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News At A Glance

Adventure Consults

- Gishwati-Mukura, the newest Rwandan national park, will open to visitors this year with adventures like chimpanzee trekking, golden monkey trekking, hiking and birding. [More](#)
- Rwanda is listed as one of the 52 places to visit this year on [Fodor's Go List 2020](#)
- The Volcanoes National Park in Rwanda has stopped issuing paper gorilla trekking certificates with immediate effect as part of their conservation efforts. Please advise your clients that trekkers who wish to get certificates should provide their full name as it appears on their passport and gorilla permits, nationality and email address to the Park office which will issue an e-certificate upon completion of their trek.
- Uganda Wildlife Authority has increased its visitor tariffs effective 1st July 2020, including Gorilla permits with an increase from \$600 to \$700. [More Info](#).
- Among Rwanda's new hotel offerings are [One&Only Gorilla's Nest](#) in the foothills of the Virunga Range with 14 rooms and seven suites. In Volcanoes National Park, [Singita Kwitonda Lodge](#) is a four-suite villa designed as the ultimate secluded luxury getaway, while environmentally conscious [Singita Kataza House](#) offers everything from private heated pools to in-room spa treatments.
- [Latitude 0°](#) Kampala is a stylish new boutique hotel located 45 minutes from Entebbe International Airport, a great option for your stay in the Capital before or after your safari adventures.
- Uganda Airlines has resumed flights from Entebbe International to destinations including Kenya, Tanzania, Somalia, South Sudan, Rwanda and Burundi.
- Convenient direct flights from Kenya's Masai Mara to Entebbe, with onward connections to Uganda's national parks have begun operation.
- All travelers more than one year old are now required to present a valid yellow fever vaccination certificate when visiting Uganda.

Cheli & Peacock

- Due to changes that have taken immediate affect at Kilimanjaro International Airport -- where getting a visa necessitates lining up at three different stations -- we strongly advise that you notify guests to purchase a visa online prior to arrival in Tanzania. Online visa applications can be completed 2-3 weeks before travel on [this website](#).
- The sale and use of polythene bags for commercial or household packaging is banned throughout Tanzania. Please ensure that your guests are advised not to bring plastic bags with them.
- From conquering Mount Kilimanjaro to exploring north of Kenya on foot, our [Signature Itineraries](#) offer inimitable East African experiences and the safari of a lifetime.
- Our 2020 sample itineraries are available via WebConnect, WETU sample itinerary catalogues and PDFs. Please [contact us](#) for more information and rates.

EcoTraining Guides and Guardians

- There are a few spots left in our final Professional Field Guide course of 2020: 01 February – 23 December 2020. [More info](#).

The Elewana Collection

- Please cast your vote for us in the Travel + Leisure's World's Best Awards 2020! Many of our properties have been nominated and we would greatly appreciate a couple minutes of your time to [cast your vote](#).
- We are delighted to announce that Ecotourism Kenya and the Eco-rating Technical Committee has confirmed that Elewana Elsa's Kopje has retained its **Gold status** for another 2 years and Elewana AfroChic has moved up from Bronze to **Silver**.
- We are pleased to announce that Guided Walking Safaris have resumed in Lewa Wildlife Conservancy.
- Our eight brand-new custom built 4x4 game viewing vehicles are now operational at Elewana Sand River Masai Mara and two have arrived at Elewana Kifaru House.
- Check out our 2020 [Fast Facts Sheet](#).
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- The Rejuvenated Elewana Sand River Masai Mara includes new tent decking and rain showers as well as the new infinity pool and landscaping. Take a peek at the upgrades [in Dropbox](#).
- Our new 5-star [Elewana Lodo Springs](#) at Loisaba Conservancy **is open!** Offering an exclusive safari experience, the property includes eight spacious tented rooms with sweeping views, each with an Elewana guest ambassador to cater to guests' needs and a dedicated safari vehicle with a personal guide.
- Our live webcam at Elewana Tarangire Treetops safari camp captures the waterhole in real time. Check it out [here](#).
- Other Special Offers** including our Bush Special (stay for 7 nights, pay for 5 nights) **AND** Circuit Discounts (save up to 20% when combining any of our Bush and Beach Properties, excluding Arusha Coffee Lodge).

SkySafari

- New discount special!** Buy two Kenya or Tanzania Classic 8-day safaris between now and mid June 2020 and get one at a 50% discount. [Select dates](#).

Kenya Airways

- A new [codeshare agreement](#) with Delta adds the convenience of seamless travel between Nairobi and 111 US and 4 Canadian cities.

Emerging Destinations



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EcoTraining and Tourvest Partner on Community Guide Training

[EcoTraining](#) and Tourvest have signed a three-year deal to launch its first-ever Field Guide Training Academy. The initiative identifies local candidates to study and qualify as field guides and provide them with employment opportunities and empowerment within the industry. [MORE](#)



East Africa's First All-Female Anti-Poaching Unit



Segera Conservancy in Kenya's Laikipia region Kenya — a destination that features prominently in [Cheli & Peacock](#) safaris — recently launched the first ever, all female anti-poaching unit in East Africa. [MORE](#)

Rwanda Primate Ramble

This seven-day/six-night safari with [Adventure Consults](#) takes visitors trekking in Rwanda's leading primate destinations, where they'll be able to track mountain gorillas, chimpanzees, black & white colobus and golden monkeys. [MORE](#)



Birds of Prey — Learn How to Identify Them

Africa is home to some incredible birds of prey that come in all shapes and sizes. This [EcoTraining](#) video shows how to identify a few of the spectacular birds one comes across in the southern African bush.

BIRDS OF PREY

Learn how to identify some of South Africa's great birds.

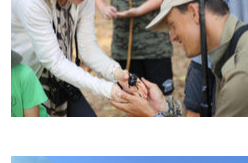
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Elewana Creates Tantalizing New Menus



Culinary trainer and chef consultant Nicola Bryden is currently working her way through The [Elewana Collection's](#) safari camps and hotels in East Africa, bringing the food alive and energizing the chef teams. [MORE](#)

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Safari News (South Africa) featured a story about [EcoTraining's](#) efforts to create a generation of [environmentally conscious travelers](#) by hosting between eight and 10 groups of visitors from China each year. [MORE](#)



The Robb Report recently published a story detailing how [SkySafari](#) by Elewana's [private plane safari itineraries](#) in Kenya and Tanzania help you maximize your time — so more of it can be spent out in the wild. [MORE](#)

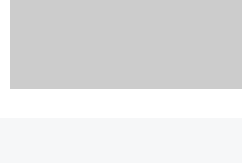


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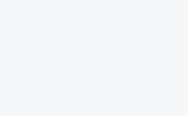
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