

Kenya Mtulu Primary School Construction, Tables, Desks - Feb 18-25 Tsavo East/West Safari – Feb 14-18

Located just below Ethiopia on Africa's eastern coast, Kenya offers a diverse landscape of central plateaus, arid deserts, and coastal plains that stretch along the Indian Ocean. Each CHOICE expedition begins and ends with a village celebration of brilliant song and dance.



DAY 1: Saturday, Feb 18

USA to Mombasa

- *participants must arrive at Moi International Airport (MBA) in Mombasa before 5:00PM on DAY 1.
- Official expedition activities will begin this afternoon. CHOICE will arrange group transportation from the airport to
 <u>Nyali Beach Hotel</u> for overnight accommodations (shared Double Rooms). For centuries, Mombasa served as a
 major trading center in the Arab world with strong Muslim roots still evident in modern Swahili culture. In 1498,
 Vasco da Gama was the first European explorer to discover Mombasa, now a popular travel destination in eastern
 Africa. Volunteers can visit Biashara Street to purchase vibrant *kangas*, as well as Kamba Carvers to find exquisite
 gifts of handcrafted wood. CHOICE staff and team will have a group orientation/dinner in Director's home.

DAY 2: Sunday, Feb 19

 Breakfast served at hotel. Group transportation will be provided in the morning to the developing region of Samburu (4-hour distance). Lunch will be provided. Participants will arrive to a gracious rural village in the afternoon and be greeted with a warm welcome from native villagers. Dinner will be served. Time available to unpack, rest, and interact with local residents. Overnight accommodations provided in local schoolhouse.

DAY 3: Monday, Feb 20 – DAY 6: Thursday, Feb 23

• Breakfast served in village. Development projects will be scheduled throughout the week (construction of various village-identified initiatives). Lunch will be served in the afternoons with a brief rest provided. Dinner will be served in the evenings. Village activities and interactions will be provided to promote powerful intercultural exchanges between participants and native villagers. Overnight accommodations provided in local schoolhouse.

DAY 7: Friday, Feb 24

Breakfast served in village. Ceremonious village farewell will be scheduled in the morning (or evening prior). Group
bus transportation will be provided back to Mombasa (4-hour distance). Lunch will be provided. Arrive to Mombasa
in the late afternoon and check-in to <u>Nyali Beach Hotel</u> for overnight accommodations (shared Double Rooms).
Group dinner will be scheduled in the evening to conclude the expedition and discuss experiences. Overnight at
hotel.

DAY 8: Saturday, Feb 25

- Breakfast served at hotel. Possible time at leisure to further explore Mombasa.
- *transportation will be provided to Moi International Airport (MBA) for international flight departures.

\$2195 per person (airfare not included) / \$1995 per student (airfare not included)

*rates include hotel accommodations, certified group leaders, village lodging, village meals, and local transportation.

A significant portion of each expedition fee is utilized for rural village development: project costs, construction materials, leadership building, and other elements leading to high-impact sustainable development.

Mtulu Community

Mombasa to Mtulu Community

Mtulu to Mombasa

Mombasa to USA



Tsavo East/West Safari – Feb 14-18

Tsavo East and Tsavo West National Parks form the largest national park in Kenya and one the largest in the world. Terrain goes from flat dry plains to a more mountainous and wetter geography, with swamps, Lake Jipe and the Mzima Springs. Known for bird life and for large mammal's like the black rhino, Cape buffalo, elephant, leopard, hippo and Masai lion, cheetahs and more.



DAY 1: Tuesday, Feb 14

USA to Mombasa

- *participants must arrive at Moi International Airport (MBA) in Mombasa before 11PM on DAY 1.
- Official tour activities will begin the following day at 7am. CHOICE will arrange group transportation from the airport to Nyali Beach Hotel for overnight accommodations (shared Double Rooms).

DAY 2: Wednesday, Feb 15

Mombasa to Tsavo East Park

- Breakfast served at hotel. Group transportation will be provided in the morning towards Tsavo East, which is also known as "the theater of the wild".
- After you have entered the park through Bachuma gate you will have an enroute game drive towards your lodge. Ashnil Aruba Lodge, where you will check in and have lunch.
- After relaxing at the lodge, an evening game drive will conclude the day followed by dinner.

DAY 3: Thursday, Feb 16

- An early morning game drive starting at 6:00hrs to spot the wildlife at its best. At around 8:30 you will come back to the lodge for breakfast.
- After breakfast you will check out of the lodge and start making your way to Tsavo West National Park, also known as the home of the leopard, along the Mombasa - Nairobi Highway. After you have entered the park you will have an enroute game drive towards your lodge, Ngulia Safari lodge, where you will arrive in time for lunch. After lunch you can rest a bit or use the hotel facilities.
- Your evening game drive will start around 16:00hrs and will last for about 2 hours. After the game drive you will return to your hotel for dinner and overnight stay.

DAY 4: Friday, Feb 17

- Enjoy an early breakfast and check out of the lodge at 7:00hrs. After you have checked out of the lodge you will have a morning game drive towards Mzima springs where you will have a 1 km walk accompanied by a ranger/guide, who will brief you about the attraction. Millions of gallons of water sprout out of rock forming springs and big pools of water, where hippos and crocodiles call this place "home".
- After Mzima springs you will continue your game drive towards the Mtito Andei exit gate. Once you have left the park you will make your way back to your hotel in Mombasa, lunch will be provided for you enroute. Evening check in to Nyali Beach Hotel.

\$675 per person (airfare not included)

*rates includes 3 days 4 nights hotel accommodations, certified group leaders, meals, park fees, guides and local transportation.

Tsavo East to Tsavo West Park

Tsavo West Park/Mzumi Springs to Mombasa

