

LITTLE GOVERNORS' CAMP

Information and Details:

Location: Around a natural waterhole in the Masai Mara Game Reserve, Kenya

Number of beds: 17 tents (34 beds)

Double & Twins: 12 Twins, 5 double tents, (tent N° 17 recommended for honeymooners)

Facilities: En-suite bathroom with shower, basin, flush toilet, hot and cold running water

Tents: Spacious luxurious safari tents under canvas, each with private verandah

Electricity: Gas & Paraffin lamps in tents. 220 Volt plugs at reception

Bar / Restaurant: Open bar and dining tent with view over the marsh, plains and escarpment

Room service: Room service on request, tea and coffee is served at the tents with wake up call

Bush breakfast: Bush breakfast, lunch & dinner can be organised on request at a supplementary cost

Souvenirs: Curio Shop is open daily

Laundry: Daily at no extra cost

Credit cards: Visa, Master, Eurocard, American Express and Traveller Cheques are accepted

Communication: Radio contact with other camps and Nairobi office

Musiara Airstrip: Length 1.600 m, All weather gravel airstrip, Coordinates: S 0117.98 E 03503.92

Activities:

Game drives: 3 game drives per day, early and mid morning as well as in the afternoon with experienced driver guides in the Masai Mara Game Reserve (included in price)

Balloon Safari: With professional balloon pilots daily, early morning in the Masai Mara Game Reserve followed by a champagne bush breakfast and game drive back to the camp (separate cost)

Game walks: With qualified guides in a private concession area adjacent to the Masai Mara Game Reserve daily, morning with a champagne bush breakfast and afternoon with sun downers and canapes (separate cost)

Culture: Visits to a nearby Masai village (manyatta) can be arranged (to be paid locally)

Lake Victoria: Day excursion to Lake Victoria by charter flight. Boat rides and fishing on Lake Victoria. Excursion with overnight in Mfangano Island Camp highly recommended (booking prior to the trip advisable) (separate cost)

How to get there and transfers:

Air Kenya: Twice daily (10:00 hrs & 15:00 hrs) scheduled flight from Nairobi Wilson Airport to Musiara Airstrip (duration approx. 45 minutes). Meet & greet and transfer with a Landrover to the camp (duration approx. 15 minutes). Return Musiara Airstrip - Nairobi twice daily (11:00 hrs & 16:00 hrs). There are scheduled flights from other airports in Kenya such as Nanyuki, Samburu, Lamu, Malindi, Mombasa, Ukunda

Charter flights: From all airports/airstrips in Kenya to Musiara Airstrip

Road transfer: Ex / to Nairobi possible. Duration approx. 6 hours (depending on road conditions).

General:

Seasons: Open throughout the year. High season months August - October (Great Migration) and December to March. Long green season end of March to end of May, short green season in November

Children: Of all ages are catered for

Health: Preventative Malaria medication is recommended

Luggage restriction: Maximum 15 kg luggage per person in small air craft including hand luggage

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Camp Description:

In 1976 Little Governors' Camp, with its own independent character, was built around a small watering hole that teems with birds and wildlife. The camp is reached by boat and the exquisite, romantic setting has a serenity all of its own.

Little Governors' Camp casts its spell over all who visit, from honeymoon couples to Presidents. Intimate in character, there are just seventeen tents tucked away amongst the trees. From every veranda the view changes constantly as giraffe, elephant, buffalo, hippo and warthog all come to drink or graze. Getting here is an adventure in itself. You first have to cross the Mara River by boat, then a short walk through the forest escorted by guards.

All the tents are comfortable and tasteful. Each has an en-suite bathroom, hot and cold running water, even bidets. In keeping with safari tradition lighting is by gas and kerosene lanterns, or by candlelight. As dusk falls, the flickering lights in the forest make the Camp a peaceful and atmospheric place. Meals are our usual superlative standards, served, as is our style, outdoors during the day and in our candlelight dining tent by night. Come the evening it's time for chilled drinks and tall tales around the blazing campfire. Then finally a delicious dinner and a hot-water bottle to keep you warm in bed.

The Masai Mara is a unique area with a constant and unrivalled flow of wildlife throughout the year. From July to October the Mara becomes a backdrop for one of the last great natural wonders of the world, when 1.4 million wildebeest and zebra surge up from the Serengeti plains in their annual search for the seasonal grasses that sustain them. The spectacle as the vast herds cross rivers and sweep through the golden grasses, is punctuated by individual struggles with the predators, which are in turn drawn to take their part in this dramatic event.

There are various activities on offer: game drives in open vehicles, game walks or balloon flights over the wide plains of the Masai Mara. Excursions to the Lake Victoria are also on offer. However, we recommend you book this excursion prior to the trip and combine the Lake Victoria excursion with an overnight stay at Mfangano Island Camp.

All meals, three game drives daily as well as laundry are included in our price. Park entrance fees, drinks as well as other activities (such as walking, ballooning, Lake Victoria excursion, a visit to a Maasai village) are to be paid separately. Please announce special dietary requirements to us in advance.

Please note: luggage restriction of 15 kg on all domestic flights. Extra luggage can be left at your base hotel in Nairobi.

Please book through your safari operator.