



News on The Royal Livingstone, Bazaruto Island Resort, Avani Victoria Falls Resort, EcoTraining, Adventure Consults, Babanango Game Reserve, JW Marriott Masai Mara Lodge and the Crowne Plaza Nairobi Airport

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Dear Colleague,

"We don't like it, we LOVE it," says my sister, who just returned from her first safari. "You never told me how nice it was!" Well, I DID. But there are certain things in life that must be experienced to understand how special they are, not to mention the fact that she didn't listen to her younger sister. (At least she believed me when I said she should go to Africa!)

We at Emerging Destinations have a lot going on these days. Matthew from JW Marriott Masai Mara and Crowne Plaza Nairobi Airport is visiting Canada and the U.S. in late November and early December. Check below for details and let me know if you would like to meet him. Stops include Toronto, Denver, USTOA and NYC.

Jenna is headed back to Southern Africa, visiting the Royal Livingstone, Bazaruto Island, and EcoTraining. I'm visiting Kenya & Tanzania in November. I'll also be at WTM in London — let me know if you're attending!

See below the latest news on our portfolio of cool companies in cool places including news on adventure options at Vic Falls and spa offerings at the Royal Livingstone and Avani Vic Falls, Babanango's student camp Matatane, and "How to Become a Bird Nerd" with EcoTraining. (I knew I had succumbed to birding fever when I purchased a binocular harness!), and more info on the soon-to-open JW Marriott Masai Mara, which was just named one of "The 23 Most Anticipated Luxury Hotel Openings for 2023" by Forbes.

Happy Halloween everyone! And as my daughter always says to me, "Make good choices!"

Best regards,



**The Emerging Destinations team**

**Jessie, Jane, Jenna & Ana**



**Upcoming Webinars**

## News at a Glance

### **JW Marriott Masai Mara Lodge, Kenya**

- Matthew Ngota, Sales & Marketing Director, is doing a sales trip in November to Toronto, Austin and Denver. Please let [Jenna](#) know if you would like to see him!
- The property opening has been pushed back to March 31st 2023.
- AFAR has done a feature on the property! See [here](#).

### **Anantara Southern Africa, Mozambique & Zambia**

- Microlight over Vica Falls anyone? Read about Anantara's Royal Livingstone "Africa Adventure Experience" in [Luxury Travel Advisor](#).
- We're honoured to announce that we've won two categories in the World Travel Awards: [Africa's Most Romantic Resort 2022](#) and [Mozambique's Leading Beach Resort 2022](#).
- Royal Livingstone Hotel Unveils a New Adventure Package! Read more [here](#).

### **Babanango Game Reserve, South Africa**

- Four orphaned rhinos were released at [Babanango Game Reserve](#).
- Did you know that Babanango is the largest conservation project in South Africa post-apartheid?

### **EcoTraining, Southern Africa**

- An Operation RESCUE!! Our Field Guide students jumped in wholeheartedly and assisted an impala after being trapped in the mud. [Check it out!](#)
- Join a Mara EcoQuest this December. See more [here](#).
- 2023 Rates and Dates can be downloaded [here](#).

### **Adventure Consults, Uganda & Rwanda**

- Enjoy this [terrific blog by Laura Madrid](#), who recently traveled with Adventure Consults.

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## Different Ways to Dine at Avani Victoria Falls



From the eclectic Theatre of Food and poolside munchies to a village culinary experience and romantic dining beside the famous cascade, the vastly different ways that guests can eat at the Avani. [More here](#)

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## Making Your Nairobi Experience Even Better

Sure, it's the only five-star hotel at Jomo Kenyatta International Airport. But there are plenty of other reasons to overnight, spend the day or while away a couple of hours between flights at the rowne Plaza Nairobi Airport. [More here](#)







### *Scuba Diving Bazaruto Island*

Mozambique has a reputation for being one of the world's most beautiful places to dive. While staying at Anantara Resort on Bazaruto Island, award-winning blogger Kiersten "Kiki" Rich dove with their 5-star PADI team and discovered pristine reefs, giant schools of fish, sea turtles, manta rays, and even a honeycomb eel!

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#### JW Marriott Masai Mara Lodge



Scheduled to open next February (2023), the JW Marriott Masai Mara Lodge is located along the Talek River on the edge of Masai Mara National Reserve, one of the world's most renowned wildlife conservation and wilderness areas. [More Here.](#)

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#### 3 Reasons Nature Is Good For Your Kids

Take a break from the city and electronic screens, and dive

into the natural playground of Babanango's Matatane Camp, where your kids can get active and let their imaginations run wild! [More Here](#)



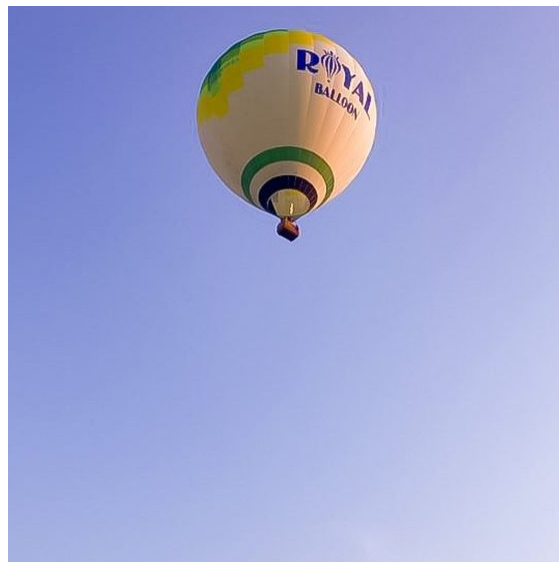
### Do You Know Your African Giraffes?



Towering above the open plains and woodlands, giraffes are the world's tallest mammals. They are social animals that roam Africa in large herds as they forage for food in the tops of

trees. [More here](#)

### Rwanda Launches Hot Air Balloon Safaris





Adventure Consults is excited to announce the launch of a hot air balloon safari Akagera National Park, the first of its kind in Rwanda. [More here](#)

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