



Table Mountain, which rises to 1,086 meters (3,563 feet) behind Cape Town, is South Africa's most famous landmark. Tourists can ride a cable car to the top to obtain breathtaking views of the city and harbor.

In this Q & A I will discuss some of the best reasons (A) for selecting a safari in Tanzania versus Kenya and (B) for selecting a safari in Botswana versus South Africa's Kruger Park.

In addition, I will touch on some of the advantages and disadvantages of traveling to East Africa versus southern Africa. For our purposes here I will consider East Africa to be Kenya and Tanzania; and I will consider southern Africa to be South Africa, Botswana and Victoria Falls in western Zimbabwe.



After decades of poaching, Africa's rhino population has declined dramatically.

What safari possibilities does Kenya have to offer?

Masai Mara is considered Kenya's premier game park. A rolling grassland beautiful to behold, the Mara plays host to the great migration every summer when millions of animals, chief among them wildebeest, migrate north across Tanzania's Serengeti plain into Kenya's Masai Mara. There is still game aplenty after the animals have returned to the Serengeti by early autumn. A visit to Masai Mara is usually combined with a visit to either Samburu Park or Ambosell Park.

Samburu Park is somewhat more dry than Masai Mara Park although it too is rich in game. In fact, Samburu boasts some species of animals seldom seen outside Kenya's North. These include the gerenuk, a long-necked gazelle which feeds while standing up on its hind legs, the reticulated giraffe and Grevy's zebra with its thin stripes. The primary attraction of Samburu for many, however, is leopard. In Samburu several of the lodges bait leopard in the evening so, with luck, you can watch the nighttime predator come to feast on scraps of meat under floodlights.

Ambosell is situated in what was a dry lake bed until very recently. The wildlife inhabiting this reserve seeks