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Full Day Nairobi Excursions - Park, Sheldrick and Giraffe Center

1 Days | Kenya | Nairobi National Park

From \$265 per person sharing

Package Overview

This immersive full-day excursion offers a profound and unique experience that captures the heart of modern Kenya: a nation where a vibrant global metropolis exists in direct harmony with world-class wildlife conservation. Unlike traditional safaris that require days of travel, this comprehensive tour condenses the essence of Kenya's conservation triumphs and iconic wildlife into a single, unforgettable day within and around its capital city.

The journey is a carefully curated trilogy of Kenya's most celebrated conservation institutions, combined with the surreal thrill of a classic African game drive. It begins with an emotional and intimate encounter at the **David Sheldrick Wildlife Trust**, the world's most successful orphan elephant and rhino rescue and rehabilitation project. Here, you will witness the meticulous care and profound bond between keepers and orphaned calves during their playful public mud bath--a powerful testament to the fight against poaching and habitat loss.

The narrative of compassionate conservation continues at the **Giraffe Centre**, a cornerstone for the protection of the endangered Rothschild's giraffe. This interactive experience allows you to hand-feed these graceful, prehistoric-looking creatures from an elevated platform, learning about the centre's successful breeding and release programs that have stabilized populations across the country.

The climax of the day is the extraordinary contrast of **Nairobi National Park**. Just minutes from the city's bustling center, this is the world's only national park bordering a capital city. Your afternoon game drive here is a surreal adventure across open savannah plains, rocky valleys, and acacia woodlands, with the city's skyline forming a permanent backdrop. In this unique ecosystem, you search for free-roaming lions, leopards, buffalo, giraffes, zebra, and the park's famed black rhino population--all against a silhouette of distant skyscrapers. This park perfectly symbolizes Kenya's commitment to preserving wild spaces.

Designed for convenience and depth, this private tour includes seamless hotel transfers, all entrance fees, and the expertise of a knowledgeable driver-guide. It is perfectly suited for travelers with limited time, families, or anyone seeking to understand the critical intersection of urban life and wilderness preservation. It's more than a sightseeing tour; it's an inspiring story of rescue, protection, and coexistence, offering powerful wildlife encounters and iconic photographs that define the Kenyan spirit.

Day by Day Itinerary

Day 1: Full-Day Nairobi Excursions: Elephant Orphanage, Giraffe Center & Nairobi National Park

Morning (8:30 AM - 10:00 AM): David Sheldrick Wildlife Trust

Your day of urban wildlife encounters begins with a morning pickup from your Nairobi hotel or residence. Your first destination is the world-renowned David Sheldrick Wildlife Trust, a pioneering elephant and rhino orphan rescue and rehabilitation project. To witness the most active and adorable part of their routine, you must arrive for the public viewing hour, which is strictly from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM. During this unforgettable hour, you will watch as the baby elephants (and sometimes a young rhino) are brought out from the forest for their midday mud bath and milk feeding. The dedicated keepers will share the heartwarming and often heartbreaking story of each orphan, explaining the threats they face and the Trust's vital work in rewilding them. This is a profound and intimate wildlife experience found nowhere else in the world.

Midday (12:15 PM - 1:15 PM): Giraffe Centre

A short drive away is the African Fund for Endangered Wildlife (AFEW) Giraffe Centre, a conservation and education center focused on the endangered Rothschild's giraffe. Here, you get the unique chance to come eye-to-eye with these gentle giants. From a raised wooden platform, you can hand-feed them specially prepared pellets, an incredible photo opportunity as their long, dark tongues curl gently to take food from your palm. Learn about the centre's successful breeding program and their efforts to release giraffes into protected wild areas across Kenya.

Lunch (1:30 PM - 2:30 PM)

Enjoy a relaxing lunch at a carefully selected restaurant, often with beautiful gardens or a view. Popular choices include the Karen Blixen Coffee Garden or the Utamaduni Centre, which also offers excellent boutique shopping for authentic African crafts and artifacts.

Afternoon (3:00 PM - 5:30 PM): Nairobi National Park Game Drive

Your adventure culminates with a thrilling contrast: a classic African game drive within Nairobi National Park. Just a stone's throw from the city skyline, this is the world's only wildlife capital park. In your private vehicle with a pop-up roof, you'll explore its open grasslands, acacia woodlands, and valleys. Search for a remarkable variety of wildlife against the surreal backdrop of city buildings. Commonly seen animals include lions, leopards, buffalo, giraffes, zebras, wildebeest, hippos, and over 400 species of birds. The park is also a key sanctuary for the black rhino, offering a good chance of a sighting. Your guide will navigate the best routes for sightings, concluding your drive as the afternoon light turns golden.

Evening (6:00 PM): Return & Drop-off

Your driver will comfortably transfer you back to your Nairobi hotel or residence, arriving by approximately 6:00 PM, filled with memories of a day that perfectly encapsulates Kenya's dedication to wildlife conservation just minutes from a bustling metropolis.

Meals: Lunch | Destination: Nairobi National Park

Costing

Group Size	Price Per Person (USD)
1 Person (Solo Traveler)	\$400
2 People (Per Person)	\$265
4 People (Per Person)	\$230
5 People (Per Person)	\$220
6+ People (Per Person)	\$205

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

Inclusives

- + Return transport in a private, comfortable vehicle with an English-speaking driver/guide.
- + All entrance fees: David Sheldrick Wildlife Trust, Giraffe Centre, and Nairobi National Park.
- + Bottled drinking water in the vehicle throughout the day.
- + Fuel, tolls, and all associated vehicle costs.
- + Lunch

Exclusives

- Any personal purchases (e.g., souvenirs, extra photographs, crafts at shopping stops).
- Gratuities for your driver/guide (recommended).
- Travel or medical insurance.
- Any items or services not explicitly mentioned in the "Included" list.

Ready to customise this safari?

Contact Urban Jay Safaris at info@urbanjaysafaris.com or +254720524693 to confirm availability and tailor the trip to your travel dates.