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a travel professional's guide to East and Southern Africa

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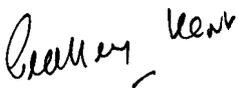
It seems only fitting that Geoffrey Kent, born on safari, should himself have played a parenting role in the creation of the luxury safari when he helped found Abercrombie & Kent in 1962.

In the land that has been A&K's home for over half a century, the Kent family was the first to offer guests an intimate, private look at the wilds of East Africa. We delved into pristine wilderness to set up luxury camps – previously unimaginable in Africa.

“Today, A&K has become synonymous with personalised service, quality of the highest standards and we are still pioneers of the quintessential African safari in both East and Southern Africa.

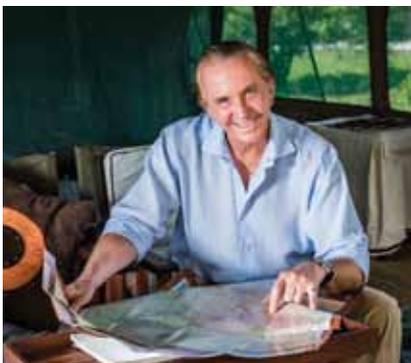
As you look through this guide, I hope you will come to appreciate what sets A&K apart and allow us the opportunity to welcome your guests for an experience they will never forget.

Whether you are booking your clients first journey to Africa or a repeat visit to this inspiring and beautiful continent, trust your safari with the one name synonymous with Africa: Abercrombie & Kent.”



Geoffrey Kent

Founder, Chairman & CEO



Insider Access

A&K Insider Access allows your clients to explore and delve into the culture of the country they are visiting – to understand, interact and ultimately, to expand their own horizons. Utilising ground level local knowledge, our Insider Access identifies the hidden aspects of a destination enabling your clients to be privy to the excitement of rare and authentic experiences.

Whether researchers, experts or passionate individuals; A&K employs highly experienced staff and guides, each with a fascinating story to tell. Educated and engaging, our guides' extensive knowledge of history, food, wine, indigenous culture and the arts, permits each journey to be crafted to suit the guests specific needs. To provide added peace of mind, our on-ground specialists ensure that your clients deal with A&K and A&K only.

Take advantage of A&K's long-standing local relationships to access priority check-in, preferential treatment, more frequent room upgrades and flexibility on checkout times.

Whether your clients are travelling independently, on a shore excursion, as part of a group or on a family safari, our highly experienced team will go the extra mile.

A&K East and Southern Africa is a one-stop travel shop for the region which includes South Africa, Botswana, Zambia, Zimbabwe, Namibia, Mozambique, Tanzania, Kenya and Uganda.

Services offered by A&K

- FITs and group tours
- Multi-generational travel
- Group tours with set departures
- Incentive travel
- Special interest groups
- Cruise ship pre/post packages and shore excursions
- Active Safaris

THE A&K GUARANTEE

- A&K offers support 365 days a year.
- Emergency 24 hour contact numbers for agents and guests.
- Dedicated quality control team.
- Nationally certified professional safari guides.
- Multilingual guides.
- Guardian Angels team to assist throughout the guests stay.
- Seamless A&K services and itinerary planning
- Guaranteed response to requests for proposals within 24 hours.
- Flying doctor cover for all clients.



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Our favourite family experiences

Family adventure, Cape Town

Explore the Cape with a focus on fun family experiences while visiting the Cape Point Nature Reserve, Simon's Town Penguin colony and Kalk Bay fishing harbour. Enjoy Stand Up Paddling and an optional Surf lesson before ending the day at a Cape Point Vineyard.

Family picnic and games, Winelands

A serene setting for a family picnic. Guests simply visit the Spier deli and choose what they would prefer in their basket, including child-friendly snacks – making this an outing perfect for the whole family.

Elefun centre, Sabi Sabi

The centre is filled with learning opportunities and age-appropriate bushveld-themed activities and experiences. All designed and supervised by qualified staff.

Bread-making, Franschoek

Join the Mõreson team in their bread-making courses, where adults and children learn to bake the perfect bread followed by a chocolate demonstration and tasting at Huguenot Fine Chocolates.

Tinga Tinga Art Lesson, Tanzania

One of the local artists will teach guests how to paint in a unique East African style. Edward Saidi Tingatinga, the founder, remains one of the most influential figures in contemporary African art.

Mountain biking, Tanzania & Kenya

Several parks and conservancies across offer families the opportunity to set off on a mountain bike or on foot. During these activities guests will be taught about the smaller, interesting creatures that they would miss on a game drive.

Family Travel

A&K East and Southern Africa offers diverse and unique activities and experiences for families wanting to broaden their horizons. We are able to create tailor-made itineraries and safaris specifically designed for families - keeping children engaged and giving parents the opportunity to enjoy new learning experiences with them.



Marine Parks snorkelling, Kenya & Tanzania

The East Africa coast line and its beautiful long, white, sandy beaches and warm seas hold an array marine life. Guests spend a day floating above the reefs and - if they are lucky - swim alongside wild dolphins.

Quad Biking, Uganda, Kenya & Tanzania

An exciting way for families to explore the landscape. In Uganda, quad biking can be done in Jinja, in Kenya there are quad bikes in Laikipia and in Tanzania quad biking can be done in the Karatu area.

FAMILY FRIENDLY ITINERARIES

MALARIA FREE SOUTH AFRICA

- 1 Night The Residence, Johannesburg
- 3 Nights Madikwe Safari Lodge, Madikwe Game Reserve
- 3 Nights One&Only, Cape Town
- 2 Nights Grootbos Garden Lodge, Grootbos Private Nature Reserve

KRUGER AND CAPE TOWN

- 3 Nights Belmond Mount Nelson, Cape Town
- 3 Nights La Residence, Winelands
- 3 Nights Sabi Sabi Bush Lodge, Sabi Sands

FAMILY FUN IN TANZANIA

- 2 Nights Lake Duluti Serena, Arusha
- 2 Nights Acacia Farm House, Ngorongoro Conservation Area
- 3 Nights Four Seasons Serengeti, Serengeti National Park

KENYA FOR KIDS

- 2 Nights House of Wayne, Nairobi
- 2 Nights Sweetwaters Tented Camp, Ol Pejeta Conservancy
- 2 Nights Mara Intrepids, Masai Mara



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Honeymoons

We understand honeymoons are all about the special touches and unique moments. A once-in-a-lifetime experience, venturing beyond the classic, that requires extra thought and planning. Africa is one of the best honeymoon destinations, with spectacular sunsets and romantic starlit nights. Add the A&K touch and the outcome is a unique and unforgettable start to an amazing lifelong journey.

Our favourite honeymoon experiences

Fly in a bi-plane, Laikipia, Kenya

Imagine flying over the savannah in a replica of Denys Finch-Hattons bi-plane. Experience what he and Karen Blixen did when they made their way across the Kenyan plains.

Ride like Royalty, Nairobi, Kenya

Travel in style in vintage cars from the 1920's and 1930's. A&K can arrange tours and transfers in Nairobi in classic models like Rolls-Royce, Bentley, Chevrolet, Sedan and Ford.

Sea Safari, Saadani National Park, Tanzania

Set off to a small and private sand island in the middle of the ocean. Spend the day snorkelling and eating a delicious lunch accompanied by a glass of wine or two.

Private bush dinner, Kenya & Tanzania

Marvel at Africa's sunsets from a beautiful vantage point with drinks and canapés. Once darkness has settled over the savannah guests will be lead to their candlelit scrumptious dinner.

Honeymoon Land Rover, Kruger National Park

Londolozzi offers a one-of-a-kind Land Rover, fitted with a sumptuous safari "love couch" for two. Newlyweds' chariot awaits, along with a dedicated



ranger, ensuring flexibility and exclusivity when it comes to game viewing.

Table Mountain sundowner, Cape Town

Enjoy private sundowner drinks on top of Table Mountain and take in views of Lions Head and Robben Island whilst the sun sets over this amazing and spectacular scenery.

Noordhoek Beach horse riding, Cape Town

Experience breath-taking views of Chapman's Peak and Noordhoek Beach from horseback. Guests can feel the wind in their hair while cantering along the beach, followed by a sunset enjoyed with a glass of champagne.

Starbed sleep outs, Sabi Sands

A secure and lavish platform under the stars, the treehouse has all the 5-star comforts, but gives guests a truly wild and romantic experience, while listening to the sounds of the bush. Guests are taken to their treehouse at sunset, where drinks and a scrumptious picnic dinner await.



HONEYMOON ITINERARIES

A&K OUT OF AFRICA

- 2 Nights Hemingways, Nairobi
- 2 Nights Finch Hattons Camp, Tsavo West
- 2 Nights Lewa Wilderness, Lewa Downs
- 3 Nights Angama Mara, Masai Mara
- 3 Nights Almanara Luxury Resort, Diani Beach

WILD ROMANCE IN TANZANIA

- 1 Night Siringit Villa, Arusha
- 2 Nights Chem Chem, Tarangire National Park
- 2 Nights Entamanu, Ngorongoro Crater
- 3 Nights Serengeti Bushtops, Serengeti National Park
- 3 Nights Fundu Lagoon, Pemba

PRIVACY IN THE PEARL, UGANDA

- 1 Night Lake Victoria Serena, Entebbe
- 2 Nights Kyaninga Lodge, Kibale National Park
- 2 Nights Ishasha Wilderness Camp, Queen Elizabeth National Park
- 3 Nights Sanctuary Gorilla Forest Camp, Bwindi Impenetrable Forest

ROMANCE AND STYLE

- 1 Night Fairlawns Boutique Hotel, Johannesburg
- 3 Nights Tintswalo Atlantic, Cape Town
- 2 Nights Lion Sands Ivory Lodge, Sabi Sands
- 2 Nights Royal Chundu Island Lodge, Victoria Falls

SAFARI AND SAND

- 3 Nights The Silo, Cape Town
- 2 Nights Leeu Estate, Winelands
- 2 Nights Londolozzi Granite Suites, Sabi Sands
- 3 Nights Santorini, Mozambique



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Adventure Travel

East and Southern Africa's diverse landscapes offer a variety of adventure escapes: open savannah's, forests, waterfalls, rivers, lakes and deserts - we have it all.



Our favourite adventure experiences

Shark cage diving, Cape Town

Between Dyer Island and Geysers Rock, is the aptly named "Shark Alley", arguably the best place for encounters with Great White Sharks. In the company of experienced experts and researchers, the boat anchors for about two hours depending on shark activity, weather conditions and number of divers.

Huey Flight, Cape Town

Choose between two options: The Atlantico (20 min): Enjoy the unsurpassed beauty of the Cape Coast with views of the city and Table Mountain. The Peninsula (60 min): Experience the entire Cape Peninsula, from breath-taking mountains, endless beaches, wine estates, down to Cape Point Nature Reserve.

Tsitsikamma Canopy Tours, Western Cape

Walk 90 feet (30 Metres) off the ground in the canopy of the Tsitsikamma rainforest where many of the giant Yellowwood trees are 70 years old. The birdlife and scenery is spectacular while professional guides ensure guests don't miss anything in the forest.



Walking with elephants

What better guide to the African bush than a fully-grown African elephant? Jabu, Thembi and Morula 'take' guests on walks through the bush while foraging along the way. The morning ends with guests enjoying a bush brunch in their company.

Chimpanzee Trekking, Uganda & Tanzania

One of our closest living relatives, it is absolutely fascinating to observe chimpanzees in their natural habitat. Trekking can be done in several locations in Uganda - our preferred being Kibale National Park and in Tanzania the rarely visited Mahale Mountains.

Riding safari, Laikipia & Masai Mara, Kenya

On horseback humans become just another animal in the bush. This allows guests to get a little closer to the game and capture some amazing photographs. Kenya and Tanzania offers the perfect plains to explore on horseback. Rides in Laikipia can be adjusted to suit the guests' level of expertise.

Gorilla Trekking, Bwindi NP, Uganda

One of the most incredible experiences for any adventurer. The hike will take guests through untouched rainforest along with encounters of monkeys, birds and other creatures. Guests are able to spend an hour with the gorilla family.

Masai Walking Trails, Loita Hills, Masailand

Explore the sacred Loita Hills on foot with the best possible guides, the local Masai. These hills rise 2000metres (6500 feet) above the Masai Plains and offer some of the best possible views anywhere in Africa.



ADVENTURE TRAVEL ITINERARIES

11 DAYS, 4 COUNTRIES

- 3 Nights Cape Grace, Cape Town
- 2 Nights Belmont Eagle Island, Okavango Delta
- 2 Nights Victoria Falls River Lodge, Victoria Falls
- 3 Nights Hoanib Skeleton Coast Camp, Namibia

THE ULTIMATE UGANDAN ADVENTURE

- 2 Nights Protea Hotel, Entebbe
- 2 Nights Kyaninga Lodge, Kibale National Park
- 2 Nights Sanctuary Gorilla Forest Camp, Bwindi Impenetrable Forest
- 3 Nights Wildwaters Lodge, Jinja

ADVENTURE SEEKER

- 2 Nights Ruckomechi Camp, Mana Pools
- 2 Nights Linkwasha Camp, Hwange National Park
- 2 Nights Matetsi River Lodge, Victoria Falls
- 3 Nights Twelve Apostles Hotel, Cape Town

ACTIVE KENYA & TANZANIA

- 1 Night Eka Hotel, Nairobi
- 1 Night Mount Kenya Safari Club, Mount Kenya
- 2 Nights Lewa Wilderness, Lewa Downs
- 3 Nights Masai Trails, Walking Safari
- 2 Nights Buffalo Luxury Camp, Serengeti National Park
- 2 Nights The Manor, Ngorongoro Conservation Area

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Our favourite "hidden secrets"

Meru National Park, Kenya

Meru and Kora sister parks feature jungles, rivers, swamps, grasslands and termite cathedrals. Rarely visited and unspoilt, few places compare to its remote atmosphere. Visitors can see lion, cheetah, Grevy's zebras, elephants, Bohor reedbucks, hartebeests, buffalos and over 427 species of birds.

Ruaha National Park, Tanzania

Tanzania's largest national park is named after the Great Ruaha River. Home to four of the Big Five, Ruaha also hosts more than 570 different bird species and offers some of Southern Tanzania's most compelling views.

Mahale Mountains, Tanzania

Located on the edge of Lake Tanganyika, these mountains rising up from the shoreline are home to some of the habituated chimps of Tanzania. The forest reaches the shoreline on a white sandy beach where guests can enjoy a range of activities including kayaking and fishing.



Kidepo Valley National Park, Uganda

Kidepo, Uganda's most isolated park, lies on the border of Uganda - and offers one of the most beautiful savannah landscapes fringed by distant mountain ranges. A wide range of mammals call this home including the striped hyaena, aardwolf, caracal, kudu and Chandler's mountain reedbuck.

Garden Route, Eastern & Western Cape

The scenic Garden Route is considered by many to be South Africa's "Garden of Eden". Explore miles of sweeping, unspoilt beaches, dramatic peninsulas, lagoons, estuaries, towering forests, rivers and sea. Popular spots include Knysna, Wilderness, Plettenberg Bay and the Tsitsikamma National Park.

Grootbos Private Nature Reserve, Western Cape

Located where the Atlantic and Indian Oceans meet, the reserve is only two hours from Cape Town and home to one of the richest and biologically diverse marine ecosystems including the Marine

The road less travelled

Guests looking for something different? We know the perfect "off the beaten track" spots and locations - perfect for the experienced traveller or those looking for an alternative African safari.



Big 5: whales, sharks, dolphins, seals and penguins.

Phinda Private Game Reserve, Kwazulu Natal

The reserve is set within easy reach of the Indian Ocean coastline and the famous iSimangaliso / Greater St Lucia Wetland Park in Northern Kwazulu-Natal. Phinda is known for its abundant wildlife, diversity of habitats and wide range of safari activities.

Benguerra Island, Mozambique

Characterised by sand dunes, inland lakes and idyllic beaches, Benguerra is home to over 140 bird species and the pristine waters are host to one of the most pristine coral reefs in the world. Enjoy a series of adventures such as dhow cruises, diving and snorkelling.

THE ROAD LESS TRAVELLED ITINERARIES

GARDEN ROUTE SELF-DRIVE

- 3 Nights Kanonkop House, Knysna
- 2 Nights Hog Hollow Country Lodge, Plettenberg Bay
- 2 Nights Settler's Drift, Kariega Game Reserve

OFF THE BEATEN TRACK: KENYA & TANZANIA

- 1 Night Hemingway's Nairobi, Nairobi
- 2 Nights Sarara Camp, Mathews Range
- 2 Nights Sanctuary Olonana, Masai Mara
- 2 Nights Pioneer Camp, Serengeti National Park
- 3 Nights Greystoke Mahale, Mahale Mountains
- 3 Nights Jabali Ridge, Ruaha National Park

HIDDEN SECRETS OF UGANDA & KENYA

- 1 Night Lake Victoria Serena, Entebbe
- 2 Nights Apoka Safari Lodge, Kidepo Valley National Park
- 2 Nights Sanctuary Gorilla Forest Camp, Bwindi Impenetrable Forest
- 1 Night Ole Sereni Hotel, Nairobi
- 2 Nights Elsas Kopje, Meru National Park
- 2 Nights Cottars 1920's, Masai Mara

CITY LIGHTS, SAFARI AND SEA

- 2 Nights Oyster Box Hotel, Kwazulu Natal
- 3 Nights and Beyond Phinda Forest Lodge, Phinda Private Game Reserve
- 2 Nights The Saxon Hotel, Johannesburg
- 3 Nights and Beyond Benguerra Lodge, Mozambique

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A&K Philanthropy (AKP)

Abercrombie & Kent Philanthropy (AKP) is a nonprofit organization dedicated to preserving natural habitats, protecting wildlife and promoting the welfare of indigenous communities throughout the world. Working through Abercrombie & Kent's 50 global offices, AKP supports and coordinates these activities on behalf of A&K.



AKP Projects in Southern and East Africa

A&K Southern Africa's AKP projects include the Peninsula School Feeding Association in Cape Town, where we sponsor 200 children to be fed every school day of the year. At Nakatindi Village and School situated in Livingstone our projects include new boreholes for clean water, and expanding the school's vegetable garden to stream income and supplement the children's diet. We built a new classroom block and established a school feeding programme with guest support, and built a rural health clinic. We are working to establish a village bike shop and bike tour enterprise, and will also supply each graduating student enrolled at the high school 10 km away with bike. In Botswana A&K along with a few partners have relocated 20 rhinos from South Africa to the Moremi Game Reserve where they will thrive under protection against poachers.

A&K East Africa's AKP projects include the Ilboru Primary School, a special needs programme that educates hearing impaired children and others with mental and physical disabilities. AKP constructed the first primary school classroom for deaf and disabled children in the Arusha Region and is moving forward to establish the first secondary school classrooms for these students. Bwindi Community Hospital (BCH) provides health care to impoverished communities living in the area. AKP is sponsoring Nursing School Scholarships for students at the BCH Nursing School. Built with the support of our guests, the nursing school will provide a new generation of nurses to work in rural clinics. In 2017, it was rated the number one nursing school in Uganda. For more information please visit www.akphilanthropy.org.



BEST TIME TO VISIT

Botswana

The country is an all year round destination. May to October is dry season when game viewing is at its best. November to April the landscape changes to lush greens with plenty of young running around.

Kenya

June to October and December to March offers the best game viewing. The migration is generally in the Masai Mara from late June to September.

Mozambique

With its sub-tropical climate, April to September is the best time to visit. Summer is from December to March which is also the rainy season.

Namibia

March to October is the best time to visit. Summer is from October to April which is also the rainy season.

South Africa

The country is an all year round travel destination. Summer is from October to March and winter from May to August.

Tanzania

June to October and December to March is the best time for game viewing. The migration is generally in the Northern Serengeti from October to December, in the Southern Serengeti from February to April and in the Grumeti from June to July.

Uganda

The country is an all year round travel destination. The rainy season is from September to November and March to May.

Zambia

May to October is the dry season and offers the best game viewing. November to April is the rainy season. Victoria Falls flows at its fullest from April to May.

Zimbabwe

Zimbabwe is an all year round travel destination. Summer is from October to April which is also the rainy season and winter from May to September. Victoria Falls flows at its fullest from April to July.

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