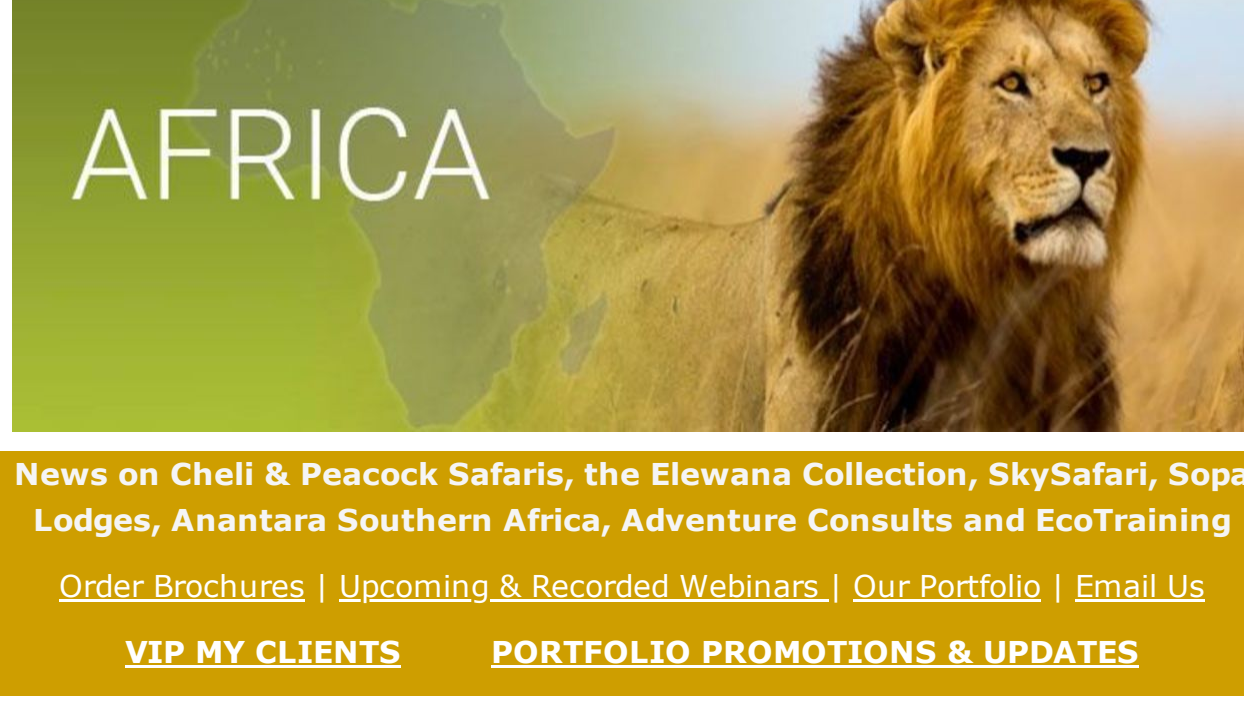




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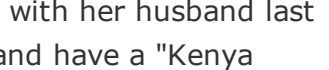


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Dear Colleague--

Well, we made it through January! I'm just back from a two and a half week honeymoon in Kenya and I must say, the post trip depression is real. I'm baking cookies and cleaning my house in order to distract myself...two things that my new husband is certainly not complaining about.

Anyhow, you might know that Jane also spent a month in Kenya with her husband last November. We thought it would be a good idea to get together and have a "Kenya discussion". Not only do we want to share new safety protocols and health regulations, we want to share some of our trip highlights and why you should travel to Kenya NOW! Travel to Kenya with Jane and Jessie [here](#).

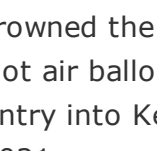
More in our Africa Newsletter below and, as always, don't hesitate to reach out.

Jessie



From **Jessie Tate (Bligh)**
Sales & Marketing

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News At A Glance

Cheli & Peacock Safaris

- **JUST RELEASED!** Cheli & Peacock's 2021 Signature Itineraries. We've recorded a webinar featuring these itineraries [here](#).
- With places such as the world famous Masai Mara National Reserve, Amboseli National Park, Nairobi National Park and many more, it's no wonder why Kenya was crowned the **world's leading safari destination**. More [here](#).
- Hot air balloons are now being offered in [Amboseli](#) and [Tarangire](#) National Parks.
- Entry into Kenya has moved entirely to the **E-Visa only** system as of January 1st, 2021.
- The Kenyan Government has amended the list of quarantine exempt countries and they have now included the entire USA. Full list [here](#). US travellers to Tanzania are also exempt.
 - Read more about Kenya entry requirements [here](#).
- Our partners, **AMREF Flying Doctors**, have acquired an isolation chamber that will allow them to safely carry patients suffering from COVID-19. Check out [this video](#).

The Elewana Collection

- As travellers' desire for private accommodation and more personal space grows, we are happy to now offer guests [full buyouts at select properties](#) in Kenya.
- The Elewana Collection will **hold rates through 2022**. We want to make this difficult period as hassle-free as possible and with that we can confirm that our 2020 rates and itineraries will be locked in until the end of 2022.
- Travellers departing Kenya, whose airline or destination country requires a PCR based COVID-19 negative test, will be **required to use the Trusted Travel website** to obtain a Trusted Travel code prior to departure. More info can be found [here](#).
- Elewana Loisaba Starbeds **will open from February 1st to March 31st, 2021**. Loisaba Conservancy fees have increased to \$128 per adult & \$64 per child per night.
- **Flash sale** at Elewana Arusha Coffee Lodge: \$179 pp sharing and \$249 single room until February 28th. More [here](#).
- Our special **"Up to 25%"** offers and exclusive buyouts are still available for bookings through May 31st, 2021. There's never been a better time to experience the peace and tranquillity of an East African safari!
- The United Republic of Tanzania has announced [new entry fees to Tanzania National Parks \(TANAPA\)](#) effective from July 1st, 2021. The new fees will affect all safaris traveling after this date, including existing, new and postponed safaris.
- The Elewana Collection is proud to announce that we are now a Trusted Travel Partner with **Tour Safe Africa**. We have been qualified and approved for 2021.
- Check out our [Fast Facts Sheet](#).

SkySafari

- Introducing the **NEW SkySafari!** We've relaunched SkySafari and our 2021 itineraries show **your guests** the best that East Africa has to offer. Take a ride with us through our webinar [here](#).
- SkySafari launches **exclusive full buyout** safari jet itineraries for private travel. More [here](#).

Sopa Lodges

- As of right now, Lake Naivasha Sopa Resort is our only property open. All other Sopa properties are **expected to open June 1st, 2021**. We are taking advantage of this down time to implement a refurbishment program with a series of improvements to ensure that all properties reopen with a fresh new look. More [here](#).
- Sopa Lodges takes home **four World Luxury Hotel Awards** including one Global win. The results of the 2020 World Luxury Hotel Awards voting process have been concluded, and Sopa Lodges is delighted to confirm that we have one regional win, two continent wins and one global win.

Anantara South Africa

- The Royal Livingstone Hotel by Anantara at the Victoria Falls in Zambia is a part of the extraordinary **Route of the African Sun**. More details on this ultimate adventure and luxury destination combination [here](#).
- Don't know much about Anantara Southern Africa? We recently recorded [this webinar](#) on Anantara's Southern Africa properties.

EcoTraining

- EcoTraining has launched a **brand new Tracking course!** More about this incredible course in the blog below.
- EcoTraining has developed [comprehensive protocols](#) for the operation of all our Training Facilities and Business Premises in the time of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Did you see what happened on this morning's **LIVE** game drive? Keep up with EcoTraining and Safari Live on Facebook [here](#).
- EcoTraining has released their **Agent Information Pack for 2021**. Camp documents and course information can be found [here](#).
- EcoTraining is excited to announce several **new products** including a Ranger Experience, Family EcoQuest and new camp in Makuleke. More [here](#).
- Missing the bush? Stay up to date by testing your bush knowledge with our [Quizzes](#).

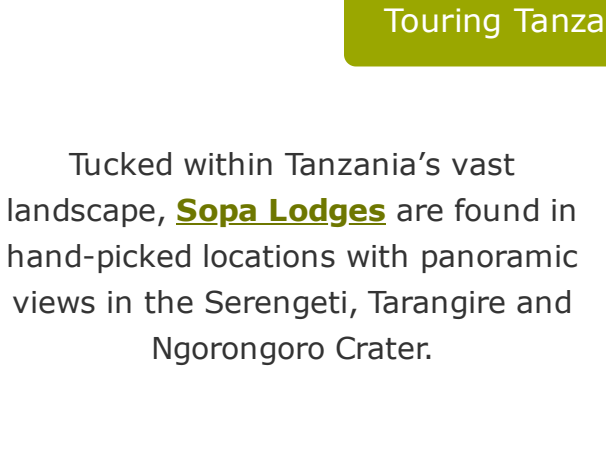
Adventure Consults

- As we wait for the storm to end, we have had a lot of questions from clients and have compiled most of them [here](#). We hope this helps!
- Uganda is **ready for tourism!** We recently recorded a webinar with our good friend, Sandy Salle of Hills of Africa. Sandy just returned from a 2 week trip to Uganda and let us know what it's like traveling in Uganda now. Listen [here](#).
- In preparation for the reopening of all tourism activities, the Uganda government has come up with [Standard Operating Procedures \(SOPs\)](#) for visiting primate parks in the future.
- Our [new brochure](#) is out and is packed full of useful information on our **premier safaris** in Uganda and Rwanda. You can also order a hard copy above.

Emerging Destinations

- We thought that you might find this article helpful! [What You Need to Know Now About Travel Insurance](#).

Lions and Leopards and Rhinos, Oh My!



EcoTraining is launching a new two-month tracking course in 2021 that includes modules revolving around monitoring rhinos, lions and leopards in the wild. 55-Day EcoTracker: Wildlife Monitoring will take place at Selati and Pridelands game reserves in South Africa. "It's a first for Africa, and we think it will be a very sought-after course," says EcoTraining Sales & Product Manager Corne Schalkwyk.

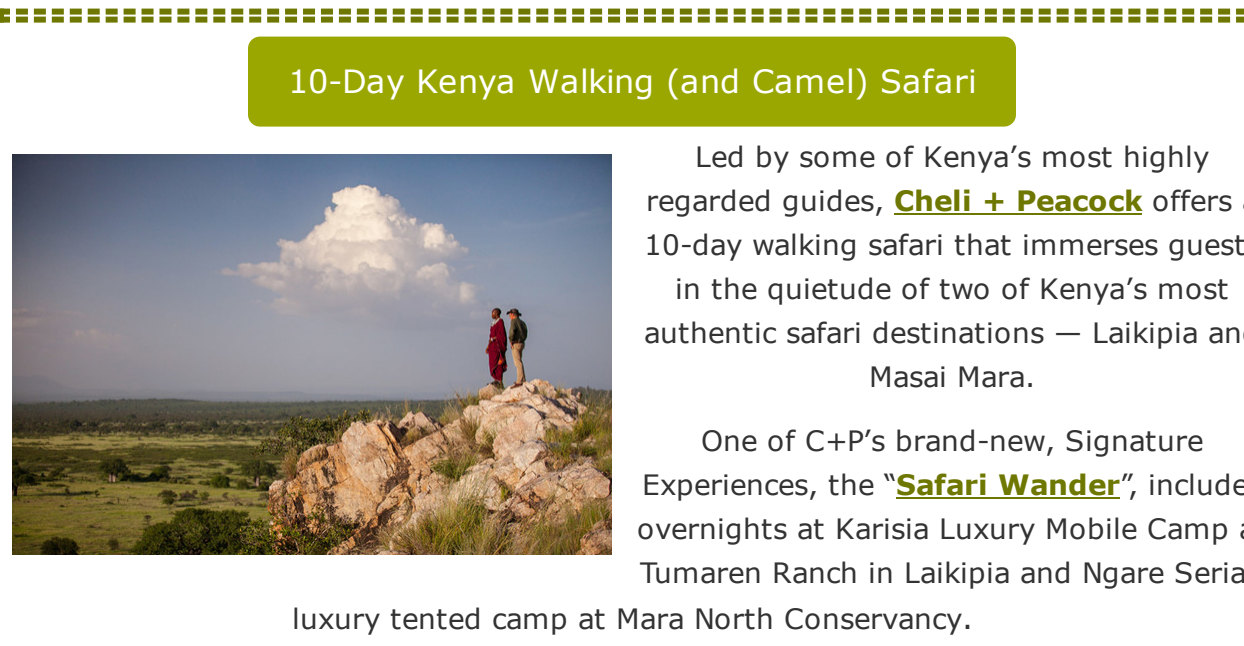
Touring Tanzania in Sopa Style

Tucked within Tanzania's vast landscape, **Sopa Lodges** are found in hand-picked locations with panoramic views in the Serengeti, Tarangire and Ngorongoro Crater.



Elewana Sand River Masai Mara

Situated on a secluded and picturesque site, **Sand River Masai Mara** replicates the heyday of exclusive permanent tented camps of the late 1920s.



10-Day Kenya Walking (and Camel) Safari

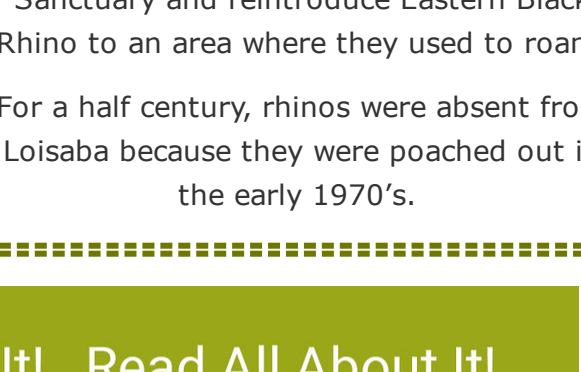


Led by some of Kenya's most highly regarded guides, **Cheli + Peacock** offers a 10-day walking safari that immerses guests in the quietude of two of Kenya's most authentic safari destinations — Laikipia and Masai Mara.

One of C+P's brand-new, Signature Experiences, the **"Safari Wander"**, includes overnights at Karisia Luxury Mobile Camp at Tumaren Ranch in Laikipia and Ngare Serian luxury tented camp at Mara North Conservancy.

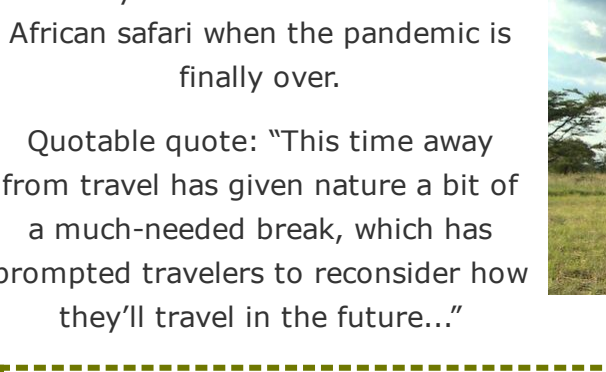
Best Day Ever at Vic Falls

Victoria Falls is pretty awesome all on its own. But when you combine the legendary cascade with some of the exceptional experiences on offer at **The Royal Livingstone** resort, you're looking at the best day ever in Africa.



Start your day with an adrenaline-pumping helicopter or microflight over the famous falls, its deep gorge and along the Zambezi River.

Loisaba Conservancy — Kenya's Newest Rhino Sanctuary



Loisaba Conservancy has been granted permission by the Kenya Wildlife Service to establish the nation's newest Rhino Sanctuary and reintroduce Eastern Black Rhino to an area where they used to roam.

For a half century, rhinos were absent from Loisaba because they were poached out in the early 1970's.



Read All About It! Read All About It!

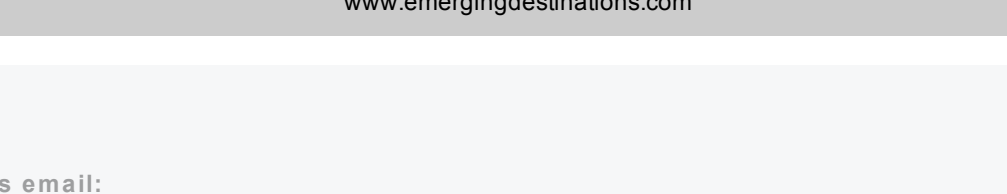
How Your Post-Pandemic Safari Trip Could Be Carbon Negative

Forbes magazine recently ran an article about how travelers should seriously consider an eco-conscious African safari when the pandemic is finally over.

Quotable quote: "This time away from travel has given nature a bit of a much-needed break, which has prompted travelers to reconsider how they'll travel in the future..."

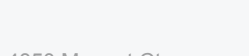


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