



TRIPMEMO RESOURCE | MAASAI MARA, KENYA

Not to miss in Kenya

The places on the route, and the twelve moments that stayed long after the trip.

Along the route

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- + **The Great Rift Valley viewpoint**
And the vast volcanic crater of Mount Longonot.
 - + **Lake Naivasha**
The boat through the drowned forest, with hippos surfacing beside you.
 - + **A walking safari on Crescent Island**
Giraffes, zebras and the lilac-breasted roller, on foot.
 - + **A Maasai Mara sunset**
The lone acacia against an orange sky.
 - + **A sunrise game drive**
When the Mara is at its loudest and most alive.
 - + **A sundowner in the bush**
Within sight of a pride, if your guide allows it.
 - + **A Maasai village**
The welcome song and the adumu, the jumping dance.
 - + **The bush airstrip**
No terminal, no queue, just a plane emerging from the dust.

Bhuwan's twelve moments

- The vastness of dry sun baked red sand with no vegetation
- Jacaranda trees in full bloom in Nairobi & the song from George.
- The volcanic crater of Longnot
- Beautiful huts of Sopa resort with deer, monkeys, hippos & Zebras in the garden
- Chasing the Giraffe on the hills in Crescent Island and the chance meeting with four giraffes on our way out of Naivasha.
- Sight of a Cheetah with it's kill and sound of hyena at Tiplikwani
- The lone acacia tree and the Mara sunset
- The Savannah dotted with wildebeests, zebras, buffaloes and gazelles
- The roars of lions in the Basecamp wilderness at night and Dama our guide
- The Masai villagers and their dance and songs
- The failed chase of the almost familiar pride of lions
- The Governor's flight from Mara to Nairobi

“Every traveller sees a different Mara, shaped by what they bring to it and no one returns to the same Mara.”

Drawn from *The Mara*, a Kenya journal by Bhuwan Purohit. Health, visa and park rules change, so always check the latest official guidance before you travel.