

12-DAYS BEST OF TANZANIAN WILDLIFE & KILIMANJARO TREKKING SAFARI (CAMPING)

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TOUR DETAILS:

This 12-days, guided trip combines Kilimanjaro climb with some of the most popular national parks in Tanzania. Book this trip with us and get the chance to reach the highest point in Africa as well as enjoy game drives in Serengeti, Ngorongoro, Tarangire and Lake Manyara.

Your Tanzania adventure kicks off with a Kilimanjaro climb via the Machame Route. The itinerary has been prepared to allow more time for acclimatization and rest, thereby raising the success rate for making it to the summit. Bring your gear, your enthusiasm, and your smile – we've got the rest! The hike takes you through the heather and moorland zone of the Shira Plateau and up the Barranco Wall. Spend six days in the mountain before heading back to Moshi.

The safari starts on Day 8 with a trip to Lake Manyara. Then travel to the famous Serengeti via the Olduvai Gorge. It was in this gorge that some of the earliest human fossils and footprints were first discovered. Next on the itinerary is the stunning Ngorongoro Crater followed by Tarangire National Park. We will drive you back to Moshi on Day 12.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS:

- Climb Mt Kilimanjaro, Africa's highest mountain, via Machame Route
- Enjoy game drives in Serengeti & Ngorongoro. Discover the Olduvai Gorge
- Visit Lake Manyara & Tarangire National Park
- Luxurious & comfortable safari cruiser



TRIP FACTS:

DESTINATIONS	ACCOMMODATION	NIGHTS	MEALS
Moshi	Keys Hotels Limited Uru Road	1 Night	FB
Mount Kilimanjaro	Machame Camp	1 Night	FB
Mount Kilimanjaro	Shira Camp	1 Night	FB
Mount Kilimanjaro	Barranco Camp	1 Night	FB
Mount Kilimanjaro	Barafu Camp	1 Night	FB
Mount Kilimanjaro	Mweka Camp	1 Night	FB
Mount Kilimanjaro	Machame Camp	1 Night	FB
Lake Manyara National Park	Panorama Safari Camp	1 Night	FB
Seronera	Seronera Campsite	1 Night	FB
Ngorongoro Crater	Simba Campsite A	1 Night	FB
Moshi	Keys Hotels Limited Uru Road	1 Night	FB

ITINERARY (DAY BY DAY):

DAY 1: ARRIVAL IN MOSHI

All trekkers need to organise their own flights to Kilimanjaro International Airport (JRO). From JRO we will arrange a private transfer to your hotel. That night or early the next morning you will meet your representative and have a full pre-climb briefing.

Overnight: Keys Hotels Limited Uru Road



DAY 2: FROM MACHAME GATE TO MACHAME CAMP

Transfer from your hotel to Machame Gate for registration. Our porters prepare and pack our supplies and luggage before we start our ascent along the forest trail to Machame Camp at 3000m. We will stay here overnight.

Accommodation: Machame Camp

Journey time and Altitude: 5 hours, 3000 m from Machame Gate to Machame Camp



DAY 3: MACHAME CAMP TO SHIRA CAMP

After breakfast we start walking, leaving the rainforest behind, and continue our ascent, crossing a small valley and up to a steep rocky ridge, covered with heather. Our route now turns west into a river gorge until we reach Shira Camp. It will be colder tonight than the previous night with temperatures possibly falling below freezing.

Accommodation: Shira Camp

Journey time and Altitude: 4.5 hours, 3800 m from Machame Camp to Shira Cave



DAY 4: SHIRA CAMP TO BARRANCO CAMP VIA LAVA TOWER

Today we will climb up to 4600m to the base of the Lava Tower for lunch and acclimatisation. This will be our toughest day so far and you may, for the first time, feel the altitude. After lunch we will descend again by almost 650m to Barranco Camp, following the 'walk high, sleep low' golden rule of acclimatisation. Our descent to Barranco Camp takes about 2 hours and offers great opportunities to take some beautiful photographs of the Western Breach and Breach Wall. The camp is situated in a valley below the Breach and Great Barranco Wall.

Accommodation: Barranco Camp

Journey time and Altitude: 7 hours, 4627 m from Shira Cave to Barranco Camp



DAY 5: FROM BARRANCO CAMP TO KARANGA CAMP

A short, but fun, day starting with a scramble to the top of the Great Barranco Wall. We then traverse over scree to the Karanga Valley (3930m) beneath the icefalls of the Heim, Kersten and Decken Glaciers. We will stay overnight at Karanga campsite.

Accommodation: Karanga Camp

Journey time and Altitude: 4 hours, 4787 m from Barranco Camp to Karanga Camp



DAY 6: BARAFU CAMP TO SUMMIT TO MWEKA CAMP

You will be woken around 23:30 with tea and biscuits. We start our trek to the summit between the Rebman and Ratzel glaciers through heavy scree up to Stella Point on the crater rim. This is the most mentally and physically challenging part of the trek. At Stella Point (5732m), we will stop for a short rest and hopefully be in time to witness the magnificent sunrise (weather permitting). We are now only an hour away from the summit, Uhuru Peak (5895m), the highest point on Mount Kilimanjaro and the continent of Africa. From the summit, we descend down to Mweka camp site, via Barafu for lunch. Trekking poles will be needed for the loose scree going down to Mweka Camp (3100m). Later in the evening, we will enjoy our last dinner on the mountain and a well-earned sleep.

Accommodation: Barafu Camp

Journey time and Altitude: 4 hours, 5287 m from Karranga Camp to Barafu Camp



DAY 7: MWEKA CAMP TO MWEKA GATE

Your final day on the trek, departing after breakfast we descend a further 1300m to the Mweka Park Gate to pick up your summit certificates from the Park Headquarters. Transfer to your hotel.

Accommodation: Machame Camp

Journey time and Altitude: 5 hours, 3000 m from Machame Gate to Machame Camp



DAY 8: MOSHI TO LAKE MANYARA

Our safari guide and vehicle will collect you from your hotel and we will drive to Lake Manyara, arriving with plenty of time for an afternoon game-drive. Located beneath the cliffs of the Manyara Escarpment, on the edge of the Rift Valley, Lake Manyara National Park is famous for its large alkaline soda lake which is home to the pink flamingo, yellow-billed stork and heron. If you are lucky you may get chance to see the tree climbing lions, which are unique to this national park. Watch out though for some fun and antics from the local baboon population; Lake Manyara is believed to have the largest number of these primates in the World! We will spend the night at a safari lodge in Karatu.

Overnight: Panorama Safari Camp

Distance: 200 km

Time: 4 hr



DAY 9: LAKE MANYARA – SERENGETI PLAINS

After breakfast we head towards the Serengeti National Park, via the beautiful high lying farmland of Karatu and the Ngorongoro Conservation Area. Leaving the highlands behind, we descend into the heart of wild Africa – the Serengeti National Park – with its endless plains, rolling into the distance as far as the eye can see. We head to the central park area, known as the Seronera area, one of the richest wildlife habitats in the park, featuring the Seronera River, which provides a valuable water source to this area and therefore attracts wildlife well representative of most of the Serengeti's species.

We arrive in time for lunch and enjoy an afternoon game drive in the Serengeti national park.

Dinner and overnight in the Seronera area, as per the standard accommodation.

Overnight: Seronera Campsite

Distance: 205 km

Time: 6 hr



DAY 10: SERENGETI PLAINS – NGORONGORO CRATER

Be one of only a few fortunate people to glide in a Hot Air Balloon over the Serengeti Plains (available at supplementary cost by pre-arrangement). Floating silently above the awakening bush, while spotting wildlife and enjoying the amazing scenery of Africa, across rivers and over numerous small villages. After breakfast at the lodge do early game drive in Serengeti and around afternoon we depart to Ngorongoro Conservation area. We arrive in time for dinner at the lodge/campsite and spend overnight.

Overnight: Simba Campsite A

Distance: 145 km

Time: 4 - 5 hr min



DAY 11: NGORONGORO CRATER – MOSHI

After early breakfast we will descend over 600 meters into the crater to view wildlife for a half day's safari tour. Supported by a year round water supply and fodder, the Ngorongoro National Park supports a vast variety of animals, which include herds of wildebeest, zebra, buffalo, eland, warthog, hippo, and giant African elephants. Another big draw card to this picturesque national park, is it's dense population of predators, which include lions, hyenas, jackals, cheetahs and the ever-elusive leopard, which sometimes requires a trained eye to spot. We will visit Lake Magadi, a large but shallow alkaline lake in the southwestern corner, which is one of the main features of the crater. A large number of flamingos, hippos and other water birds can usually be seen here. In afternoon get lunch at your lodge after which we will transfer back to Moshi.

Overnight: Keys Hotels Limited Uru Road

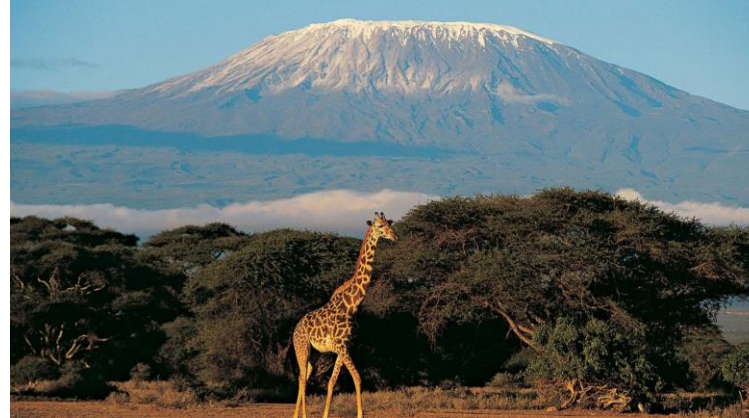
Distance: 273 km

Time: 4 hours



DAY 12: ARUSHA TO MOUNT KILIMANJARO

After breakfast you can depart for JRO Airport



INCLUDE:

- Qualified professional driver guide
- Vehicle / fuel
- Park entrance fees as per itinerary
- Passenger liability 15%
- VAT 2% tourism levy
- Airport transfers
- Accommodation
- Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner for the Client

EXCLUDE:

- Expenses of personal nature
- Entrance fees not mentioned in the itinerary
- Meals not mentioned
- Drinks at lodges and on road
- Optional excursions and activities
- Tips for tour guides
- International flights and airport taxes
- Items not mentioned in the itinerary

HOW TO BOOK AND HOW TO PAY:

To reserve this tour, a payment of 30% of the total price must be made at the time of reservation. The balance of 70% can be made before the departure of your tour. Your deposit can either be made through a Bank Transfer, with the addition of a 45 US Dollar fee or by Credit Card which incurs an additional bank charge of 3.5%.