

PORINI RHINO CAMP

OL PEJETA CONSERVANCY - NANYUKI, KENYA.

LOCATION: OI Pejeta conservancy has a large area of over 60,000 acres reserved exclusively for 4x4 vehicles and this is where our Porini Rhino Camp is located. The conservancy has over 10000 large mammals and is the only park where the big 5 and chimpanzees can be seen. It is the largest sanctuary in East Africa for the endangered Black Rhino and is also a sanctuary for rescued chimpanzees. There are southern white rhinos, about 80 endangered black rhinos and in a special sanctuary there are three of the world's last remaining northern white rhino.

Getting There: Kamok airstrip for no serviced by regular schedule flights is about 10 minutes from camp. Regular scheduled flights arrive at the Nanyuki airstrip which is about 45 minutes' drive from the conservancy.

GPS CO-ORDINATES: N 00deg 05.897', E 036deg 76.541'

DESCRIPTION: Porini Rhino Camp is in a secluded valley, on the banks of a seasonal river and under the shade of acacia trees. The camp consists of just seven spacious and comfortable guest tents, each having been carefully sited to take advantage of the wonderful surrounding views. Each tent is tastefully furnished and has solar-power lighting and en-suite hot shower and flush toilet. The camp is specially designed to have minimum environmental impact (with no permanent structures and using eco-friendly fuel). The camp is fully inclusive of meals, drinks (gin & tonics, beer, wine, sodas and mineral water) as well as day and night shared game drives, escorted walks, sundowners, a visit to Baraka the Black Rhino & Information centre and a visit to the Chimpanzee Sanctuary. The Conservancy ensures excellent game-viewing and game drives – with "proper" open-sided, off-road (4×4) safari vehicles and expert safari guides.

FOOD AND BEVERAGE AMENTIES: Porini Rhino Camp offers fully-inclusive meal plan that caters for all meals, drinks (gin & tonics, wine, beer, sodas and mineral water). Ice cold drinks are available upon request. Premium drinks are also available at an additional cost. The meals are crafted to complement the authenticity of the safari experience. All meals are served on a set menu basis, with warming hearty breakfast in the morning, light invigorating lunches and dinners served in the mess tent, at least during one of your two or more night stay here you will enjoy a picnic lunch in a scenic setting depending on the weather. The camp caters for all dietary requirements; guests with special or specific dietary requirements are requested to advice the camp upon booking confirmation.

NUMBER OF ROOMS: Porini Rhino Camp has just eight guest tents including two family units.

ROOM DÉCOR: The tents are very spacious and have private verandas along the length of the tent, providing a secluded and private 'space' for you to relax and enjoy the beauty of this African wilderness. The seven tents are comfortable with thick, soft rugs laid on the vinyl floors. These are traditionally themed safari canvas tents large, bright (three of the four walls are entirely made of mosquito screen) and comfortably functional – perfect for people who want a tented camp experience without frills. The beds are comfortable and wrapped in cosy blankets and soft towels.

ROOM AMENITIES: Each tent contains a double /twin and single bed with bedside tables, torch, gas and kerosene lanterns, wardrobe for hanging your clothes, luggage rack, en-suite toilet with bucket walkin shower and wash basin sink, writing desk with lamp, carpets of sheep skin rugs on the floor LED lighting, Chairs and table on veranda for relaxing. Hot water bottles in each bed keep you warm on chilly nights.

SPECIAL FEATURE:

Porini Rhino Camp is helping accomplish the Conservancy's aims of generating profits from wildlife tourism for reinvesting into community development in the local area. The camp staff is drawn from different Kenyan communities including members of the Maasai community from our conservancy projects at Selenkay in Amboseli and Olkinyei and Olare Motorogi in the Mara. The camp adheres to strict eco-friendly and responsible eco tourism principles and is Gold rated by eco tourism Kenya. Ol pejeta is one of 3 IUCN green list destinations in Kenya.

GENERAL FACILITIES: Solar energy powers the lights in the tent and throughout the camp. There are no electrical outlets in the guest tents and all battery charging is done in the manager's office. The tents do not require mosquito nets around the beds as the tents are insect proof with screen windows and a zipped up door. Insect repellant towelettes are provided in the tents Fire and safety equipment are strategically placed in the camp. Laundry can be done upon request.

RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES:

- Shared morning, evening and night game drives with excellent guides in the conservancy,
- Escorted walks with Maasai Guides,
- Sundowners at scenic spots, the opportunity to see the Big Five,
- Get to meet Baraka the Black Rhino,
- A visit to the Chimpanzee Sanctuary,
- Optional visit to Endangered Species Boma to see World's last Northern White Rhinos,
- Optional Lion Tracking excursion or dog tracking with the anti poaching unit
- Visit to the Morani Information Centre to learn about the different wildlife species that live on Ol Pejeta, option to add a 2, 3 or 4 Day Walking Safari in your itinerary.
- Optional Junior ranger program for the kids.
- Relax in the photographic hide that overlooks the watering hole for those close-up wildlife photos.

CONFERENCE FACILITIES: N/A

CLIMATE: The climate is warm and temperate. The average annual temperature in Nanyuki is 16.2 °C.