



# SARUNI BASECAMP

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## THE BEST OF BUSH & BEACH SAFARI

SAFARI MEETS BEACH TIME

Thrilling and relaxing.

8 nights / 9 days

BUSH & BEACH SAFARIS - Masai Mara Safari  
plus Coastal Getaway







## SUGGESTED SAFARI OVERVIEW

# THE BEST OF BUSH & BEACH 2024

### OFFER VALIDITY

03 January 2024 – 02 January 2025

### DESTINATION

Masai Mara + Diani Beach, South Coast

### LODGES & CAMPS

Saruni Mara, Saruni Wild, Alfajiri Villas

### DURATION

8 nights / 9 days

### MINIMUM GUESTS

2

### ALL-INCLUSIVE COST

FROM **US\$6,880** per adult sharing



Kenya can truthfully be described as the world in one country, and few experiences can match our 'The Best of Bush & Beach' Safari for contrasting destinations within a single holiday.

From the vast swathes of grassland that make up the Masai Mara to the palm-fringed, powder-white beaches of Kenya's South Coast, this curated safari will reveal some of Kenya's most desirable yet secluded destinations.

The contrast is complete, and yet the Masai Mara and Diani Beach have much in common. Unspoiled landscapes, epic views and rich cultural heritage can be found in both locations, even though at first glance they appear completely different.

Expect contrasting emotional responses, too – from the sheer exhilaration of being in the wilderness and close to wild creatures, to the feeling of complete relaxation that will wash over you the moment you arrive on the beach.

Choose to follow our suggested safari (as outlined below), featuring our recommended accommodation options for the very best of both the bush and the beach, or ask our team to tailor the programme to your specific preferences and create a bespoke experience – perhaps by adjusting the itinerary to place more emphasis on either the coast or the savannah.



## PRICING

### PUBLISHED RATE | Per adult sharing

<b>Low Season</b>	01 Mar-31 May 2024 01-30 Nov 2024	<b>US\$6,880</b>
<b>Mid-Season</b>	03 Jan-29 Feb 2024 01-30 Jun 2024 01-31 Oct 2024 01-19 Dec 2024	<b>US\$7,680</b>
<b>High Season</b>	01 Jul-30 Sept 2024 20 Dec 2024-02 Jan 2025	<b>US\$8,480</b>

## Lodges & Camps

### Saruni Mara x 4 nights

- Private Mara North Conservancy
- Remarkable wildlife viewing, all year round
- Intimate luxury lodge with Italian-inspired cuisine
- Treatments in the Maasai Wellbeing Space
- Local warrior guides

## AND / OR

### Saruni Wild x 4 nights

- Classic Mara setting
- Explore two private conservancies
- Iconic East African tented safari style
- Infinite views across the plains
- Quintessential safari experiences
- Local guides share their expertise

## PLUS

### Alfajiri Villas x 4 nights

- Private, intimate beachside villa accommodation
- Breathtaking clifftop location
- Panoramic ocean views
- 25km of pristine beach to explore
- Private beach access
- Exceptional watersports

## HIGHLIGHTS

- Escape from the crowds.
- Get close to remarkable wildlife.
- Explore Maasai and Swahili culture.
- Enjoy two contrasting facets of Kenya.
- Guided walking safaris and beach strolls.
- Cultural immersion and warm ocean swimming.
- Time on safari and time to yourself.
- Unique, hand-picked destinations.
- Scenic light aircraft transfers.

## THE SARUNI BASECAMP DIFFERENCE

- Safaris created by passionate travel experts
- Flexibility and options to customise or add to your safari holiday
- Remarkable locations, off the beaten path
- Remote, secluded and intimate lodges, camps and villas
- Warm, welcoming Kenyan staff
- Expert local guides
- Insights into traditional lifestyles, languages and cuisine
- The opportunity to give back through your travel choices



# SUGGESTED SAFARI

(MAY VARY DEPENDING ON LOCAL CIRCUMSTANCES, WEATHER, AND THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF YOUR LOCAL GUIDES)

## Day 1 | Saruni Mara / Saruni Wild

- Saruni Basecamp vehicle transfer from Jomo Kenyatta International Airport to Wilson Airport (both in Nairobi).
- Forty-five-minute\* scenic flight to Mara North, to be met by a Saruni Basecamp guide for your lodge/camp transfer or game drive.
- Enjoy lunch in camp before an afternoon game drive to explore the 30,000 acres of the Mara North Conservancy. Although it borders the popular Masai Mara National Reserve, this private wilderness is unspoiled, and teeming with wildlife.



## Day 2 | Saruni Mara / Saruni Wild

- Morning game drive (including a picnic breakfast) in search of the big cats and other predators for which Mara North is renowned.
- Return to the lodge/camp for an al fresco lunch and relaxing, revitalising treatments in the Maasai Wellbeing Space or in your tent (if at Saruni Wild).
- Spend the afternoon on safari, with your guide revealing more of the secrets of the Mara.
- After dinner in the lodge/camp, you can head out into the wild again on an optional night drive – a very different experience to a daytime safari.



## Day 3 | Saruni Mara / Saruni Wild

- A change of pace as you set off on a guided walking safari, exploring the valleys and plains around camp and learning bush lore from your guide.
- The afternoon activity will focus on a different area, giving you the opportunity to appreciate the many different habitats that contribute to the mosaic of the Mara.
- Starlit bush dinner accompanied by traditional Maasai songs and dancing.





## Day 4 | Saruni Mara / Saruni Wild

- Even after several days in the Mara, there are likely to still be species that you've not encountered. This morning's safari – leading to a secret breakfast location – gives you more time to achieve extra ticks on your checklist.
- Your afternoon game drive will end at a panoramic viewpoint from where you can enjoy the plains vistas, and the safari tradition of sundowners.

## Day 5 | Saruni Mara / Saruni Wild to Alfajiri Villas

- Your drive to the airstrip can include time on the banks of the Mara River, and a visit to the nearby rhino sanctuary that Saruni Basecamp supports.
- Your flight to Ukunda airport in Diani Beach departs the Mara at 14:00, arriving at 16:00. An Alfajiri vehicle will be waiting for your short transfer to the tranquil haven of Alfajiri Villas.
- Take a refreshing dip in your private swimming pool, followed by a chilled sundowner on your verandah, looking down on the white sand beach below, and out across the Indian Ocean.
- Dinner will be an elegant seafood offering paired with exceptional wines, and you will drift off to sleep to the sound of the waves.

## Day 6 | Alfajiri Villas

- Set off on a thrilling morning of deep-sea fishing and throw in a line in the hope of hooking a prized marlin or wahoo.
- Enjoy a picnic lunch from the Alfajiri Villas kitchen at sea, before cruising home in the afternoon for a well-earned siesta or a bit of retail therapy and souvenir shopping at the nearby markets.





## Day 7 | Alfajiri Villas

- Head out across the clear azure ocean on a traditional dhow to visit Funzi Island for a day of sailing, fishing, swimming with dolphins and snorkelling with rare sea turtles before returning ashore for a delicious fresh seafood lunch.
- Stroll barefoot along the beach, drink in hand, collecting seashells, and watching for the fading daylight that signals that dinner is served.



## Day 8 | Alfajiri Villas

- Wake up with the sea breeze and spend your morning kayaking and snorkelling, taking the plunge to discover the colourful life below the surface of the Indian Ocean, including bustling coral reef communities.
- If you are feeling adventurous, you may want to give kite surfing a try...
- After lunch, relax by the pool or enjoy a traditional massage treatment – or both, your time at Alfajiri Villas is your own.
- End another heavenly day with a sunset dhow cruise, followed by a sumptuous fresh seafood banquet inspired by Swahili spices and culinary traditions.



## Day 9 | Departure

- Wake up in paradise, linger over breakfast and take a final stroll along the white sand of Diani Beach.
- After a morning spent making the most of the relaxing vibe of your villa and the beach just beyond it, depart in the afternoon for your flight back to Nairobi, which departs Diani at 16:00 and arrives at Wilson Airport at 17:30.
- Transfer to Jomo Kenyatta International Airport with a Saruni Basecamp driver and vehicle. Depending on the time of your international flight, eat at the Talisman or Carnivore (flight times permitting; dinner on your own account). Alternatively, ask us for a different dining recommendation – our team knows all the best spots in town.





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## THE SMALL PRINT | Saruni Mara and Saruni Wild

### Included

- All-inclusive accommodation (full-board accommodation including soft drinks, beers, house wines and select non-luxury spirits)
- One complimentary Back & Neck massage (30 min.) per room/tent per stay
- Selected laundry service
- Shared day & night game drives in 4x4 vehicles
- Guided walking safaris
- Bush meals, sundowner & picnic excursions
- Warriors Academy (where available and upon request in advance)
- Local cultural visits transfers
- All internal flights and return airstrip transfers
- Airport assistance
- Temporary Flying Doctors cover
- Daily conservation fees
- VAT & taxes.

### Excluded

- Exclusive use of vehicle
- Premium drinks (Champagne, luxury spirits and special wines)
- Additional Wellbeing Space treatments
- Any payable extra activities
- Entry fees to local cultural visits
- Childcare
- Transport & entry fees to the Masai Mara National Reserve in the Mara
- Gratuities to staff & guides
- Own private guides & drivers
- Any payable extra services
- Anything of a personal nature
- International flights & visa fees
- Late departure fees
- All statutory increases beyond our control

### Please note

#### Rates

- Rates with children or for single occupancy are available upon request.
- Prices at Alfajiri Villas are based on Beach Villa accommodation. A supplement applies to Cliff Villa & Garden Villa accommodation, pricing available upon request.
- Season dates above are based on those of Saruni Basecamp lodges & camps. Season dates above for Alfajiri Villas vary slightly, and upon enquiry, pricing will be adjusted accordingly to suit Alfajiri's season category.

#### Internal flights

- \*Flight times and durations may vary depending on airline, weather and routing, and are subject to change. Road transfer times and durations also subject to change, and will be coordinated with your flights.
- Seats on scheduled flights are subject to availability at confirmation.
- Baggage allowance on internal flights is 15kg per person, preferably in small, soft bags without wheels.



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## THE SMALL PRINT | Alfajiri Villas

### Included

- Exclusive use of the villa and pool
- Full-board accommodation, soft drinks, beers and house wines, select non-luxury spirits
- Nannies available 24 hours
- Personal butler at your disposal
- Laundry
- WI-FI
- Guest library and games
- Airstrip transfers
- Use of golf clubs & snorkelling equipment
- Activities - Ngalawa (local African boats) at disposal for excursions to coral reef for snorkelling
- Massage
- Chauffeured transport within Diani beach area
- Visit to community project, orphanage, visit to local villages in Diani beach area
- Gym and sauna at a nearby property
- Alfajiri Foundation donation contribution – US\$10 per person per night

### Excluded

- Selected wines, luxury spirits & Champagne
- Mombasa airport transfer
- Diving and diving courses
- Deep sea fishing
- Kite surfing and kite courses
- Dhow excursion to the Kisite Marine National Park
- Golf at the nearby 18 holes' golf resort
- Day safaris to Shimba Hills and Tsavo East National Park