



ITINERARY – OUTLINE FOR BESPOKE TRIPS

Maasai Mara – Trek Kenya journeys through the heart of Kenya’s stunning Rift Valley encompassing some of Africa’s most stark, yet beautiful natural scenery. Immersed in the Maasai Mara Nature Reserve we delve deep into the vibrant culture of this region, learning about the traditional tribes people and viewing some of the best wildlife in the world.

DAY 1

DEPART UK

We depart Belfast on an overnight flight to Nairobi, Kenya, via London.

DAY 2

NAIROBI - NGURUMAN

Our plane arrives into Nairobi in the morning and we are met at the airport by our local guide. We depart the bustling Kenyan capital then make our way out of the city towards the town of Nguruman. Passing prehistoric sites through small rural villages we slowly descend the steep escarpment down to the town of Nguruman. Upon arrival into camp we have a relaxing lunch and then take a guided walk around the town before settling into camp where we will meet our local guides and be briefed on the challenge ahead before settling down to our first night under canvas..

DAY 3

NGURUMAN – ENKUTOTO

17 KM

We wake early to take advantage of the cooler temperatures and depart our campsite at a leisurely pace. As we climb the escarpment we have excellent views over the magical Lake Magadi which is completely surrounded by salt flats, and home to some of the world’s largest nesting colonies of Flamingos. On a clear day we can also see across to the Ngong hills and to Lake Natron in Tanzania. We stop at the small rural village of Njoroi for lunch. The last stretch of the day takes us over the Ewaso Ngiro River which is supplied with glacial water flowing down from Mt. Kenya. Tonight our camp at Enkutoto is located in the heart of the upper Great Rift Valley, and very close of the Tanzanian border.

DAY 4

ENKUTOTO – MORINJO

18 KM

We depart our campsite after breakfast and head further along this area of the Rift Valley. Our route today travels along elephant paths, through lush vegetation. This is one of the few remaining forested areas of East Africa. Tonight we camp in the small town of Morinjo, where we enjoy an African bushfire dinner under the stars.

DAY 5 **MORINJO - LUTUKUNYI** **22 KM**

We depart Morinjo early, before the sun gets too hot and trek to the modern Maasai town of Narosura for lunch. Our local guides spend time to tour the town and explain the impact of modernisation on the Maasai way of life before continuing our trek to the watering hole of Lutukunyi – where camp will be set up and waiting for us. Tonight we can put our feet up as we enjoy another night dining under the stars.

DAY 6 **LUTUKUNYI – MAJI MOTO** **20 KM**

An early start to take advantage of the cooler temperatures and maximise the opportunity to spot some of Africa's finest game. The excitement grows as the wildlife population of the area increases and with that our chances of seeing elephant, impala, zebra and giraffe in their natural habitat. Tonight we camp at Maji Moto, a traditional Maasai village, where we experience an authentic Maasai diner and cultural evening.

DAY 7 **MAJI MOTO – MAASAI MARA** **11 KM**

After breakfast we depart camp and begin our last day of trekking through this dramatic landscape. We reach our lunch stop just after midday and take the time to relax and reflect upon the end of our trek. After lunch we are transferred by minibus to a Maasai Mara camp site where we will spend the evening. Arriving late afternoon there is the option for an evening game drive – this is an opportune time of day to spot wildlife and given we are in the worlds most famous game reserve this is an absolute highlight!

DAY 8 **MAASAI MARA - NAIROBI**

We awake just before sunrise and take in an early morning game drive before heading back to the camp for breakfast. After breakfast we transfer back to Nairobi. Here we can finally take a hot shower and freshen up before our celebratory dinner.

DAY 9 **NAIROBI FREE DAY**

Today is free to explore the bustling markets of Nairobi or venture out to Nairobi National Park for some more game viewing opportunities. This afternoon we transfer to the airport for an overnight flight back to the UK.

DAY 10 **ARRIVE HOME**

We arrive early morning into the UK.



LOGISTICS



COSTS OF CHALLENGE

From: £2225 per person
For groups less than 15, please get in touch

CHALLENGE COST INCLUSIONS

Pre-trip briefing by Action Challenge staff
International flights
Action Challenge Representative
Medic
English-speaking local guides
Luggage Transfer
All accommodation
All meals, except in free time
All transfers
All National Park fees
3 litres of water provided daily
Free charity place on 20 participants

NOT INCLUDED

Travel insurance
Fuel supplement
Single supplement
Visas
Local departure tax (if applicable)
Tips for staff

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FOOD

We will try and bring you appropriate food for the challenge and where possible include local flavours and cuisine, it will always be freshly prepared food that is nutritional and ultimately tasty. We hope that it exceeds peoples expectations given the circumstances. Three meals are provided throughout the challenge days apart from during free time.

RATING & FITNESS

This is a moderate challenge but requires a good level of fitness. The total distance trekked is approximately 86km.

WEATHER

Kenya's diverse geography means that temperature, rainfall and humidity patterns vary widely. Jan, Feb and June to October are great months to visit. Thus we avoid the long rains and the heat isn't too oppressive. Rain can however fall at any time of year.

ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation on this route is camping with hotels/lodges whilst not on trek/in Nairobi. Rooms/tents are on a twin/triple, single sex sharing basis.