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Karen Blixen  Camp

Karen Blixen Camp is an eco-friendly luxury camp

Karen Blixen Camp offers an authentic 'yesteryear' experience for visitors wishing to gain that little extra from their safari. Set on the banks of the Mara River, the location is spectacular. Throughout the day elephants, giraffes, zebras and impalas come for a drink while a large hippo pod laze in the river.

Luxury accommodation

Karen Blixen Camp comprises of 22 large luxurious styled canvas tents; each on a wooden deck with private en-suite bedroom and bathroom with an outdoor shower. From the private veranda one can enjoy undisturbed views of the Mara River or relax with a book on the comfortable cushioned daybed.

Wellness and spa

Relax at the swimming pool or enjoy a wide range of treatments and massages at our spa.

Amazing wildlife experiences

For the outmost exclusive safari experience guests are encouraged to go for their game drives in the Mara North Conservancy; visit the Leopard Gorge, a vital nursery area for lions and leopards. During the migration season or on request, guests have the option to go for a full day game drive to the Masai Mara National Reserve. For the ultimate safari experience we have custom made open Toyota Land Cruisers with no more than 6 guests per vehicle.

Mara North Conservancy

Karen Blixen Camp protects more than 30,000 Ha of the stunning Masai Mara Ecosystem in close partnership with over 750 Maasai landowners and 11 tourism partners.

Mara North employs 34 rangers to protect the area and its wildlife. Their foremost objectives are to protect the wild animals from poaching and snaring, manage grazing zones for livestock, respond to and find solutions for human/wildlife conflicts and restore natural habitat areas.

Exclusive and tailor-made experiences

We tailor-make itineraries to your requirements. Your days and night at the camp are designed to be as exciting or relaxing as you wish.

A four nights/five days itinerary may look like this:

Day 1: Local flight to Mara North Airstrip. Meet your safari guide and game drive to Karen Blixen Camp. Enjoy lunch at the restaurant overlooking the Mara River. Afternoon game drive in Mara North Conservancy. Candlelight dinner at camp.

Day 2: Early morning game drive. Breakfast and relax at the pool with your favorite book. Go for an eco walk and learn how we minimize our impact on the environment and visit the cookery school. Lunch at the river side. Book a relaxing massage at the spa. Afternoon game drive and sundowner.

Day 3: Sleep in and enjoy a late breakfast. Go for full day game drive. You can go to Leopard George or to the Masai Mara National Reserve. Come back in the late afternoon after visiting a Maasai village. Enjoy a gin & tonic at the fire before settling down for dinner.

Day 4: Get up early and thrill yourself with a hot air balloon safari with champagne breakfast in the middle of the bush. Back to camp for a little downtime. Afternoon game drive before a bush dinner beneath the starlit sky.

Day 5: Optional morning game drive. Breakfast at camp before proceeding to the airstrip.





Classy designed luxury safari tents, each with amazing location along the Mara River



*Mara North Conservancy has the
highest population of lions in all of Africa*

Responsible tourism

When you choose to stay at Karen Blixen Camp you choose to support our conservation and development work.

Support conservation in Africa

Karen Blixen Camp protects more than 30,000 Ha of the fragile Masai Mara Ecosystem. We guarantee the payment of 29,000 USD per month or 348,000 USD per annum to our Maasai landowners for setting aside their land for wildlife conservation.

A cooking school for Maasai youth

We run our own Cooking School and are training 8 young Maasai students to become professional chefs. Guests are most welcome to join them for a *Ready, Steady, Cook!* session.

Plant trees for the future

Guests are encouraged to *Plant trees for Conservation* with our Forestry School students, leaving a green footprint in the Masai Mara.

IT and language education

We offer IT and language education for our staff and local community, since we wish to increase literacy throughout the area

Eco-friendly

Karen Blixen Camp has been constructed to run in the most environmentally friendly manner. Solar panels provide 24 hour electricity, solar heaters heat up water for the outdoor showers and non-degradable waste is transported back to Nairobi for recycling.

Karen Blixen Camp is member of Eco Tourism Kenya and supports the UN Global Compact.









All our safari guides are highly qualified and grew up in the Masai Mara; they understand the intricacies of how the Mara Ecosystem works, adding the ultimate dimension to the very unique wildlife experience



Responsible Tourism is a business imperative



Solar power



Tree nursery



Getting involved



Solar water heaters



We believe education is a strategic social investment that effectively contributes to the betterment of the local communities as well as the private sector

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Location

Mara North Conservancy, Masai Mara, Kenya

Access

There are daily flights from Nairobi Wilson Airport, Samburu, Lewa, Nanyuki, Nakuru, Malindi, Diani and Mombasa to the Mara North Airstrip. Driving from Nairobi is approximately 6 hours, but kindly notice that game drives within Mara North are only allowed in camp based 4WD vehicles.

Accommodation

22 luxurious en-suite canvas tents, each on a wooden deck with en-suite bedroom and bathroom with an outdoor shower. The tent can be configured for double or twin, a 3rd or even 4th bed can be added for children.

Guest areas

The 'mess area' includes a reception, gift shop, restaurant and lounge area with home-style bar offering a cosy retreat. The mess is built on a raised wooden platform located along the Mara River overlooks a favored drinking spot for our resident hippo pod as well as the many elephants, giraffes, buffalos, zebras and impalas coming to drink.

Swimming pool, spa and wellness

The swimming pool assure a little exercise in-between game drives. Our spa

tent includes two private treatment rooms, should you wish to enjoy a wellness treatment or a therapeutic body massage.

Activities

Game drives · game walks · hot air balloon safari · nature walks · bird walks · romantic bush breakfasts or dinners · eco camp walks · visit our cooking school and cook together with the students · plant trees with our forestry school students · community visits to a cultural village, school and church.

Green safari

The camp is eco-friendly and has the latest green technologies with solar panel system for 24 hour electricity, solar water heaters, treatment of waste water and waste management.

Recommended length of stay

We recommend a stay of minimum 3 nights to assure time to enjoy the amazing Masai Mara and beautiful wildlife.

General information

Temperatures: the hottest months tend to be October, January and February, whilst July and August can be quite cold, particularly during the evening and night. Temperatures range from 15-35 C.

Recommended equipment and attire: the camp is informal and we recommend you to pack for comfort. Remember to bring sun lotion, hat, binoculars, camera, light clothing and a warm sweater.

Conservancy fees and park fees

The conservancy fees for Mara North is included in our rates, if not specified otherwise. Please notice the additional park fees for Masai Mara National Reserve.