



My expedition to Kenya started on the 16th July, we got a connecting flight from Dubai to Nairobi. When travelling to the first camp, I had never seen so much wildlife: monkeys, zebras, giraffes, elephant and camels! It was amazing to see all of these animals within the first few days.



During my stay at the first camp, we visited a local school, which was a huge eye opener for me. The children were so friendly and appreciative. We also carried out projects to help out the local community; these included installing gender friendly stoves in which we made out of mud sand and concrete, building a water tank for the local village and plastering a Mamma's house that had been damaged. We visited a masai tribe and I was able to see what life was like for the tribe members along with exploring the culture even further. Along with these we got to do a safari, it was such great fun we saw even more wild animals, in fact we stopped to eat our lunch at a campsite and an elephant came strolling through behind us; I remember pausing to watch it go past it was quite frightening but incredible!



At the second camp we stayed at, we did projects in the local school, where we smashed up concrete floors and laid new ones and painted classrooms. This all contributed in helping to improve the school and they were extremely grateful. We also planted lots of trees to help develop the growth in a forest.



Despite sometimes being tough the work was overall very exciting and good fun, I also got a lot out of it as I was helping and improving the lives of others, especially as at times it was difficult to see how some people live but I accepted that it was their way of life and they didn't know any different. I had the full experience as we had traditional foods such as chapattis and lots of rice, potatoes and beans. In the camps we stayed at we were either in tents or dorm rooms with bunk beds.



I thoroughly enjoyed my expedition to Kenya and I got so much out of the opportunity. I am extremely grateful for your donation towards my expedition as I had such a great experience!

Thank you

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