

ITINERARY – JULY/AUGUST 2011

Throughout the trip we will be camping at recognised camp sites, although some of these will actually be out 'in the bush', such as in Nakuru National Park and Tarangire National Park.

Our transport and 'home' for the three weeks will be an Overland Safari Truck. There will be opportunities every day to meet with local African people, and gain an insight into their culture and way of life.

Several local schools will be visited in Kenya and Tanzania.

The exact itinerary will be decided nearer the time, and the length of the trip may vary by a day or two depending on flight schedules, but the most probable one at the moment is detailed below.

Day One:

Travel from the U.K.

Arrive Jomo Kenyetta Airport, Nairobi.

Meet driver/guide and cook, and load up the Safari Truck

Overnight Camp at Indaba Camp on the outskirts of Nairobi.

Day Two:

Strike camp after breakfast and drive out of Nairobi up onto the Rift Escarpment.

Descend into the Rift Valley and drive to Lake Nakuru National Park for a game drive and an overnight 'bush camp' at Makalia Falls.

Day Three:

Game drive in Nakuru National Park.

Drive to Lake Baringo for an overnight camp at Roberts Camp on the shores of Lake Baringo.

Day Four:

Visit Kapsoi School for sports fixtures, participation in lessons, and cultural exchanges.

Meet with local villagers in the evening.

Overnight camp at Roberts Camp.

Day Five:

Drive to Lake Naivasha.

Visit Longonot DEB School for a Barn Dance and other cultural exchanges.

Overnight camp at Fish Eagle Camp on the shores of Lake Naivasha.

Day Six:

Bicycle safari in Hells Gate National Park, and an exploration of the Lower Gorge on foot.

Meet with local villagers this afternoon.

Overnight camp at Fish Eagle Camp.

Day Seven:

Drive to Nairobi. Visit St. Cecilia School in the Kibera Slum, the largest slum in Africa.

Overnight camp at Indaba, Nairobi.

Day Eight:

Further visit to St. Cecilia School, and then drive to Arusha, crossing the border into Tanzania en route.

Overnight camp at Meserani Snakepark.

Day Nine:

Drive to Lushoto, high up in the Usambara Mountains.

Spend the early evening with local villagers.

Overnight camp at Irente Cliff.

Day Ten:

Guided walk through Lushoto and the nearby villages, taking lunch at Irente Cheese Farm.

Spend the early evening with local villagers.

Overnight camp at Irente Cliff.

Day Eleven:

Drive to Arusha.

Overnight camp at Meserani Snakepark.

Day Twelve:

Visit Meserani School and Lesiraa School to see the classrooms built by the Meserani Project.

Drive to Karatu, and visit Enderofta Secondary School to play volleyball and netball.

Overnight camp at Kudu campsite.

Day Thirteen:

All day game drive in the Ngorongoro Crater, using hired jeeps.

Visit Karatu town late in the afternoon to interact with the local inhabitants.

Overnight camp at Kudu campsite.

Day Fourteen:

Drive to Tarangire National Park for a game drive.

Overnight 'bush camp' inside the park.

Day Fifteen:

Early morning game drive in Tarangire National Park.

Visit Tarangire Safari Lodge for refreshments and game viewing.

Drive to Arusha.

Barbecue and overnight camp at Meserani Snakepark.

Day Sixteen:

Visit Einoti Secondary School for a volleyball match and Barn Dance.

Meet the pupils being sponsored by the Meserani Project and spend the rest of the day with them.

Overnight camp at Meserani Snakepark.

Day Seventeen:

Visit the Meserani Maasai Culture Museum, Education Centre, Medical Centre and Snake Park.

Take a camel ride through the bush to a local village.

Visit local families in their traditional Boma settlements, share a traditional goat barbecue with them, and then stay overnight in their traditional Banda huts.

Day Eighteen:

Spend the morning sharing traditional activities with the Maasai families. Afternoon shopping at local Maasai markets.

Visit the homes of the pupils being sponsored through the Meserani Project.

Overnight camp at Meserani Snakepark.

Day Nineteen:

Host a Sports Day for the pupils from Lesiraa School and Meserani School.

Visit some of the pupils in their Maasai homes.

Shopping at local Maasai markets.

Barbecue and overnight camp at Meserani Snakepark.

Day Twenty:

Drive to Nairobi, crossing the border into Kenya en route.

Visit St. Cecilia School in the Kibera Slum in Nairobi.

Evening meal at Carnivores, Nairobi.

Overnight camp at Indaba on the outskirts of Nairobi.

Day Twenty-one:

Visit the AEW Giraffe Sanctuary.

Visit St. Cecilia School in the Kibera Slum in Nairobi.

Overnight camp at Indaba on the outskirts of Nairobi.

Day Twenty-two:

Pack.

Depart Nairobi Airport.

Day Twenty-three:

Arrive back in the U.K.