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Stan "The Man" Davies has travelled to a number of exotic spots around the world, capturing the real essence of the natural and manmade landscapes and monuments, as well as the flora and fauna through his camera lens. However, Stan excels at documenting the local people in their home environment as he wanders around the back streets of cities or small villages and towns in the rural areas. Stan's real love is Africa and once again he's asked Wildlife Safari, the premier safari company to Africa, to operate his photographic safari to Kenya, the birthplace of "safari", during August & September 2012, historically the best time to witness the annual wildebeest and zebra migration from the Serengeti into the Masai Mara. Stan will personally escort this safari along with senior Wildlife Safari guides. A number of unique features are included on this safari including a maximum of four passengers to every Wildlife Safari stretch 4WD vehicle, allowing plenty of room for capturing the perfect wildlife image.

26 AUGUST – MAURITIUS

Meet this morning at Perth airport and board your Air Mauritius flight to Mauritius, arriving late afternoon with transfer to your beach resort close to the airport.

Overnight – Le Preskil Hotel (D)

27 AUGUST – NAIROBI

Morning return to the airport and board your Air Mauritius flight to Nairobi, Kenya. A Wildlife Safari representative will meet you after immigration and customs and escort you to your luxury hotel just outside the commercial heart of the city. You will receive a private welcome briefing with tea & coffee service while your luggage is delivered to your room. The rest of the day is at your leisure to relax and Stan will conduct a brief photographic workshop before dinner in the "Cafe Maghreb".

Overnight – Nairobi Serena Hotel (B,D)

28 AUGUST – SAMBURU

An early breakfast and embark in your Wildlife Safari 4WD vehicle with your guide, driving north through the rich farming highlands of Kenya, with several stops en route including at The Equator, for the obligatory photo stop. A quick lunch at "The Trout Tree" a fresh water trout farm on the lower slopes of Mount Kenya before continuing through the bustling town of Isiolo. Enter the Samburu Game Reserve, first of two wildlife sanctuaries visited on our safari, and spot your first species of wildlife as you enjoy your first game viewing drive arriving at your luxury safari camp along the

banks of the Uaso Nyiro river, a classic safari camp that epitomizes luxury, around sunset in time for a quick sundowner before dinner.

Overnight – Samburu Intrepids Camp (B,L,D)

29 + 30 AUGUST – SAMBURU

Samburu is a small but unique sanctuary with some magnificent landscapes and semi arid vegetation. The Uaso Nyiro, fed by numerous streams and rivers from surrounding mountain ranges is the lifeblood of the sanctuary. However, the river dries during prolonged dry months yet is also prone to flash flooding if the rains in the hills have been heavy. Samburu has a very high wildlife density and is home to some species not found in the southern sanctuaries including the Reticulated giraffe, Grevy zebra, Waller's gazelle and Beisa Oryx. The birdlife in Samburu is also spectacular especially when migratory species are travelling between Europe and Africa. Start your day with a cup of tea or coffee served at your tent at dawn before setting off on your early morning game viewing drive, finishing at the river for a breakfast prepared and served by your camp chef and waiter. Continue on your game drive exiting the sanctuary for a private visit to an authentic Samburu village, where the village chief will explain traditional life as you interact with the residents. You can take as many photographs as you like and also purchase local handicrafts made by the village women. Wildlife Safari provides the village with assistance for their handicrafts project.

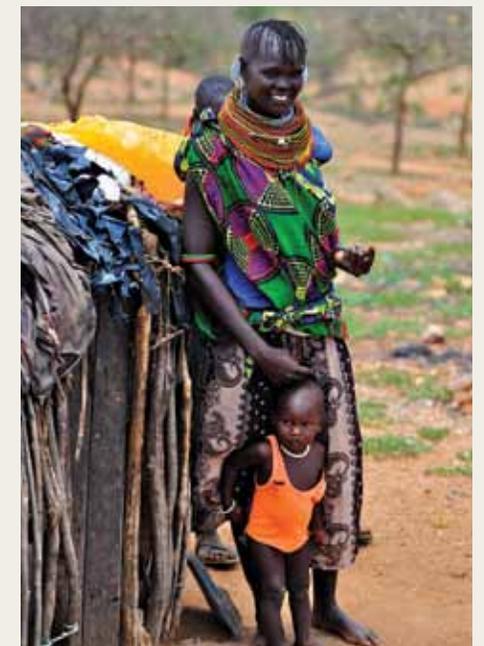
Return to your safari camp for lunch with another late afternoon game viewing drive. The next day will give you ample uninterrupted time for game viewing and photography in the Samburu sanctuary.

Overnights – Samburu Intrepids Camp (B,L,D)

31 AUGUST – LAKE NAKURU

A final game viewing in Samburu, breakfast at your camp and drive southwards towards the Equator, through the town of Nanyuki and into the Great Rift Valley, stopping for a traditional Kenyan lunch at the picturesque Nyahururu Falls. Late afternoon arrival at your safari lodge overlooking Lake Nakuru, the world famous flamingo sanctuary.

Overnight – Lake Nakuru Lodge (B,L,D)



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1 SEPTEMBER – LAKE NAKURU

Depart the following morning on a day of game and bird viewing around Lake Nakuru, also a black rhino and white rhino breeding sanctuary as well as a refuge for the rare Rothschild Giraffe. There will be time to walk around the lake shore to photograph flamingo and other bird species at close quarters. Enjoy a private picnic lunch overlooking the lake before returning to your lodge.

Overnight – Lake Nakuru Lodge (B,L,D)

2 SEPTEMBER – MASAI MARA

Breakfast and continue driving along the Great Rift Valley floor and enter the Masai Mara, the finest wildlife sanctuary in Africa. You immediately notice the proliferation of wildlife on your game viewing drive as you drive towards your luxury safari camp, built on an ox bow of the Talek river. This is one of the best locations for game viewing in the Masai Mara, right in the centre of “The Mara Triangle”, a section of the sanctuary with fewer visitors due to its relative inaccessibility where your large, well appointed tent has a private viewing deck overlooking the river below. Lunch followed by the customary siesta and your late afternoon game viewing drive in the Masai Mara, before returning to camp for an elegant dinner.

Overnight – Mara Intrepids Camp (B,L,D)

3 TO 6 SEPTEMBER – MASAI MARA

Four full days in the finest wildlife sanctuary in Africa with almost unlimited game viewing and photography with Stan Davies. Your Wildlife Safari guide is available for game viewing all day, from sunrise to sunset, in the sanctuary. We suggest an early breakfast in camp followed by an extended game viewing drive taking a picnic lunch and beverages with you. This allows you to travel further from camp far from other visitors in the sanctuary and gives you plenty of time for game viewing and photography on the savannah. Your guide will have his own favourite spot to stop for a leisurely picnic lunch under an acacia tree before you return to camp late afternoon for dinner.

Overnights – Mara Intrepids Camp (B,L,D)

The optional Hot Air Balloon excursion

Wake before dawn with a cup of tea or coffee before your transfer to the launch site for your hot air balloon excursion over the Masai Mara. Watch the massive balloon fabric being inflated before your climb into your balloon basket for a journey over the Masai Mara with an eagle’s eye view over the herds below. The traditional balloonists “champagne” toast on landing followed by breakfast “al fresco” on the savannah. Enjoy a brief game viewing drive as you return to camp, arriving for lunch. Cost is \$500 per person.

7 SEPTEMBER – NAIROBI

A final dawn game viewing drive in the Masai Mara, culminating with a special farewell breakfast prepared and served on the banks of the Talek river by your camp chef and waiters. Return to camp for your luggage before driving to the airstrip, bid farewell to your Wildlife Safari guides and board your aircraft for your flight to Nairobi. Your Wildlife Safari representative will meet you on arrival and escort you to lunch at a local cafe. Continue to the Rothschild Giraffe Centre to get close and personal with these magnificent creatures and also feed and photograph them. Visit a few unique boutiques selling quality artworks and crafts, or a local market (if available) before arriving at your hotel. Enjoy a special farewell dinner at “The Carnivore” restaurant.

Overnight – Nairobi Serena Hotel (B,L,D)



8 SEPTEMBER – IN FLIGHT

Morning transfer to Nairobi airport and board your Air Mauritius flight to Mauritius where you will remain in transit to connect with your overnight Air Mauritius flight to Perth.

Overnight – Inflight (B)

9 SEPTEMBER – ARRIVE HOME

Morning arrival in Perth after the wildlife and photographic experience of a lifetime.



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COSTS

The total cost is \$9,975 per person share twin including return airfares from Perth. Airfares from other Australian cities is additional. Single travellers will be required to pay a supplement of \$1500 for a single room for the duration of the safari. Wildlife Safari also offers special business class airfares on Air Mauritius and you may extend your stay in Mauritius on the return journey.

INCLUDES

Return economy class airfare from Perth to Nairobi flying Air Mauritius including all taxes
Luxury accommodations as outlined in the attached itinerary with private bathrooms
Table d'hôte breakfast, lunch and dinner (B,L,D) as indicated in the itinerary daily
All ground transport by custom designed Wildlife Safari 4WD vehicles throughout Kenya
Services of a senior Wildlife Safari guide during your entire safari through Kenya
One domestic flight (Mara/Nairobi) including all taxes
All sightseeing excursions and game viewing activities outlined in the itinerary
All required entrance fees, wildlife sanctuary fees, government taxes and statutory charges
All airport transfers with our "airside" assistance on arrival and departure at Nairobi airport
Wildlife Safari document wallet, luggage tags and binoculars
Kenya tea & coffee from the Wildlife Safari Kenya team

EXCLUSIONS

All international and domestic airfares with taxes not outlined in the above inclusions
Cost of comprehensive travel insurance which Wildlife Safari strongly recommends
All items of a personal nature including beverages, gratuities, laundry and shopping
All passport and visa application fees, vaccination and medical consulting fees
All airline ticketed taxes not included in airfare and collected at departure airport



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