

# Rift Valley Safari

OL DONYO LODGE ANGAMA MARA

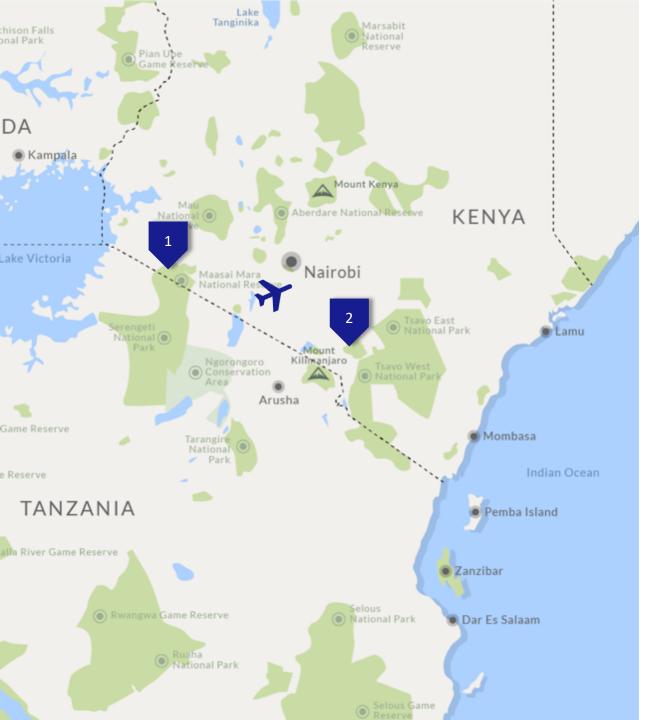




### For the Adventurous

This eight-night journey starts with an exploration of the vast Chyulu Hills with a three-night stay at ol Donyo Lodge. Then travel to the Big Five paradise of the Mara Triangle to spend five nights at Angama Mara. This journey is ideal for those in search of a 'next level' safari: climb volcanic peaks, horse-ride across the open plains or gently float over the Maasai Mara in a hot air balloon – the options are endless.

"Up in this air you breathed easily, drawing in a vital assurance and lightness of heart" Karen Blixen, Out of Africa



## Travel Plans in Brief

#### **HELLO EAST AFRICA**

Private meet & assist at Jomo Kenyatta International Airport

- Chauffeured Road Transfer from Jomo Kenyatta International Airport, Nairobi to Wilson Airport
- Y Local Flight from Wilson Airport to ol Donyo Airfield, Chyulu Hills

#### 🚔 3 NIGHTS AT OL DONYO LODGE

- 脊 🛛 Local Flight from Wilson Airport to Angama Mara Airfield, Maasai Mara

#### 🚔 5 NIGHTS AT ANGAMA MARA

- Chauffeured Road Transfer from Wilson Airport to Jomo Kenyatta International Airport
- Departure with International Flight

#### FAREWELL EAST AFRICA

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### HELLO EAST AFRICA Hello Chyulu Hills

ol Donyo Lodge is set on the Mbirikani Group Ranch, 275,000 acres of pristine private wild Africa bordering the foothills of the Chyulu Hills National Park. Wedged between Kenya's Tsavo East and Amboseli National Parks this is a place of timeless wilderness presided over by the magnificent summit of one of Africa's greatest icons – Mount Kilimanjaro.

Angama Safaris services begin with a private meet & assist service off your international flight arriving at Jomo Kenyatta International Airport, Nairobi.

Enjoy a chauffeured road transfer to Wilson Airport in time to connect to a local flight to ol Donyo Airfield, Chyulu Hills.

An ol Donyo guide will greet you on arrival and drive you to the lodge.

#### ENJOY 3 NIGHTS AT OL DONYO LODGE

The lodge was rebuilt in 2008 and sits in thick woodland on a gently sloping hillside with views out over the plains to a distant Kilimanjaro. Designed to merge outdoor and indoor living, a series of unique suites and villas (no two are the same) appear to emerge from the dramatic landscape on either side of gracious sitting and dining areas.



### A DAY AT OI Donyo Lodge

ol Donyo takes guests far beyond the standard safari, offering many opportunities to get out from the game-viewing safari vehicle for a more diverse and comprehensive experience in the savanna.

Explore varied landscapes of the Chyulu hills, climbing volcanic peaks, navigating underground lava tunnels, riding on horseback across the plain or sleeping in the bush on a fly-camping trip.

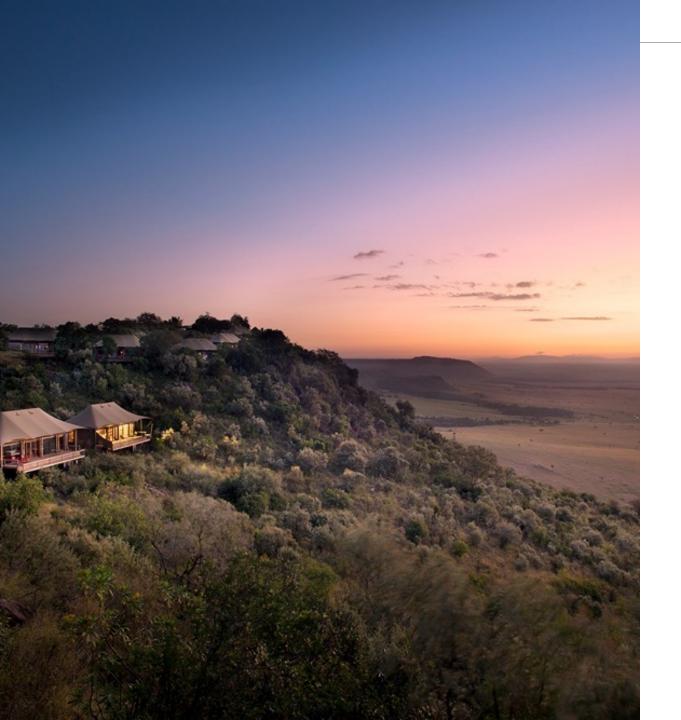
All luxury safari touch points are to be found at ol Donyo and the chefs gladly prepare delicious meals for all palates which can be enjoyed along with an extensive wine list in the elegant dining area.

After a rewarding day of game viewing and adventure, guests can choose to cool off in the inviting infinity pool or indulge in a relaxing massage.

Here each day is guided by the unique needs of the lodge's guests, with the only constant being nightly sundowner cocktails under an immense African sky. The perfect place to unwind and reconnect with nature.

Goodbye Chyulu Hills

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### Hello the Maasai Mara

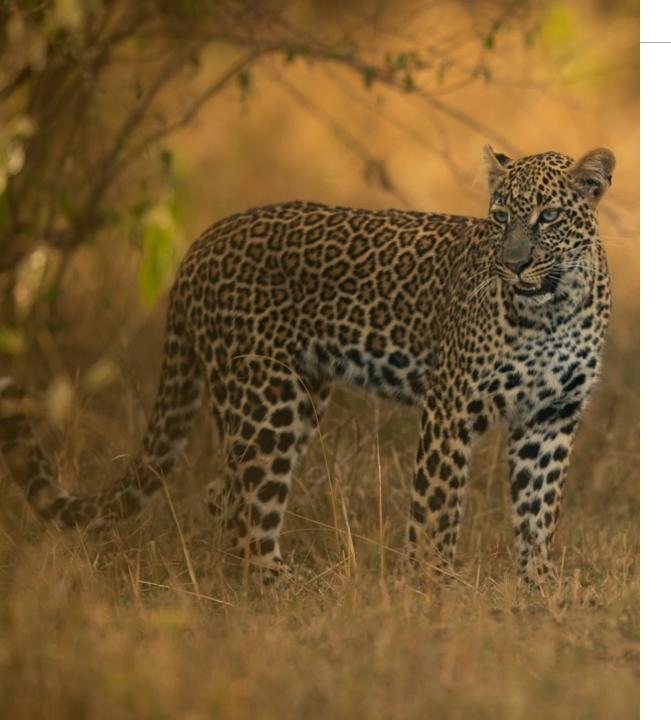
World renowned for its exceptional populations of lion, leopard, cheetah and herds-athousand-strong of buffalo, the Maasai Mara is also home to the rare black rhino, Thomson's gazelle, topi, wildebeest and of course a thriving elephant population

Enjoy a local flight from ol Donyo Airfield to Wilson Airport in time to connect to your flight to Angama Mara's private airfield, Maasai Mara.

Met by an Angama Mara guide upon arrival, take a leisurely ten minute stroll or a short drive to the lodge.

#### **ENJOY 5 NIGHTS AT ANGAMA MARA**

Perched high above the floor of Africa's Great Rift Valley and inspired by the Swahili word for 'suspended in mid-air', Angama Mara overlooks the Maasai Mara. With two intimate camps of just 15 tented suites each, here you will find a place where everything is just as it ought to be –with tailor-made safari days and a famously warm Kenyan welcome.



### A DAY AT Angama Mara

Guests staying at Angama Mara are faced with many choices of how they wish to spend their day. Sunrise hot-air balloon safaris, photographing Africa's abundant wildlife, walking on the edge of the Great Rift Valley, or visiting a Maasai family in their home – these are just a few of the adventures on offer.

Wake up before the dawn and fly over the Mara in a hot air balloon, game viewing as you float gently past, or sleep in late and watch the sunrise with a steaming coffee, orange juice and a freshly-baked something delicious.

Spend the days out on safari: the Maasai Mara never fails to deliver extraordinary wildlife sightings – head out at sunrise with a picnic breakfast and be back for lunch; head out after breakfast with a picnic lunch; or a favourite, pack two picnics and spend the whole day exploring the Mara and its bountiful wildlife – this is one of the loveliest game drives of all

Or relax at the lodge: with a book by the pool, on a red rocking chair safari on your tent deck or a gentle walk up the kopje where many of the lovely scenes from the movie Out of Africa were filmed –complete with a romantic picnic on the rocks, just for you.

As the sun dips behind the escarpment, toast the end of the day with Maasai warriors at the Boma and dine on classic safari food – with not a buffet in sight.



### Hot Air Balloon Safari

Awake to an early morning butler service well before dawn, with freshly brewed tea or coffee delivered right to your tent – time for a bucket-list adventure and one of Africa's iconic experiences: floating over the game-filled plains of the Maasai Mara in a hot-air balloon.

The air is still fresh on the drive to one of the two launch sites within easy reach from the lodge. If you're still waking up, enjoy another cup of coffee and watch as the balloon is slowly inflated before a quick and straight-forward pre-flight briefing.

Before you know it, you're all aboard and the balloon is airborne and floating effortlessly above the Mara. As the sun rises to the east, the soft morning breeze takes the balloon southwards towards the Tanzanian border, with the typical flight path along the Mara River and its adjoining forest and over the open plains beyond. This is an unmatched safari – even the lions look up in surprise as one sails on by – and all the animals of the Mara are visible from the air.

A flight normally lasts around one hour, and ends with a sometimes-bumpy landing amidst the termite mounds, all part of the adventure. Once you've settled back to earth, toast the morning's activities with a celebratory champagne breakfast – specially prepared under a tree in the middle of nowhere.

The perfect start to any day in the Mara, and for many, a once-in-a-lifetime experience.

Goodbye the Maasai Mara



## **Farewell East Africa**

Board a local flight from Angama Mara's private airfield to Wilson Airport.

Enjoy a chauffeured road transfer to Jomo Kenyatta International Airport in time to connect with your departing international flight.

> "We're better at Hello than Goodbye" Karen Blixen (adapted)



### Ol Donyo Lodge & Angama Mara

#### INCLUDES

- Private meet & assist at Jomo Kenyatta International Airport
- All mentioned road transfers & local flights
- 3 Nights accommodation at Ol Donyo Lodge
- All scheduled activities at Ol Donyo Lodge
- All park & conservancy fees
- 5 Nights accommodation at Angama Mara
- Private vehicle & hot air balloon safari at Angama Mara
- All safaris into the Mara Triangle
- All park & conservancy fees
- All meals & beverages (excluding reserve wines & champagnes)

\*Suggested itinerary – can be tailor made to guests specific needs

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