

Kenya Migration Photo Expedition

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Trip Details:

Days 10 Days / Jul-Sep

Price From \$16295 (+Air)

Physical Requirements Easy to Moderate

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Kenya has long been Africa's most storied safari destination. Known for its legendary wildlife and evocative landscapes, Kenya offers the photographer countless opportunities to capture iconic images of Africa: Graceful giraffes browsing in acacia trees. Elephants traversing the savanna. Stealthy lions stalking gazelle. Proud Maasai bedecked in ceremonial beadwork. And, perhaps most notably, the Great Migration, a chance to photograph thousands upon thousands of wildebeest and zebra thundering across the plains, with predators in pursuit. Concentrating on private reserves, we avoid the more heavily visited parks, guaranteeing an authentic safari experience reminiscent of Kenya in days gone by. Our small groups and intimate luxury camps ensure personal attention, exceptional comfort and a matchless photo safari in which wildlife truly takes center stage.

Trip Highlights

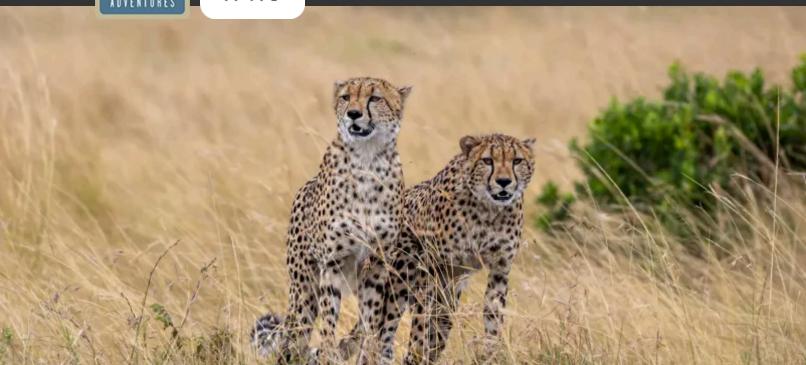
Enjoy unparalleled proximity to the herds from our private camps in the Maasai Mara—including Nat Hab's mobile camp on an exclusive private conservancy

From our remote camp location, witness thousands of wildebeest crossing a river as crocodiles lie in wait, plus thrilling predator-prey interactions on the savanna

Our Expedition Leaders are expert photographers, naturalists and trackers with deep knowledge of this land and its wildlife—key to getting the photos you covet!







Itinerary At A Glance

Day 1

Nairobi, Kenya

Day 2

Photo Safari in Nairobi National Park

Days 3 - 5

Private Mara Conservancy—Nat Hab's Mara East Camp

Days 6 - 9

Maasai Mara National Reserve— Nat Hab's Migration Camp

Day 10

Nairobi / Depart

Kenya Migration Photo Expedition Itinerary

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Day 1: Nairobi, Kenya

Our Kenya Migration Photo Expedition begins in Nairobi, the country's capital and traditional jumping-off point for most safaris. Transfer to our boutique inn in the tranquil suburb of Karen on the outskirts of the city, a setting at the foot of the Ngong Hills immortalized in Isak Dinesen's famous memoir *Out of Africa.* This evening, enjoy a welcome dinner with our Expedition Leader who offers a preview of the many photography adventures that lie ahead.







Day 2: Photo Safari in Nairobi National Park

After breakfast, head out with our Expedition Leader for our first wildlife photography opportunity, a morning game drive in nearby Nairobi National Park. Designated as a protected reserve by the British colonial government in 1946, this 45-square-mile park on the outskirts of the city is home to black rhino, lion, leopard, cheetah, hyena, buffalo, giraffe and diverse birdlife, with more than 400 species recorded. During these introductory wildlife photo sessions, our Expedition Leader will get to interests, aspirations and level of photography experience, in order to provide the personalized coaching that is the hallmark of a Nat Hab Photo Expedition.

Days 3 - 5: Private Mara Conservancy—Nat Hab's Mara East Camp

Transfer to the airport for our flight to the Maasai Mara. Our first safari destination is a vast private conservancy offering unparalleled access for wildlife photography. Nat Hab's own mobile camp offers bush luxury in classic canvas tents, surrounded by all the wonders of the Maasai Mara ecosystem without the crowds. The conservancy model has been a boon to the region's legendary wildlife, creating buffer zones and protecting migration corridors while providing economic benefits to local landowners through responsible safari tourism.

On this private reserve, we experience the Mara's spectacular wildlife in peaceful solitude, and our camp is one of just a handful located within its bounds. Strict limits on guest numbers mean unprecedented wildlife viewing without crowds, especially of the wildebeest migration that occurs in close proximity. The conservancy serves as a migration corridor for several hundred thousand animals between the Maasai Mara National Reserve and the Loita Plains to the east. A multitude of species flourishes here: great herds of antelope dot the grassy, rolling plains while stands of acacia woodland shelter prolific birdlife. Rich volcanic soils nurture a verdant landscape where we find more lions per square mile than anywhere else in Kenya. Impressive herds of elephant, giraffe and zebra are also at home here. Our activities make the most of our unrivaled access to this vast, wild region. In addition to daily game drives, enjoy guided walks, bush picnics, off-road safaris and night drives in search of nocturnal wildlife—pursuits not permitted in the national reserve.





Days 6 - 9: Maasai Mara National Reserve—Nat Hab's Migration Camp

With plenty of wildlife photo opportunities en route, we transfer by road to the Maasai Mara National Reserve for another exhilarating vantage on the wildebeest migration. The reserve is named for the Maasai tribespeople, the traditional inhabitants of the area who still graze cattle here, and the Mara River that runs through it. The Mara is the northern portion of the Serengeti Plains, and we find excellent wildlife viewing in these endless grasslands.

Nat Hab's Migration Camp, our private luxury mobile outpost, enjoys an exclusive setting near the Mara River where wildebeest cross during the migration. Deluxe canvas tents are situated in secluded spot, with ample trees providing shade from the midday sun. Located in a wildlife hotspot, our campsite also provides easy access to the rest of the reserve, including the main river systems. Wildlife drives take us among myriad plains game—not only the thundering herds of thousands of wildebeest and their zebra companions, but also gazelle, impala, hartebeest, topi and giraffe. Predators follow in close pursuit, and the Mara is especially famed for its lions—we may see them hunting in the early morning or evening or resting beneath acacia trees in the heat of the day. Hyenas also patrol the plains in some of the largest numbers in Africa. Optional hot air balloon safaris with a champagne breakfast upon landing are also available (additional cost) during our stay at Nat Hab's Migration Camp.

Day 10: Nairobi / Depart

Fly back to Nairobi today, where day rooms await for refreshment and relaxation. Later, we'll share a farewell meal to close our Kenya photo safari before outbound evening flights.



Accommodation Details:

House of Waine

Nat Hab's Mara East Camp— Private Mara Conservancy

Nat Hab's Migration Camp— Maasai Mara

Ole Sereni Hotel

For detailed descriptions, visit nathab.com/africa/kenyamigration-photoexpedition/accommodations

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House of Waine

Set amid manicured gardens in the quiet residential suburb of Karen on the outskirts of Nairobi, the House of Waine, once a private estate, offers an appealing alternative to standardized city hotels.



Nat Hab's Mara East Camp—Private Mara Conservancy

Our mobile tented camp on a private conservancy in the Maasai Mara offers the ultimate in proximity to wildlife without the crowds—plus night drives and bush walks not available in the national reserve.



Nat Hab's Migration Camp—Maasai Mara

To sleep beneath canvas in the bush, under a Milky Way so thick with stars that it looks like clouds, listening for the roar of lions in the distance...there's no more iconic safari experience!







Ole Sereni Hotel

Overlooking the bushlands of Nairobi National Park yet just minutes from the city's domestic and international airports, Ole Sereni is perfectly positioned to begin or end your Kenya safari.





Get Once-in-a-Lifetime Images on Our Kenya Migration Safari

Of all your safari options, the chance to capture Africa's Great Migration may be the pinnacle. Imagine close-up shots of thousands of wildebeest and zebra clattering over the plains, followed by a phalanx of predators—there's no greater thrill for wildlife photographers! But choosing a migration safari isn't easy, since some companies simply add the word "migration" to their trip name when in reality, they visit crowded parks, use cramped vehicles, stay in big lodges and rely on mediocre guides. You won't get the shots you dream about on a sub-par safari. That's why we offer a superlative experience!

1 Fewer Travelers—Just 12 Guests—for a Superlative Experience

Our small groups, capped at 12—give you better photo opportunities and more personalized coaching. With just four guests per vehicle, every photographer gets unobstructed views and plenty of room for your equipment.

Personalized Photography Coaching From an Expert Professional

Your Nat Hab Expedition Leader is intimately familiar with the Kenyan bush. Years of guiding have given your leader an intimate knowledge of animal behavior. Couple this with superb wildlife photography skills and a talent for sharing them with guests, whatever their ability level, and you'll have a peerless photo safari.

Naturalist Guiding Experience Ensures Better Photo Opportunities

Our Expedition Leaders make all the difference in the popular Maasai Mara, where less-experienced guides rely on radio calls to find wildlife, often resulting in 20 vehicles surrounding a single lion. By contrast, our Expedition Leaders know the area and wildlife intimately and are able to purposefully avoid other vehicles as we find our own sightings farther afield. This means more private and intimate encounters with wildlife—and better photos!

Private Mobile Camps Offer Superior Wildlife Viewing

Our Photo Expedition spends seven nights in Nat Hab's own private mobile safari camps in the Maasai Mara ecosystem. By avoiding fixed lodges in favor of more remote locations, we increase your proximity to the Migration (including Mara River crossings!), maximize wildlife encounters, and ensure seclusion away from crowds. Our intimate bush camps offer a quiet and more personal experience, immersing you in the wild while offering exceptional comfort.





5 Exclusive Activities on a Private Conservancy

While our itinerary includes a remote camp spot on the famed Maasai Mara National Reserve, we also give you an exclusive experience on a private Mara conservancy where wildlife is abundant and other visitors ever fewer. Private reserves also permit bush walks and night drives in search of nocturnal species—privileges not allowed on public lands.

The Most In-Depth Migration Itinerary Out There

Some migration safaris spend only a day or two among the vast herds. We spend eight full days at the height of the migration, maximizing every chance to photograph the animals in a variety of settings and behaviors. This immersive experience also affords plenty of time to focus on other wildlife, too—as well as cultural visits with local Maasai communities. And your safari also includes a day of diverse wildlife photography in Nairobi National Park.

7 Fly To and From the Bush, Maximizing Your Safari Time

Many safari companies transport you to and from the Maasai Mara from Nairobi by vehicle, meaning long, dusty drives over rough roads. We fly both ways, giving you more time for what you have come to Kenya for: wildlife photography on safari!

R Carry Up to 70 Pounds of Luggage

We have arranged for extra space on board our charter flights, which means our photo safari guests have a 70-pound luggage limit, far more than almost every other safari company you'll find. And the gear flies with us rather than traveling overland, which can cause damage to equipment due to difficult road conditions.

- The World's Finest Naturalist Guides Natural Habitat Adventures is known worldwide for employing the finest naturalist guides on the planet. In Kenya, rather than using less qualified local camp guides at each stop, or an inexperienced safari guide as a trip escort, our NHA safari Expedition Leaders are the most highly trained guides in Africa. On our photo safaris, your guide is also an expert photographer, constantly by your side to help you get the best possible pictures. With our groups from beginning to end, each of our Expedition Leaders average more than 15 years' guiding experience, and their training is further enhanced by WWF's premiere scientists. Our philosophy on this is simple: an African safari is only as good as the guide, so we must provide the very best! Check out our Photo Expedition Leader bios and traveler comments about them.
- Our Quality-Value Guarantee Ensures Your Superior Kenya Experience

With Natural Habitat Adventures, you receive our exclusive guarantee, which clearly states that we will meet the lofty expectations we set in our promotional materials. To our knowledge, this is the most ambitious guarantee made by any adventure travel company.





11 Feel Good About Your Carbon-Neutral Journey

We care deeply about our planet, as we know you do. When you travel with us, the carbon emissions from your trip are 100% offset—including your round-trip flights from home. Natural Habitat Adventures has been the world's first carbon-neutral travel company since 2007.

Natural Habitat Adventures is WWF's Travel Partner

Because of our commitment to environmentally friendly travel, as well as the exceptional quality of our adventures, World Wildlife Fund—the world's leading environmental conservation organization—has named Natural Habitat Adventures as its worldwide travel partner, a designation that makes us exceedingly proud!





Make It Private or Design Your Own Custom Safari

Travel privately, exclusively with your immediate family, multi-generational family or group of friends. Our in-house safari experts can reserve a private departure for your group or help you design your own custom Africa itinerary—their expertise is second to none! **Click here** to request more info.

Please note that on Kenya Migration Photo Safari Make It Private departures we require a minimum group size of 6 travelers.

Also, please be aware that your per-person cost on a Make It Private trip will vary depending on the number of travelers in your group and may be as much as 10%-30% higher (ship-based trips may be even higher) than our normal trip cost unless you fill the trip.

This **Make It Private** option is available on nearly every Nat Hab trip for family and friend groups. Call an Adventure Specialist at 800-543-8917 or look for the "Make It Private" icon in the **pricing section** of a trip online at nathab.com to see prices based on your specific group size.



Dates & Pricing Summary:

Prices: From \$16295 (+Air)

Group Size: Limited to 12 Travelers

Physical Requirements: Easy to Moderate

Kenya Migration Photo Expedition Dates, Pricing & Info

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2025 Departures

Departure	Return	Notes
Aug 7, 2025	Aug 16, 2025	
Sep 6, 2025	Sep 15, 2025	

2026 Departures

Departure	Return	Notes
Jul 31, 2026	Aug 9, 2026	
Aug 11, 2026	Aug 20, 2026	





Pricing

2025 Prices

> Photo Expedition Price \$15995 - \$16295 (internal air)



Internal Air Cost: \$1264 per person (this will be listed separately on our invoicing). **Single Occupancy:** For a single room add \$1995. **Click here** to learn how you can avoid the single supplement.

Deposit: \$500 per person (nonrefundable)

Trip prices are per person based on double occupancy and are given in U.S. dollars. **Please read our Payment & Refund Policy here.**

Included

- ➤ Trip price includes: Accommodations, services of Nat Hab's professional Expedition Leader(s), extra baggage allowance on chartered flights (60 lbs per passenger), local guides and camp staff, all meals from dinner on Day 1 through lunch on final day, some alcoholic beverages, some gratuities, airport transfers on Day 1 and final day, all activities and entrance fees, all taxes, permits and service fees.
- > Internal air cost includes: All light aircraft flights within the itinerary (this will be listed separately on our invoicing).

Not Included

Travel to and from the start and end point of your trip, some alcoholic beverages, some gratuities, passport and visa fees (if any), optional activities, items of a personal nature (phone calls, laundry and internet, etc.), airline baggage fees, airport and departure taxes (if any), required medical evacuation insurance, optional travel protection insurance.

Physical Requirements

Easy to Moderate

To participate in this trip, you must be able to walk unassisted at a steady pace for at least one mile over uneven terrain, climb steps to get into and out of our raised safari vehicles, and be able to tolerate daily outdoor excursions that may last 4-5 hours or even a full day at a time, sometimes in hot, windy and/or dusty conditions. Wildlife drives pose a particular type of physical demand on the body, as they require long hours of sitting and take place over terrain that is often very rough and bumpy, including dirt roads with many ruts and potholes. Travelers with back or neck problems, or other health issues that could be exacerbated by such conditions, should take this into consideration. While any walking safaris are considered optional, travelers must be able to walk unassisted to and from the vehicle to our camp accommodations, sometimes walking over uneven ground or on boardwalks. Days spent on safari are often long, as mornings typically start before daybreak and evening meals are served after sundown. Safari accommodations and vehicles are not climate-controlled and, depending on the season, temperatures can range from quite cold to extremely hot, so it is critical that travelers come prepared.

On custom or private departures with smaller groups, our ability to accommodate varying levels of physical abilities or interests is limited, since these trips are staffed with a single Expedition Leader who may be assisted, pending availability, by local guides.





Important Information About This Trip

Kenya, teeming with wildlife, is among the original safari destinations, and rightly so. This itinerary takes advantage of the movements of one of our planet's most astonishing wildlife events: the Great Wildebeest Migration as it crosses from Tanzania.

Mandatory Insurance

Since the areas we travel to on this trip are remote and wild (that's why we go there!), we require medical evacuation insurance for our guests' safety. If you decline the medical evacuation insurance coverage offered by Natural Habitat, we request that you send us documentation of the independent coverage you have selected. We will add the cost of a medical evacuation policy to your tour invoice until you provide our office with proof of coverage including your insurance company's name, contact number and your individual policy number. Thank you for understanding that our policy exists exclusively in the interest of our guests' safety.

Getting There & Getting Home

Please plan to arrive in Nairobi, Kenya by 5 pm on Day 1 in order to attend a 7 pm welcome dinner. You are free to depart Nairobi after 6 pm on the final day.

We can best serve you if our Natural Habitat Adventures Travel Desk makes your reservations, as we are intimately familiar with the special requirements of this program and can arrange the most efficient travel. Please call us at 800-543-8917. Note that while we offer you the best possible rates available to us on airfare and additional nights' accommodations, you may find special web rates or better fares online.



Extension Details:

Extra Day in Nairobi \$925

Lewa Rhino Immersion \$4895

Maasai Mara Extension \$5595

Rwanda Mountain Gorilla Extension \$4995

Uganda Mountain Gorilla Extension \$3995

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Extra Day in Nairobi

Discover cultural and wildlife highlights of Nairobi with visits to the Giraffe Center, Sheldrick Elephant Orphanage and Karen Blixen Museum.

\$925



Lewa Rhino Immersion

Extend your safari with a 3-night trip to Lewa Conservancy, a global pacesetter for protecting endangered species including black and white rhinos.

\$4895 (+air)



Maasai Mara Extension

Experience wild Africa in Kenya's Maasai Mara, a vast mosaic of savannas and acacia-dotted plains on an exclusive Big Five safari from private mobile camps far from crowds. **\$5595**



Rwanda Mountain Gorilla Extension

Track endangered mountain gorillas, hike through the rainforest with expert guides and spend rare moments with a habituated family troop.

\$4995 (+permits)







Uganda Mountain Gorilla Extension

On a 5-day safari extension in the rain forests of Uganda, track endangered mountain gorillas on one of the world's most moving and heartwarming wildlife adventures.

\$3995 (+air/permits)





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