



## **Karisia Hills Walk**

### Day 1

Arrive at Kisima airstrip and drive to Ngabolo, a camp in a glade surrounded by towering Olive and Croton trees. Our team of friendly staff and camels will welcome us for lunch and we can rest a bit after. In the evening we will stroll along the forest edge, or for those feeling energetic an optional trip for sundowners on the rock face, Naibor Keju (white feet in Samburu). From our overlook we will have a great view of the Karisia Hills and the route we will be traversing in the days to come.



### Day 2

Once our camels are loaded we will walk up into the forest where we are likely to see and hear birds such as Grey Cuckoo-Shrikes, Little Brown Warblers, and Chestnut Throated Apalis. We may also encounter some Samburu collecting honey or medicinal plants far from their Manyattas below. We will then walk north to Sunbird Camp, a lovely glade with springs and a chilly nip to the morning air. In this high country we are likely to see a great deal of sign of Buffalo and Elephant. If we are lucky we will find a herd close by.

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## Day 4

We head down into a starkly different kind of habitat occupied by a totally different assemblage of plants, trees and animals. The country on the eastern edge of the Karisias is dry and hot and an interesting ecology has adapted to the harsh conditions. We will adapt by hiking in the cool of the morning and retiring to the shade of our Acacia camp in the afternoon.

## Day 5

From Acacia camp we will continue south around the southern edge of the Karisia Hills and into the Suiyan Lugga, where we will camp above some hand dug wells. In this habitat we can find a great diversity of birds, from the diminutive red-faced Crombec to the showy Hornbills that seem to announce our arrival every few moments. At dusk it is common to hear the herders on the hillside singing for their cows as they return to the shelter of their temporary boma (a thorn enclosure to protect them from Lions, Hyenas and Wild Dogs).

## Day 6

Today we will travel North and west back into the foothills of the Karisia just south of where we started. At Rapa we will make camp for our last night and in the morning we will say goodbye to our team and our trusty camels and return to Kisima Airstrip.

For more itineraries see our website: <http://www.karisia.com>

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