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Lady Lori Helicopters

American squillionaire Jim DeNooyer is the man behind East Africa's number-one helicopter company, Lady Lori. Based in Nairobi, these choppers are used by Sting and Trudie, at least one global spiritual leader, governmental bigwigs, film crews and City boys (on safari-from-London weekends). Clients are fast-tracked off international flights and whisked to one of four state-of-the-art French-built Eurocopters (two Squirrels and two EC130s), which seat six passengers in Bentley-style comfort. Then it's off for a spot of heli-oystering, heli-camping, heli-gastronomy and heli-partying throughout Zambia, Uganda, Ethiopia, South Africa and beyond. (Or just use it to beat Nairobi's hideous airport traffic and get to your hotel in seconds.) The Lady Lori USP is indigenous pilots with incredible local knowledge (all accredited guides) and mega connections. The company's flying machines are maintained by a global award-winning engineering team. The best thing? They'll whizz you almost into the mouths of volcanoes, glide over the game in the savannah, nip you up to glacier-fed lake shores for picnics at 10,000 feet before taking you to meet a tribal chief in a remote village and then on to your superlodge in the bush. Book them by the hour or by the week. **Caroline Phillips**
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