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Land of Mystery and Marvels



Can you imagine being this close to these amazing giants???

To be able to see them interact with each other and especially with the little ones! To see how they greet "Ellies" from other herds ... to see the young ones play ... to see the adolescents pretend to "guard" the herd ... these are things you can't see in a zoo. ... and, Yes, we will be this close, but also very safe! Our guides know exactly just how close is safe and, as long as we all pay attention to them, we will also be VERY safe! For the most part, we'll be in vehicles like these or other 4 wheel drive



vehicles. Our guides are in charge! Listen to them! There may be times we come upon an area where we can safely leave the vehicles to see something of interest. As long as we listen to our guides, we will have no problems. What we will have are opportunities to see amazing things!

Last week I enclosed a video (hope you were able to open it) showing 2 teenage male lions sleeping as if there was nothing around to bother them. They were in a dead sleep, until they realized we were watching them! Here's what happened when they woke up. Again, double click on the photo and it should open! If it doesn't, let me know and I'll try to send it another way.



Next week you'll see their departure and how they really weren't interested in us! :>)



We MAY be in some places where we are out of the vehicles and accompanied by a Ranger with a big gun ... !!! This is mainly to protect the animals from the tourists!!! LOL!!! Oh, I could tell you stories!!! LOL!!! >> Guess who!>>>



This will give you another idea of how close, yet how safe, we can be. You'll also notice how "upset" the lions are by our presence! LOL!!! They are aware of us, but don't look at us as lunch or danger!

Another example of what happens when one guide makes a "find" and radios one of his compadres! We'll try to avoid that whenever possible. Sometimes the wrong guides hear the radio message (which is usually in Swahili), and all race to the scene! Too many vehicles and the animals will leave.



As usual, I welcome your questions ... shoot me an email or call! 'til next week, kwa heri (good-bye)! Jeanie Matthies-Kurzrok

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