



News on: Adventure Consults, Anantara Southern Africa, Atua Enkop, Avani Vic Falls, EcoTraining, JW Marriott Masai Mara, Mara Siana Camp, Garonga Safari Co and Sierra Leone

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Dear Colleague,

Happy End of March!

Emerging Destinations (and our cool clients in cool places) have lots of BIG announcements this month!

Alongside the UCLA Capacity Building Center, we're supporting the Women in Action Network (WIAN) focusing on empowering women's groups in Northern Ghana's Shea butter industry. If you're interested in learning more, [let me know](#).

Elsewhere in Africa, the JW Marriott Masai Mara Lodge is excited to launch its new [Kosher Kitchen](#), while Anantara Southern Africa could have a new safari camp on the Zambian horizon. [Register](#) for our webinar tomorrow to find out more!

Last but not least, **are you or someone else from your team heading to "We Are Africa" in May?** And are looking for a last minute pre-conference FAM? Please reply to this email for more information!

Enjoy the upcoming long weekend. Wishing you much hoppiness and good health.

Warm regards,

Jenna, Ana, Paula & Jane



News at a Glance

[Garonga Safari Co](#), South Africa

- We are happy to announce that **four cheetahs were released into the Makalali Reserve!**
- Garonga Safari camp closed down in March for annual cleaning and maintenance, and also allowing our team to get away for annual leave. **MCH and Little Garonga continued to operate.**
- It has been another very hot month with hardly any rain. It's going to be a very dry year ahead – Tell your clients!

[Mara Siana](#), Kenya

- Are you looking for **last minute availability in the 2024 peak season?** Well, you're in luck as Mara Siana still has space available! [Contact us](#) for availability.

[Anantara Southern Africa](#), Mozambique & Zambia

- **Join our webinar**, "Anantara Southern Africa: Everything you need to know!" on Thursday, March 28th at 1 pm EDT! [Register here](#) and tune in for some exciting updates.

[JW Marriott Masai Mara Lodge](#), Kenya

- JW Marriott Masai Mara Lodge invites adventurers and nature lovers to experience the timeless beauty and majestic wildlife of Kenya's premier safari destination. [Contact us for availability!](#)
- Are you attending We Are Africa this year? Let us know!

[EcoTraining](#), Southern Africa & Kenya

- EcoTraining expanded its fleet as they recently acquired not just one but **five vehicles to add to its fleet.**
- We are proud to [share the video](#) of our Mashatu camp in its new location on the Mashatu Game Reserve, Botswana. Take a walk through the camp with one of our students to get an idea of what to expect!
- **EcoTraining will exhibit at the World Travel Market in Cape Town** from 10 – 12 April 2024. If you plan to attend and want to learn more about our offering, please pop in at our stand (which we are sharing with Kruger Lowveld).

[Atua Enkop](#), Kenya

- We are thrilled to announce that **Mara Ngenche Safari Camp** will remain open this year in the months of April, May and June unlike our previous seasonal closure. In this regard our Mid-Season rates will apply till end of June.
- Book your clients 2 Nights at Mbweha- Soysambu Conservation *AND* 2 Nights at Tipilikwani Mara Camp and they can get a **20% off discount!**
- **Family offer:** One child under age 12 years **FREE**, when sharing with 2 Adults.

[Sierra Leone](#)

- Are you familiar with the history of the country? **Sierra Leone is open and ready for tourists** – [Find out more](#) about this country's incredible history!
- Do you have clients that love to hike? [Read about](#) West Africa's highest mountain, Mount Bintumani.

Garonga Offers Three Ways To Safari in South Africa



Located on the Greater Makalali Private Nature Reserve near Kruger National Park, Garonga Safari Company offers three ways to discover the South African bush.

The original **Garonga Safari Camp** is an exclusive tented outpost with six luxury ensuite units that combine canvas canopy, rustic-textured walls and raised wooden deck overlooking a dry riverbed. Amenities include swimming pool, shared and private dining, and Wi-Fi in all rooms and public areas.

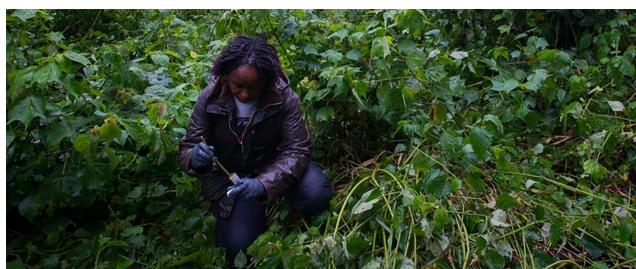
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Uganda's Dr Gladys Hits No 1 on Amazon Books

Walking With Gorillas: The Journey of an African Wildlife Vet by Dr. Gladys Kalema-Zikusoka is a bestseller in the U.S., reaching No. 1 in East Africa Travel and breaking into the Top 10 of all travel books on Amazon.com.

In this enchanting memoir, Uganda's first wildlife veterinarian tells the remarkable story from her animal-loving childhood to her career protecting endangered mountain gorillas and other wild animals.

[Read More](#)



Catch Jackson on "Big Five Tales"



If you've booked a Kenya safari booked for later this year, be sure to watch *Big Cat Tales* to learn more about the lions, leopards, and cheetah you might see while staying at Mara Siana Camp.

Camp director Jackson Looseyia hosts the series along with Jonathon and Angela Scott. [Read More](#)

Have You Ever had a Magical Elephant Moment?

Have you ever had the privilege of having a memorable encounter with an elephant? Here's a remarkable story about how the Duke of Pridelands, a famous tusker, shared a moment with EcoTraining's bush guide Andries Kemp.

After an incredible game drive, Kemp and his students had just arrived back at Pridelands Camp when they heard a branch crack a few meters away and an enormous presence emerged from the bush. [Read More](#)





The words "Atua Enkop" in the Maa language of the Masai means "from the earth" or "out of Africa." Thus, sprung a collection of four camps uniquely African in quality, and truly luxurious, spread across the conservancy and two of Kenya's chief game reserves: [Read More](#)

Celebrate in Sierra Leone!

Sierra Leone is the perfect place to celebrate in authentic West African style during these exuberant annual events:

Lantern Festival

One of Sierra Leone's most popular events — which coincides with the country's independence anniversary in April — the Lantern Festival has great historic and religious significance. [Read More](#)



Six Reasons Why You Should Safari at the JW Marriott Masai Mara



Overlooking the Talek River and the Masai Mara National Reserve, the JW Marriott Masai Mara Lodge boasts 20 luxurious and expansive ensuite tents, all with their own private outdoor Jacuzzi tub and deck.

If that's not enough to lure you to one of Africa's premier safari experiences, consider six other reasons why you should book your stay right away

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Vic Falls Horseback Safari

Saddle up for guided horseback rides that depart from the Avani Victoria Falls resort along trails inside Mosi-oa-Tunya National Park.

The equine adventure meanders through scenic African bushveld along the north shore of the Zambezi River with great bird watching and the possibility of spotting other African wildlife. [Read More](#)



2024 Adventures in Zambia and Mozambique



Anantara invites intrepid travelers to explore the most inspirational destinations in southern Africa – Victoria Falls in Zambia and Bazaruto island in Mozambique.

A luxury escape that includes once-in-a-lifetime ocean adventures and gourmet dining.

The package includes: [Read More](#)

The Eco Training Experience – A Year We'll Never Forget



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OUR FAVOURITE MOMENTS OF 2023

Glimpse the adventure and incredible experiences that EcoTraining shared with its students last year. And what a fantastic adventure it was! A beautiful year in the African bush with wildlife encounters, fun moments, laughter and making friends for life.



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