



Latest news from the Maasai Mara

After the rains early this month, we are now having quite clear skies with warm days and cool nights. The green grass around the Camp is attracting big groups of zebra that feed inside our Camp during the night. Twice in the last couple of weeks lions have killed a zebra in the proximity of the Camp and our lucky guests have been privileged witnesses of 'the circle of life' with lions, hyenas and vultures feasting on the zebras.

A single hippo has become a night resident of our dam and sometimes is spotted during the night game drives.

“Mwenye Bahati”

‘Mwenye Bahati’ (Kiswahili for the lucky one) is an orphan eland adopted by the wardens at Olololo Gate, after a lion killed her mother. She is now 3 months old and doing great. She is so cute and friendly that every time we cross the gate with our clients we have to stop so they can play a little bit with her. Looking at this cute little thing it is hard to believe that in a couple of years she will be a 400 kg antelope!

Hope to see you soon at Kilima Camp!!

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The construction of the new Masai village sponsored by Kilima Camp is going on. The men have already finished the fence and the ‘mamas’ are building the structure of the huts. Very soon some Masai families will move into this new manyatta. The next step will be the construction of a dam for the village so that the Masai women will not have to walk several miles every day to get water from the river.

The newly converted landcruiser has been very much appreciated by our guests during game drives.

Yesterday we had an amazing game drive. We were lucky enough to find a couple of white rhinos (male and female) and after spending some time with them we moved on and amazingly we found another two rhinos! This time it was a female with her cub. It was difficult for our guests to believe that this is one of the most endangered and elusive animals in Africa and it is also the one the most difficult to spot!

Last, but very significant - the migration is on the move. For the last few days big herds of gnu have been crossing the Mara river at Mara Bridge about 25 miles from our Camp and are heading in this direction, so they will be here very soon. We are all waiting with much anticipation of a great spectacle.