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Primates & Savanna

DAY-BY-DAY ITINERARY

Primate viewing safari with private guide

Our Primates & Savanna safari combines the best of both worlds.

Trek through the lush, green bamboo forests of Rwanda's Parc National des Volcans—home to the famed "Gorillas in the Mist," followed by wildlife viewing on the savanna of all savannas—Kenya's Maasai Mara Game Reserve. From mountain gorillas to big cats, epic plains game and incredible birds, as well as Africa's most iconic migration—this is the natural diversity of East Africa at its most spectacular.

Bisate Lodge

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Welcome to Deeper Africa

Wildlife encounters, at once spontaneous and beyond imagination, result from our in-depth knowledge of seasonal wildlife migrations and patterns. Our guides possess a lifetime of African lore and all the skills of a master tracker. *It's being in the perfect place at the perfect time.*

As a worldwide team with vast experience, we provide you with exceptional personal service. We attend to every detail. We help you learn about Africa's important conservation issues. *Arrive in Africa fully prepared and ready to explore.*

We believe that local African communities must benefit and prosper from the conservation and enjoyment of Africa's wildlife. They ensure the future. Your dollars protect wildlife and wild lands, as well as support and nurture local small businesses that, in turn support our safari business. *Your dollar makes change.*

Experience wondrous wildlife, enjoy local culture and discover more about the vibrant people and complicated politics unique to Africa. *We love this wild continent.*

Primate viewing

with Deeper Africa

Stand within feet of mountain gorillas as they accept you into their community without a sideways glance. Trek with confidence, knowing you'll have success watching these gentle creatures. Hear chimpanzees bounce through the trees, rustling leaves, breaking branches and maybe even calling out to family members with their loud hooting.

IT STARTS WITH THESE SOUNDS AND THEN SUDDENLY....YOU ARE AMONG THEM.

Kwitonda Lodge

Safari schedule at a glance

International flight #1

Departs: TBD Arrives: TBD

International flight #2

Departs: TBD Arrives: NBO

Day 1:

Arrival in Kigali, Rwanda
Overnight at The Retreat

Days 2, 3 & 4:

Drive to Parc' National des Volcans
Overnights at Sambora Kinigi

Day 5:

Drive to Kigali, Rwanda
Flight to Nairobi, Kenya
Overnight at Kwetu

Days 6, 7, 8 & 9:

Bush flight to Maasai Mara National Reserve
Overnights at Il Moran

Day 10:

Bush flight to Nairobi for international flights



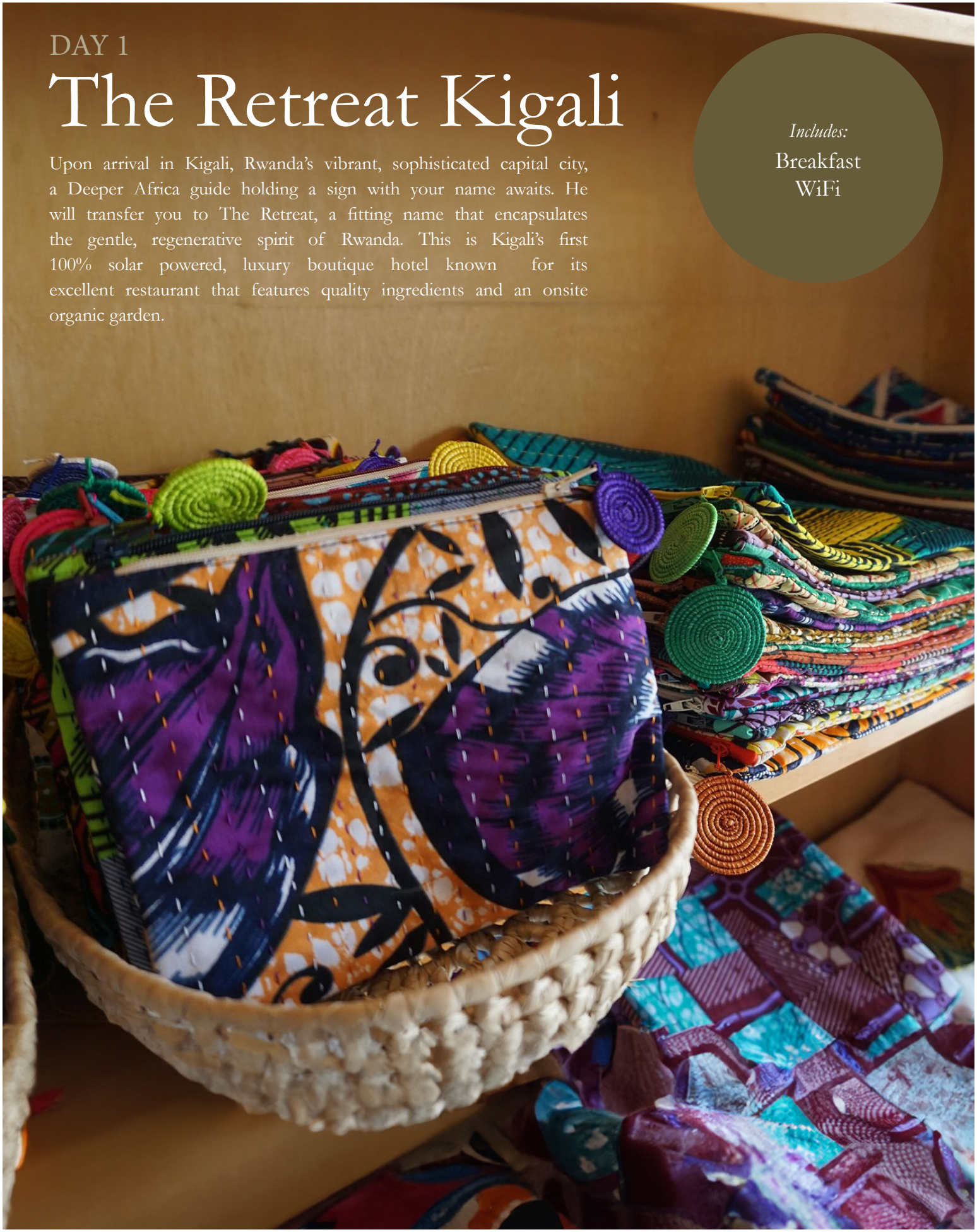
Sabyinyo Silverback Lodge

DAY 1

The Retreat Kigali

Includes:
Breakfast
WiFi

Upon arrival in Kigali, Rwanda's vibrant, sophisticated capital city, a Deeper Africa guide holding a sign with your name awaits. He will transfer you to The Retreat, a fitting name that encapsulates the gentle, regenerative spirit of Rwanda. This is Kigali's first 100% solar powered, luxury boutique hotel known for its excellent restaurant that features quality ingredients and an onsite organic garden.



DAYS 2, 3 & 4

Sambora Kinigi
Parc' National des Volcans

Wildlife viewing *Get your checklist ready*	Activities included *Keep your camera close*
Black-fronted duiker Golden monkey Mountain gorilla	Gorilla trekking

Includes:
Breakfast
Lunch
Dinner
Alcohol & Beverages
Laundry
WiFi

In the morning, your Deeper Africa guide will drive you approximately three hours to Parc' National des Volcans. Afternoon exploring the lodge and villages.

Next day hike to a gorilla family through the bamboo forests, dotted with towering volcanic peaks. The terrain is hilly, and the air is cool. Trek and climb through the home of ten habituated gorilla groups. Watch them munch on bamboo shoots in this "land of a Thousand Hills" which includes five of the eight Virunga Volcanoes inside the national park boundaries. Your late afternoon can be spent relaxing at the lodge or getting out into the local villages to meet people.

Your final day has you returning into the forest to trek a different gorilla family, so you can observe the differences in the personalities of the gorillas due to a difference in family structure.

Gorilla Doctors

Critically endangered mountain gorillas are the only great apes whose wild populations are increasing, largely due to the work of Gorilla Doctors and the Mountain Gorilla Veterinary Project.

Gorilla Doctors provides medical care to ill and injured gorillas in Uganda's Bwindi Impenetrable Forest, Rwanda's Parc National des Volcans and the DRC's Virunga National Park. Veterinarians, rangers, guides and conservationists monitor each gorilla's health, note any developing problems and intervene in emergencies. Gorilla Doctors owns its own vet school.

This work has helped save the species from extinction and even contributed to a baby boom. We're happy to arrange a meeting with Gorilla Doctors for you after you trek, with the option to privately join the doctors on their rounds. This conservation success story demonstrates how your visit can change the future of an endangered species for the better.

480
mountain gorillas in the Virunga Massif
2010

1,063
total mountain gorillas in the wild **now**, largest population recorded

604
mountain gorillas in the Virunga Massif 2016

The world's only endangered animal to receive regular vet care.

Follow a gorilla family online and learn more at
www.gorilladoctors.org

Tom Dietrich

Gorilla Porter Program

Porters are available to carry your daypack, water,and lunch. You may not feel you need one, but we recommend hiring a porter anyway.

$20 cost

$5 Gratuity recommendation



Porters are typically young people without many opportunities. They need work. They only get the opportunity to porter once a month. Typically, their other days are spent working on the family subsistence farm. That's essential work, but it doesn't help them with the cash and the learning they get from helping international guests. A porter doesn't just carry your gear. Like any good caddy, the porter gives you pro tips and shares the kind of local lore that will enlighten your adventure. They are familiar with the trails, terrain, and the condition of the forests. Hiring a porter is so much more than just lightening your load. It's important that all community members benefit from gorilla conservation through work and learning opportunities. They will make a hard trek possible by pulling and pushing you through; a much needed hand.

The porter program is one of the initiatives that the gorilla rangers developed to build community support for mountain gorilla protection. The survival of gorillas and the welfare of local communities are inextricably linked. Support the people, as well as the primates. The money porters earn is one of the direct benefits of tourism in communities.

Uganda Wildlife Authority

Parc' National des Volcans, created in 1925, is part of Africa's first national park.

Sufficient genetic differences exist between the gorillas in Parc' National des Volcans (Rwanda) and the gorillas in Bwindi Impenetrable Forest (Uganda) to suggest that these populations breed in isolation, even though the forests linked the two mountain ranges just 500 years ago.

Gorilla numbers are rising in both Uganda and Rwanda. This population increase is attributed to the quiet, yet steady presence of Gorilla Doctors, as well as improved census techniques.



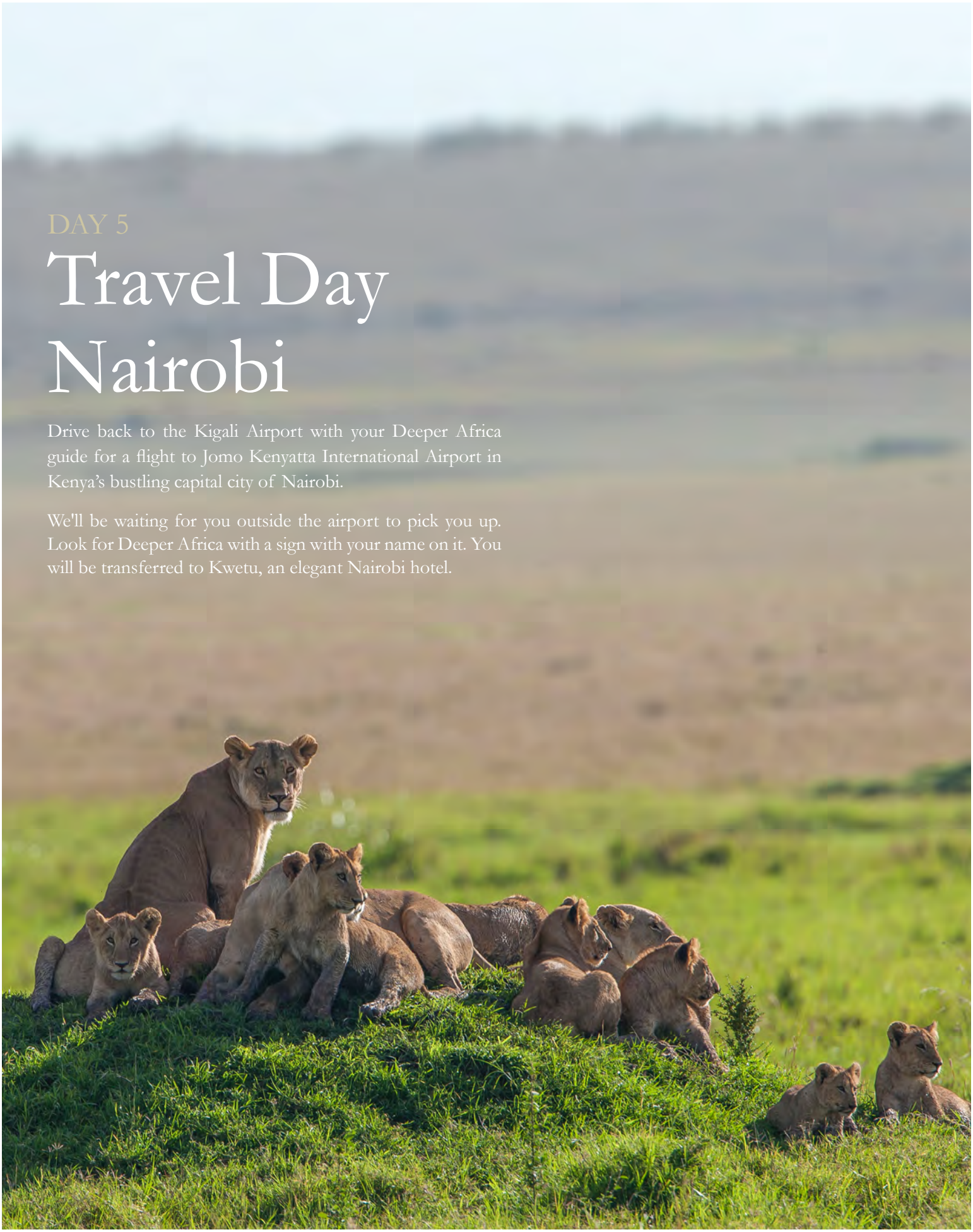
Alex Rozman

DAY 5

Travel Day Nairobi

Drive back to the Kigali Airport with your Deeper Africa guide for a flight to Jomo Kenyatta International Airport in Kenya's bustling capital city of Nairobi.

We'll be waiting for you outside the airport to pick you up. Look for Deeper Africa with a sign with your name on it. You will be transferred to Kwetu, an elegant Nairobi hotel.



Wendy Stone

Wildlife viewing *Get your checklist ready*	Activities included *Keep your camera close*
Antelope, Baboon, Buffalo, Caracal, Cheetah, Crocodile, Dik-dik, Elephant, Gazelle, Giraffe, Hartebeest, Impala, Leopard, Lion, Mongoose, Serval, Thomson's gazelle, Vervet monkey, Waterbuck, Warthog, Wildebeest, Zebra	Wildlife viewing



DAYS 6, 7, 8 & 9

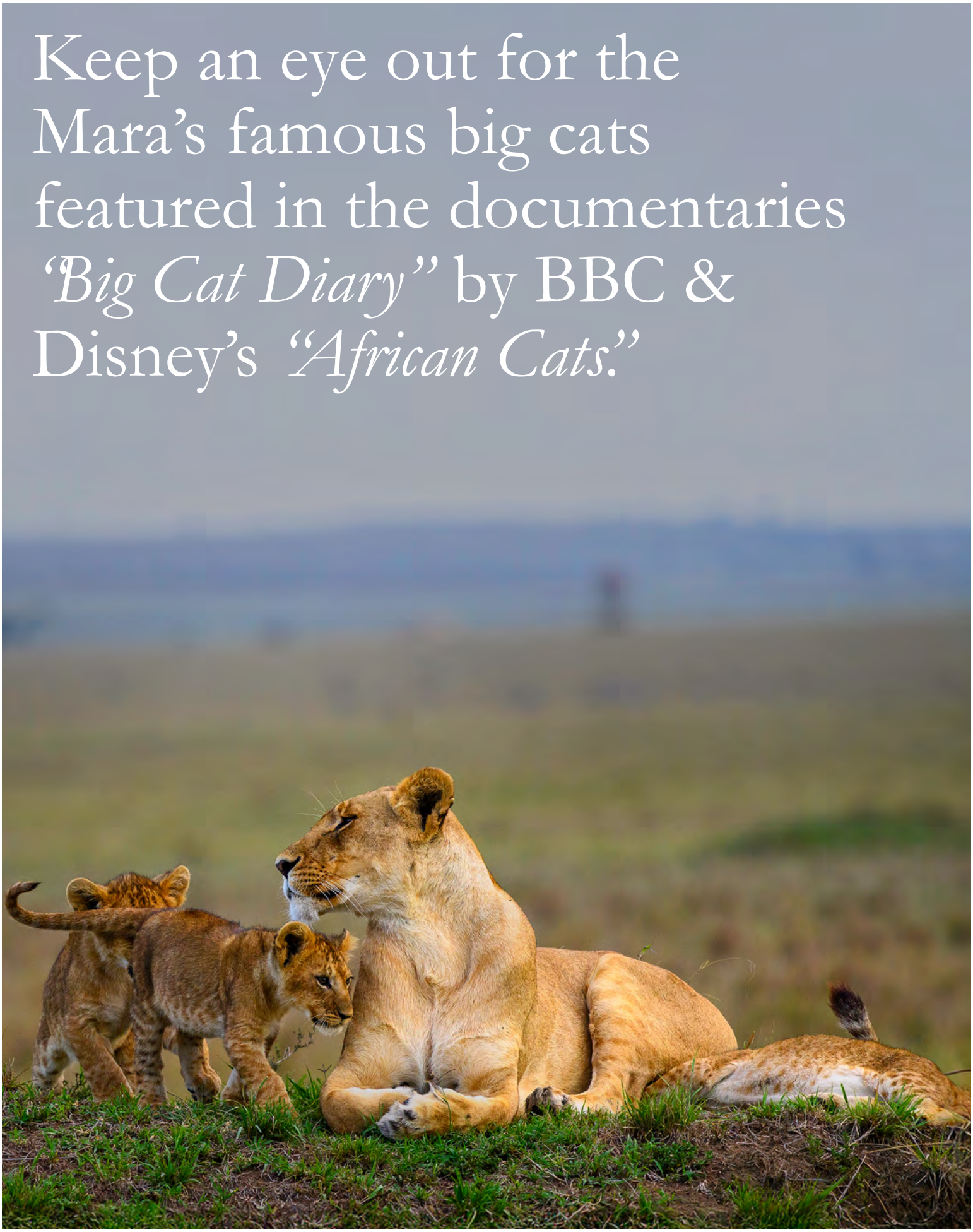
Il Moran Maasai Mara National Reserve

Morning transfer to Wilson Airport. Bush flight to the Maasai Mara. Your Deeper Africa safari guide will be waiting for you. Enjoy the afternoon and next days wildlife viewing.

One of Africa's most legendary game reserves, the Maasai Mara is the northernmost triangle of the Serengeti ecosystem and provides exhilarating views of the great wildebeest migration every August through October. Hidden among ancient trees, deep in the forest, small and intimate Il Moran sits along the winding banks of the Mara River. Its location right in the heart of the Maasai Mara offers superb wildlife viewing, widely considered to be the best in the Reserve.

Includes:
Breakfast
Lunch
Dinner
Alcohol & Beverages
Laundry
WiFi

Keep an eye out for the Mara's famous big cats featured in the documentaries *"Big Cat Diary"* by BBC & Disney's *"African Cats."*



Governor's Camp Collection

DAY 10

International Travel & Flights

Morning flight back to Nairobi Wilson Airport plus transfer to the international airport.

Flight #1 (Day 10)

Departs | Nairobi, Kenya

Arrives | TBD

Flight #2 (Day 11)

Departs | TBD

Arrives | TBD



Kate Palladino