



OL LENTILLE
KENYA



EXCLUSIVE, INTIMATE & AUTHENTIC

Welcome to Ol Lentille! From your private villa, that'll you will revel in spectacular 360-degree views at one of the highest points in northern Kenya's Laikipia region.

To ensure the experience of a lifetime, you'll enjoy the attention of a personal team that includes a private guide, butler, housekeeper and night askari (security officer). You'll also have your own private game viewing vehicle and won't see another car for the duration of your stay. Our private and protected 40,000 acre conservation area – almost three times the size of Manhattan – will be yours to enjoy.

As you immerse yourself in the sacred beauty of your surroundings, you'll become intimately acquainted with your hosts, the Maasai and Samburu communities that own the land. Our connection is deeply authentic, making it impossible to pay us a visit without walking as one with its people. Expect to be welcomed into their homes at neighbouring manyattas and perhaps to leave with another invitation – to tag along on market day or celebrate a wedding.

Ultimately, we've joined hands to invite you to discover what it's like to be part of our carefully balanced ecosystem while enjoying all the comforts of your very own private haven in the African wilderness.





SPECTACULAR VIEWS

Due to our incredible location - in the far northern escarpment at one of the highest points of the Laikipia Plateau - many say we have the best views in Kenya. We'd have to agree. Our villas boast breathtaking panoramic views of Mount Kenya, the sacred mountain of Ololokwe, the Matthews Range and the Karisia Hills.

UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL

Private game drives allow for up close experiences. The 40,000-acre conservancy has been rewilded over the years and is now home to magnificent creatures like elephant, leopard, hyena and greater kudu including endangered species like the African wild dog, Grevy's zebra and gerenuk. This is a major animal migration corridor that plays a key role in the ecosystem of northern Kenya. While there are no fences, this area is patrolled and protected day and night by our rangers and funded by the Conservation Fee paid by guests. This is just one example of our pioneering community-based conservation and sustainability project, where the local communities have an incentive in supporting conservation.

As guests often combine Laikipia with the Maasai Mara, we also offer walks - guided by Samburu and Maasai warriors - right into the heart of their ancient lands so you can appreciate everything from a unique perspective.





MAGNIFICENT PRIVATE VILLAS

Regarded by many as the most unique accommodation in Kenya, each of our four architect-designed villas has its own aesthetic. They're ideal for couples, friends and families alike and, as they're all positioned on the mountain's ridge, you'll enjoy maximum privacy.

There are two one-bedroom houses, a two-bedroom house and a three-bedroom house. They all feature large lounge areas, dining areas, stunning terraces with panoramic views and some additionally offer plunge pools. Each villa is serviced by its own Butler and Housekeeper.

- The Eyrie sleeps two people and is a romantic sanctuary with a retro-African style. The round bed cannot be made into a twin.
- The Sultan's House exudes an elegant Swahili influence and comfortably sleeps four adults - two in the bedroom and 2 in the living room.
- The Colonel's House has all the charm of a beautiful bygone era. It sleeps four people and has two large bedrooms with en suite bathrooms. An extra child's bed can be added to each bedroom.
- The Chief's House sleeps six people and features a contemporary African style. There are three bedrooms with en suite bathrooms. An extra child's bed can be added to each bedroom.

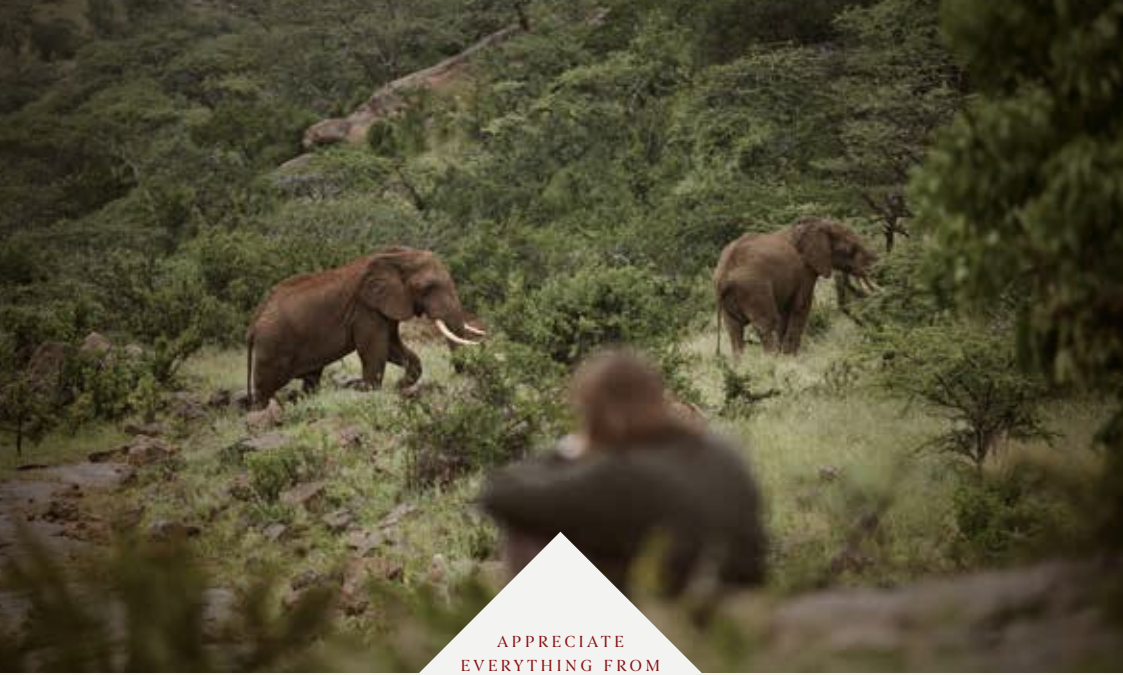




DELIGHT IN INSPIRED DINING

At OI Lentille, you're never limited to a dining room. Our guests enjoy delectable private dining experiences that showcase our talented chef's flair for world cuisine in numerous incredible locations. Breakfasts are at times that work for you in your villa, lunches are often served around the pool and dinners can be enjoyed in your villa, the Library or in the bush. All meals and expertly curated wines / drinks are included in the rates.





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Your stay is designed to be restful. Guests aren't woken up at dawn for the first activity (unless they want to be). Instead, you can get a good night's sleep and indulge in a private breakfast – served in your villa at whatever time you wish – before enjoying a private morning activity of your choice. Just a few of our activities include:

- Private day and night game drives
- Walking safaris
- Camel safaris
- Birding expeditions
- Mountain and quad biking
- Interpretive nature walks
- Experiencing the “singing wells”
- Visiting a habituated baboon colony
- Experiencing Maasai and Samburu culture
- Young Morani camp – a bush camp for children
- Authentic community experiences such as an evening at the manyatta
- Maasai beading workshop
- Visiting local schools, hospitals and markets
- Relaxing by the pool
- Spa treatments
- Boardgames in the lodge Library
- Bush meals in magnificent locations

Further afield, we can facilitate unforgettable experiences such as trout fishing on Mount Kenya, a helicopter trip to northern Kenya and Lake Turkana, bird watching in the Matthews Range, fly camping and visits to Ol Pejeta reserve.



“Treat the world well. It was not given to you by your parents. It was willed to you by your children.”

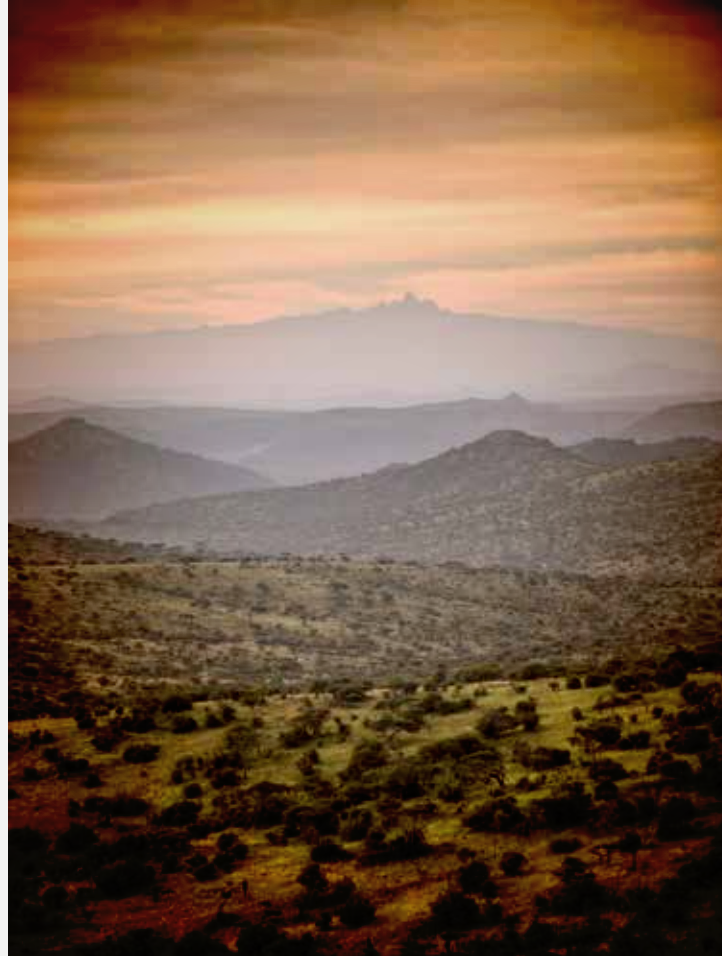
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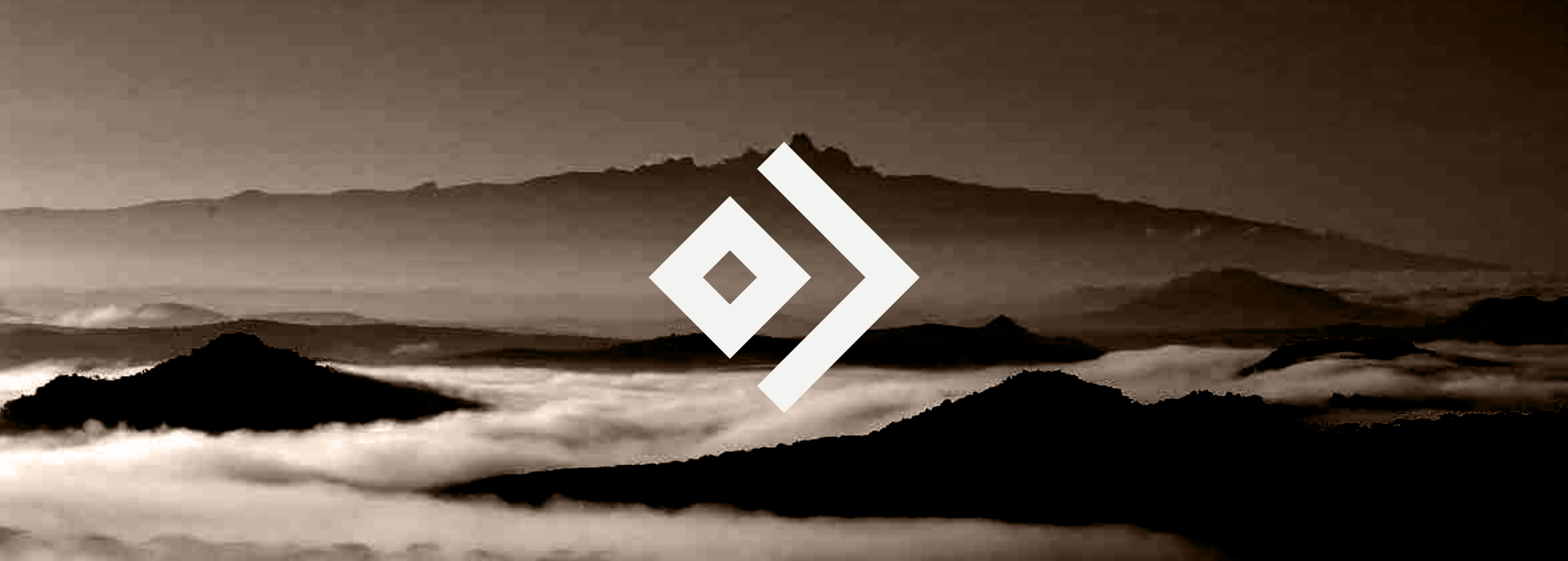
RESPONSIBLE TOURISM

The OI Lentille Conservancy sits on the ancestral lands of four Maasai and Samburu communities. The Conservancy is managed by the OI Lentille Trust, a non-profit organisation dedicated to conservation and community development. Because those four communities work in close partnership with the Trust and the OI Lentille lodge, we have formed an intimate relationship with them which allows our guests unparalleled insight into their life and culture. This creates opportunities for authentic cultural interactions, seldom experienced in more traditional safari lodges. Meals hosted by community elders, participation in life events, such as weddings or graduations, or simply a game of football at a local school are just a few of the many activities you might be invited to join.

We take our responsibility to the environment very seriously. So much so that 90% of the water we use is stored rainwater. We don't extract water from any rivers, nor do we discharge any effluent to any water courses. Guests are given the option to be water-economisers. All our electricity is solar generated and our hot water is solar heated. We also manage the 40,000 acre conservation area for vegetation. Since its creation, the water table has risen and long dead springs have come back to life. We can also demonstrate with a high probability that we have caused a rise in annual rainfall.

It's with great pride that we can tell you it's not just the environment that benefits from OI Lentille, but the local community. Since the lodge opened in 2007, our trust (www.ol-lentilletrust.org) has raised over \$5 million which has built numerous schools, classrooms, a hospital, and water and sanitation projects. Tourism is key in improving the lives of the local communities. Each stay helps protect and conserve the area. Importantly part of the Conservation Fee which our guests pay is directly distributed to the participating communities. While guest donations are very much welcomed, they're not sought. OI Lentille employs almost 50 people from the local Maasai and Samburu communities but enriches the lives of approximately 10,000.





IMPORTANT INFORMATION

HOW TO GET THERE

With a private airstrip only 15 minutes away and easy access with scheduled daily flights to Loisaba, this remote wilderness is easily accessible. Road transfers from Loisaba are 200 USD each way per vehicle (up to 7 people) and it's a spectacularly scenic 90-minute drive.

WEATHER

We have 340 sunny days each year, and being on the equator, there is almost no seasonal variation. Most days are warm and dry with a temperature of 24°C at 10 am and 28°C at 4 pm. Humidity rarely rises above 25%. Evenings and nights can be cool – as low as 15 and in the rainy seasons 12. Our rainy seasons are typically mid-April to end May and from November to mid-December. Almost all our rain falls at night and rarely interferes with guest activities. The transformation of the landscape from blond to green is a twice yearly marvel, and the crystal clarity of the air is a sight to behold.

WHAT TO BRING

- For daytime wear, light summer clothes are best, although do bring a jumper for the evenings.
- It's best to bring neutral coloured clothes for the game drives.
- Please do bring comfortable walking shoes or boots.
- Swimwear, sunblock, insect repellent, sun hat and sunglasses are recommended.
- Please bring a good camera to capture all these special experiences.

FORMS OF PAYMENT

Payment by online or wire transfer, bankers cheque, or credit cards including American Express.

COMMUNICATION

WiFi available throughout the lodge. Good mobile phone reception.

