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News on: Adventure Consults, Anantara Southern Africa, Atua Enkop, Avani Vic Falls, Garonga Safari Co., Mara Siana Camp, Sierra Leone Tourism Board, and Yadi Travel

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Dear Colleague

As summer is winding down, things are winding up for the Emerging Destinations team. For one thing, we're excited to announce our newest African client — **[Yadi Travel](#)** of Morocco.

Inspired by the classical Arabic word for "hand," Yadi specializes in handcrafted, awe-inspiring experiences that breathe life into every Moroccan destination. Embodying the essence of this enchanting land, Yadi creates personalized journeys that resonate deeply with every traveler. Tailored to individual interests, preferences and desired emotions, every Yadi experience promises an unforgettable adventure, rich with the vibrant culture and the beauty of Morocco.

Meanwhile, it's also not too late to **[register](#)** for our Africa Showcases in Los Angeles, Chicago or Toronto this fall. All you have to do is click [here](#).

For those planning last-minute, shoulder season trips to Africa, Mara Siana, Anantara, Garonga Safari Co. and Atua Enkop have some great specials (and availability) that are detailed in News at a Glance below.

Please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or want to book a 1:1 with me or any of our amazing clients!

Warm regards,

Jenna, Jane, Ana & Paula



News at a Glance

Garonga Safari Co, South Africa

Stay 4 Pay 3 Special : Valid at all camps from November to March, excluding Christmas and New Years period.

- Children Aged 6-16 stay complimentary when booking Little Garongas Hambleden Suite (max. 2 children), or When adding a triple (Child) to Little Garonga's Chiltern/Buckingham Suite they stay complimentary (1 Child).
- Complimentary sleep out is applicable to MCH Private Tented Camp, Little Garonga and Safari Camp – Must be booked and subject to availability.
- The Star Bath and Bush Bath are complimentary and is applicable to Little Garonga and Safari Camp – subject to availability.
- 5% Override on Last-Minute Bookings and bookings placed within 42 days will receive a 5% override.
- **MCH is open throughout 2024 & 2025:** Little Garonga & Garonga Safari Camp are closed from 07 Feb 2025 to 07 Mar 2025 BUT MCH remains open throughout the year for 2024 & 2025. For further information, please contact Aldert Booysen: reservations@garonga.co.za

Mara Siana, Kenya

- Watch some of the Animal Planet episodes of **Big Cat Tales** featuring Mara Siana founder and professional guide, Jackson Ole Looseyia.

Anantara Southern Africa, Mozambique & Zambia

- **The Royal Livingstone Hotel by Anantara:** Our Royal Livingstone Express dinner experience offers a luxurious train journey through Zambia's stunning landscapes. The highlight is a five-course gourmet dinner
- **Anantara Bazaruto Island Resort:** Beach Villa Offer Escape the ordinary and immerse yourself in the extraordinary. Our Beach Villa Special offers an unparalleled opportunity to indulge in luxury and relaxation.

Offer includes:

- Luxury accommodation
- Daily breakfast, lunch and dinner; unlimited beverages, including select range of house wine, beers, spirits and non-alcoholic beverages
- One dhow sunset cruise per stay for two
- Unlimited non-motorised water sports activities
- In-room mini bar, refilled daily
- 10% off spa

Atua Enkop, Kenya

- **Tipilikwani Mara Camp builds 7 new tents:** we've constructed 7 brand-new luxury tents that will enhance the guest experience with more spacious and elegant accommodations.

- **The Great Wildebeest Migration in Full Swing:** The iconic Great Wildebeest Migration is currently at its peak in the Maasai Mara
- **Elephant Gorge Camp Sees Increased Wildlife Activity:** the dry season is drawing a variety of wildlife, including elephants, to the camp's waterhole creating extraordinary wildlife viewing opportunities for camp visitors
- **Elephant Gorge Camp Celebrates Its First Wedding Proposal:** Romance bloomed at Elephant Gorge Camp recently, with the camp hosting its first wedding proposal.
- **Elephant Bedroom Camp's Sponsored Football Team on the Rise:** we are proud to sponsor the local football team, Lorubae Flames FC. The team is currently excelling in the Samburu Football League, holding a strong 3rd place.

Aerocruise, Kenya

- Explore our brochure for the list of places to visit in Nairobi [here](#)
- The Mara Siana airstrip in the Mara Siana Conservancy has resumed all local flight landings, bringing fantastic benefits on your journey to Entumoto Safari Camp.

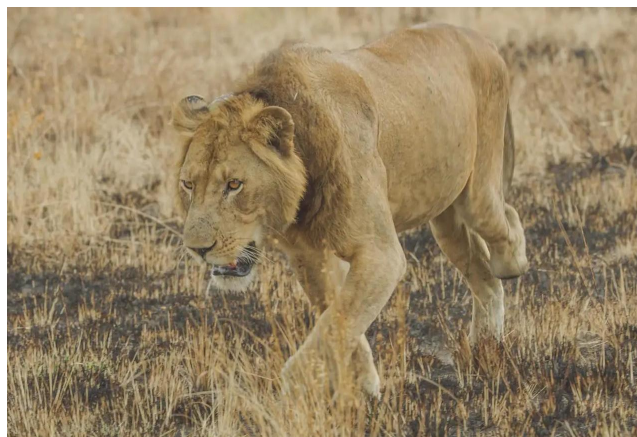
Adventure Consults, Uganda & Rwanda

- Kidepo Valley National Park offering amazing wildlife experiences is in Uganda ☐☐, about 2 hours flight from Entebbe Airport. Talk to our team; sales@adventureconsults.com for Private Trips

Sierra Leone

- Sierra Leone has been nominated for the Wanderlust Travel Awards, 'Most Desirable Emerging Destination'. You can help Salone win by clicking on this [link](#) Voting is open till October 18th. So, get set vote!

Uganda Lions Set Long-Distance Swim Record



A couple of lions in Uganda recently made global headlines by achieving an incredible long-distance swimming record that most folks — even big cat researchers and experts — thought impossible.

According to the *New York Times*, the feat was accomplished by a couple of male lions (brothers Tibu and Jacob) last February, who after losing a battle for territory inside Queen Elizabeth National

Park, decided to seek a new home by swimming roughly a mile across the hippo and crocodile filled Kazinga Channel.

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Photo by Alex Brackowski



The Ultimate Victoria Falls Dining Experience

Sip champagne and treat yourself to irresistible flavors against the backdrop of Africa’s legendary cascade during the Ultimate Victoria Falls Dining Experience at The Royal Livingstone Victoria Falls Zambia Hotel by Anantara.

Create a bespoke menu of local and international fare with your personal chef and let your waiter tend to your every need.

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Best Time to Visit the Mara?



While visiting Kenya's Masai Mara National Reserve — and staying at the upcoming JW Marriott safari lodge — are awesome at any time of year, there are seasons and annual events that make the park even more extraordinary.

The Great Migration of more than two million animals — wildebeest, zebra and other grazers tailed by lions, hyenas and other predators — slowly makes its way through the Mara between July and October/November in search of fresh grass.

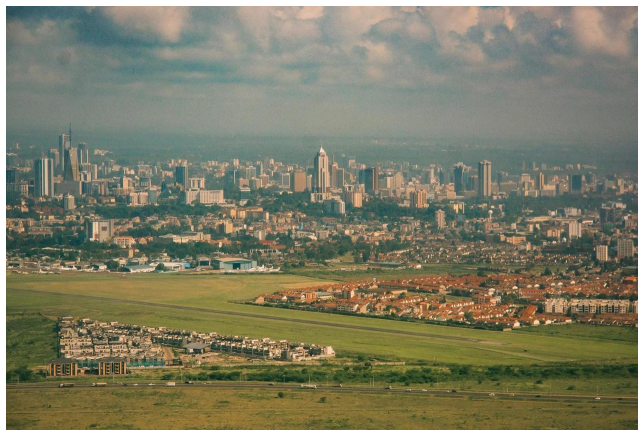
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Got An Extra Hour In Nairobi?

Then why not experience East Africa's most spectacular city from above on a scenic flight with AeroCruise. From an aerial perspective, Kenya's capital offers a captivating tapestry of diverse landscapes and architectural marvels.

Nairobi National Park, located at the city's doorstep, reveals a stunning contrast of savannah plains dotted with acacia trees, where herds of wildlife roam freely against the backdrop of the city skyline.

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It's Not All About Freetown



Here are four other fascinating cities you should visit in Sierra Leone.

Kabala

Quiet and cool, the northern town of Kabala is perhaps most famous for its New Year’s celebrations on the imposing Gbawuria Hill, which looms over the town. Nearby Senekedugu village is a must-stop for visitors to get a window on how a local agricultural village is run.

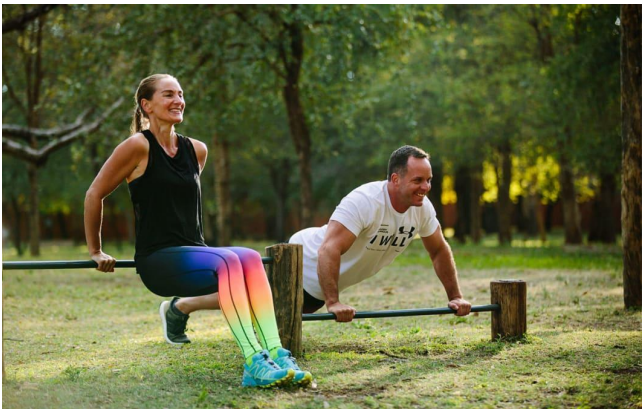
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How Avani Helps You Keep Fit on Safari

Stay on top of your fitness goals during your stay in Zambia. Run or walk the AvaniFit Trail. Share your workout with zebras, giraffes, impala and all kinds of wildlife.

The meandering route through the property suits all ages and all fitness levels. Just put one foot in front of the other and return reenergized.

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Mara Siana's "Big Seven"



What's beyond the Big Five of African wildlife? Read on to discover two more iconic species that you can see while staying at Mara Siana Camp.

Located in the 13,500-acre Ripoi Conservancy on the northeast side of Kenya's fabled Masai Mara region, the camp is well placed to witness the Great Migration that swings through in July and August as well as resident animals that call the reserve home year-round.

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What's Even Better Than Kruger? Try Makalali Next Time

Founded in 1898 as one of Africa's first game reserves and later transformed into a national park, Kruger is world renowned for both the quantity and quality of its wildlife. It's also one of the continent's largest parks of any kind, bigger than many European countries.

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Video of the Month



Visiting Mara Ngenche Safari Camp

Located in the heart of the Masai Mara is the small, intimate, luxurious and elegant Mara Ngenche Safari Camp. Tucked into a ravine forest, the camp offers superb views over the confluence of the Mara and Talek rivers overlooking a hippo pool that's always busy.

The incredible surroundings of the Maasai Mara make this a spectacular safari experience. Game drives are always thrilling, guided by expert local Masai guides in open-sided 4x4s (with a maximum of six guests per vehicle).



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