



TORTILIS CAMP  
AMBOSELI

KENYA

# Fact Sheet



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# A Pioneer of Eco-Luxury

Named after the flat-topped Acacia tortilis trees that define the East African landscape, Tortilis Camp is a pioneer of sustainable luxury. Nestled in a private conservancy on the edge of Amboseli National Park, the camp is famous for its unrivalled, panoramic views of the snow-capped Mount Kilimanjaro.



Here, guests experience a gold-standard eco-retreat where elegant, thatched-roof architecture blends seamlessly into the wilderness, offering a front-row seat to the legendary elephant herds of the Amboseli ecosystem.

# Fast Facts

## Global Coordinates

◆ S 2°41'0.18" E 37°10'49.14"

## Access

- ◆ Amboseli airstrip is 45 minute flight from Wilson Airport, and a 45 minute drive from the camp.
- ◆ Daily scheduled flights are available departing from Nairobi Wilson via Air Kenya and Safarilink, from Mombasa via Mombasa Air.

## Check-in

◆ From 14:00 to 18:00

## Check-out

◆ 10:00

## Lodge Facilities

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| ◆ 24 hr power           | ◆ In-room and Bar Charging |
| ◆ Bar                   | ◆ Laundry Service          |
| ◆ Bush Spa              | ◆ Restaurant               |
| ◆ Child Friendly        | ◆ Room Service             |
| ◆ Children's menu       | ◆ Secure Parking           |
| ◆ Complimentary Wi-Fi   | ◆ Shop                     |
| ◆ Credit Cards Accepted | ◆ Swimming Pool            |



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SWIMMING  
POOL

BUSH SPA

KITCHEN

DINING  
& BAR

SHOP

FIRE  
PIT

MANAGEMENT

FAMILY  
SUITE

SWIMMING  
POOL

BUSH SPA

PRIVATE  
HOUSE

PARKING

GUIDE  
TENTS

WORKSHOP

STAFF  
CAMP

WATERING  
HOLE

# Key Highlights

## **Unrivalled Views of Mt. Kilimanjaro**

Nestled on the slope of Liimbarishi Hill, the lodge commands sweeping, uninterrupted views across the open plains toward Mount Kilimanjaro. The iconic snow-capped peak provides a breathtaking African backdrop for guests throughout their stay.

## **Habituated Elephant Herds**

Home to Amboseli's famous elephant families, studied by world-renowned researcher Cynthia Moss for over four decades. Our expert guides offer deep insights into these majestic giants and their unique, documented family histories.

## **Kitirua Conservancy & National Park Access**

A prime location providing seamless access to Amboseli National Park alongside the added freedom of the neighbouring Kitirua Conservancy. This dual access allows for exclusive guided bush walks, off-road game viewing, and remote bush breakfasts.

## **The Luxury of "Little Tortilis"**

Private house and family tent accommodations, tucked away at the top of the hill separate from the main camp. These elevated, luxurious spaces feature panoramic mountain views and share an exclusive private pool.







## Authentic Safari Elegance

Tortilis Camp was one of the first eco-lodges of its kind to harness solar energy, merging sustainable practices with high-end safari comfort. The camp features spacious, walk-in tents raised on wooden decks with traditional makuti (thatch) roofs and polished wooden floors, providing a cool, refined sanctuary in the bush.

- ◆ 16 Safari Tents (32.0m<sup>2</sup>)

Spacious canvas tents offering views of the surrounding wilderness - comprising 9 dedicated doubles and 7 flexible twins.

- ◆ 1 Family Suite (82.0m<sup>2</sup>)

A generous layout featuring 2 en-suite bedrooms (1 double and 1 twin) connected by a shared verandah.

- ◆ 1 Private House (140.0m<sup>2</sup>)

An exclusive residence featuring 2 en-suite bedrooms (1 double and 1 triple) with a spacious shared lounge and dining area.

The Family Tent and Private House are set atop Liimbarishi Hill for added privacy and share an exclusive private swimming pool overlooking Mount Kilimanjaro.

Under the watchful gaze of Mount Kilimanjaro, Tortilis Camp offers a front-row seat to the majesty of the African wild. Each spacious tent is a sanctuary of rustic sophistication, designed to blur the lines between refined comfort and the raw beauty of the plains. It is a soulful retreat where the whispers of the acacia trees meet the timeless rhythm of the bush.



Witness the legendary herds of elephants  
beneath the snow-capped peak of Mount  
Kilimanjaro, explore the hidden corners of  
the conservancy on a night drive, or find  
serenity over a private bush breakfast in  
the heart of the wild.



# Activities

*Select activities and excursions require advance booking and may carry additional charges. Should you have any questions or require further information, our team is available to assist.*

## Guided Game Drives

Set out on morning or afternoon drives with expert guides to view Amboseli's legendary elephant herds, vast plains game, and over 450 bird species across the park's emerald swamps.

## Hot Air Balloon Safaris

Float silently above the plains at dawn to take in a bird's-eye perspective of the wildlife below, appreciating the vast scale and beauty of the Amboseli ecosystem.

## Elephant Research Centre

Visit the base of world-renowned researcher Cynthia Moss to learn about wild elephant conservation (pre-booked directly by guests).

## Night Game Drives

Embark on an exhilarating 1.5-hour night drive in Kitirua Conservancy to spot nocturnal hunters and elusive nocturnal wildlife under the African stars.

## Bush Sundowners

Gather at a scenic vantage point as Mount Kilimanjaro casts its evening shadow, relaxing with chilled cocktails and gourmet snacks as the sky shifts to amber.

## Walking Safaris

Explore the bush on foot accompanied by an experienced local guide to track wildlife footprints, learn about indigenous flora, and discover traditional wilderness survival skills.

*(Minimum age 16 years).*

## Wellness & Swimming Pool

Cool off in the lodge swimming pool between game-viewing excursions, or retreat to our dedicated treatment room for a soothing massage to rejuvenate body and mind.

## Organic Garden Tours

Stroll through the lodge's organic vegetable garden, learning about farm-to-table practices and how fresh produce is grown for every meal served in camp.

## Community Visits

Visit a local Maasai village for an authentic cultural experience, gaining insight into traditional ways of life and seeing how sustainable tourism supports local families.



# Children's Activities

## ♦ Garden to Table

Harvest fresh vegetables and herbs from the shamba to incorporate into the evening menu.

## ♦ Warrior & Bush Training

Learn essential survival skills, animal tracking, and natural navigation alongside local guides.

## ♦ Bow, Arrow & Spear Skills

Master traditional target and craft skills guided by our resident Maasai Askaris.

## ♦ Animal Track Moulding

Find fresh wildlife prints and pour plaster casts for a unique keepsake to take home.

## ♦ Mini Twitcher Bird Walk

Learn to spot, track, and identify colourful local bird species.

## ♦ Stargazing & African Folklore

Discover southern constellations while listening to captivating night-sky legends.

## ♦ Indigenous Tree Planting

Plant native seed balls across the lodge grounds to contribute directly to habitat reforestation.

## ♦ Shamba Herb Planting

Sow fresh herb seeds into the lodge garden using the Wildlife Warrior kit.

## ♦ S'mores & Bush Tales

Roast marshmallows over the campfire while listening to engaging traditional African folklore.

## ♦ Giant Lawn Jenga

Test your balance with an oversized game where each block reveals a fun wildlife fact.

## ♦ Homemade Playdough

Mix, mould, and sculpt colourful creations during a hands-on crafting session for rainy afternoons.



# The Culinary Experience

Dining at Tortilis Camp is a celebration of both place and experience, rooted in a farm-to-camp philosophy. Menus are thoughtfully curated to reflect the seasons, with fresh produce sourced directly from our on-site organic garden.

Our shamba (vegetable garden) is the largest in our portfolio, supplying an abundance of fresh fruits, vegetables, and herbs. Chefs collaborate closely with our gardening team each season to craft vibrant set lunches and exceptional multi-course dinners. Guests can dine in the main dining room overlooking a active waterhole where elephants frequently gather, and enjoy our signature "Taste of Africa" course during dinner to sample authentic regional dishes.

As the sun sets over the Amboseli plains, gather by the fireside or at the Bush Bar to toast the day with a signature African Dawa cocktail - crafted using local gin, zesty limes, and fresh local honey.

Whether enjoyed in camp or out on a morning game drive, breakfasts are a highlight of the day. Guests can look forward to freshly made waffles paired with a variety of delicious toppings alongside fresh juices and hot beverages.



# Sustainability & Conservation

Tortilis Camp operates with a low-impact environmental footprint centered on solar energy, circular waste management, and deep-rooted community partnerships in Amboseli

## Environmental Stewardship

- ♦ **Accreditations & Solar Power:** Certified with a Gold Eco-Rating by Ecotourism Kenya and signatory of the Glasgow Declaration, running predominantly on solar energy with generator backup.
- ♦ **Resource Management:** Zero-tolerance single-use plastic policy, on-site organic composting, charcoal-based eco-cooling, and off-site recycling via TakaTaka Solutions.
- ♦ **Ecosystem Protection:** Audited regularly by the Land & Life Foundation to monitor carbon emissions and preserve the surrounding Amboseli environment.

## Community & Local Legacy

- ♦ **Education & Infrastructure:** Long partnership with Esiteti Primary School and the Mbarinkoi community, funding classroom infrastructure, teaching supplies, and water access.
- ♦ **Scholarships & Mentorship:** Providing full secondary education scholarships and mentorship programs for high-achieving, disadvantaged local students.
- ♦ **Community Empowerment:** Supporting local drought relief initiatives and conducting conservation talks to ensure sustainable tourism delivers lasting benefits to neighbouring families.





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