



News on The Royal Livingstone, Bazaruto Island Resort, Avani Victoria Falls Resort, EcoTraining, Adventure Consults, TopGuides Bush Camps, Sierra Leone, Mara Siana, Atua Enkop, JW Marriott Masai Mara Lodge and the Crowne Plaza Nairobi Airport

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Dear Colleague,

Happy Second Last Day of August! Whoa, where does the time go? On this end, we're gearing up for a very busy fall, as I'm sure you are, too.

I'm over the moon about the fact that I just booked my tickets to Sierra Leone and Kenya for October! Never having been to West Africa, I'm looking forward to exploring one of our newest clients. In Kenya, I'll be visiting all five Atua Enkop properties, as well as Mara Siana and Leleshwa Camp. Exciting times!

Emerging Destinations is proud to be assisting in the organization of Africa OnShow next month (September). All of our African clients will be represented, so buckle up for two fun-filled weeks! If you're in the Seattle, Denver, Boston or Ft Lauderdale area and want to attend, you can register [here](#)!

Don't forget to check out all the updates from our cool companies and cool destinations below! If you want to book a 1:1 with me to learn more about our Africa Portfolio, you can do so [here](#).

Enjoy the last days of summer!

Best regards,



The Emerging Destinations team

Jane, Jenna & Ana



Upcoming Webinars

News at a Glance

Anantara Southern Africa, Mozambique & Zambia

- Anantara Bazaruto Island Resort **Rebrands Seaside Restaurant** - Inspired from the magical sunsets and dreamy scenery of Bazaruto Island, we're proud to introduce **Sonhos Pool Bar Seaside Restaurant**. Indulge in authentic and international flavours in a relaxed setting. Sip on refreshing Mozambican inspired cocktails, and South African and Portuguese wines in a picturesque location perched on the untouched shores of the archipelago.
- **A Royal Wedding in a Breathtaking Destination** - Do your clients want a private wedding with their closest friends and family or a big scale affair, whatever a dream wedding looks like, a destination wedding is a must. The Royal Livingstone Hotel by Anantara provides a wondrous backdrop for your **clients wedding, the Victoria Falls**. Their wedding will be remembered for iconic views and meticulous attention to personalised detail.

Avani, Zambia

- You deserve quality family time – the perfect escape mixing relaxation and adventure. At **Avani Victoria Falls Resort**, we've got you covered with family activities that put a smile on everyone's face. Snuggle up together during a sunset cruise and or snacking popcorn during a family movie night. Parents can sneak away, while AvaniKids keeps the little ones happy and entertained with horse riding and games.

EcoTraining, Southern Africa & Kenya

- EcoTraining is proud to present the release of our new website. Check it out **here!**

TopGuides Bush Camps, Tanzania

- Topguides Bush Camps is glad to announce a partnership with East Africa Safari Ventures in Kenya. We are thrilled to add two of their properties in Kenya to our portfolio: Leleshwa Camp. You can check out the **Fact Sheet** and **Photos** and Exclusive-use Mobile Camp: **Fact sheet, Tent layouts,** and **Photos**.

Adventure Consults, Uganda & Rwanda

- Rwandans' centuries-old traditions believe that a naming ceremony (with family and friends) ought to be organized for every newborn baby in the Family. In light of this, the annual Kwita Izina, **the Gorilla naming Ceremony**, one of Africa's most attended and celebrated conservation events returns in Kinigi on the 1st of September 2023.

- August 22nd marked some of the last and most important events to celebrate the **silver jubilee for Ngamba Island Chimpanzee Sanctuary**. The event was attended by tourism practitioners, professionals and stake holders, among others was Dr. Jane Goodall.

Sierra Leone

- Did you know that there are **many other beaches offering great surfing conditions around Sierra Leone?** On the mainland, you can find great waves also along River No. 2, Sulima and Aberdeen beaches, all easy to reach in under 1 hour by car from Freetown. We'll let you in on a little secret - the best surfing in Sierra Leone is in the Turtle Islands!
- Speaking of beaches, check out **Sierra Leone's top five beaches**! With its idyllic coastline along the Atlantic Ocean, Sierra Leone is home to some of the most breathtaking and unspoiled beaches in West Africa.

JW Marriott Masai Mara Lodge, Kenya

- **Journey into Africa's** most iconic safari destination with the JW Marriott Masai Mara Lodge. Do you have clients interested in staying at this brand new property? Contact us for availability!

Atua Enkop

- **Atua Enkop Adds Elephant Gorge in Amboseli!** The latest addition to the Atua Enkop collection of upscale safari lodges in East Africa, Elephant Gorge Camp lies just outside Amboseli National Park in the shadow of Mount Kilimanjaro. This intimate, boutique property features only five rooms inside a Kenya conservancy managed by the Big Life Foundation.
- **Wildlife sightings have been great at Elephant Bedroom camp**, with cheetahs (with cubs) lion prides, leopards, the regular plains game, including Grevys Zebra, oryx gerenuks, etc, being seen regularly together with some great sightings of wild dogs, striped hyaena, aardwolf as well.
- Mara Ngenche Safari Camp and Tipilikwani Mara Camp: **The annual wildebeest migration is in full swing** and clients here have been witnessing river crossings on a regular basis with lion kills and a number of regular cheetah kills

Upcoming Travel!

Emerging Destinations On The Road

We will be in the following places over the next few months, and would love to see you! If we will be in your area, click on the link below to request an event invitation or schedule an appointment with us:

- **Denver, CO**: Friday, September 15th (appointments only, no event)
- **Boston, MA**: Thursday, September 20th (appointments only, no event)
- **Phoenix, Scottsdale & Tucson, AZ**: Monday, October 16th to Friday October 20th

Can You Afford NOT to go on Safari for a Whole Year?



Welcome to **EcoTraining**, where the African bush becomes your sanctuary, and financial freedom becomes a reality as you embark on a year-long Professional Field Guide course.

According to recent data from Open Access Government, the cost of living has increased 2.5% globally in the past year.

[More here.](#)

Massage in the Mara, Anyone?

JW Marriott understands your need to regenerate holistically via locally rooted organic products and treatments for the “Whole You” experience — even when you’re on safari in Kenya’s Masai Mara.

Spa by JW at the **JW Marriott Masai Mara**

Lodge offers a wide variety of before and after safari pampering, from massage and manicures to Ayurvedic treatments, therapy baths, facials and fitness classes.



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With a distinctive take on the African safari, **TopGuides Bush Camps** breathes fresh simplicity and elegance into the timelessness of the Tanzanian wild, while delivering an experience that is authentically immersive and true to nature.

Mara Ngenche Safari Camp



In a spectacular location in the heart of the Kenya's legendary wildlife reserve, **Mara Ngenche Safari Camp** is small, intimate and elegant.

Well hidden in a lush ravine forest, the camp offers superb views over the confluence of the Mara and Talek rivers, overlooking a hippo pool that's always busy with

these big, beautiful and surprisingly graceful animals. [More here.](#)

Sierra Leone's Awesome Islands

Islands off the **Sierra Leone** mainland offer everything from tropical paradise to fascinating history.

Tasso Island

This tiny island was virtually unknown before 2017, when an ecotourism camp was opened. Nowadays, it's one of Sierra Leone's premier ecotourism destinations and an easy day trip or overnight from Freetown.

[More Here.](#)



Something New in the Mara - Ripoi Conservancy



Mara Siana is a small upscale camp inside the newly formed Ripoi Conservancy, a stunning undiscovered area outside the Masai Mara National Reserve.

Formerly called Olarro South, the new conservancy was officially formed on the 15th of February 2023. Totalling 13,500 acres, it was created to

expand protection for wildlife in an area near the Masai Mara National Reserve that was only partially protected in the past. **[More Here](#)**

The Libuyu Women's Peanut Butter Project

With support from the
Avani Victoria Falls

Resort, Zambia's Libuyu Women's Peanut Butter Project empowers HIV-positive women and their children by providing the equipment they need to produce delicious artisanal peanut butter to sell.

The project also teaches the women how to package and market their produce to maximize profits through sales to local hotels, retailers and the surrounding community.

[More Here.](#)



Explore the Beauty of Africa with Anantara



With safaris, open ocean and thunderous waterfalls, the wonders of Africa are ripe for exploration. Set out on the journey of a lifetime, with Anantara as your guide. The Victoria Falls are unrivalled in majesty, and **The Royal Livingstone Hotel by Anantara** provides exclusive access. Dine by candlelight directly overlooking the falls. Soar over them in a helicopter, or bungee jump for

the greatest of thrills. [More here.](#)

Best day trips from Nairobi

The **Crowne Plaza NBO** isn't just an airport hotel. It can also be your base for exploring Nairobi or venturing out on daytrips in central Kenya. Here are a couple of the best:

Lake Naivasha National Park

Located at the bottom of the

legendary Great Rift Valley, Naivasha is renowned for its copious bird life (more than 400 species) and aquatic creatures like hippos, and boat fishing. Driving time from the Crowne Plaza: approx. 2 hours.

[More Here.](#)



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property features only five rooms — all of them with bathrooms, showers and comfy double beds — inside a Kenya conservancy managed by the Big Life Foundation.

[More Here.](#)

			
			
			
			
			



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