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This unique safari stay in **KENYA** is a genuinely awe-inspiring experience: along with natural wonders and thrilling wildlife, conviviality and attention to detail make for an unforgettable foray into the Samburu



In a world loaded with content, it's a rare thing to experience something that genuinely exceeds all expectations. It's rarer still to find yourself so awe-struck by an experience or place that it can bring you to tears. But at Sasaab safari lodge in Northern Kenya's Samburu area, that's what they're good at. To visit this special place, which clings to the banks of the Ewaso Nyiro river – a one-hour flight from Nairobi – is to feel wonder at every turn. Part of this comes from the owners – passionate local legends Tanya and Mikey Carr-Hartley – whose love of the region is rendered tangible through well-considered activities, stylish, homely decor (a mix of Moroccan and Swahili aesthetics), fresh food (from the impressive new house

garden) and convivial hospitality that makes game drives feel like you're hanging out with well-informed friends.

Branching from the main lodge and daubing the hillside – along with birdlife, hyrax and curious dik-diks – are nine capacious tented abodes with private pools and river views in a scene that screams 'adventure'.

Fresh coffee and homemade pastries ready you for 6am game drives. The peaceful Samburu National Park is unique in that it's home to 'The Special Five' – reticulated giraffes, Grevy's zebra, gerenuk, Somali ostrich and beisa oryx – alongside elephants and cheetahs. Returning to camp, passing tribal villages, don't worry about the layer of ochre dust you'll be wearing on return – a daily laundry service is

a part of every stay. After a family-style feast of lighter bites and salads, come afternoon, you might visit the spa, head out on a walking safari or immerse yourself in authentic Samburu tribal culture. And for something extra-special, take an adrenaline-fuelled helicopter tour of Northern Kenya with Tropic Air to witness the changing topography and wildlife from above. With stunning stops along the way, ask for Tatz – he might just land you on the edge of a waterfall. In short, everything Sasaab does is geared towards providing unique, authentic experiences: trust us, just go. **BG.** *Africa specialist, Journeys by Design offers a 7-night all-inclusive private safari from £11,690pp (excl. flights).* journeysbydesign.com thesafaricollection.com