



Explore Kenya



Flag Description

A large Maasai warrior's shield covering crossed spears is superimposed at the center:

- Black symbolizes the majority population,
- **Red** the blood shed in the struggle for freedom,
- **Green** stands for natural wealth,
- White for peace;
- The shield and crossed spears symbolize the defense of freedom

(Source: https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/flags/flagtemplate_ke.html)



Fun Facts

- Kenya has continually produced the best athletes in the world with their specialty being long distance racing in which world records are continually being set and broken time and time again. The country boasts of having a record of over 75 medals in athletics and boxing.
- Kenya prides it's self in being home to Africa's first woman to win a Nobel Peace Prize, Professor Wangari Maathai in 2004 for her contribution to sustainable development, democracy and peace.



- One of Kenya's natural marvel is the annual wildebeest migration an incredible phenomenon that occurs in the Maasai Mara game Reserve earning it the title "seventh Wonder of the World" a tantalizing experience that has seen thousands upon thousands of tourist continue to flock this game reserve.

(Source: <http://www.kenyaonetours.com/african-safari/culture/kenya-travel-fun-facts-about-kenya.htm>)



Challenges Kenyan Youth Face

Kenyan children struggle with access to schools and staying in school.

- More than 4 of 10 children miss school daily, due primarily to the distance of the school and family support demands.
- Most children under 7 years of age do not go to school because of the dangers en route and lack of nearby schools.
- 7 of 10 children in third grade cannot do second grade level math and reading work.
- In rural areas, only 18% of girls will go beyond class 6.
- Average student: teacher ratio is 47:1, and even more acute in rural settings
- Children whose fathers have never gone to school are likely to never attend school themselves.

(Source: 2011 Annual Report- Asante Africa Foundation)

How can you help your peers in Kenya?

Go to this link and learn many ways you can help

<http://youthinaction.asanteafrica.org/>

