

Kenya Walking & Wildlife Safari with Richard Bangs

Wildest Kenya from the Mathews Range to the Masai Mara

Join legendary adventurer and MT Sobek co-founder Richard Bangs on a truly extraordinary walking safari across the wild heart of Kenya.

We love talking travel!

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Feel the difference

with **Mountain Travel Sobek**

Unrivalled Expertise

MT Sobek started it all! Since our first Everest Base Camp trek in 1969, we've been leading award-winning adventures and building authentic connections in far-flung locations around the world. We were named Best Adventure Travel Company in 2024 by Newsweek Readers' Choice Awards.

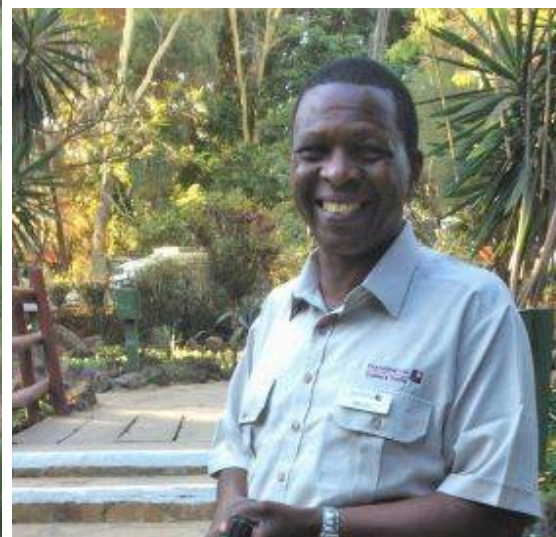
Unique Trip Design

Our adventures are perfectly paced, with incredible attention to detail—the right mix of fun, learning, and challenge that guarantees lifelong memories. Plan nothing, enjoy everything. We take care of all of the logistics so that you can have more time to do what's most important: relax, take in the experience, and enjoy!

Custom Adventures

Private MT Sobek adventures are perfect for travelers who enjoy the flexibility of traveling in their own group, but who want the peace of mind that comes with having all of the logistics handled by true experts. We offer an array of perfectly tailored custom adventures and scheduled dates that your group can easily take over.





Leading the way

World-class Local Guides

Our knowledgeable and passionate expert guides effortlessly create an immersive local experience for you. They are trained to the highest professional standards and are at the heart of everything we do. They make it possible to meet the challenges of adventure travel, and help create lasting memories and lifelong friendships... we can confidently say our guides are the best in the business.





Why take this trip with us?

REASON 1

MT Sobek is a pioneering adventure travel company and that has been exploring remote destinations since 1969. Our walking safaris offer a unique perspective of the Kenyan landscape and cultures.

REASON 2

This perfectly paced 12-day active adventure has been uniquely crafted by our award winning Africa expert to include exciting activities from hiking and wildlife spotting to hot-air ballooning.

REASON 3

MT Sobek works with professional local expert guides and you'll have the added bonus of traveling with legendary explorer Richard Bangs on an epic once-in-a-lifetime experience to Lake Turkana and remote Kenya.

ACTIVITIES

Expert guides lead well-paced hikes up to 6 miles on forest, mountain, and savanna trails. Enjoy viewing wildlife on walks and game drives, and even ride a camel!



LODGING

Experience the best of Kenya's wilderness from a variety of luxury private tented camps, all superbly located in mountain, river, or savanna settings with stunning panoramic views.



CLIMATE

Kenya's climates range from temperate subtropical in the west and southwest highlands, to hot and humid along the coast, and hot and dry in the north and east, with temperatures averaging 68F-86F.



KNOW BEFORE YOU BOOK

Accommodation

There are private shower and toilet tents for Days 6 and 7 on the mobile safari portion of your safari in Laikipia. They are located away from the sleeping tents. If you need to use the facilities at night, expect to walk to them unaccompanied. For safety, there will be askaris (Swahili for guards) patrolling around camp and a fire burning to deter wildlife.



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Kenya is an iconic safari destination characterized by hauntingly beautiful natural landscapes of vast savannas dotted with acacia trees, arid scrublands, rocky outcrops called kopjes, and dense riverine forests brimming with an abundance of wildlife. On this active adventure you will stride across it all on expertly guided walks, discovering the wonders of Lake Turkana, remote valleys in the Mathews Range, diverse ecosystems on the Laikipia Plateau, and the legendary plains of the Masai Mara. Combine immersive explorations on foot with game drives, cultural connections, and even a hot-air balloon ride! Spend nights in a curated collection of comfortable permanent and mobile camps surrounded by nature. This ultimate Kenya walking safari trip offers an unparalleled blend of active adventure and wildlife encounters.

12 Days

Start: Nairobi, Kenya

End: Nairobi, Kenya

Departing: October 2026

Group size: 6-10 guests

Activities: Hiking & Walking, Balloon Safari, Wildlife Viewing

Lodging: Luxury Safari Camps, Deluxe Camping

ACTIVITY LEVEL: 2



Meet Richard Bangs

Co-Founder of MT Sobek, Richard is widely hailed as the father of modern adventure travel and has been named one of the 100 greatest explorers of the last century. A pioneering river guide, acclaimed author, and award-winning storyteller, Richard has spent more than four decades charting new paths across the globe—from first descents of wild rivers in Africa and Asia to groundbreaking cultural expeditions in the Middle East and South America. Richard has redefined what it means to explore—not simply as a quest for new places, but as a deeper journey into understanding the world and ourselves.

Your Custom Itinerary



October 26, 2026 / Arrive in Nairobi

Welcome to Kenya! You will be met and guided through immigration, customs, and luggage claim, after which you'll meet your MT Sobek representative and safari guide. Take a short drive to your boutique safari lodge on the banks of the Mbagathi River, the southern border of Nairobi National Park. Take in the breathtaking views and perhaps spot some wildlife before meeting your guide and other hikers for dinner and a briefing. You should plan to arrive before noon.

ACCOMMODATION: Ololo Safari Lodge

MEALS: Dinner

TRANSPORTATION: Private transfer



October 27, 2026 / Venture to The Far North & Lake Turkana

Begin your adventure with your transfer to the regional Wilson Airport. Board your charter flight to the Northern frontier of Kenya. Your destination is the sparkling jade waters of Lake Turkana. You will be greeted upon arrival and then transferred a short way to your luxury camp. After a warm welcome, lunch, and a siesta, head out on foot to explore the South Horr lugga (dry river bed). Enjoy sundowners to celebrate your first full day in Kenya before returning to camp for drinks by the fire, a lovely dinner, and stars blazing overhead.

ACCOMMODATION: Koros Camp

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

TRANSPORTATION: Airport transfers, Charter flight Nairobi to Turkana (Sedar Airstrip)

ACTIVITY: Walking, Sundowners



October 28, 2026 / Explore Lake Turkana

Start the day with an early morning hike from camp, soaking in the stunning landscapes and the abundance of birdlife. Return to camp for a hearty breakfast before embarking on a journey by vehicle to the shores of Lake Turkana. Upon arrival at Yellow Rocks, set out by boat for a day of fishing and exploration around South Island, enjoying a scenic picnic lunch on the island in the shade of Acacia trees. Late afternoon, return to camp via a stop at the Turkana wind farm and a local village, adding a touch of modern technology and culture to your wilderness experience.

ACCOMMODATION: Koros Camp

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

TRANSPORTATION: Private vehicle transfers

ACTIVITY: Hiking, Lake Cruise, Village Visit



October 29, 2026 / Hike Rugged Trails into the Mathews Range

After breakfast, check out of your camp and head to the airstrip for your flight to Samburu, an arid region named after one of several tribes that call it home. A 4x4 transfer takes you through dramatic low country following dry riverbeds to meet your safari guides, crew, and camels. Spend some time meeting the women of the village to learn about their way of life. Enjoy a picnic lunch and then choose to ride a camel or walk on a journey through Samburu territory, where you'll encounter these semi-nomadic people herding their livestock. Continue walking toward the mountains, climbing into the wilds of the Mathews Range. Enter the deep forest that drapes these mountains which rise from the desert floor, and arrive at a charming and nostalgic tented camp shaded by the canopy on the banks of the Ngeng River. Enjoy a shower and gather for the beverage of your choice before dinner and slip into bed under a cozy duvet with a hot water bottle in this cooler climate.

ACCOMMODATION: Kitich Forest Camp

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

TRANSPORTATION: 1-hour flight, 2.5-hour private transfer

ACTIVITY: 4 hours/6 miles hiking with 2,132' elevation gain and 2,624' elevation loss



October 30, 2026 / Experience a Walking Safari in the Kitich Forest

Today meander through the dense Kitich Forest on undulating hills and valley slopes past forest orchids and giant cycads, getting an intimate look at the wilderness around you. Here are chances to see a myriad of bird and butterfly species as well as elephants, leopards, buffalo, greater kudu, waterbuck, giant forest hog, and the rare De Brazza Monkey. Stop at burbling springs and crystal-clear rivers where you can take a refreshing swim or try your hand at fly fishing for barbel. Return to camp in the late afternoon for sundowners and dinner, listening to the chorus of tree frogs and perhaps the roar of a lion or trumpet of an elephant as you drift off to sleep in the wilderness.

Depending on water levels, you may cross the Ngeng River several times and be prepared for the possibility of your shoes getting wet.

ACCOMMODATION: Kitich Forest Camp

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

ACTIVITY: Walking 2-3 miles with optional fly-fishing and swimming



October 31, 2026 / Journey to Laikipia & Begin Your Mobile Safari

Begin your last morning at Kitich with a pre-dawn wake-up call and head out on a final walk, descending into a cool valley as the sun rises and the forest awakens with the chattering of birds and the odd elephant rumble. Explore the flora and fauna below the canopy before returning to camp for breakfast and heading to the airstrip for your charter flight to Laikipia. Meet your walking team for a short but scenic drive to camp for lunch. Begin your safari below Loseramoru kopje, hiking across large plains and through mixed bush crisscrossed with wildlife tracks, looking for herds of common and Grevy's zebra, oryx and Grant's gazelle, and the herds of reticulated giraffes that are found in large number here. Your walk culminates with a drink atop a kopje for a panoramic view of the area, and retiring to tonight's location of your mobile camp.

ACCOMMODATION: Nyarara Camp

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

TRANSPORTATION: Charter flight, airport transfer

ACTIVITY: 2 hours/1-3 miles hiking



November 1, 2026 / Ride Camels or Walk in Laikipia

Start the day with an early wake-up call and a hearty breakfast while the team takes down the camp and loads it onto pack camels, who will transport camp ahead of you while you walk. You can choose to ride camelback or just have the camels carry your day pack. Laikipia, nestled between Mount Kenya and the northern deserts, is renowned for wildlife conservation. Here you'll explore the high plains, home to diverse species including Grevy's zebras, lions, black rhinos, and elephants. Arrive at Paul's Rock, the site of your next camp at the edge of the Ewaso Nyiro River. After lunch, enjoy an afternoon walk, soaking in the rich scenery. Complete the day with a sundowner as the sun dips below the horizon, returning to camp to watch the river where elephants come to wallow in the mud and tawney and martial eagles nest in the trees.

ACCOMMODATION: Ewaso Camp

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

ACTIVITY: 4-5 hours/6 miles hiking



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November 2, 2026 / Take a Final Walk in Laikipia

After breakfast, walk toward your final camp, enjoying the cooler morning temperatures. Rolling plains, acacia woodlands, and rugged hills form a picturesque backdrop for your exploration, and you may encounter a variety of wildlife. Arrive in time for lunch at the permanent base camp with such luxuries as a lap pool and cocktail bar. Settle into your tent, which has views of a bustling waterhole frequented by elephants, giraffes, oryx, zebras, and warthogs. In the afternoon, explore the surrounding area with your expert guide, catching glimpses of wildlife and immersing yourself in the scenery of the Laikipia Plateau. Climb a nearby kopje for sunset views.

ACCOMMODATION: Tumaren Camp

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

ACTIVITY: 3 hours/6 miles hiking

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November 3, 2026 / Travel to Masai Mara National Reserve

After breakfast, drive to the airstrip for your flight to the Masai Mara. A lodge representative will meet you upon arrival and drive you to the camp for a delicious lunch. This afternoon, head out for your first game drive in the Mara, one of Africa's most famous wildlife reserves. The image of acacia trees dotting endless grass plains and perhaps a Maasai warrior epitomizes Africa for many. The highlight is undoubtedly the annual wildebeest migration traversing the vast plains of the Serengeti National Park and the Masai Mara National Reserve. Large prides of lions and herds of elephants, as well as giraffes, gazelles, eland, and rhino can also be spotted in the reserve.

ACCOMMODATION: Karen Blixen Camp

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

TRANSPORTATION: 1.5-hour flight

ACTIVITY: Game drive and wildlife viewing



November 4, 2026 / Discover Wildlife Wonders of the Masai Mara

Today, you will explore the breathtaking landscapes of the Masai Mara on a captivating game drive. Immerse yourself in the natural wonders of the savanna, encountering iconic wildlife up close, from majestic lions to graceful giraffes. In the afternoon, enjoy a guided walk, gaining insights into the Maasai culture and their deep connection to the land as you experience more outstanding wildlife sightings on this unforgettable adventure.

ACCOMMODATION: Speke's Camp

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

ACTIVITY: Game drive and 3 hours/7 miles walking



November 5, 2026 / Float Over the Masai Mara in a Hot-Air Balloon

Early this morning, depart on a special excursion—viewing the Mara from above on a hot-air balloon flight over the winding rivers, forests, and plains below. A beautiful champagne breakfast in the bush awaits upon landing. The rest of the day will be spent on game drives, as you soak in the last opportunity to see the awe-inspiring animals that reside in this world-famous game park.

ACCOMMODATION: Karen Blixen Camp

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

ACTIVITY: Approximately 1-hour hot-air balloon ride (weather dependent)



November 6, 2026 / Say Farewell to Kenya & Depart

After breakfast, check out of camp and transfer to the airstrip for your flight to Nairobi. Upon arrival, you will be met by your representative and head to a farewell lunch. You'll have use of a day room to rest and freshen up before your departure flight (please book flights to depart after 8:00 pm).

MEALS: Breakfast | Lunch

TRANSPORTATION: Private transfer



Where You'll Stay

Ololo Safari Lodge

Located on the edge of Nairobi National Park in Kenya, Ololo Safari Lodge is a boutique lodge that offers guests the warmth and comfort of a home with effortless style. Spacious rooms come equipped with a private bathroom and a seating area with beautifully handcrafted furniture. Enjoy a relaxed afternoon by the pool, which overlooks the national park, or a meal and drink at the open-air restaurant and bar.

Koros Camp

In the furthest northern reaches of the High End of Kenya, Koros Camp offers unparalleled access to remote wilderness. Six thatched cottages are outfitted with solar fans, ensuite bathrooms with hot water, and a 270-degree shade-screened view when the canvas is rolled up. Relax in the shade of the open air dining hall and walk up to the catch the sunset view with a cocktail from the bar. They are totally yours, as this is an exclusive camp.

Kitich Forest Camp

In a remote valley of the Mathews Range, Kitich Forest Camp is nestled into the dense forest that cloaks the mountain slopes. With only six guest tents, the camp offers complete privacy with traditional safari style and ensuite bathrooms with flush toilets. Watch elephants, buffalo, bushbuck and occasionally a beautiful leopard emerge from the forest at dusk in the floodlit river valley from the lounge, keeping cozy by an open fire.



Where You'll Stay

Nyarara Camp

Set on the edge of a plain with panoramic views towards Mt. Kenya and the Aberdare Range in the south, Nyarara was named for the cheetah often seen in the area. Your accommodation is in a classic canvas safari tent complete with comfortable mattress, feather pillows, and duvet with hot water bottle for luxury camping! A chair, table, solar lights, towels, and carpets make you feel at home in the bush. You can request a bucket shower with hot water and there is a toilet behind each tent.

Ewaso Camp

Ewaso Camp is a wonderful campsite located on the edge of the Ewaso Nyiro River, which is a lifeline to wildlife in the dry season. A chair and table outside your carpet-draped canvas tent are ideal for jotting down the day's adventures while watching the horizon for wildlife. There is a toilet behind each tent. Request a hot bucket shower, then retreat to a comfortable mattress, feather pillows, and a duvet with hot water bottle under solar lights, falling asleep to the sounds of leopards and lions calling.

Tumaren Camp

Tumaren Camp is perfectly situated on the edge of a wide, sweeping plain with panoramic views dotted with the iconic acacia tree. To the south, the landscape is defined by granitic inselbergs, rising like islands on the savanna. The grasslands are rich with wildlife. The camp has just seven fully furnished spacious tents on platforms, each with ensuite bathrooms and flush toilets. Enjoy a 20-meter lap pool looking out across the open plains.

Karen Blixen Camp

Named after the author of the classic novel, *Out of Africa*, this eco-friendly camp evokes a time when the savanna was seldom visited and camps provided a stylish retreat. The 22 large luxury tents offer views of the Mara River. Take a dip in the pool, savor meals at the stylish restaurant or end the day with a massage.

Pricing

\$22,740 per person based on double occupancy (6–9 guests)
(\$18,995 + \$1,475 park fees + \$2,350 internal air)
Single Supplement: \$250

Reserve your space until March 15, 2025 with a non-refundable 25% deposit of \$5,685 per person due at the time of booking.

Space is limited! Minimum group size required is 6 guests. Single rooms available. Pricing is subject to change until receipt of deposit.

PRICE INCLUDES

- Tour leading by Richard Bangs
- Expertise and services of our experienced adventure guides
- All accommodations as noted in the itinerary
- Meals as noted in the daily itinerary with taxes and gratuities
- Snacks and water between meals
- Additional regional guides and experts on many trips
- Comprehensive Trip Planner with detailed pre-trip information
- Private guided tours at historic sites, museums, wineries and other select attractions as noted in the itinerary
- Special events and other select attractions as mentioned in the itinerary
- All gratuities at hotels and restaurants
- Equipment and experienced guides for activities as described in the itinerary
- Park and other entry fees (unless otherwise noted)
- Fares for trains, ferries and other modes of travel as listed in the itinerary
- Select transfers as mentioned in the itinerary
- Baggage transfers and portage

PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE

- Additional meals not noted in the daily itinerary
- Alcoholic beverages (MT Sobek provides wine at select events)
- Entry fees to National Parks, museums and other attractions when not accompanied by a guide, unless listed on inclusions
- Airfare, airport taxes or baggage fees for all flights
- Optional activities and spa services
- Personal expenses such as medical immunizations, laundry or souvenirs
- Gratuities for MT Sobek guides and guide-drivers
- Travel protection program

Payments & Cancellations

PAYMENT SCHEDULE

- A 25% non-refundable deposit (\$5,685 per person) is due upon acceptance of services.
- Final payment is due 95 days prior to departure.

CANCELLATIONS & REFUNDS

At the time we receive written notice that you must cancel your trip, the following fees will apply (all dates are from departure date):

- From time of reservation until 95 days prior to trip departure: 25% of land cost
- 94 to 61 days prior to trip departure: 50% of land cost
- 60 days or less prior to trip departure: 100% of land cost
- No refunds will be given for unused hotel rooms, meals, activities, or trek arrangements for any reason whatsoever. Land Cost is quoted as a package and credits are not given for services not used. Extra hotel nights cancelled within 60 days of departure are subject to up to 100% of the hotel cost. Internal Air, once purchased, is non-refundable.
- Cancellation and refund policy applies to the entire Land Cost of trip, including trip cost, internal airfare, park fees, permits, and taxes. We recommend you purchase the Optional Travel Protection Plan to protect your investment.

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