KENYA WILDLIFE SAFARI

IN SEARCH OF THE GREAT MIGRATION

July 26 to August 5, 2012

a program of the stanford alumni association
The great wildebeest migration is one of the most breathtaking spectacles in nature, an incredible display of wild animals working in harmony with the seasons. The largest passage of land mammals on the planet, the migration involves millions of hoofed and pattered animals traversing the Serengeti in search of auspicious weather patterns and food resources. Fortunately, we won’t make you walk the 1,800-mile journey that the wildebeests endure. From the comfort of our luxury tented camps, set out across the plains in open-top 4x4 vehicles in search of elephant, zebra and gazelle, the magnificent big cats that hunt them, and, of course, the wildebeest. Opt to finish the journey in Rwanda with a gorilla tracking post-trip extension. *Nzuri safari!

BRETT S. THOMPSON, ’83, DIRECTOR, STANFORD TRAVEL/STUDY

Highlights

**MARVEL** at unparalleled opportunities to view the “Big Five” in two of Kenya’s finest wildlife areas: Amboseli and the Masai Mara National Reserve.

**RELAX** in the shadow of Mt. Kilimanjaro and on the game-rich savannas of the Masai Mara in the comfort of luxury tented camps.

**CONVERSE** with the chief of a Maasai village and experience this fascinating culture with its age-old traditions.
Itinerary

THURSDAY & FRIDAY, JULY 26 & 27
U.S. / NAIROBI, KENYA
Depart the U.S. on overnight flights to Nairobi, arriving in Nairobi on Friday evening. Transfer to our hotel for an evening at leisure.
THE NORFOLK HOTEL

SATURDAY, JULY 28
NAIROBI
Gather this morning with fellow travelers at a welcome orientation. Mark the start of our journey with a visit to the Karen Blixen Museum located at the foot of Ngong Hills, once the farm where the Danish author of the famed memoir, Out of Africa, lived and ran her coffee plantation. Enjoy a festive welcome dinner at the famous Carnivore Restaurant, known for its unique menu featuring exotic game meats.
THE NORFOLK HOTEL (B,L,D)

SUNDAY, JULY 29
NAIROBI / AMBOSELI NATIONAL PARK
Transfer by air to the Amboseli National Park, famous for its magnificent views of Mt. Kilimanjaro and its massive population of free-grazing elephants. This afternoon we embark on our first game drive before settling into our luxury tented camp.
TORTILIS CAMP (B,L,D)

MONDAY, JULY 30
AMBOSELI NATIONAL PARK
This morning, choose a game drive or a nature walk tracking elephant, giraffe, buffalo, hippo and an abundance of birdlife. In the afternoon, enjoy a second game drive en route to the Cynthia Moss Elephant Research Center. At the Center, learn about the American conservationist, wildlife researcher and writer who studied the intelligence and complex interactions of a population of elephants for over 39 years. Cap off the day watching a magnificent African sunset.
TORTILIS CAMP (B,L,D)

TUESDAY, JULY 31
AMBOSELI NATIONAL PARK
Today choose among a variety of activities that range from relaxation to high adventure: join a morning or afternoon game drive across the plains, visit a local village or scout for wildlife on a
bush walk as the animals congregate at the few water sources that remain during the winter season.

TORTILIS CAMP (B,L,D)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 1
AMBOSELI NATIONAL PARK / MASAI MARA NATIONAL RESERVE
Transfer to the airstrip to board a flight to the Masai Mara via Nairobi. This vast, 600-square-mile game reserve in southwest Kenya is unique for its large concentration of both migratory and resident species of game, including a burgeoning population of big cats. Tonight, enjoy drinks around the campfire, followed by a four-course candlelight dinner in the dining tent.

LITTLE GOVERNORS’ CAMP (B,L,D)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 2
MASAI MARA NATIONAL RESERVE
Rise at dawn for an early-morning game drive in search of giraffe, buffalo, hyena, zebra and lion in the lush grasslands of the Mara. Witness thousands of wildebeests in search of water and fresh grazing in their annual migration. This afternoon, choose to join a second game drive or relax at camp.

LITTLE GOVERNORS’ CAMP (B,L,D)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 3
MASAI MARA NATIONAL RESERVE
Spend another morning in our open-air, 4x4 vehicles, in search of cheetah, giraffe, wildebeest and the elusive leopard. Later in the afternoon, visit a traditional Masai homestead or manyatta. Explore the bustling curio market where we have the opportunity to purchase traditional beadwork. Tonight celebrate the end of our African adventure with a candlelight dinner in the bush.

LITTLE GOVERNORS’ CAMP (B,L,D)

SATURDAY & SUNDAY, AUGUST 4 & 5
MASAI MARA / NAIROBI / U.S.
Following breakfast, depart on a flight to Nairobi. Transfer to the Norfolk Hotel and check in to our day rooms. Rest and freshen up before heading back to Nairobi airport for overnight flights home to the U.S. (B)

OPTIONAL POST-TRIP EXTENSION: RWANDA GORILLA TRACKING
AUGUST 4 TO 9
There is no better way to cap off an exciting Kenyan safari than with a visit to the lush land of Rwanda to enjoy a gorilla tracking adventure. Fly directly from Nairobi to Kigali, Rwanda, and enjoy a variety of unique activities. Experience the incredible rush of tracking mountain gorillas through the Virunga Mountains and view endangered golden monkeys in the Parc des Volcans. Choose to climb the Visoke or Muhabura volcanoes, pay homage to Dian Fossey at her burial site or visit a local school. Dine with representatives from the Mountain Gorilla Veterinary Project to learn about the organization’s efforts to restore the local gorilla population. Limited to 13 travelers. Details will be sent to confirmed participants.
Information

DATES
July 26 to August 5, 2012 (11 days)

SIZE
Limited to 30 participants

COST *
$8,995 per person, double occupancy
$9,995 per person, single occupancy
*Association nonmembers add $200 per person

INCLUDED
- 2 nights of deluxe hotel accommodations and 6 nights of luxury tented camp accommodations
- 8 breakfasts, 7 lunches and 7 dinners
- Welcome and farewell dinners
- Beer and house wines with meals at safari camps
- Bottled water on excursions
- Laundry at Tortilis and Little Governors’ camps
- Gratuities to porters, guides and drivers for all group activities
- All tours as described in the itinerary
- Standard visa fees for U.S. citizens
- Domestic flights within Kenya
- Transfers and baggage handling on program arrival and departure days
- Minimal medical, accident and evacuation insurance
- Educational program with lecture series and pre-departure materials, including recommended reading list, a selected book, map and travel information
- Services of our professional tour manager to assist you throughout the program

NOT INCLUDED
- International and U.S. domestic airfare
- Passport fees
- Immunization costs
- Meals and beverages other than those specified as included
- Independent and private transfers
- Trip-cancellation/interruption and baggage insurance
- Excess-baggage charges
- Personal items such as email, telephone and fax calls and gratuities for nongroup services

AIR ARRANGEMENTS
International and U.S. domestic airfare is not included in the program cost. Round-trip, economy-class airfare on British Airways from San Francisco to Nairobi and return is approximately $1,900 as of August 2011 and is subject to change without notice. Information on recommended flight itineraries will be sent by our designated agent.

WHAT TO EXPECT
Kenyan safaris, tours and activities are adventurous, but not particularly physically demanding, experiences. Though game drives are quite leisurely, travelers should be capable of walking over uneven terrain for several miles and traveling in 4x4 vehicles on dusty and unpaved roads for up to six hours in a day. Travelers who wish to participate in walking treks must be fit and in excellent health, able to walk for three to five miles at a time in warm weather and up and down hills. Participants must be prepared to travel in areas with limited access to medical care and facilities. Our tented luxury camps reflect the best available accommodations and service for an African safari. We welcome travelers 15 years of age and older on this program.
Deposit & Final Payment
A $1,000-per-person deposit is required to hold space for the Kenya Wildlife Safari Travel/Study trip. Final payment is due 120 days prior to departure.

Cancellations & Refunds
Deposits and any payments are fully refundable, less a $500-per-person cancellation fee, until 120 days prior to departure. After that date, refunds can be made only if the program is sold out and your place(s) can be resold, in which case a $1,000-per-person cancellation fee will apply. We recommend trip-cancellation insurance; applications will be sent to you.

Insurance
Stanford Travel/Study provides all travelers who are U.S. or Canadian citizens with minimal medical, accident and evacuation coverage under our group-travel insurance policy. Our group policy is intended to provide minimal levels of protection while you are traveling on this program. We strongly recommend that you subscribe to optional baggage and trip-cancellation insurance. A brochure offering such insurance will be mailed with your confirmation about one week after we receive your deposit. The product offered in this brochure includes a special Waiver of Pre-Existing Conditions and coverage for Financial Insolvency and Terrorist Acts if you postmark your insurance payment within 15 days of the date listed on the confirmation letter.

Eligibility
We encourage membership in the Alumni Association as the program cost for nonmembers is $200 more than the members’ price. Parents and their children under 21 may travel on one membership. For more information or to purchase a membership, visit www.alumni.stanford.edu/goto/membership or call (650) 725-0692.

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Faculty Leader

ELIZABETH HADLY is a professor of biology and of geological and environmental sciences at Stanford. She first became interested in her field after exploring the Smithsonian Institution and wild lands of the West as a child. Following her undergraduate and graduate studies, she has conducted extensive research throughout North and South America on the ecology and evolution of vertebrates. She is especially interested in the biogeographic history of mammals around the world and has most recently worked in India and Costa Rica.

- Professor, biology and, by courtesy, geological and environmental sciences, Stanford University
- Research associate, Museum of Paleontology, UC-Berkeley
- Visiting professor, Bing Overseas Studies Program in Santiago, Chile
- BA, anthropology, University of Colorado
- MS, quaternary science, Northern Arizona University
- PhD, integrative biology, UC-Berkeley

“Not only did Liz give several fascinating lectures…but she was accessible, excited and curious.”

MATTHEW ODERMAN, KILIMANJARO TREK, 2009

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“Outstanding overview of the whole ‘Africa safari’ we knew we had to do.”

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