

x2 Art in Africa: February 2021

Following the success of 2019's Art Safari, x2 is offering another exclusive chance to visit this beautiful country and create inspired art.



Wendy has been living mainly in Kenya for over two years and immediately fell in love with the breathtaking vistas, the light and colour, and of course the sheer joy of being up close and personal with incredible creatures. Wendy has discovered the secret gems and knows the safety requirements. She has personally visited all the locations in order to plan this fantastic trip.

It is unique opportunity to create art in the stunning landscape of Amboseli. We will enjoy early morning game drives to watch the sun rise over Kilimanjaro and evening drives to soak up the glorious light with a sundowner. We will create art on the drives and back in the idyllic house. A whole day will be spent in the vast plains of Amboseli with the huge herds of elephant and abundant birdlife. The trip will end with a couple of days in Nairobi to visit the Nairobi National Park, the David Sheldrick elephant orphanage and giraffe centre.

This is an all-inclusive trip (flights not included) and is open to non-painting partners to enjoy the beauty and thrill of Kenya. Full details and itinerary coming soon. We are limiting places to a very small number so please register your interest with us as soon as possible. The full itinerary will be released within the next couple of months.

Two artists and teachers will guide individuals so everyone can work at their own level and explore their personal response to the beauty and colours of Africa

Included:

- Time to sketch and paint, or photograph, in glorious locations with the support and guidance of two artists and teachers;
- Transfers from and to Nairobi's JKI International airport, all transport in a 4x4 private vehicle
- Daily game drives in a private conservancy in private vehicle
- A full day in Amboseli National Park in private vehicle
- A visit to Nairobi's David Sheldrick elephant orphanage
- A visit to the Giraffe Centre
- Visit to up and coming Kenyan artists
- Meals with beverages, including picnic lunches to make the most of the day
- Sundowners in beautiful locations on evening game drives
- Bush walk
- Celebratory farewell dinner at a restaurant in Nairobi;



Accommodation:

We will have private use of a house nestled beside the river under the yellow fever acacia trees, in a tiny private conservancy, owned and managed by a local Maasai cooperation. It is very special. The conservancy is the central part of a crucial corridor that links Amboseli National Park with Chululu Hills and Tsvao protected areas. The house has a large terrace, a banda and seating by the river. All bedrooms are en-suite. It is known for the elephants to walk through the grounds. It is the perfect spot for painting, relaxing and reading. It is aprox 3 hours drive from Nairobi and 45 minutes from Amboseli.

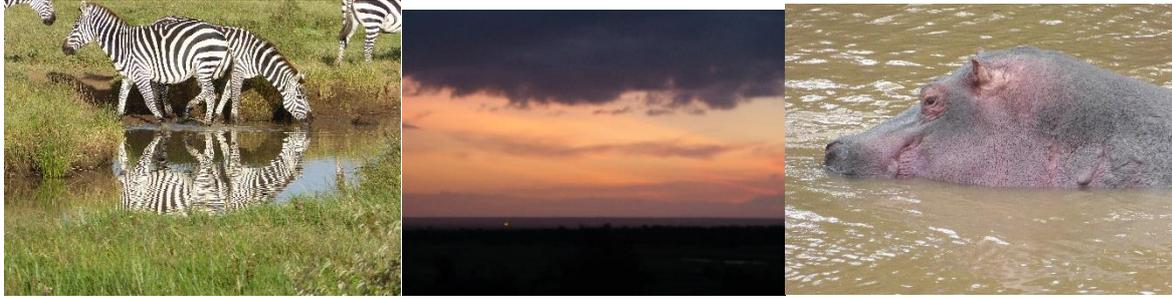
In Nairobi, we will stay in a boutique hotel, in the leafy suburb of Karen. It has a pool and shady terraces for relaxing.



The Creative Experience:

Absorb the glorious landscape. The ever-changing colour and light - and animals - will inspire you. Bring what materials you wish to use but certainly a sketch book is a must. Here you can sketch, draw, use pen and ink, watercolour or a range of materials of your choosing; Annotate, make colour swatches and plan for work back home. It is up to you.

Each day, Virginia and Wendy, both artists and teachers, will be on hand to explain the day's schedule and offer tutorials on the creative process. We will suggest ways of approaching subject matter for all ranges of ability.



Game Drives:

Up with the dawn, as the sky erupts through a spectrum of colour, or, driving until the sun starts to sink with a similar light show, game drives are a highlight. We will explore in a private 4x4 to thrill at an unexpected sighting, or, spotting our favourite animal. The drivers are experienced and have a wealth of knowledge to share.

We will brief the party on safety during the game drives and for when we are picnicking. The bush walk will be led by an experienced ranger and a tracker/guide.



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As always, we expect this to be very popular and places are strictly limited. As we need to confirm reservations, we are offering 10% discount on bookings placed before May 2020