

# UGANDA & KENYA FLYING EXPEDITION: KIDEPO & TURKANA

18 - 27 FEBRUARY 2027

FROM  
£11,980  
PER PERSON

Tour Leader: Hamish Van Gruisen

  
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# A RARE SAFARI. A PRIVILEGED ROUTE.

This is no ordinary journey, a private flying expedition which takes us deep into two of East Africa's most beautiful, remote and untouched corners. All internal travel is by private plane, taking us from Nairobi to Kidepo Valley in Uganda – a wild, game-rich park that few travellers ever reach – then on to Koros Camp near Lake Turkana, one of Kenya's most remote and captivating regions. We'll travel in style aboard Tropic Air's Grand Caravan – a comfortable private charter that gets us exactly where we want to go, quickly and efficiently.

We'll spend four nights at Apoka Safari Lodge, the only fully serviced lodge inside Kidepo Valley National Park, overlooking the wildlife-rich Narus Valley. Here, we'll enjoy exclusive game drives in a park that is home to elephant, lion, Uganda's only cheetahs and some of the largest herds of buffalo in Africa.

From there, we fly on to Koros Camp, just south of Lake Turkana – and we'll have it entirely to ourselves. With only six rooms, it offers an intimate base to explore Northern Kenya's stark and mesmerising landscapes. Quad biking, walking, boating, camping and cultural experiences are all on the cards.

With just ten or eleven guests, this is a unique opportunity to explore the wild heart of East Africa in comfort and privacy. A safari for those who've seen the classics – and want something different.



Tropic Air



Game drive at Kidepo Valley National Park



Lake Turkana



Koros Camp

## 10-DAY ITINERARY, DEPARTING 18 FEBRUARY 2027

### 18 February London / Nairobi

British Airways flight BA 65 departs London Heathrow at 09.45 hrs, arrives Nairobi at 21.35 hrs (not included in the cost of the tour).

Group transfer to the Tamarind Tree Hotel where one night is spent. Dinner under own arrangements.

*Overnight: Tamarind Hotel, Nairobi*

### 19 February Nairobi / Kidepo

Transfer to Wilson Airport for Tropic Air charter flight to Kidepo Airstrip. Transfer to Apoka Safari Lodge where four nights are spent. Perched on a rocky kopje with sweeping views of the Narus Valley, Apoka Safari Lodge is the only fully serviced lodge inside Kidepo. Its spacious rooms, crafted from wood, thatch and canvas, open onto private verandas with outdoor bathtubs – perfect for soaking in the solitude. The lodge is a peaceful yet luxurious base from which to explore one of Africa's most remote and wildlife-rich parks.

Lunch at the lodge. Afternoon safari drive in the Narus Valley, Kidepo Valley National Park. Dinner at the lodge.

*Overnight: Apoka Safari Lodge, Kidepo*

### 20 February Kidepo

Morning bush walk in the Narus Valley, Kidepo Valley National Park.

Lunch at the lodge. Afternoon safari drive in the Narus Valley, Kidepo Valley National Park. Dinner at the lodge.

*Overnight: Apoka Safari Lodge, Kidepo*

### 21 February Kidepo

Full day safari drive in the Kidepo Valley, Kidepo Valley National Park including lunch.

Dinner at the lodge.

*Overnight: Apoka Safari Lodge, Kidepo*

### 22 February Kidepo

Morning bush walk in the Narus Valley, Kidepo Valley National Park.

Lunch at the lodge. Afternoon safari drive in the Narus Valley, Kidepo Valley National Park. Dinner at the lodge. Night game drive.

*Overnight: Apoka Safari Lodge, Kidepo*

### 23 February Kidepo / Turkana

Transfer to Kidepo Airstrip. Tropic Air charter flight Kidepo via Loki

to Sedar Airstrip. Transfer to the Koros Camp where three nights are spent. Tucked into a ridge above the sand dunes of the Kaisut Desert, Koros Camp offers exclusive access to Kenya's far north. With just six charming bandas, it's an intimate wilderness escape where you can disconnect completely. Whether quad biking through volcanic landscapes, fishing on Lake Turkana or simply stargazing under pitch-black skies, the camp blends raw adventure with rustic comfort.

Lunch at the camp. Afternoon quad biking through the South Horr lugga (dry riverbed). Drinks by the fireside followed by dinner at the camp.

*Overnight: Koros Camp, Turkana*



Quad biking



*Lioness overlooking Kidepo National Park*



Koros Camp

### 24 February Turkana

Early morning hike before breakfast.

**Group A:** Boat trip on Lake Turkana with possibility of fishing. Picnic lunch. Return via Turkana wind farm.

**Group B:** 2-hour car journey to Mt. Kulal. Walk through the alpine forest looking for Kulal's endemic species and wonderful bird life. Picnic lunch on the mountain before driving back to camp.

Dinner at the camp.

*Overnight: Koros Camp, Turkana*

### 25 February Turkana

**Group B:** Boat trip on Lake Turkana with possibility of fishing. Picnic lunch. Return via Turkana wind farm.

**Group A:** 2-hour car journey to Mt. Kulal. Walk through the alpine forest looking for Kulal's endemic species and wonderful bird life. Picnic lunch on the mountain before driving back to camp.

Dinner at the camp.

*Overnight: Koros Fly Camp, Turkana*

### 26 February Turkana / Nairobi

Wake with the dawn chorus as the sun begins to slowly creep through the South Horr Valley. Morning

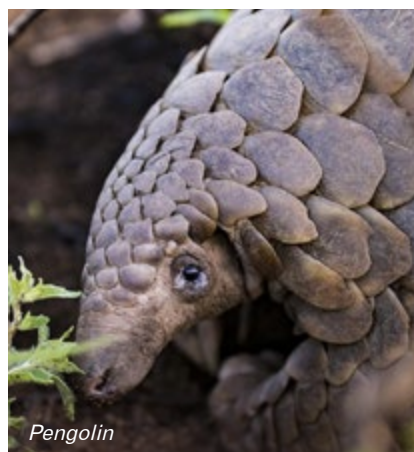
coffee of tea by the campfire before a dawn visit to a local Samburu village. Return to Koros Camp for breakfast followed by time to relax by the pool.

Lunch at the camp. Transfer to Sedar Airstrip for a Tropic Air charter flight to Wilson. Transfer to Tamarind Tree Hotel where a number of day-use rooms are provided. Dinner reservation at Talisman (dinner not included). Group transfer to Nairobi Airport for British Airways BA 64 departing 23.55 hrs (not included).

### 27 February Nairobi / London

Flight arrives London Heathrow at 06.15 hrs.

*Itinerary subject to change depending on local conditions.*



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## TOUR PRICES PER PERSON

Tour Price	£11,980
Single Supplement	£2,450

*Please note we have not included the cost of the flights in the tour price. Please contact us for prices should you wish to book them through us.*

## PRICE INCLUDES

- Private domestic charter flights
- Accommodation throughout as shown in the itinerary
- Breakfast daily
- Lunch and dinner (plus all non-luxury drinks) at the camps
- Group transfers and transportation as per the itinerary
- All entrance fees, visits and excursions
- Camp gratuities
- Gratuities to driver/s; portorage
- Gratuities to guide/s
- Local English-speaking guide/s
- the services of your tour leader throughout

## PRICE EXCLUDES

- International flights
- Visas
- Dinners in Nairobi / meals indicated as 'under own arrangements'
- Travel insurance
- Selected camp activities at an additional cost
- Items of personal expenditure (e.g. telephone calls / laundry etc.)
- Government levies or taxes introduced after costing and publication of this programme on 05/01/2026





## Your Tour Leader

# Hamish Van Gruisen

Hamish grew up in Gloucestershire, but it was time spent far from home that sparked his love for travel. Early family safaris in East Africa and treks through the Nepalese Himalaya planted the seeds of a lifelong curiosity, not just for landscapes and wildlife, but for how people live and what they value. Since joining Ultimate, Hamish has been fortunate to explore parts of the world that have both challenged and inspired him. From running an ultra-marathon in the beautiful (but very sandy) Wadi Rum to experiencing the intricate ritual of a geisha tea ceremony in Kyoto, each destination offers a fresh perspective and, at times, a humbling reminder of our place in the world. For Hamish, these experiences aren't just memories. They shape the way holidays are crafted at Ultimate, because the best kind of travel doesn't just take you somewhere new; it changes the way you see the world.