## KENYA Land of Mystery and Marvels



## A little more about the amazing country of Kenya!

Kenya is the home of the safari holiday, as it was one of the first places to embrace this extraordinary and exciting experience, showing travellers the true wonders of the wild. The country was also the first to introduce the concept of the Big Five, a collective group of animals consisting of elephant, lion, rhinoceros, buffalo, and leopard. They are not called the Big 5 because of their sizes, but rather because they are the most dangerous animals to hunt on foot.

Holidays to Kenya allow you to explore a vast land, which stretches from the Indian Ocean across the low plains. This leads to Lake Victoria, on the border with Uganda, and follows onto the central highlands. These highlands are divided by the Great Rift Valley, right through to Mount Kenya, the country's highest point.

This East African country is a land of explorers, farmers and over 70 indigenous tribal groups. It houses the most magnificent national parks and nature reserves on the continent. We will discover the Amboseli National Park at the foot of Mount Kilimanjaro and the Maasai Mara National Reserve at the northern end of the Serengeti, which is part of the great migration experience, where hundreds of thousands of wildebeest, zebra and antelope follow the rains. We may catch a glimpse of that while we're there.

There is also the desert-like Samburu Reserve and the Rift Valley Lakes, filled with both freshwater and salt, which are famed for their profusion of birdlife, hippos and crocodiles. Unfortunately we won't be going to Sambura this time ... maybe next time!



For those of you who have traveled to Kenya with me before, please be patient. You already "know the ropes", but we have a lot of newcomers this time! :>)

Perhaps you'll take a lesson in spear throwing from a Maasai Warrior? Oh, and do notice the "formal" safari wear. Told ya'! What ever you have in your closet will work just fine! :>)





We never know what we'll encounter! Refreshments in the middle of nowhere!?!?!? LOL!!!

buy?" WOW! Kenya abounds in crafts and you'll find PLENTY to bring home!!! There's baskets, carvings, clothing, fabric, jewelry, pottery, Kenya is home to ARTISTS who will amaze you with what they produce!

From simple hand-crafted beaded jewelry such as this:

To intricate carvings as shown below:





As always, I welcome your questions or comments! Please feel free to email or phone me.

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Once we know who's going, if you're traveling as a single and need a roommate, I'll be happy to assist you. (Hey! I'll need a roommate!) Only two (2) singles are permitted and both have already been booked.