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KENYA – Land of

Jambo, All!!!

Hope this finds you Happy and planning to join us!

By now you've seen and hopefully digested the tour prices. I hope you also noticed, the larger the group, the better the price, so if you know anyone else who may be interested, I will be glad to add them to the email list.

I want to remind you guys, those prices include all your expenses from the time you get on the plane in the US until you arrive back in the US ... excluding airfare, tips, booze, souvenirs and any ancillary things you may wish to buy.

We've all gone on vacation and thought we'd had our budget planned ... what we forgot was FOOD! All our meals are included and that means FULL breakfast, NOT a continental breakfast of a cup of coffee and a Danish.



Several of you were concerned about safety. Don't be! From the time we land in Nairobi, we will be escorted every step of the way. We will **NOT** be walking around in the bush unescorted and left to fend for ourselves! Most of the time on Safari we will be in our vehicles ... there will most likely, be 2 game drives every day where our guides will take us out to find all the animals... We **SHOULD** be able to see ALL of the Big-5!

We're also getting 3 nights in the Maasai Mara - in tents! ...and OH, what those tents are!!!

So go back, look at those prices again, and seriously consider joining us for what may be your "Once In A Lifetime" trip.



Last time we talked about the Big 5 – specifically the African Bush Elephants ... this week we go to #2 – The African Cape Buffalo! It's big, it's not too pretty, and there are a lot of them around!



African Cape buffalo

*The African Buffalo or Cape Buffalo (*Syncarus caffer*) is a large – make that VERY large, Horned bovid. They are the only animals within the Big Five that are not endangered or threatened. The Cape Buffalo is considered by many to be the most dangerous of the Big Five to hunters, with wounded animals reported to ambush and attack pursuers. Suggestion: Do Not Pursue!!! You will see them with white birds (cattle egrets) on their backs. These birds get a free ride and simultaneously rid the buffalo of insects. They both benefit!*



Those horns can span 4 feet across!



This is the Sand River (doesn't look like much). It runs through Kenya and Tanzania.

I'm pretty sure none of you are saying, "Oh, Boy! Cape Buffalo!!! Let's go to Kenya so we can see them up close!" So here are a few of the other animals you'll see >>> That's Lion Day Care at its finest! :>)





This may not be where we were staying, but, as promised, there are indoor bathrooms with hot and cold running water, even in the tents! This is a tent!



**No, No, NO!
Our vehicles
are MUCH
bigger than
this!!!**

Along the way, we will never know what we will see!!! BUT, we will NOT be in any danger as long as you pay attention and listen to our driver! Our driver(s) are also our guides and interpreters. They speak both English and Swahili ... amazingly, they will find animals that you won't see until you're told where to look! They may stop the vehicle at anytime, seemingly for no reason. Be patient! Before you know it something will appear ... you may be near high grass and won't even see it move, then suddenly a lion (or 2) will walk out in front of your vehicle. These men know their country and what to look for. You may hear Swahili over the radio, generally it's one driver telling another what he's found and where to get to so his guests can see it. Trust him, he's knows what he's doing! That's why we tip them at the end of our visit! :>)



Ya' Never Know!!!



Our roads will be just a bit different: Our vehicles will be much larger. But we may just encounter a family like this! :>)



NO! Our tents will NOT be like this!!! :>)

That's about it for this week ... remember: if you have ANY questions, please email me! 'til next week! Jeanie6433@aol.com 828-505-8870