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Every nation that exists in our world has its own traditions, customs and rituals. And how many of these peoples, so many traditions — the most different, unusual, funny, shocking, romantic. But whatever they are, they are honored and passed down from generation to generation.



Kenya — an African country the customs of the local residents are significantly different from the behavior of the Europeans. Of course, Kenya has long been a colony of great Britain, but still people have preserved their culture and traditions. In total, there are more than 40 tribal associations in Kenya, which differ in their language, customs and blood. When local people meet, they often ask each other: «What tribe are wou from?"



The Maasai tribes have a distinctive feature - polygamy. A woman marries one man, but the right to visit her home is granted to all members of the tribe who are in the same age group as her husband. A woman decides whether or not to accept a man, but all children born to her are considered descendants of her husband.

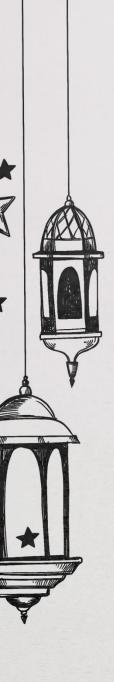






Wedding tradition:

- ☐ The bride's hands and feet are covered with henna patterns, which she wears during the first year of married life, confirming her new social status.
- ☐ Another tradition is the wearing of women's clothing in the first month after the wedding by a young spouse, which symbolizes tolerance and respect for women and their domestic duties.





Greeting. Kenyans who do not adhere to Islam usually shake hands when they meet. At the same time, if you greet a person of higher social status, you should first wrap your left hand around the wrist of your right hand for a few seconds and then shake hands.



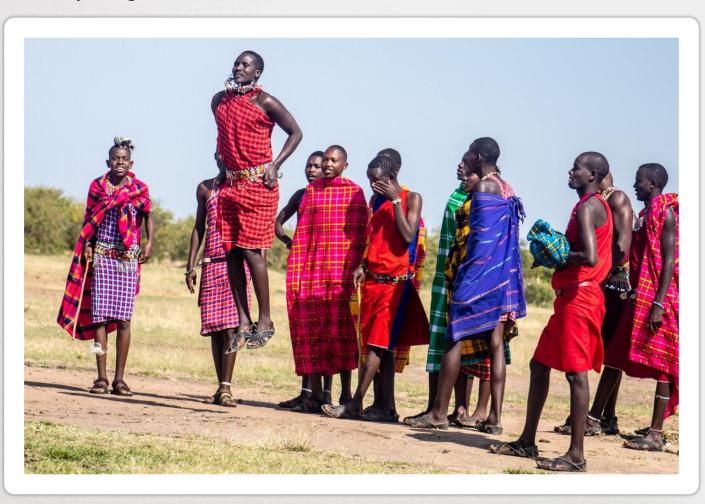
Table traditions. If guests are invited to a meal, the food is served first to them, and then, respectively, to men, women and children. Women and children are allowed to start eating only after the older man in the family starts eating. In addition, in Kenya, it is not customary to leave food on plates - this is a sign of bad taste and disrespect for hospitable hosts.

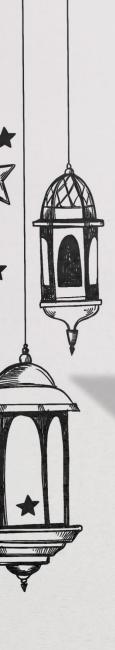


Gifts. Here it is not accepted to throw money and give luxury gifts, practical and suitable for use in everyday life things are welcome. If you are invited to visit, then as a gift to the owners should bring tea and sweets to the table. Alcoholic beverages are also considered a great gift in the country.

Higher say Hello, higher! Kenyan Maasai welcome special guests with jumps. The adumu ritual dance is performed only by men: they stand in a circle and start Bouncing. The higher you jump – the more respect you have for your guest.









But if men are lined up in a column and, gently swaying their hips, move towards women-this is a dance-flirtation. This rite can be admired when one of the men of the tribe is going to make an offer to the beauty you like.

