan Government requirements* which involves applying for a special marriage license online as well as arranging a meeting at the Registrar's office in Nairobi. *Please note there may be additional restrictions in place due to COVID-19*
- **Wedding cake:** If you would like a special custom-designed cake for your big day, we can order a tailor-made one from a talented pastry chef in Nairobi
- **Photography:** Don't miss any of those special moments! Photographers are available in Nairobi but please ask us for costs associated with flying them to the ceremony and hosting them overnight
- **Flowers:** Additional flower arrangements for the bridesmaids and groomsmen
- **Spa treatments:** Enjoy our special 'Couples Experience' or a relaxing massage in the Nasaro Spa with Africology products whilst taking in your stunning surroundings

EXCLUSIVELY YOURS

When you book the camp exclusively for a wedding we can host a maximum of 24 guests. Our exclusive use rates include your accommodation, all meals and drinks (including alcohol), twice daily game drives, transfers from the nearest airstrip, wireless internet, laundry service and all taxes.

Based on a three night stay in camp and also includes:

- 3 nights' accommodation for 24 guests in 12 luxury tented suites
- A bottle of champagne for the bridal couple on arrival
- Bouquet for the bride and a boutonniere button hole for the groom
- Decorations for the ceremony: five medium flower arrangements, chairs, hanging mason jars with candles and rose petals
- Champagne and canapés after the ceremony
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EXCLUSIVE USE RATES IN 2021

Accommodation starts from \$64,620 for a 3 night stay for up to 24 guests.

A minimum 3-night stay applies.

WEDDING SUPPLEMENT

Applicable on the day of your wedding only and added to the nightly exclusive use accommodation rate of \$4,000.

BACHELOR OR BACHELORETTE PARTY

Mahali Mzuri is an amazing setting for your bachelor or bachelorette party, otherwise known as stag and hen parties. Our only piece of advice? Don't plan these parties the night before the big day! In addition to parties in the evening, we've also organised some daytime activities. Here are just a couple of ideas:

An indulgent spa morning in our Nasaro Spa treatment tent followed by a relaxing afternoon by the pool with plenty of cocktails, canapés and the odd sip (or two!) of something fizzy! (Additional charges will apply for spa treatments). We can set-up a campfire for some bonding time, out in the bush followed by a game drive.



Talk to us to start
planning your day

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