

BEYOND THE GUIDEBOOK

Threads and Beads of Kenya

February 26 - March 9, 2027

Optional Tanzania Serengeti Feb 19-25

Samburu proverb: *Memanyai meleeno*

Don't just move from one place to another without seeing





Tour Overview

Experience the beauty of Kenya's cultural tapestry, revealing how three regions tell their own story through distinct traditions, textiles, crafts, customs, and communities. A tour like no other - ***Kenya: Beyond The Guidebook***. Culturally immersive and thoughtfully conceptualised by Shila Desai and Shivani Shah: two women with a deep passion for Kenya.

Over twelve days, you'll embark upon a journey as diverse as Kenya itself. Start with **Nairobi's bustling second-hand clothing markets** and **meet contemporary innovators**. Move north for the **traditional craftsmanship** and **ancestral significance of beadwork of the Samburu people**, as well as **safari** in Samburu. Lastly, soak in the charm of the **Indian Ocean coast** and the **Kanga coastal textile traditions**.

Highlights

- Learn how Kenyans are confronting the environmental and social challenges of global textile waste with ingenuity and resilience.
- Spend time with the Samburu people in their ancestral lands, gaining insight into daily community life, their beading traditions, and how they have adapted through generations.
- Experience a one-of-a-kind safari in Samburu, where the arid beauty of the northern plains is the backdrop for incredible and unique wildlife.
- Explore the coastal town of Watamu, learn the stories woven into *kanga* fabric and the circular journey of textiles in Kenya.

Led by Shivani Shah

Born and raised in Kenya, Shivani leads this tour with a deep connection to the country's landscapes, people, and culture. She shares engaging stories of Kenya's rich history and vibrant contemporary life, offering guests a truly personal perspective.

Previously, Shivani served as Arts Manager for Kenya at the British Council, where she supported the growth of the country's creative economy through close collaboration with artists and cultural organizations. She brings this network of trusted artisan relationships, along with a deep, firsthand knowledge of their craft traditions, to give guests a truly authentic experience.

As an advocate for community-based tourism, Shivani is dedicated to offering genuine, responsible safaris that give back to local communities while celebrating Kenya's rich culture.



At a glance

11 nights/12 days

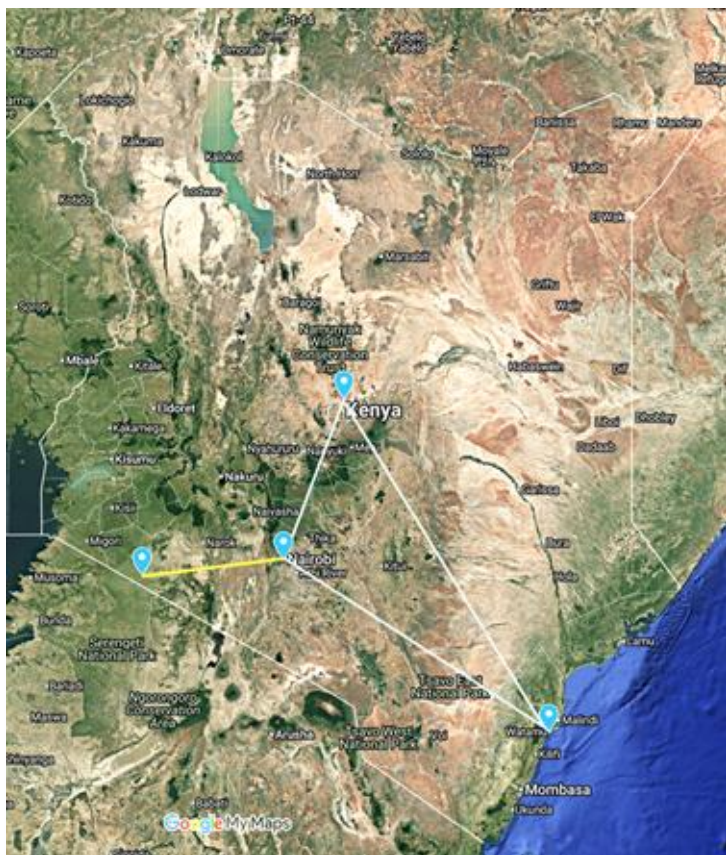
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4 nights – Nairobi

3 nights - Samburu

4 nights - Watamu

Optional pre tour: 6 nights Tanzania Migration safari
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Cost - Main tour

Based on 12 pax* cost increases by USD 150 pp for each drop in group size to min 09 pax. see p. 8

USD 7,500 pp in double occupancy

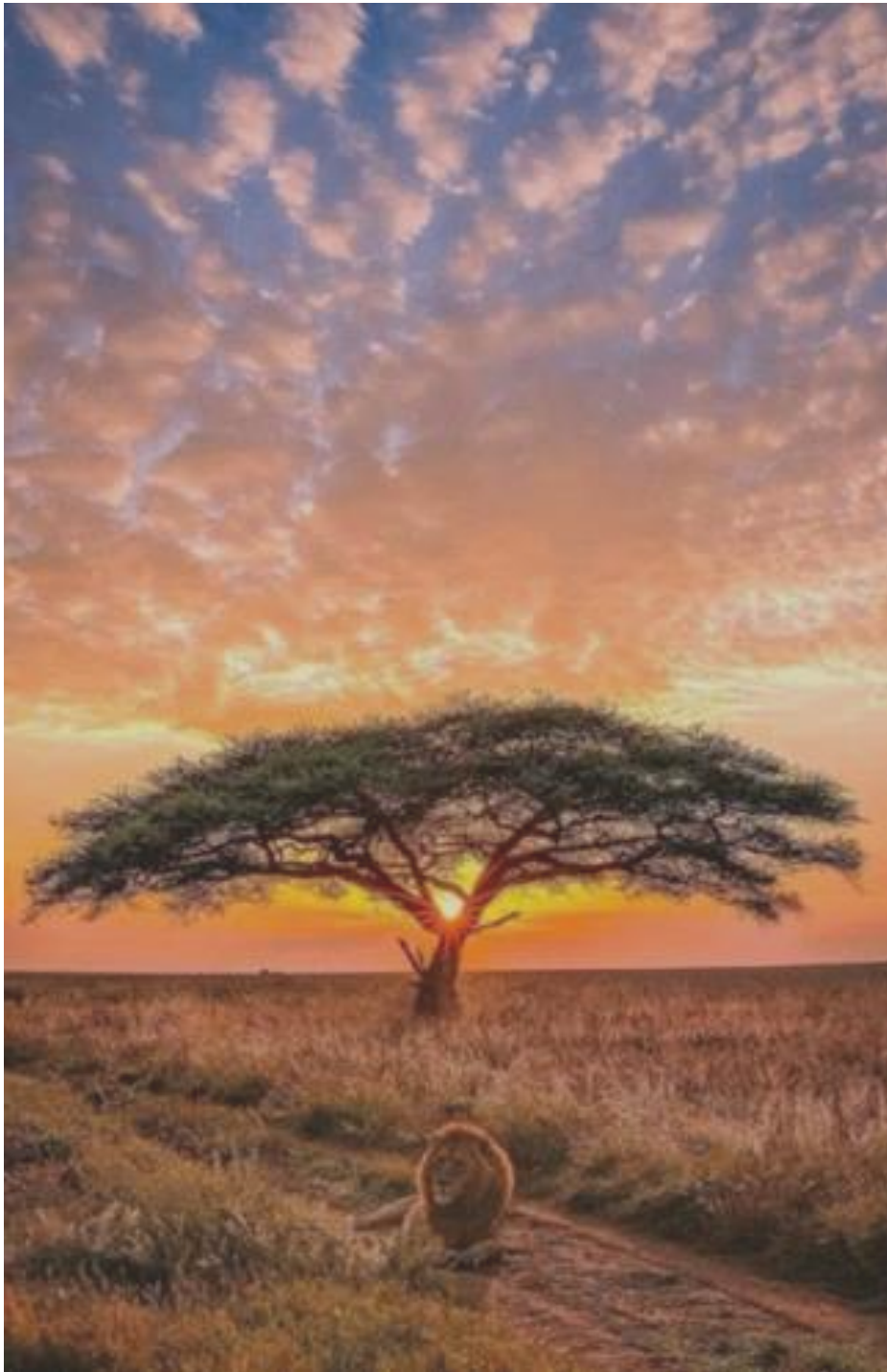
USD 1,860 single supplement

Includes:

- Led by Shivani Shah, EYHO tour leader and conceptualiser
- Accommodation in select luxury hotels and camps
- All transportation in private air-conditioned vehicles
- Group airport transfers
- All domestic flights within Kenya
- Multiple artisan studio and workshop visits
- All fees for national parks, museums and galleries
- Guided game drives in the Samburu national reserve
- Daily breakfasts, multiple hosted lunches and dinners, and all meals on safari
- Knowledgeable and friendly English-speaking guides
- 24/7 support from our team to ensure a seamless journey

Excludes:

- Optional excursions
- International flights
- Regional flights other than those included
- Incidental expenses
- Alcoholic beverages at included meals
- Travel Insurance
- Gratuities



Optional Tanzania Reverse Migration Safari

February 19 - 25, 2027. 7 days pre main tour

In the ultimate wildlife sanctuary of northern Tanzania, the rains have ended. The plains are lush. Half a million newborn wildebeest and zebra run alongside their mothers. Predators are never far behind, and drama unfolds.

The journey for the earth's last remaining Great Migration starts in the south of the Serengeti, with the birth of half a million calves between January and March. The air during these months is full of new life. Tanzania's "Reverse Migration" is one of the planet's most awe-inspiring natural phenomena, testament to a triumphant nature.

Over seven days pre main tour, experience the Circle of Life in **Serengeti, Ngorongoro Crater, and Tarangire National Park**. Travel to the dawn of Homo Sapiens to connect with our species' primal beginnings.

Highlights

- Endless plains of fabled UNESCO Serengeti
- Deep exploration of southern Serengeti's Ndutu region, heart of the "Reverse Migration"
- Breathtaking Ngorongoro Crater, with its towering volcanic walls that contain an abundance of the Big Five
- Bathe in green amidst coffee plantations around Karatu
- Tarangire, with enormous herds of elephant, bird species, and a spectacular baobab-dotted landscape.
- Luxury tented camps and accommodations

Tanzania COSTS



Reverse Migration Safari

Led by experienced and knowledgeable Tanzanian guide-drivers who know the national parks like the back of their hands. EYHO enjoys decades-long familial relationship with these exemplary humans.

"Godlove and Good Luck... no words can describe how absolutely amazing they are both as guides and people" – Meg Hale, NYC

Everything was perfect: the lodgings, the guide-drivers - huge thanks to Goodluck and Godlove! - the food, even the weather. – Liz Hatcher, NM

Tanzania safari - optional pre-tour add on. 7 days

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Cost*: USD 4710 pp double occupancy/ add \$750 for single occ.

Includes:

- 4 nights luxury tented camps, 2 nights upgraded lodges
- Unlimited game drives in landcruiser, window seat guaranteed, with experienced English-speaking guide/driver
- All meals - breakfast, lunch, and dinner daily
- National park fees, excursions and entry fees.
- Flight Serengeti-Arusha, and Arusha-Nairobi

Excludes:

- International flights
- Premium alcoholic beverages
- Gratuities

* Based on minimum 8 pax



Sample Accommodation



Kenya - Nairobi

5* Located in the diplomatic district, connected to Village Market shopping complex. About 45 min from NBO. Onsite restaurants and spa. Easy access to downtown.



Kenya - Samburu NP

An ambient lodge around a central waterhole that attracts local wildlife. Swimming pool, open-air restaurant overlooking the plains, and exceptional star gazing.



Kenya - Watamu

Perched on rocks overlooking the islands of the Watamu Marine Park, an intimate, boutique hotel with stunning sea views, a pool, a gym, and spa services.



Tanzania - Ndutu

Luxury mobile tented camp in Serengeti ecosystem, moves twice a year to ensure best access to Great Migration of wildebeest and zebra, including calving season



Tanzania - Arusha

Located close to Arusha Clock Tower, this 4.5-acre eco-lodge has African-style chalets, two swimming pools, a spa, and views of Mount Meru.



Tanzania - Serengeti

Located in Central Serengeti, taking advantage of the year-round wildlife. With only 12 tents, the vibe is intimate communion with the Serengeti ecosystem.

Sample accommodations only. Actual depends on group size and availability. Substitute with equal or higher category.

COSTS

Arrivals, FAQs

KENYA TOUR in USD	13-14 pax	12 pax	11-10 pax
Per person double occ.	7430	7500	7750
Single occupancy add	1860	1860	1860

TANZANIA ADD ON	08 pax	9-10 pax
Per person double occ.	4710	4580
Single occupancy add	750	750

[Flights, Getting There and Back](#)

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Registration with USD 1000 deposit, refundable within 120 days prior less \$700 booking fee.

EYHO is Travel Industry of Ontario (TICO) accredited

Past Kenya-Tanzania tour testimonials

I cannot imagine a more professional, well thought out, well organized, intellectually stimulating, interesting and fun trip than EYHO - Meg Hale, NYC

Truly the trip of a lifetime. Not enough adjectives to capture the magnitude of the experience. Seeing the animals was life-changing: truly shifted my perspective from everyday puny to a monumental scale. – Liz Hatcher, NM