



Kenya

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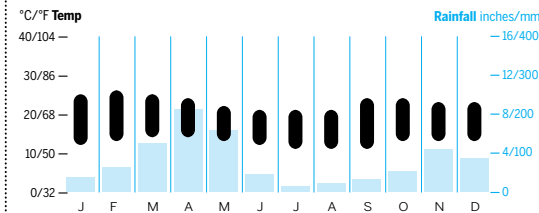
Why Go?

Kenya is the Africa you always dreamed of: a land of vast savannah, immense herds of wildlife, and peoples with proud traditions rooted in the soil where human beings emerged. The Maasai, the Samburu, the Turkana, the Swahili, the Kikuyu: these are the peoples whose histories and daily struggles tell the story of a country and of a continent – the struggle to maintain traditions as the modern world crowds in, the daily fight for survival, the ancient tension between those who farm and those who roam.

Then, of course, there's the wildlife. From the Masai Mara to Tsavo, this is a country of vivid experiences – elephant families wallowing in swamps in the shadow of Mt Kilimanjaro, the massed millions of pink flamingos bathing in lake shallows, the landscape suddenly fallen silent and brought to attention by the arrival of an as-yet-unseen predator. There's nowhere better than Kenya to answer the call of the wild.

When to Go

Nairobi



Jul–Oct The annual wildebeest migration arrives in the Masai Mara in all its epic glory.

Jan–Feb Hot, dry weather with high concentrations of wildlife in the major parks.

Nov–Mar Migratory birds present in their millions throughout the country.

Kenya Highlights

- 1 Experience the savannah, unmatched wildlife and the world's most fascinating traffic jam in the annual wildebeest migration at the **Masai Mara National Reserve** (p612).
- 2 Enjoy the tremendous hikes and jagged peaks that await on sacred **Mt Kenya** (p609); Kenya's highest and Africa's second-highest mountain.
- 3 Check out the elephants and Kilimanjaro, two of Kenya's most famous picture-postcard views, from **Amboseli National Park** (p623).
- 4 Explore the harsh conditions, unforgettable tribes and the sublime Lake Turkana, the

