

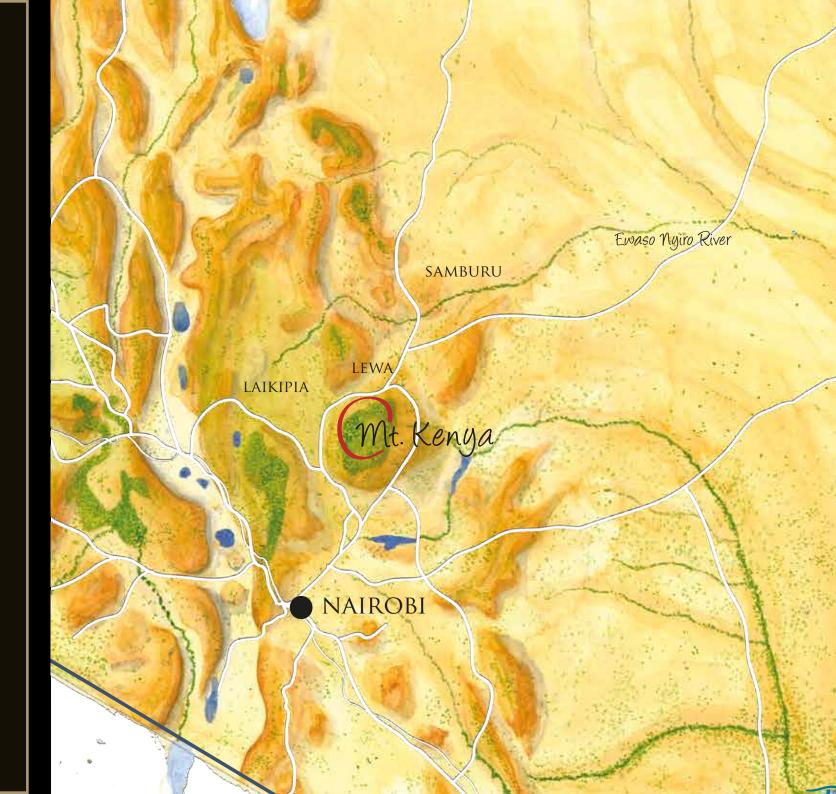
MOUNT KENYA

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MOUNT KENYA BY HELICOPTER

Africa's 2nd highest Mountain, after Mount Kilimanjaro

An ancient extinct volcano, standing over 5000 metres tall, in the heart of Kenya, with rugged peaks, glacial valleys & forested slopes.



Dawn flight around the peaks

Iconic in shape and size, Mount Kenya is situated in the heart of Kenya, on the equator - its highest peak 'Batian' stands at 5,199 meters.

The snowy peaks can be seen on clear days from as far as Mt Kilimanjaro some 300 km away.

The vast and desolate nature of Mount Kenya with its towering summit, sheer cliffs and glaciers become apparent as we circulate above the peaks of Batian and Nelion.





Everlasting flowers, giant groundsel, lobelia & wild herbs are typical for this afroalpine zone

Many tarns and rivers are found on the upper slopes of the mountain.

We land on the shore for a picnic breakfast, surrounded by beautiful views and unique mountain flora.





Blue-green mountain lakes sparkle in the morning sun

Lake Michelson is one of our favourite spots that few have ever been so lucky to visit. Almost inaccessible by foot, and well off the beaten track, the lake is located in a deep crater which falls away to a spectacular valley.





An extraordinary landscape lie to the west and northern foot hills of Mount Kenya

The mountain has a great diversity of geographical features, vegetation zones and climate bands - these become apparent as we descend 3,000 meters from the peaks to the foothills in just 35 kms.

There is no better way to appreciate this contrast than by helicopter.

From heathland, mountain bamboo, luxuriant evergreen forest, and finally the stunning savannah plains of Northern Kenya - the epitome of what Africa is all about!





Private helicopter and pilot
/ guides are provided by a
leading air charter company
based in East Africa,
specialising in heli-safaris and
adventures, with more than 10
years of experience in this field.

The Eurocopter AS 350 B3's are perfectly adapted to fly in East Africa's hot and high environments.

Aircraft are fitted with satelite tracking software, pilots are trained in 'first person on scene' first aid, and all precautions are carried out to ensure maximum safety and comfort.

