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ME to WE + MLSE Kenya Intinerary

Jun 29, 2020 - Jul 7, 2020



Trip Summary

June 29 - Monday

Evening Arrival in Nairobi

Check-In to the Four Points Sheraton Hotel

June 30 - Tuesday

Breakfast at Nairobi Hotel

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Visit to the Sheldrick Wildlife Trust

Fly from Nairobi to the Maasai Mara

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Say Kwaheri to the Community

Medicine Walk and Maasai Warrior Training

July 7 - Tuesday

Depart Bogani

Check-In at the Four Points Sheraton Hotel in Nairobi

Lunch in Nairobi

Transfer to Jomo Kenyatta International Airport for your flight home

June 29 - Monday



Evening Arrival in Nairobi

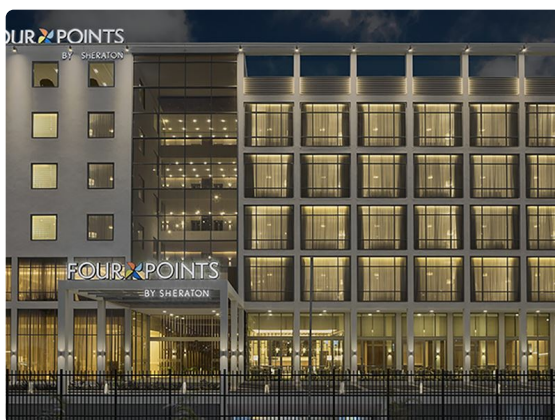
Collect your luggage and proceed through customs, where you will be welcomed by your in-country facilitator in the arrivals hall. Enjoy a comfortable ride to your hotel.



Check-In to the Four Points Sheraton Hotel

The Four Points Sheraton, Nairobi offers a comfortable and exquisite place to settle in and relax. Enjoy the peace of fresh, spacious rooms in a city renowned for its vibrant culture. Rest for the evening and night to start your ME to WE adventure the next day.

**Evening snack and dinner are out-of-pocket*



June 30 - Tuesday



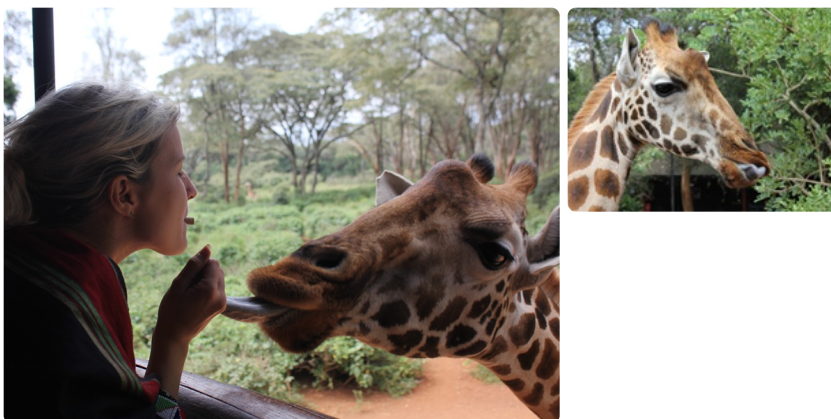
Breakfast at Nairobi Hotel

Enjoy a full breakfast at your hotel before embarking on your ME to WE adventure!



Visit the Kenya Giraffe Centre

Created in 1979, the Giraffe Centre is a safe home for many of Kenya's endangered Rothschild giraffes. Guests have the opportunity to observe, feed and even kiss the giraffes! MLSE Guests get to visit the Baby Elephants as well!



Visit to the Sheldrick Wildlife Trust

Visit the Sheldrick elephant orphanage where you'll get the chance to experience these fascinating animals close up.



Fly from Nairobi to the Maasai Mara

Enjoy lunch at Wilson airport before taking a short afternoon flight that will descend into the Great Rift Valley. Once you descend into the Maasai Mara, watch for circular shapes that characterize Maasai *bomas*, and look for herds of local wildlife and cattle.



Arrive at Bogani Cottages and Tented Camp

Settle into your new lodging at Bogani Cottages and Tented Camp. The bespoke cottages and tents are a serene place to relax and reflect after an invigorating day of volunteering. Each accommodation is complete with hot and cold running water, flush toilets and comfortable beds, and is furnished with unique African fabrics and art.



Introduction and Orientation

Walk Bogani's winding paths under yellow acacia groves, and get acquainted with the camp, learning some Swahili along the way. Enjoy some food and refreshments on the veranda.



Maasai Story-Telling with Maasai Warriors

Join our Maasai Warriors/guides as they speak about the Maasai community, culture, practices, taboos and lion slaying stories. This is also a great opportunity to ask any questions you might have about this deep and rich culture.



Learn about WE Villages

Learn about the WE Villages development model. Our local staff work with rural villages and regional governments to support, teach and empower people within five Pillars of Impact:

1. **Education:** Quality primary education
2. **Water:** Safe/clean drinking water and sanitation systems
3. **Health:** Sanitation & health care services
4. **Food:** Agriculture and food security
5. **Opportunity:** Alternative income projects



Welcome Dinner

Relax into the atmosphere of the Mara as you enjoy your first dinner at Bogani. Share stories with fellow travelers as you dine on our covered outdoor platform and enjoy a delicious meal featuring both Kenyan and Western-style dishes.



July 1 - Wednesday



Visit a Local Primary School

Experience a guided tour of a local primary school in a nearby community, Enelerai. Visit an old school structure in the community and observe the differences from a new WE Villages school.



A Day in the Life

Join mamas in the community of Emori Joi for a special walk through the community. Visit a mama's home, assist with collecting water from the river and learn more about daily life in rural Kenya.



School-Building

Roll up your sleeves and get ready to help build a new school. You might be putting up a wall, mix cement or paint a classroom.

As you continue to work on the site, watch your building site progress. Spend some time talking to the locals as the bricks get higher, and the school gets closer to completion.



July 2 - Thursday



Mulot Market

Visit an authentic Kenyan market and learn about the economic environment in which the community members live.



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Visit Baraka Hospital

Visit one of WE Village's newest projects, the Baraka Hospital. Baraka serves over 30,000 community members, promoting healthy living and providing preventative, curative and rehabilitative services to the most vulnerable segments of the Kenyan population. These services enable individuals and communities to enhance their health.



July 3 - Friday



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Beading with the Mamas

Spend the afternoon beading with the mamas of the community at the Women's Empowerment Center. Learn more about the artisans and how their work ties into the Opportunity Pillar of the WE Villages model.



July 4 - Saturday



Embark on a Sunrise Safari!

Take a morning drive through the Maasai Mara to look for giraffes, lions, elephants, hippos and buffalos, and some of our favourites, the more common Thomson's gazelle and resident zebra herds.





Healthy Eating at Oleleshwa Farm

Visit Oleleshwa Farm to see the impact of WE Village's Food Pillar. Get a tour of the farm from the farm manager and learn what they are growing for a sustainable and reliable harvests. Learn where most of the ingredients for your meals at Bogani come from!



July 5 - Sunday



Women and Men's group and Rungu-Making

Meet the women and men's group in one of our communities and learn how they've built up a support system to work as a team to create an income for themselves which benefits their families and their whole community.



Meet the Girls at Kisaruni Secondary School

Go on a guided tour of WE Village's first all-girls secondary school and meet the girls who are completing high school education. Kisaruni focuses on community, and provides empowering curriculum that provides girls with the skills and opportunities to excel. Kisaruni strives to build on cultural values, promote leadership, value diversity, and encourage active learning.



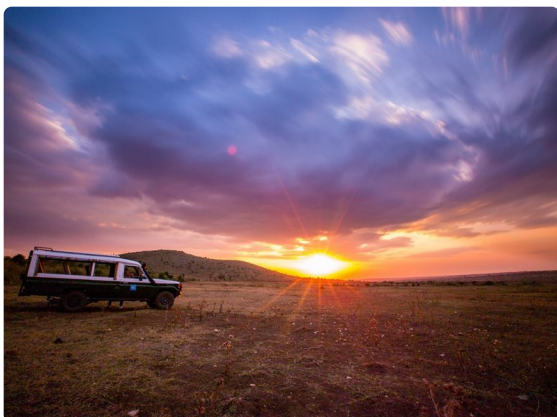
ME to WE Duka at Bogani

Visit the Duka, our on-site shop, which offers locally sourced gifts, Kenya exclusive products, and ME to WE Artisans beaded accessories and home wares made by local Maasai women.



Enjoy a Sunset Safari!

Take an afternoon drive through the Mara to look for giraffes, lions, elephants, hippos and buffalos. Enjoy drinks at dusk.



July 6 - Monday



Finish School-Building and Beautification

Plant some trees in memory of your visit to Bogani. Your trees will be individually adopted by members of the community.



Say Kwaheri to the Community

Wish your new friends in the community farewell and debrief on your Volunteer Adventure and community experience with your facilitators.



Medicine Walk and Maasai Warrior Training

Enjoy a leisurely hike as you learn about medicinal herbs from a local Maasai warrior. You will also have the chance to train in the art of Maasai weaponry as you enjoy a cup of chai or a glass of wine on the hillside.



July 7 - Tuesday



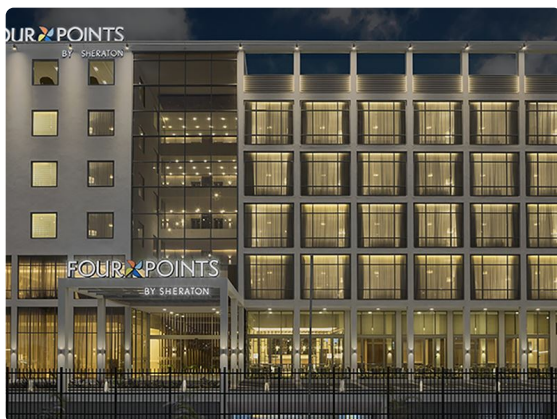
Depart Bogani

After breakfast at Bogani you'll take a short flight back to Wilson airport in Nairobi.



Check-In at the Four Points Sheraton Hotel in Nairobi

Stay at the Four Points Sheraton for a day room to relax and recharge before taking your international flight home.



Lunch in Nairobi

Enjoy a farewell lunch at your hotel.



Transfer to Jomo Kenyatta International Airport for your flight home

Enjoy a comfortable transfer to the airport for your international flight home. *Kwaherinina safari jemima!*

Information & Documents



Kenya Program Costs & Information

ME to WE Signature Service

Every ME to WE Volunteer Adventure includes your major expenses and is designed to keep the trip running smoothly and worry-free. You will be guided by an in-country facilitator for the duration of your trip, an invaluable resource and source of local knowledge. As well, a large team on the ground will ensure your comfort and safety at all times.

These costs offer a guideline for your total trip cost. We would be happy to customize your Volunteer Adventure to suit your unique needs and to provide a final quote. ME to WE Volunteer Adventure costs are subject to change based on the final inclusions and exclusions you request.

Bogani Cottages and Tented Camp

High Season (prices based on double occupancy)

- USD 5,595 per adult – Bogani Cottages
- USD 5,036 per youth (16 and under) - Bogani Cottages
- USD 4,995 per adult – Bogani Tented Camp
- USD 4,496 per youth – Bogani Tented Camp
- USD 500 pp – Single Supplement

Low Season (prices based on double occupancy)

- USD 5,395 per adult – Bogani Cottages
- USD 4,856 per youth (16 and under) – Bogani Cottages

- USD 4,795 per adult – Bogani Tented Camp
- USD 4,316 per youth – Bogani Tented Camp
- USD 500 pp – Single supplement

Inclusions

- ME to WE professional facilitator
- Ground transportation throughout the duration of the trip
- Hotel accommodation in Nairobi (1 night)
- Entrance fees to sights in Nairobi
- Meals as indicated in Nairobi
- Return airfare from Nairobi to the Maasai Mara
- Accommodation at Bogani Cottages and Tented Camp (7 nights)
- All meals and drinks at Bogani, including purified water, sodas, beer and wine
- Two safari game drives
- All activities as outlined in the itinerary
- Access to a day room on the final day of the trip
- Flying Doctors Insurance (evacuation in-country)

Exclusions

- International airfare to and from Nairobi
- Kenya Entry Visa: This must be obtained prior to travel at a cost of \$51 USD per person (cost subject to change)
- Evening Snack in Nairobi upon arrival
- Travel Insurance: out-of-country medical, trip cancellation & interruption insurance
- Vaccinations, as advised by a travel doctor
- Gratuities are not expected but appreciated, and are shared among all staff. We humbly suggest \$10-15 per adult, per day