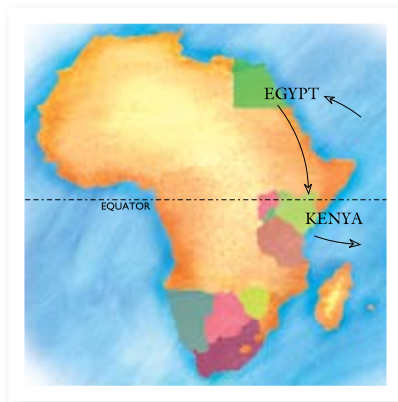




# Ancient Kingdoms Safari

17 DAYS – EGYPT NILE CRUISE AND LUXURY KENYA SAFARI



*Africa is a continent of incredible contrasts that allows Wildlife Safari to create some unique safaris combining the diverse history, geography, culture and attractions. Travel through the history and monuments of ancient Egypt on a luxury Nile cruise ship, exploring the wonders of Cairo, Luxor and Aswan under the guidance of an expert Egyptologist. Continue your journey in the magnificent wildlife sanctuaries of Kenya, climaxing with game viewing in the Samburu and Masai Mara wildlife sanctuaries.*

## DAY 1 CAIRO

Arrive in Cairo where you will be met and assisted through immigration and customs, and transferred to your hotel close to the airport.

INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL

## DAY 2 ASWAN

Early morning transfer to Cairo airport and fly to Aswan for the optional morning excursion to Abu Simbel, site of the temples of Ramses II and his queen Nefertari. Return to Aswan and transfer to your luxury cruise ship for lunch. Afternoon felucca ride on the Nile, sailing around Elephantine Island, visiting the Agha Khan mausoleum and botanical gardens.

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## DAY 3 EDFU

Morning tour of the High Dam, pride of modern Egypt, the Old Dam, Lake Nasser, the granite quarries where you will find the unfinished Obelisk and the beautiful Philae Temple, dedicated to the gods Isis and Osiris. Lunch and afternoon sail to Kom Ombo to visit a mosque temple shared equally by two gods – Sobek, the crocodile god of fertility, and Haroeris, the hawk headed god of the underworld. Cruise to Edfu. OBEROI PHILAE NILE CRUISER (B,L,D)

## DAY 4 LUXOR

Visit the temple of Horus, the God of the Sun and planets. Sail to Esna, dedicated to Khnum, the god who created men and animals by molding them from clay from the Nile. Cruise to Luxor, passing through the Esna locks.

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## DAY 5 LUXOR

Morning ride across the Nile to the West Bank, to visit the Valley of the Kings, Queens, and Nobles. Visit the Temple of Ramses III at Medinet Habu, the Temple of Queen Hatshepsut at Deir El Bahari, and the Colossi of Memnon. Visit the great Temples of Karnak, visit the Avenue of the Sphinxes, the Hypostyle Hall, the statue of Ramses II, the Tutankhamen Temple, the Obelisk of Queen Hatshepsut, the Temple of Thutmose I and the Sacred Lake. Continue to Luxor Temple dedicated to Amun Ra. OBEROI PHILAE NILE CRUISER (B,L,D)

## DAY 6 CAIRO

Morning transfer to Luxor airport for your flight to Cairo where you will be met and transferred to your hotel, a former royal palace overlooking the great pyramids. Enjoy the "sound & light" show this evening at the pyramids in Giza.

MENA HOUSE OBEROI (B)

## DAY 7 CAIRO

Morning tour of the famous Cairo Museum of Antiquities which contains the treasures of King Tutankhamen. Explore the Khan el Khalili bazaar, its narrow and winding streets lined with stalls filled with exotic goods. A guided tour of the Citadel of Saladin and the Mohammed Ali mosque.



Lunch and continue to Giza to visit the Pyramids of Cheops, Chephren, Mykerinos, one of the seven wonders of the world, and the Sphinx. Enjoy a special farewell dinner before your late transfer to Cairo airport to board your flight to Nairobi, Kenya. (B,L,D)

**DAY 8** *NAIROBI*

Early morning arrival in Nairobi, Kenya where your Wildlife Safari tour manager will meet and escort you to the Nairobi Serena Hotel. Safari briefing at your hotel followed by an afternoon Nairobi sightseeing tour visiting the Rothschild Giraffe Centre. NAIROBI SERENA HOTEL (B,D)

**DAY 9 + 10** *SAMBURU*

Drive north to the Samburu Game Reserve. Lunch at the Samburu Serena Lodge, built on the banks of the Uaso Nyiro river. Two days of unhurried game viewing in Samburu, home to the rare and unusual reticulated giraffe, gerenuk, Grevy's zebra and beisa oryx. SAMBURU SERENA LODGE (B,L,D)

**DAY 11 + 12** *LAKE NAKURU*

Today you drive south from Samburu, cross the equator and through the Great Rift Valley. Stop at a picturesque spot to enjoy a traditional Kenyan lunch prepared by a local chef who

will explain the menu. Continue after lunch to Lake Nakuru arriving late afternoon at your lodge by the lake. Depart the following morning on a tour of Lake Nakuru, the world famous flamingo sanctuary. Lake Nakuru is also a black and white rhino breeding sanctuary and you will enjoy bird and game viewing in the sanctuary. Enjoy a Wildlife Safari exclusive picnic lunch before returning to your lodge.

LAKE NAKURU LODGE (B,L,D)

**DAY 13 + 14 + 15 MASAI MARA**

Early departure for the Masai Mara Game Reserve, passing herds of wildebeest and zebra, as your game viewing drive takes you to the Mara Serena Lodge. Enjoy three days of exciting and unhurried game viewing in the Masai Mara.

MARA SERENA LODGE (B,L,D)

**DAY 16** *NAIROBI*

A final early morning game drive is followed by an outdoor breakfast by the "hippo pools" at the Mara river. Transfer to the airstrip for your return flight to Nairobi. Farewell dinner at "The Mandhari".

NAIROBI SERENA HOTEL (B,L,D)

**DAY 17** *DEPART NAIROBI*

Transfer to Nairobi Airport. (B)

**TOUR COSTS (AU\$ PER PERSON)**

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|--------------------|----------|
| January – March    | 8,495.00 |
| April              | 7,495.00 |
| May                | 6,995.00 |
| June               | 7,295.00 |
| July – September   | 7,595.00 |
| October – December | 8,695.00 |

Single room supplements available on request  
Wildlife Safari has special airfares for this safari  
Additional peak season supplements may apply

**2008 SAFARI DATES**

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|-----------|---------|
| January   | 14 + 28 |
| February  | 11 + 25 |
| March     | 10 + 24 |
| April     | 7 + 21  |
| May       | 5 + 19  |
| June      | 2 + 16  |
| July      | 14 + 28 |
| August    | 11 + 25 |
| September | 8 + 22  |
| October   | 6 + 20  |
| November  | 3 + 17  |
| December  | 15 + 29 |

**YOUR SAFARI INCLUDES**

- Luxury accommodations throughout.
- Breakfast, lunch and dinner every day on Nile cruise & Kenya safari.
- Ground transport by custom built 4WD vehicles with window seats throughout in Kenya.
- Services of experienced Egyptologist and Wildlife Safari guide.
- Sightseeing tour of Cairo and Nairobi
- Domestic flights within Egypt and Kenya.
- Welcome dinner at "Cafe Mahgreb".
- Farewell dinner at "The Mandhari".
- All monument entrance fees, National Park entrance fees and government taxes.
- All airport transfers and airport portorage in Egypt and Kenya.
- Services of Wildlife Safari tour manager.
- Guidebooks, stamped postcards and Wildlife Safari hat.
- Exclusive Wildlife Safari wallet and binoculars.



**ABU SIMBEL**

The great temples of Ramses II at Abu Simbel, one of the most spectacular monuments in ancient Egypt, is one of the most photographed structures in the world. There is also a smaller temple of Queen Nefertari, the favourite wife of Ramses II. Both temples were

dismantled and moved to save them from flooding caused by the construction of the High Dam at Aswan. The Abu Simbel excursion costs \$325.00 per person and reservations are required at time of booking your safari.

**EXCLUSIVE EXPERIENCES**

- 'Safari Shillings' shopping vouchers
- Breakfast with the crocodiles in Samburu
- Escorted nature walk along Uaso Nyiro River
- Breakfast with the hippos in the Masai Mara
- Exclusive Masai Mara "bush dinner"
- Special farewell gift from Wildlife Safari