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Full Day Amboseli National Park

1 Days | Kenya | Amboseli National Park

From \$320 per person sharing

Package Overview

A day trip to Amboseli National Park is a whirlwind adventure focused on iconic wildlife, stunning landscapes, and, of course, breathtaking views of Mount Kilimanjaro. This itinerary assumes a departure from Nairobi (or nearby towns like Machakos or Emali). Note: To maximize time, consider staying the night before in a lodge near the park gate (e.g., Amboseli Serena Lodge, Kibo Safari Camp, or a similar camp in Kimana).

Pre-Trip Essentials

Distance from Nairobi: ~240 km (4-5 hours drive one way, depending on traffic and road conditions).

Best Time to Depart: 5:00 AM at the absolute latest. An earlier departure (4:00 AM) is highly recommended.

Must-Have Items: Park entry fees (via MPESA or cash at the gate), passport/ID for entry, binoculars, camera, sunscreen, hat, sunglasses, light jacket (mornings are cool), packed breakfast/lunch, and plenty of drinking water.

Vehicle: A 4x4 safari vehicle with a pop-up roof is ideal for game viewing.

Day by Day Itinerary

Day 1: Pick Up and transfer to Amboseli National Park

A day trip to Amboseli National Park is an exhilarating, dawn-to-dark adventure, meticulously planned to maximize wildlife viewing and iconic landscapes despite the long travel time from Nairobi. The experience begins with a very early morning departure, ideally by 4:00 AM, from the city for the approximately four to five-hour drive southeast. The journey passes through changing scenery before arriving at the park gate, often Kimana Gate, by mid-morning. After completing entry formalities, the first game drive commences immediately, heading straight for the renowned swamp ecosystems like Enkongo Narok. These permanent water sources are the heart of Amboseli, where you'll witness vast herds of elephants--the park's famous giants--mud-bathing, drinking, and socializing against the stunning, cloud-permitting backdrop of Mount Kilimanjaro. This initial drive also focuses on the other wildlife drawn to the swamps, including hippos, buffalo, and a spectacular array of waterbirds.

By late morning, the drive leads to Observation Hill, the sole place in the park where you can alight from your vehicle. A short climb rewards you with a breathtaking 360-degree panoramic view of the entire ecosystem--the green swamps, vast dusty plains, and the towering presence of Kilimanjaro. Descending, you'll enjoy a packed lunch at a designated picnic site nearby, perhaps under the shade of an acacia tree. The afternoon game drive then explores different habitats, such as the open plains, in search of predators like lions or cheetahs that may be becoming more active as the temperature cools. An optional, ethically arranged visit to a community-run Maasai village can be incorporated here for a cultural perspective before beginning the exit from the park.

The late afternoon provides a final opportunity to capture the golden light on the plains and, with luck, a last clear view of elephants traversing the landscape with the mountain behind them. Exiting the park by approximately 5:00 PM, you embark on the long return journey to Nairobi, arriving back at your accommodation in the late evening, tired but enriched by a day of incredible wildlife sightings and the unforgettable silhouette of Africa's highest peak. For a less rushed experience with prime morning and evening game drives, an overnight stay near the park is

highly recommended, but a well-executed day trip offers a powerful and immersive snapshot of Amboseli's majestic beauty.

Meals: Breakfast,Lunch,Dinner | Destination: Amboseli National Park

Costing

Group Size	Price Per Person (USD)
1 Person (Solo Traveler)	\$450
2 People (Per Person)	\$320
4 People (Per Person)	\$280
5 People (Per Person)	\$200
6+ People (Per Person)	\$180

Prices are per person and may vary based on season, availability, accommodation level, and final customisation.

Inclusives

- + Transpor in a 4x4 landcruiser
- + Park fee entrance
- + Lunch
- + Game drive
- + Services of an english speaking driver guide

Exclusives

- International flights
- Items of personal use
- Anything not mentioned above

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