



**EXCURSION: 1 DAY HISTORICAL & CULTURAL ENCOUNTER CODE: ASA/EXC/RDT01**

**DESTINATION**

**Mombasa**

**ITINERARY**

The coastal town of Mombasa is a mix of rich History dating many years back and its' indigenous inhabitants the Mijikenda are a people with a rich culture. "Mijikenda" the word means nine villages. On this tour you will encounter the rural life of this people, being part of their culture for a few hours before being dropped back at your hotel.

0730hrs you will be picked up from the reception of the hotel. Our first location will be the impressive Fort Jesus. The 400 year old fortress Fort Jesus was built by the Portuguese in 1593 to guard the old port of Mombasa. See the stunning 16<sup>th</sup> Century military architecture of the fort that was won and lost nine times by nations contesting control of the strategic island of Mombasa and the getaway to the "dark continent". Afterwards you will walk through the narrow streets of the historic old town down to the Old Dhow Harbour (old port). From here you will visit the "Marikiti" market that was built by the Portuguese and this is where they traded in their spices and other goods. Up to today the market is still known for selling spices! Time allowing you can visit the Hindu Temple where you will be taken through a brief history of the temple and their ways of worship. On your way to lunch you can do a stopover at the elephant tusks and take a picture. This tusks were built when the Queen visited Kenya in 1952 since then the port of Mombasa was the entry route into Mombasa. Proceed for lunch at the Tamarind Restaurant.

1230hrs you depart for the afternoon bush tour. The tour should begin at 1300hrs. You will be welcomed into this village by the elders. When you hear the word "karibu" it means welcome, but is also a greeting, invitation and a blessing. The villagers are happy to enlighten you about their local architecture, handcrafts, farming methods, domestic live styles, marital procedures, their medicinal habits and finally you will be part of their traditional dance as they take you through their most unique cultural habits with dance and song. If need be you can visit a local school and meet the teachers and students to encounter how these children are educated and how far the community allows them to go in terms of education especially the girls. Here you are allowed if you have any giveaways for the children, but not a must!

1600hrs having had the most wonderful experience of culture you will drive back to your hotel and enjoy the rest of the evening at leisure.

***End of Services!!***



**GUIDING PRICE: QUOTED PER PERSON**

EACH OF (per pers9\$)on	1 PAX	2 -3 PAX	4 - 5 PAX	6 – 7 PAX	8 PAX++
USD (\$)	325	200	135	115	105

- JEEP (4X4) SUPPLEMENT AVAILABLE ON REQUEST
- Prices Valid for 2014
- This tour can be combined with a few nights stay on the coastal beach! Send request to [sales@asaraytours.com](mailto:sales@asaraytours.com) and receive an affordable quote that meets your budget

**INCLUDED IN THE PRICE**

- Full day excursion
- Any entry fees to any site visits
- Local village visit
- Transport in our custom safari vehicle throughout the tour
- Services of our professional English speaking Driver/Guide
- All site visits
- Government Taxes and Levies
- ½ liter bottle of water while on tour
- Pick up from/return to hotel
- Lunch served at a sea front restaurant
- Emergency medical evacuation cover

**EXCLUDED IN THE PRICE**

- International airfares and their corresponding departure taxes
- Visa fees into Kenya
- Travel/Baggage/Medical Insurance
- Tips to driver-guide, hotel staff etc.
- Items of personal nature i.e. drinks in the lodges, telephone/fax bills, laundry etc.
- Any other items not specified in the “*inclusions*” clause