



Mombasa Day Trip

Mombasa City Tour Highlights

- *Old town of Mombasa with Swahili and Arabic culture*
- *Fort Jesus Museum - synonymous with the history of the East African Coast*
- *Food and spice market - a glimpse into the lives of the local people*
- *Trademark Elephant tusks - the gateway to Mombasa*
- *Likoni Channel - Port entry into Kenya*
- *Akamba wood carving factory - local talents in arts (optional between haller park)*
- *Shopping, people and local culture*
- *A visit to the Haller park*

The day trip begins by a pick up from your hotel or desired pick up location in Mombasa at around 8 am drive through the **City Center** towards the historical old town (**kibokoni**) where you find the famous Fort Jesus museum which was designed by Italian Giovanni Battista and was built between 1593 and 1596 by the order of King Philip of Portugal to guard the old port of Mombasa.



There you can learn everything there is to be learnt about Mombasa and how it evolved. After that, a guide will continue to give you a guided tour passing through the **Mombasa Club**, **Africa Hotel**, **Mandhry Mosque**, **Government Square**,



entering the **Old Port** and continuing towards **Old spice Market**. As the tour continues you will be walking through old colonial houses and

mosques Discovering the culture and origin of Mombasa.



Lunch in the old town ~ local cuisine with pilau or biryani on the menu, and snacks like viazi and samosas also available for you to have a taste of the swahili delicacy.



.After that you can take a drive along mama ngina drive just to enjoy the scenic view of where the island ends and the ocean begins.



In just a few meters is the Likoni Ferry channel which connects the North to the South Coast. Lastly visit the again Famous Pembe zandovu (Elephant Tusks) as the local swahili call them, they can also be found on the back of the 50 ksh note. They symbolised Mombasa as the gateway to ivory trade back in the Arab trade era. Your driver-guide will stop you there for a photo session. You also get a chance to do a little shopping in the streets of Mombasa town then back to your drop off point.

NOTE: This half-day city tour but can also be extended to a full day Mombasa tour and head to Haller Park in the afternoon in time to feed the Giraffes or visit the akamba handicraft.

: Haller Park (formerly Bamburi Nature Trail) is located South of the Bamburi cement plant along the Mombasa/Malindi highway. A product of the company's efforts, since 1971, to convert barren

landscape of disused limestone quarries into vibrant and diverse ecosystem of forest, grasslands and ponds. Currently, Haller Park plays host to a variety of wildlife including hippos, giraffes, buffalos, and antelopes as well as smaller mammals and birds.



The Park was the first recipient to be honoured with the United Nations Environmental Program **Global 500 Roll of Honour** award for the unique, ecologically sound and successful rehabilitation undertaken. The Park consists of a Game Sanctuary, Reptile Park, small demonstration Fish Farm area, Palm Garden, Crocodile pens and a giraffe viewing platform, offering a variety of attractions at the various points to educate and entertain the over 1 60,000 visitors who visit the park every year. The diversity of vegetation is considerable, from mangrove palms and majestic indigenous shade trees to coastal forests where several of these plants are rare and endangered; a

haven for botanist. Yet each plant plays an important role in the overall harmony of the ecosystem.



The park also provides a home to various animal species from the cheeky Vervet monkeys to the graceful giraffe; Weaver birds, Kingfisher, Storks, Herons, Egrets, Owls, Eagles, Kites, Cranes, Ibis, Sandpipers the list is endless, Haller Park a must visit for all bird lovers



Or continue to **Akamba Handicraft** which is the local association of handicraft artisans that manages the production and sale of wooden carvings and other souvenirs in Mombasa. Walk in the workshop and watch how its all done, you will be amazed at what can come out from a simple piece of wood.



After the tour of the workshops, you will have a chance to shop and buy some of the carvings and souvenirs that you might have liked in

the workshops. They can also ship them abroad for you.



After you are satisfied with shopping it's now time to take you back to your hotel or drop off point in time for dinner

Price is inclusive of:

:Comfy and private transportation to and from your day trip

:Entrance fee to Fort Jesus, and Haller park

:Guide fee for both Fort Jesus and Haller park

:A bottle of water

:Lunch (Swahili delicacy, pilau or Biriani)

Price is exclusive of:

:Soft drinks & snacks during the tour

:Tips and gratuities

:Items of personal nature

:personal travel insurance

Charges

<i>From North coast hotels</i>		<i>From South coast hotels</i>	
1 pax	143 \$ pp	1 pax	158\$ pp
2pax	87\$ pp	2pax	95\$ pp
3pax	69\$ pp	3pax	77\$ pp
4pax	60\$ pp	4pax	68\$ pp
5pax	54\$ pp	5pax	62\$ pp
6pax	51\$ pp	6pax	59\$ pp
7pax	48\$ pp	7pax	56\$ pp

