

Monday 18 October 2021

# KENYA

Only 379 days before we leave  
Nairobi on SAFARI!!!



By this time, in 379 days, we'll be enjoying a buffet breakfast in the Stanley Hotel, Nairobi! Then off to our vehicles and on to our ADVENTURE!





I realize a number of you are concerned about travel due to the issue of Covid. Remember, we're not leaving the U.S. until **NEXT** year. Hopefully by then we will have gotten a handle on things. Meanwhile, people are traveling from the US to Kenya even as I type this. The sanitation methods being used to protect those visitors in Kenya are extreme and so far we've had no reason to be scared. Of course, we'll always be cautious even if there isn't a pandemic! Needless to say, full vaccinations for Covid ARE required. Now a few things to think about NOW: If you don't have a passport, apply now. My understanding is there's a 4 month plus backlog at the passport office. U.S. passports are valid for 10 years. If you DO have a passport, you must have 2 blank pages in it and it must remain valid for at least 6 months AFTER leaving Kenya, so check those dates! You should be able to get an application at your post office. DO NOT use one of the "Fast Track" services. They're not all reliable and you don't want to end up being scammed! A new requirement is the vaccination for Yellow Fever. A precaution ... we won't be trudging through jungle!!! We will also be required to take malaria pills. OK, DON'T PANIC!!! This is, and has always been, a precaution. (Truthfully, I've never seen a mosquito there ... in fact, I've only seen one bug ... a moth!) BUT, better safe than sorry. In the past those pills were taken beginning 2 weeks prior to departure and continuing for 2 weeks after returning home. Check with your doctor for a prescription.

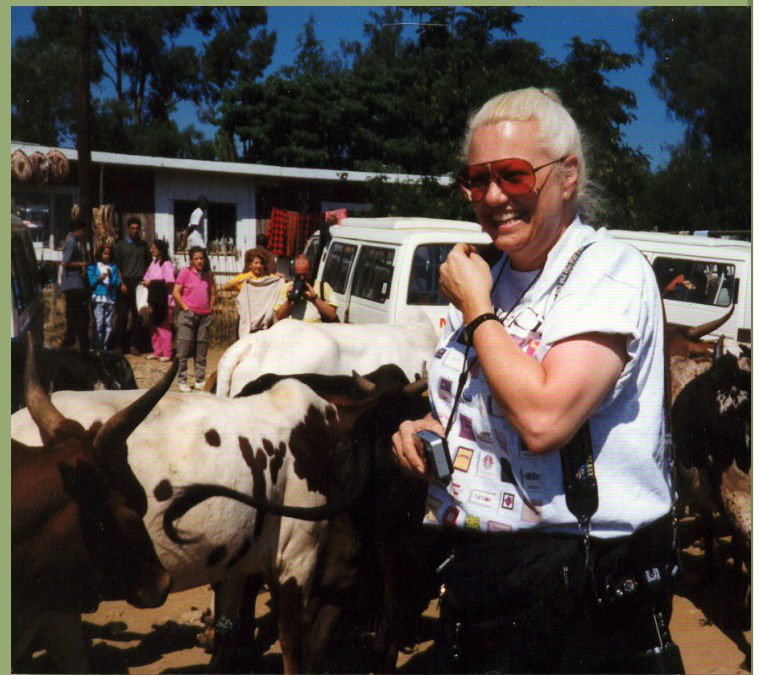


The Lion may be "King of The Jungle", but Cheetahs are my favorite! You should be able to get some great pictures of them, with luck, along with their cubs. You'll also see plenty of Lions and get great pictures of them!!! ... not to mention all the other amazing animals we'll see "up close and personal"!!!

We still have room, so if you know anyone else who'd like to join us, have them email me with "KENYA" in the subject line.

We never know what we'll encounter along the way!!!  
A Kenyan Traffic Jam can look Like this!

The other thing you'll learn is why the Kenyans take all those Marathon Medals! They're always walking and running!!! Yes, there are cars and trucks, but as we get way out of Nairobi, you'll notice that traffic isn't because of the "locals" ... there it's mostly foot traffic! That's even with all the improvements that have been made!



That's about it for this week! Keep your questions coming ... and your suggestions for a new Group Name!

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