



  
PETER'S  
  
WILDLIFE  
  
SAFARIS

Socially Conscious  
Luxury Safaris

I've always loved animals. Throughout my life, I have dreamed of going on a safari. Finally, I took the leap. In an instant, my life was changed forever. I loved watching all the animals in their natural habitats but was surprised by how much I enjoyed the elephants. They are intelligent and emotional animals with a complex family structure. Seeing them interact in the wild was fascinating.

Upon my return home, I heard the tragic news about Satao. Satao was perhaps the largest tusker elephant in Africa at that time. His impressive tusks hung nearly to the ground, each one in excess of 100 pounds. We were born in the same year, and he roamed the continent for nearly 50 years fighting off lion attacks, surviving floods and droughts and avoiding humans until, in May 2014, he couldn't dodge a poison dart and was murdered for his ivory.

While I never met or photographed Satao, his loss affected me in a way I could have never predicted. I realized in that moment that I wanted to do something to make a difference in the lives of wildlife and to become a voice for the voiceless. At that moment, I became a Wildlife Ambassador.

As your Wildlife Ambassador, I will take you on an experience you will never forget. We will venture to places where you can witness these magnificent animals in their natural habitat, and we will do it in comfort and style. And, maybe, in your own way, you too, will become an ambassador for wildlife.

Peter Balunek



“YOU MAY NEVER KNOW WHAT RESULTS COME OF YOUR ACTIONS, BUT IF YOU DO NOTHING, THERE WILL BE NO RESULTS.”

—Mahatma Gandhi





Like many people, a safari may be on your “bucket list”, or it’s how you dream of celebrating one of life’s milestones. With 54 countries in Africa, and more than a dozen of them featuring spectacular wildlife, the task of choosing the right one can be daunting – even overwhelming.

Peter’s Wildlife Safaris takes the anxiety out of making your dream trip a reality. Each year we lead a select number of custom-tailored safaris for families and groups to places like Africa to see “The Big Five”, India to look for tigers, Alaska to get up close with the brown bears, and even the Himalayas in search of the elusive snow leopard.

Our adventures are for anyone who has ever wanted to take the “trip of a lifetime”! Your journey begins with a one-on-one consultation with Peter, who will listen as you describe your wishes and dreams. We’ll walk you through all your options and help plan the right safari for you and your family. You will have your own unique, memorable safari, because this is YOUR safari.

In planning all the details and partnering with only the highest quality camps, hotels and guides, we place a high priority on understanding your individual goals for the trip. This careful understanding allows us to set the stage for your family’s personalized, life-changing experience. Our safaris are designed to be all-inclusive; you just need to get yourself to the country, and we’ll take it from there.

**“TRAVELING WITH PETER IS LIKE TRAVELING WITH MY PARENTS – I DON’T NEED TO WORRY ABOUT ANYTHING, JUST TELL ME WHERE TO GO”**

—Kim, who traveled to Kenya with Peter in 2018



A typical day on safari starts before sunrise with a personal wake-up call at your tent. You will enjoy coffee, tea, or juice along with cookies or biscuits on your veranda while listening to the sounds of the bush waking up. Your excursion may be by Land Cruiser, on foot, horseback, camel or even by balloon! The choice is yours!

The animals are most active in the early morning. As the sun starts warming the bush, they find a shady spot to nap for the day. This is our cue to take a break and enjoy a bush breakfast with fresh fruits, cereals, breads, or even cooked-to-order omelets.

Mid-day is for lunch, enjoying camp or relaxing. Or, you can opt to visit the local village, school or clinic. Conservation activities include engaging with a local researcher, meeting with a K9 Anti-Poaching Unit, visiting a wildlife orphanage or animal tracking.

As the early evening air cools, the wildlife becomes active, and we venture back into the bush looking for your favorite animals. After an exciting day in the bush, it's time for a cocktail followed by an elegant dinner at camp — or in the bush under the stars.

Speaking of stars, if you can't get enough of the beautiful night skies, consider sleeping under them! Fly camping or star beds are a great way to experience the night. If it's privacy you're looking for, then a mobile tented safari or a private camp can be your choice.

Don't just take a safari – experience it!

**“EVERY DAY WAS BETTER THAN THE LAST. WE KEPT JOKING WITH OUR GUIDES THAT THEY WILL NEVER TOP OUR LAST SIGHTING, AND THEN THEY DID.”**

—Ken and Barb, who traveled to Kenya with Peter in 2019

On your safari, you will have opportunities to see animals like cape buffalo, elephants, leopards, giraffes, lions, zebras, birds, cheetahs... and to experience so much more!

However, these beautiful animals are disappearing from the planet at a rapid pace due to three main threats: the illegal international wildlife trade, loss of habitat, and human/animal conflict.

As humans encroach on animals' natural habitats, wildlife and humans often come into conflict. For indigenous villagers who grow their own food and whose sole source of income is raising cattle, when a lion kills a cow or an elephant destroys a year's crop in one night, the typical reaction is to kill or poison the trespassers to preserve the livelihood and survival of the village.

Because the human/animal conflict is mainly financial, conservation safaris are key to alleviating this tension. Going on a socially conscious safari is one of the best things you can do to help keep these animal populations from the brink of extinction. These goals will not be achieved overnight, but going on a safari is one of the ways people like you and I can do our part in making a real difference in this growing global problem.

On a socially conscious safari, we don't just enjoy the amazing wildlife, relax at comfortable camps and then return to our western world. On your Peter's Wildlife Safari, you will visit a local village or school, talk with local people and learn how they co-exist with the wildlife. You'll learn how these ancient cultures have existed with wildlife for millennia and the challenges they face as the human population continues to grow and encroach on the wildlife habitat.

**“IT'S DIFFICULT TO FULLY UNDERSTAND THE THREATS FACING OUR WORLD'S WILDLIFE UNTIL YOU UNDERSTAND THE CHALLENGES OF THE PEOPLE LIVING AMONG THE WILDLIFE.”**

—Peter Balunek





FAMILY + WILDLIFE +  
PHILANTHROPY = IMPACT



Going on a Peter's Wildlife Safari can help improve the lives of wildlife and the local people, but this extraordinary experience also has the ability to change your life and to inspire you to want to change the lives of others.

Impact giving allows you and your family to see firsthand what your donations can and will do for people who live with wildlife. Because many of Peter's guests have asked how they can offer assistance, Peter founded the Satao Wildlife Foundation, a 501c(3) public charity, named in honor of the elephant that changed the direction of Peter's life.

We have an opportunity for you to improve the lives of people and wildlife. It's called the Family Philanthropic Adventure.

If you are charitably inclined and want to pass along that value of giving to your children and grandchildren, we can identify community conservation projects where you and your family can make an immediate and direct impact.

Areas in which your contributions can create significant, positive impact include:

- Education
- Park Rangers and Law Enforcement
- Non-Government Organizations
- Medical Brigades
- Water and Sanitation
- Food and Nutrition
- Animal Rescue and Orphanages

You will fund the project through the Satao Wildlife Foundation, and we execute it. We will take your family to Africa to see your project and meet the people whose lives you've changed through your generous support. Afterward, you will enjoy the safari of a lifetime with those closest to you.

Whatever your charitable intent or focus, we can identify an outlet for you to make an impact. You'll find that this experience will have benefits far beyond the scope of the project you fund. This experience will change the lives of your family forever.

To learn more about the needs facing those living with wildlife and to discuss ways you can help make a difference, call Peter at (440) 287-7782.

