

Monday, 16 May 2022

KENYA Land of Mystery and Marvels



This is what we'll wake to on our first day in Amboseli. Majestic Mount Kilimanjaro!!! Made famous by so many books and films ... NO, we won't be climbing it!!!! :->) Will you be experiencing this view with us???

Aside from the dramatic views of Kilimanjaro, the highest freestanding mountain in the world, and highest peak in Africa, Amboseli is famous for its big herds of elephants ... and we'll have a front row seat to see them in action! You'll be amazed by how they interact with each other, how they care for the little ones, and how they greet other herds. In 1948, Amboseli was formalized as a National Game Reserve, declared a national park in 1974, and declared a UNESCO-Mab Biosphere Reserve in 1991. It is the second most popular reserve in Kenya after the Maasai Mara (where we'll be staying later).

November through March is their summer with temps ranging from 68F to 94F.

Again, we'll be staying at Ol Tukai and when not out on a game drive you may sign up for a relaxing massage or perhaps a drink at the bar. Yes, to those of you who keep asking about that, there is a VERY nice bar!!! :->)

We may see the Maasai Moran Warriors dancing and singing their battle songs around a bon fire.





More important information: Check your passports NOW! Your passport must be valid for 6 months after leaving Kenya ... that means until mid-May 2023. If it's not, renew NOW! The Passport Office is backed up and it may take 3 months or longer to get that renewal. You must have a valid passport to get your Kenyan Visa (which is only valid for 90 days) and may also take a while to get! You'll need 2 empty pages in your passport for that Visa - more on that later.

Once again I'm showing a photo of our last group so you can see the clothing!!! **YOU DO NOT NEED SPECIAL SAFARI CLOTHES!!!** T-shirts, shorts, sneakers, baseball caps ... all fine and quite acceptable!



Yes, this could be us **IF** we get those extra folks so we qualify for this group rate. I'd hate to have to cancel or postpone this

long awaited trek, so **PLEASE** ask around and see if any of you friends or family wish to join us!



We should see plenty of these!!! For the most part they'll be lounging about. We may see a lioness or two "on the hunt" or just prowling around the outskirts of a herd of antelope or other animals. Remember, we aren't in a zoo!!!



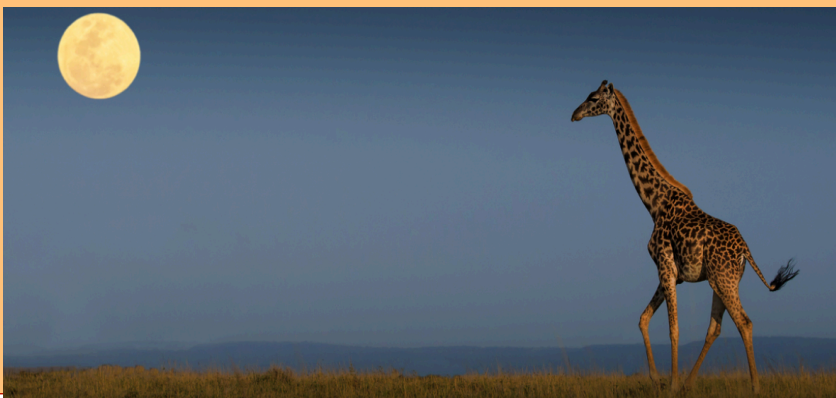
At the end of the day, you may wish to partake of a relaxing massage ... aaaaaaaaahhhh ...

then off to a good night's rest ..

That's about it for this week ... Please keep asking your friends and family to join us!

'til next week, Kwa heri!

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