



# KILIMANJARO CLIMB AND SAFARI ITINERARY

# **DAY 1:**

DEPART HOME

## **DAY 2:**

### ARRIVE IN TANZANIA

You will be picked up from Kilimanjaro International Airport and transferred to the hotel in Moshi. Welcome dinner.

# **DAY 3:**

### **EXPLORE MOSHI**

Free day to rest and explore Moshi. In the evening there will be a thorough orientation to meet the guides, receive a climb briefing, and do a final equipment check.

# **DAY 4:**

#### MOSHI CITY TOUR AND RELAXING

Free day to rest and explore Moshi.

# **DAY 5**:

### THE CLIMB BEGINS

After breakfast, we transfer to the Machame Gate and trailhead, register with the park service, and meet our porters. The day's gentle hike will take roughly five to seven hours and leads through the natural rain forest and giant heather between River Wern and Makoa to the Machame Hut camp.

Elevation: 10,000ft/3,000m

**Overnight** Machame Camp

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# **DAY 6:**

### **MOOR LANDS**

Today's hike takes five to six hours and leaves the forest and enters into the Moor lands. The trail leads down a gorge and crosses several dry riverbeds before ascending a rocky cliff onto the Shira Plateau.

Elevation: 12,000ft/3,800m

Overnight Shira Camp

## **DAY 7:**

### LAVA TOWER

After an early start we'll have an exciting day of seven to eight hours of hiking. This is an important day in our acclimatization process because we climb high, at one point reaching nearly 16,000 feet as we pass the famous Lava Tower, before dropping down to sleep low at the Barranco Hut camp.

Elevation: 13,000ft/4,000m

**Overnight** Barranco Camp

# **DAY 8:**

### **GREAT BARRANCO WALL**

A short four to five hour hike through alpine desert helps to further our acclimatization process. After breakfast, we leave Barranco camp and continue on a steep ridge climbing over the Great Barranco Wall. We'll traverse below the amazing southern glaciers and stop overnight at the Karanga Valley camp.

Elevation: 12,700ft/3,900m

Overnight Karanga Valley Camp

# **DAY 9**:

#### HIKE TO BARAFU CAMP

We leave the Karanga River behind and hike five to seven hours to our high camp at Barafu. At Barafu camp we have an inspiring view of Kilimanjaro, Mawenzi, and the plains below.

Elevation: 15,331ft/4,674m

**Overnight** Barafu Camp

# **DAY 10:**

### **SUMMIT DAY**

The final ascent of Kilimanjaro begins between midnight and 1:00 a.m. This section gets gradually steeper as we zigzag for five to seven hours on frozen scree or snow before reaching Stella Point on the crater rim. After a short break to enjoy the sunrise and view the crater's magnificent ice fields, we then proceed another hour along the crater rim to the top of Africa at Uhuru Peak. After taking our summit photographs, we descend back to Barafu camp for a short break and lunch before descending several hours further down the mountain to Mweka Hut camp. A time for celebration!

Elevation: 19,340ft/5,895m

**Overnight** Mweka Camp

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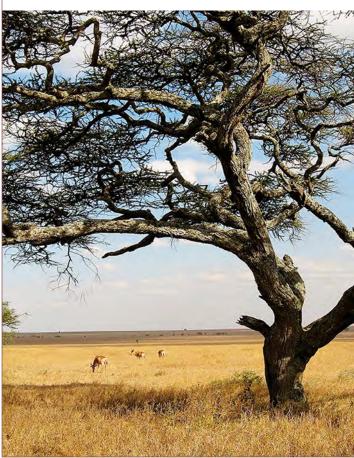


## **DAY 11:**

#### FINAL DESCENT

Our final day on the mountain. A four hour descent takes us through a deep rain forest to the Mweka Gate. Here you will be awarded your summit certificates of achievement before proceeding to your hotel for a well-deserved hot shower, dinner celebration, and a good night's rest.

### Overnight Hotel



## **DAY 12:**

### TARANGIRE NATIONAL PARK

The drive to Tarangire National Park takes two hours. This park is spectacular in the dry season when many of the migratory wildlife species come back to the permanent waters of the Tarangire River. Huge herds of wildebeest, zebras, elephants, elands, and oryx gather to stay in Tarangire until the onset of the rain when they migrate again to good grazing areas.

**Overnight** Luxury Lodge - Full board

# **DAY 13:**

#### SERENGETI NATIONAL PARK

The drive to Serengeti National Park via Olduvai Gorge takes three to four hours. On the way we will visit a local Masai Village, then lunch at Olduvai Gorge, an archaeological site located in the eastern Serengeti plains. It has an amazing landscape that resulted from the same tectonic forces that created the Great Rift Valley millions of years ago. Afternoon game drive.

Overnight Luxury Tent Camping - Full board

## **DAY 14:**

### SERENGETI NATIONAL PARK

After breakfast, we venture into the Serengeti's wilderness for a full day of game viewing in the park. Optional balloon ride.

**Overnight** Luxury Tent Camping - Full board

## **DAY 15**:

### NGORONGORO CRATER

After breakfast, we drive to Ngorongoro Crater for a game drive inside the crater. This is the best place in Tanzania to see black rhino as well magnificent black-maned lions. There are colorful flamingos and a variety of water birds. Other game include leopard, cheetah, hyena, other members of the antelope family, and small mammals.

Overnight Luxury Lodge - Full board

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# **DAY 16:**

# MORNING GAME DRIVE LAKE MANYARA NATIONAL PARK

Animals frequently seen are elephants, zebras, impalas, monkeys, giraffes, buffaloes, hippos, and others. After lunch we make our way back to Arusha, stopping along the way to shop for souvenirs at curio shops and visit local craft artists. Transfer to Kilimanjaro International Airport for the evening flight back home.

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### **INCLUDED:**

- · All Tanzania transportation on scheduled dates and airport transfers
- · All hotel accommodations in Tanzania during listed itinerary (double occupancy)
- · All group equipment, such as tents, stoves, closed cell foam pads, etc.
- · All meals (B, L, D) during the climb and safari
- Purified water during the climb and private group toilet
- Safety equipment: oxygen; pulse oximeter; first aid kit; radio and satellite communications
- Wilderness First Responder certified guide
- Porters, drivers, guides, National Park Fees, and climbing permits
- · Trip preparation: consultation on gear, packing, and important helpful tips
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### **NOT INCLUDED:**

- · International round-trip airfare to Tanzania
- Optional Serengeti balloon ride (\$550.00)
- Tanzanian and/or Kenyan visas
- Meals, transport, and lodging outside the regular itinerary
- · Alcoholic beverages and bottled drinks (however, we often buy everyone a celebration drink or two)
- Excess baggage charges and airport taxes
- All expenses incurred in the event of early departure (evacuation fees, transport, extra hotel nights, etc.)
- Personal gear (see gear list)
- International vaccinations
- · Optional single room supplement
- · Charges incurred as a result of delays beyond the control of Worldwide Adventure Guides
- Tips and gratuities

NOTE: We highly recommend that everyone purchase travel insurance and evacuation coverage.