



MARA



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RIDE KENYA - MARA

MORNING OR AFTERNOON OUT RIDES

From exciting fast paced canters and river crossings to a gentle ride across the Maasai Mara plains we offer something to suit all riders. In addition to our daily morning and afternoon rides in the Maasai Mara, we are also able to offer exciting multiday riding safari experiences of up to 8 nights when combined with our Ride Kenya - Chyulus riding experience.

Ride Kenya - Mara operates from our Mara Expedition or Mara Plains camps located inside the famous Maasai Mara Reserve, one of the finest ecosystems in Africa where wildlife abounds and every day is an exciting wilderness experience from one sunrise to the next.

MORNING AND AFTERNOON OUTRIDES

Guests staying at safari camps in the Maasai Mara, Olare Motorogi, Mara North and Naboisho Conservancies now have the opportunity to experience the renowned wildlife of the area from horseback.

RIDE OPTIONS

INTERMEDIATE AND ABOVE

Riders of an intermediate level and above can enjoy an exhilarating 2 hour ride in the morning or afternoon. Ride pace is moderate with opportunities for fast paced canters depending on the group ability. Expect to negotiate rivers and ravines.

For safety reasons riders participating on these rides need to be riding fit, confident and competent, ride with an independent seat and be able to control an easy horse at all paces over uneven terrain.

PLAINS RIDE

Enjoy a gentle 2 hour ride exploring the open plains and interacting with the abundant plains game. Ride pace will depend on the ability of the group but generally we keep to a walk or trot and we keep to open areas with good visibility.

For safety reasons, riders need to have some previous experience and be able to mount and dismount, walk and trot, stop and turn their horses.

RIDING TIMES

Morning: Riders need to be at the stables at 08h00

Afternoon: Riders need to be at the stables at 15h30

COST

Published Tariff: \$250 per rider for either their morning or afternoon riding experience.

RIDE KENYA - MARA RESERVATIONS

All out rides need to be confirmed prior to arrival and reservations can be made with

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RIDING QUESTIONNAIRE

Guests are required to fill out our riding questionnaire when making their booking which will enable us to select the most suitable horse for them based on the riders height, weight, age, ability and riding style.

The Equestrian Managers at Ride Kenya - Mara cannot confirm a booking without receipt of a completed riding questionnaire.

RIDING ASSESSMENT

All riders are required to have a short assessment in our arena prior to setting out to ensure they are comfortable with their horse and equipment.

It is a condition of Great Plains Conservation that all horse riders sign an Equestrian Indemnity prior to 'mounting up'. Riding is at our discretion and we reserve the right to restrict riding activities based on rider competence levels.

RIDER WEIGHT

- We respectfully request no riders over 95kg

RIDER AGE

- For safety reasons we have an age limit of 14. We are happy to discuss riding options for children aged 12 to 14 who have suitable riding experience. Children under 15 must be accompanied by a riding parent or guardian. Regretfully we cannot offer any riding to children under 12 years.

GUEST RIDING EQUIPMENT

- We have a range of riding helmets, riding boots, breeches and chaps

GUIDES

- All rides are led by at least one qualified and experienced equestrian guide and one backup guide

HORSE TYPE / BREED

- All our horses are imported from South Africa. All male herd of geldings and stallions. Breeds include Friesian and Friesian crosses, Shire crosses, Boerperds and Boerperd crosses, Arab crosses and Thoroughbreds

NUMBER OF HORSES

- 16

HORSE SIZE

- From 15hh to 17hh

HORSE STANDARD

- Well schooled and experienced safari horses;
- English trained and gaits i.e. our horses do not lope or jog

TACK

- Good quality all leather tack is used;
- Our horses are ridden in English bridles and bits;
- We offer English, Trail or Western saddles.

