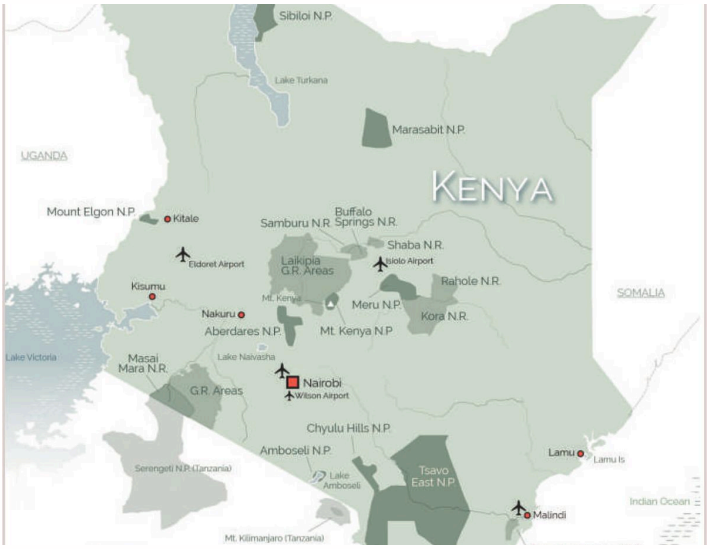








Embark on a breathtaking adventure with Ahnasa, an extraordinary travel company founded by the dynamic mother-daughter duo, Pana and Phera. We are a passionate team of women guiding you through the heart of Africa, weaving together an enchanting tapestry of experiences that will linger in your soul forever.

At Ahnasa, we are not just curators of travel; we are architects of unforgettable moments. Our mission, fueled by the spirit of empowerment, is to craft transformative journeys that resonate with the heartbeat of Africa. We invite you to dance with the rhythm of the continent, savor the vibrant colors of Africa's landscapes, and immerse yourself in the rich tapestry of amazing cultures.

As a women's run company, Ahnasa is not just a travel experience; it's a celebration of strength, passion and connection. Let us guide you through the hidden gems and untold stories of Africa, ensuring that every step you take, every sight you behold, and every breath you inhale becomes a part of the intricate mosaic of memories etched in your hearts and minds.

At Ahnasa, we promise more than a journey; it's an exhilarating odyssey that transcends the ordinary. Let the magic of Africa unfold before you as we create moments that will last a lifetime.

Ahnasa - where passion meets adventure, and every heartbeat echoes the romance of the African soul.

The Ahnasa Team

KALPANA

"I am a passionate traveler, love animals, the wild, and the beach, crazy mum to two grown-up children and 8 dogs, and lover of all things red!"

It was a dream come true when Phera and I established Ahnasa Destinations. I now get to show others the beauty that Africa has to offer.

PHERA

"I belong in the wild with my camera, a book, and a nice cold G&T! It's my comfort zone"

Every safari out in the bush is always a new experience. There is always something new, no two safaris are ever the same. The excitement, thrill, peace tranquillity, and every other emotion I feel when I'm out on safari is the feeling I

wish for everyone to experience.

SARA

“I’m an animal lover with a desire to save them all. It’s my dream to become a wildlife conservation photographer.” Nature has always been a huge part of my life and living in a country rich in opportunities to be in nature, I was in heaven. Every chance I got, I would head out of Nairobi and go on a safari in the Mara, go hiking through Hell’s Gate, or boating on Lake Naivasha. The possibilities are endless.

Karibuni Kenya

Kenya, the ‘Safari Capital of the World’ holds a special place in our hearts. Both Pana and Phera were born in Kenya and both spent time away, but Kenya called us back! Kenya is our home. The sheer diversity that this beautiful country offers is the reason Kenya should be one of the top countries to visit when planning a trip to Africa.

World-renowned for an incredible diversity of wildlife, the most pristine powdery white sandy beaches, and stunning landscapes from the vast savannahs, deserts, mountains, and forests, Kenya is a wonderful country offering something for everyone.

Guests visiting Kenya for the first time come for the wildlife experience, but guaranteed they will return time and time again because of the African Hospitality. Nothing beats the warmth, the wide smiles, and the genuineness of the people. With a diversity of tribes - 42 tribes with unique cultures, guests are assured of the warmest welcome!

Whether you're planning a family holiday, a honeymoon, a proposal to your ‘someone special’ in a special place, a solo safari or a retreat getaway, Kenya has it all.

Animals of Kenya

Weather and When to Go

Mid January- March

Kenya’s summer season, the temperatures are nice and warm and it’s drier. This is our favourite time to travel and we call it the Private Season! The wildlife experiences are incredible, there are fewer visitors in the parks and the rates are lower (compared to the high season).

April & May

Normally Kenya’s rainy season, incredible for photography with the dramatic skies, the air is crisp and clear and the colours are just unbelievable.

It’s also a good time to travel if you have a stricter budget. Camps and lodges offer special offers during this time and the low density of visitors offers a wonderful, exclusive safari experience. However, some properties do close during this season to give their staff some well-deserved time off and carry out maintenance to the properties.

June
The weather is cool. The early part of June is still considered the lower tourist season, but the peak season kicks in towards the middle of the month.

July-October
The peak tourist season. This is the time for the Great Wildebeest Migration, when up to two million wildebeests, zebras, and other plains animals migrate between the Serengeti and Mara ecosystems. Peak season means higher prices and a lot more visitors. For guests who want to travel during this time, we highly recommend planning your trip approximately 12 - 18 months in advance to get the properties and destinations that suit your travel desires.

November-Mid December
The Private Season again and a great time for guests who have the flexibility to travel at this time. It's a season that offers great value for money and an exclusive travel experience. The weather is warmer as we head into the summer season. This is also the season for the short rains, a quick downpour that cools down the environment, the air is nice and crisp and the wildlife is more active.

Mid-December - Mid-January
Summer season and the festive season! Coinciding with the holidays, it's peak tourist season. If you're thinking about travel during this time, we highly recommend planning your travels at least 12 months in advance. During this time, many properties may have minimum night requirements (especially at the Coast). Plan a slightly longer trip and enjoy a wonderful 'slow safari' experience.

Some of Kenya's Parks and Reserves

With an abundance of some of the world's most incredible wildlife and birdlife, Kenya has dedicated approximately 8% of its land area to protect wildlife. The creation of over 60 National Parks and Reserves throughout the country makes Kenya one of the world's premium safari destinations with great opportunities for wildlife viewing all year round. It is a wildlife destination against which few can compete. Here are just a few of the favourite parks and reserves which garauntee an incredible safari experience.

Amboseli National Park
Renowned wildlife reserve located in the southern part of Kenya, near the Tanzanian border. It is celebrated for its breathtaking vistas of Mount Kilimanjaro, Africa's highest peak, which serves as a stunning backdrop to the park's diverse and abundant wildlife. The park encompasses a range of habitats, including savannah, wetlands, and acacia woodlands, providing a haven for a wide array of species. Amboseli is particularly famous for its large herds of elephants, often seen roaming against the backdrop of Kilimanjaro, creating a truly iconic African safari experience.

Lewa Conservancy

Located in northern Kenya, the Lewa Conservancy is a remarkable testament to conservation efforts and community collaboration. Covering over 60,000 acres of pristine wilderness, Lewa is a haven for wildlife, including endangered species such as black rhinos and Grevy's zebras. Beyond its conservation efforts, Lewa actively engages local communities, supporting education, healthcare, and sustainable livelihood initiatives. The conservancy's success in protecting wildlife while empowering local people serves as an inspiring model for wildlife conservation across Kenya and beyond.

Nairobi National Park

A wildlife park in the city! Just a short drive from Nairobi's CBD and then you're in the wide open grass plains with the backdrop of the city skyscrapers. The park is host to a wide variety of wildlife and is one of the best parks to see the endangered black rhino, as well as lions, leopards, cheetahs, hyenas, buffaloes, giraffes, and a diverse birdlife with over 400 species recorded. This is an ideal park for a short visit or stop-over before beginning the safari circuit.

Masai Mara National Park

This vast savannah ecosystem, extending into Tanzania's Serengeti, is famous for its exceptional wildlife sightings, especially during the annual Great Migration. The Masai Mara offers breathtaking landscapes, from golden grasslands to acacia-dotted plains, providing an idyllic backdrop for game drives, hot air balloon rides, and walking safaris. The region is also home to a rich diversity of wildlife, including lions, elephants, cheetahs, giraffes, and countless bird species. With its remarkable biodiversity, captivating scenery, and immersive cultural encounters with the Maasai people, the Masai Mara truly stands as a crown jewel of African safari experiences.

Ol Pejeta Conservancy

Nestled in the foothills of Mount Kenya, the Ol Pejeta Conservancy is yet another beacon of conservation and innovation in Kenya. Spanning 90,000 acres of breathtaking landscapes, Ol Pejeta is not only a sanctuary for diverse wildlife but also a pioneer in wildlife conservation practices. The Conservancy is renowned for its efforts in protecting endangered species, including the last two northern white rhinos on Earth. In addition to wildlife conservation, Ol Pejeta also actively engages in community development projects, promoting education, healthcare, and sustainable agriculture initiatives.

Samburu National Reserve

Located in Northern Kenya, along the Ewaso Nyiro River, Samburu is one of the smaller parks, but certainly one of the most rewarding in terms of the richness of wildlife. Though famous for its herds of elephants and the Big Cats, Samburu also has a healthy pack of wild dogs and is famously known for the 'Samburu Special Five'- the rare northern species such as Grevy's zebra, the Somali ostrich, reticulated giraffe, the long-necked gerenuk, and the beisa oryx.

Tsavo National Park

Tsavo is Kenya's oldest and biggest park and one of the world's largest game sanctuaries. Divided by the Nairobi - Mombasa highway, creating Tsavo East and Tsavo West National Parks, Tsavo is famous for its amazing herds of 'red' elephants and stunning landscape. The pristine wilderness offers guests an exclusive wildlife experience.

Kenya's Coastline

Combine your Kenyan safari with a relaxing beach holiday at the Kenyan Coast, a tropical paradise of pristine beaches, turquoise waters, and vibrant cultural heritage.
Stretching along the Indian Ocean, the coast boasts breathtaking coastal landscapes, palm-fringed beaches, and picturesque coral reefs. Popular coastal destinations like Diani, Watamu, and Lamu offer a blend of relaxation and adventure. Visitors can indulge in water sports such as snorkeling, diving, and deep-sea fishing or take leisurely dhow cruises along the coast.
Diani Beach is as a picturesque paradise on the southern coast of Kenya, renowned for its pristine white sands, crystal-clear turquoise waters, and lush coastal vegetation. With its inviting shoreline stretching for miles, Diani Beach is a popular destination for both relaxation and water sports. The surrounding area boasts luxury resorts, charming beachfront cottages, and a vibrant nightlife scene.
Watamu is as a captivating destination. This tranquil haven is part of the Malindi Marine National Park, offering unparalleled opportunities for snorkeling and diving amid vibrant coral gardens and an array of colorful fish species. The nearby Arabuko Sokoke Forest adds an element of lush biodiversity to the area, making it a hotspot for birdwatching and nature enthusiasts. With its unique blend of coastal beauty and ecological significance,
Lamu is a captivating coastal town situated in Kenya, known for its rich history, vibrant culture, and stunning natural beauty. This UNESCO World Heritage Site is renowned for its well-preserved Swahili architecture, characterized by intricately carved wooden doors, narrow alleyways, and coral stone buildings.

Some of our Favorite Experiences

Nai Nami Walking Tour of Nairobi
Experience Nairobi through the eyes of a former street child. No one else has better street skills, insights, and stories to share about Nairobi than former street kids. The encounter is a unique opportunity to get insprired by people from a different world. It will not only change your own life, but you'll also contribute to giving your guides something they never had before: purpose, employment, and a future.

Walking Safaris
A walking safari in Kenya's conservancies and parks is an extraordinary way to intimately connect with the untamed wilderness. Accompanied by knowledgeable local tribal guides and rangers, visitors can step off the beaten path and explore the savannah on foot, immersing themselves in the sights, sounds, and scents of this remarkable ecosystem.

Horse-back riding in the wild
As you traverse the untamed wilderness on your trusty steed, you'll forge a unique connection with both the horses and the environment, immersing yourself in the sights, sounds, and rhythms of the wild. The rhythmic clip-clop of hooves resonates with the earth beneath, allowing you to approach wildlife discreetly and witness animals in their natural habitats.

Hot air ballon ride
Floating above the rolling plains of the Maasai Mara or the picturesque Amboseli National Park, guests are treated to breathtaking panoramic vistas, with the opportunity to witness the iconic wildlife from a unique perspective. From herds of wildebeest and elephants to graceful giraffes, the hot air balloon ride provides a serene and awe-inspiring adventure, creating memories that will last a lifetime.

Helicopter ride
Take your safari to new heights and explore Kenya's remote destinations in an unparalleled journey of discovery. Soar through the skies, witnessing extraordinary scenery, the natural wonders, and the abundance of wildlife from an entirely new perspective. Fly across some of the wildest, most spectacular, and most extreme locations- places inaccessible by land and untouched by humans.

Sunset Dhow Cruise
An experience not to be missed. Enjoy a magical African sunset on the Mida Creek, a UNESCO biosphere reserve. Whisked away on a romantic, traditional Arab Dhow, sail peacefully through the crystal clear waters of the tidal estuary lined with mangroves, sandy islands, and spectacular views of the Malindi Marine Reserve. Enjoy delicious cocktails and canapes while watching the spectacular sunset.

Off the Beaten Path Experiences

Visit Mugie Conservancy and Tala the giraffe
Visiting Mugie Conservancy offers an exclusive opportunity to experience conservation efforts firsthand. This private conservancy is committed to protecting endangered species and their habitats, making it an educational and impactful destination for travelers. One of the notable highlights is encountering Tala the giraffe, a living testament to conservation success. Tala, who was rescued and hand-raised, embodies the dedication of Mugie Conservancy to safeguarding wildlife. Interacting with Tala and witnessing the dedicated work of the conservancy personnel provides a unique insight into the challenges and triumphs of preserving Kenya's remarkable biodiversity.

Walking through the Matthews Range
Wandering through the Matthews Range in Kenya unveils a tapestry of natural wonders that paint a vivid portrait of the country's untouched wilderness. The range's mist-shrouded peaks, dense forests, and meandering rivers offer a captivating backdrop for adventurous trekkers. The Matthews Range is sanctuary for unique and endangered species, further showcasing Kenya's commitment to conservation.

Go Fly Camping

This adventurous camping style involves setting up temporary campsites in remote and pristine locations, allowing you to sleep under the vast African sky. With minimalistic amenities, you'll experience nature up close, surrounded by the sounds of nocturnal creatures and the enchanting stillness of the wild. Whether it's in the heart of a national park or alongside a riverbank, fly camping provides a genuine safari experience, complete with guided walks, campfire stories, and a profound appreciation for Kenya's untamed landscapes.

Camel Safari in Laikipia

As you journey through this picturesque region atop these iconic creatures, you'll be transported back in time to a mode of exploration that echoes the ancient ways of local nomadic communities. The rhythmic sway of the camels carries you across vast landscapes, revealing the diverse beauty of Laikipia, from dense woodlands to open plains. Alongside experienced guides, you'll gain insights into the area's rich biodiversity, encounter wildlife in its natural habitat, and enjoy the tranquil pace that allows for a profound connection with nature.

Visit the Reteti Elephant Sanctuary

This community-led sanctuary is dedicated to rescuing, rehabilitating, and releasing orphaned and injured elephants back into the wild. With a strong emphasis on community involvement, Reteti provides a unique opportunity to witness local Samburu people working hand in hand with conservationists to protect these magnificent creatures. Observing the dedicated caregivers nurture and care for the elephants offers a heartwarming insight into the sanctuary's vital role in safeguarding Kenya's natural heritage.

Special Occasions

Proposals

If you've decided to 'put a ring on it' then Kenya has some of the most romantic settings to propose to your 'Someone Special'. Think about somewhere wild, surrounded by exotic animals, in some of the most stunning scenery imaginable. Or, how about on the pristine white sandy beaches of the Kenyan Coast, with the gentle waves of the Indian Ocean in the background. Guaranteed you'll hear the reply "YES"!

Weddings

It's the biggest and one of the most important days of your life, so why not say those two important words in the most awe-inspiring of settings: the African Plains or the beach. Nothing beats the romance of celebrating your special day in the most memorable way possible, with the sights and sounds of the Africa Bush or the gentle lapping of the waves at the African Coast.

Honeymoons

A romantic honeymoon in Africa... stunning landscapes, spectacular wildlife, golden sandy beaches, the vast Savannah and the African sky filled with millions of stars. Wildlife whispers in the vast wilderness, candlelight dinners, romantic bubble baths - nothing touches the soul quite like Africa. Intimate, luxury accomodation with all

the modern creature comforts, its enough romance to spark a wildfire! Inspired by the romance of Karen Blixen's 'Out of Africa', Kenya is one of the best honeymoon destinations, offering the perfect romantic breaks for couples. The beginning of your life together deserves a most memorable honeymoon experience.

Family Adventures
Happy kids = Happy families! Why not give the children an adventure of a life-time and create wonderful family memories together! Kenya is one of the ultimate family adventure destinations where the abundant wildlife and stunning landscapes provide an exciting and educational backdrop for children and adults alike. Families can embark on thrilling safaris, where kids can witness majestic animals up close, sparking a sense of wonder and fostering a connection with nature. Kenya's numerous national parks and reserves offer a variety of activities, from game drives to guided walks, from archery to kayaking, and even spending the day with wildlife rangers, allowing families to explore and learn together.

Kenyan Culture

Kenya is a fascinating and vibrant country, a country with a rich and diverse cultural heritage. It is home to more than 40 different ethnic groups. Officially recognized, Kenya has 42 ethnic groups, each with their own unique traditions, customs, languages, and beliefs. The diversity of culture in Kenya is a result of the country's history, geography, and interactions with various neighbouring regions.
Kenyans showcase their cultures through their food, the music and dances, their art and much more.
Ahnasa is proud to work with camps, lodges and hotels that largely employ staff from local communities, so during your visit to Kenya, you'll interact with a number of different cultures by simply travelling to different destinations and properties.
Want to dive deeper into the culture and really immerse yourselves? Try the local cuisine, talk to the guides and camp staff further about their cultures, they love to share their stories. We are happy to recommend and organise authentic cultural visits or local excursions where you can interact and learn about various cultures in a responsible way.

Booking with Ahnasa

At Ahnasa we will exceed your expectations in every way in crafting the perfect travel experience; an experience that will uplift your soul and bring a sense of happiness and peace every time you think about your safari. Our team of incredible ladies work hand in hand to create the perfect extraordinary safari experience, making sure you leave with unforgettable memories of your trip etched in your mind and Africa in your heart.
At the core of Ahnasa's ethos is conservation – to help conserve Africa's extraordinary wildlife, preservation and restoration of the fragile environment, and empowerment and enrichment of local communities. This we do through responsible tourism. As well as raising funds through our guests' travels, we work and collaborate with companies sharing the same ethos of conservation. We support various conservation initiatives personally vetting

various projects and organisations to ensure that our donations, or our guest's direct donations to them are used in an impactful way. We also have a number of projects which guests can donate to.
The Ahnasa team is available for constant support, from your initial inquiry to your safe return home. With team members in Kenya and the USA, we are available most any time of the day or night.
We love what we do, and it’s the reason we do it! Our passion for travel and unique experiences has led us to explore the many extraordinary destinations across Botswana, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia and Zanzibar. With more than a decade of knowledge and with our extensive experience in travel, we will create the perfect dream-filled safari with intimate moments in some of Africa’s most breathtaking destinations. When you plan a trip with Ahnasa, we carefully and lovingly design a personalised safari, especially for you, ensuring a unique dream adventure that will touch your soul.