

## 7 Day Standard Safari

### Natural History Explorer Safari

#### Northern Circuit safari and Bushmen

#### **7 Days / 6 nights (Lake Manyara, Cultural visits, Serengeti, Ngorongoro Crater, Tarangire)**

Feel the warm African breeze, hear the distant roar of a lion, the trumpeting of elephants, and the chattering of monkeys, as you journey through Tanzania's National Wildlife Parks, on the Safari of a lifetime. Visit the Serengeti plains and experience the wildebeest migration, watch the sunset, to the musical sound of crickets, and indulge yourself in the taste of local cuisine.

Sleep soundly at night to the sounds of wildlife.

**BOOK YOUR SAFARI NOW!**

Ask us about child discounts for families.

**Select Arusha Hotel price point per double room and add to per person safari price:**

**Budget: \$100 (50pp), Standard \$150 (75pp)**

#### **Overview**

Day 0 - You arrive in Arusha (If arriving at airport we can pick you up and take you to your hotel).

Alternately you may arrive in the morning and depart on your safari directly from the airport.

Note this is only possible with morning and early afternoon arrivals, but not late arrivals, due to restrictions on after dark driving.

Day 1 - Drive to Lake Manyara for game drive with picnic lunch. Canopy walk option. Dinner and overnight.

Day 2 - Early morning cultural visit to local tribes (Hadzabe bushmen, and Datoga Blacksmith tribe), picnic lunch, **and then**, continue to Serengeti for dinner and overnight.

Day 3 - Breakfast, Full day game drive in Serengeti. Picnic lunch. Dinner and overnight.

Day 4 - Breakfast, Full day game drive in Serengeti. Picnic lunch. Dinner and overnight.

Day 5 - Breakfast, Morning game drive in Serengeti. Picnic lunch and transit Ngorongoro Conservation Area Dinner and overnight in Karatu.

Day 6 - Breakfast, Continue to Ngorongoro Crater for game drive with picnic lunch. Dinner and overnight.

Day 7 - Breakfast, Game drive in Tarangire with picnic lunch. Return to Arusha.

#### **Detailed Itinerary**

**Day 1:** Your guide will pick you up from your accommodation at 08:00. The journey to Lake Manyara from Arusha is a scenic two-hour journey. On route, you will experience a variety of colourful scenic and vegetation changes, with Maasai tending to their grazing cattle, and goats, along the roadside. Once within the Park you will be greeted by a host of monkeys and baboons grooming one another, herds of elephants stripping bark from trees, lions lazing in trees, and pink flamingos carpeting the lake. Lake Manyara is the only Park to have a canopy boardwalk allowing you to experience the beauty of this lush Park, on a 30 to 60minute walk, 15m above the ground. Let your guide know when you enter the Park, if you would like to walk through the canopy, so this can be factored into the timing with your game drive in the park. Transfer to Lake Eyasi

**Accommodation:** Lake Eyasi Safari Lodge

**Meals:** Box Lunch, Dinner

**Day 2:** An early breakfast is followed by an early morning visit and opportunity to go bow hunting with the Hadzabe Bushmen. Comfortable walking shoes are required for this as you will walk with the bushmen for about an hour. Following this visit you will also visit a Datoga family, as they blacksmith copper jewelry, and arrowheads on an open fire.

Late morning you will transfer through the Ngorongoro Conservation area to the Serengeti. While your guide signs into the Park, you will have an opportunity to enjoy your boxed lunch at one of the picnic tables and enjoy a coffee from the coffee stand. It is also possible to purchase postcards and small gifts here. Once through the Park gates you will journey to central Serengeti, for a short afternoon game drive, before arriving at your accommodation, within the park.

**Accommodation:** Kati Kati Tented Camp

**Meals:** Breakfast, Box Lunch, Dinner

The Serengeti is one of Tanzania's most famous National Parks. Elephant herds roaming and feeding in the shade of dense arcadia trees of the northern plains of Lobo, and Loliondo. Prides of lion's, cheetah, leopard and spotted hyena stalk stealthily through the grassland in pursuit of their intended prey, while orange sunsets sink behind the rolling green hills typify the northern Serengeti. The migration route for thousands of Wildebeest forging through rivers, kicking up dust migrating to lush pastures. Most safaris focus on the easily accessed Central Serengeti, with tree lions lazing, watchfully surveying the landscape, hippos languishing in the cool river waters, and hot-air balloons drifting overhead, gently skimming the grasslands in search of the perfect wildlife experience. The less traveled northern plains of Lobo, with rolling hills, Kopje, and Arcadia trees provides excellent wildlife viewing and between June and November allows easy access to the Mara River to watch the great wildebeest migration forging the treacherous waters. February is a time of calving, with many newborn animals.

**Day 3:** Early morning game drive, return for breakfast, then full day game drive, on which you will likely see lions lounging in trees or on the kopje (rocky out crops), watch Hippo's lazily wallow in the river while you enjoy a Box Lunch. You will arrive back at your accommodation in the late afternoon, for tea. Relax as you watch the sun go down and enjoy a tasty dinner.

**Accommodation:** Kati Kati Tented Camp

**Meals:** Breakfast, Box Lunch, Dinner

**Day 4:** The same as Day 3, enjoy an early morning game drive, return for breakfast, then full day game drive, on which you will likely see lions lounging in trees or on the kopje (rocky out crops), watch Hippo's lazily wallow in the river while you enjoy a Box Lunch. You will arrive back at your accommodation in the late afternoon, for tea. Relax as you watch the sun go down and enjoy a tasty dinner.

**Accommodation:** Kati Kati Tented Camp

**Meals:** Breakfast, Box Lunch, Dinner

**Day 5:** Morning game drive in Serengeti. Box lunch. Transfer to Ngorongoro Conservation area, stop at a magnificent viewpoint. You will arrive at your accommodation near Karatu in the late afternoon, for tea. Relax as you watch the sun go down and enjoy a tasty dinner.

**Accommodation:** Country lodge or similar

**Meals:** Breakfast, Box Lunch, Dinner

**Day 6:** Transfer to Ngorongoro Conservation area, stop at a magnificent viewpoint before descending to the crater floor of this extinct volcano, for a full day's game drive. Ngorongoro is a world UNESCO heritage site, in which wildlife and pastoral Maasai exist alongside one another. In this stunningly beautiful area your guide will seek out the best locations for you to see 'the big five', and if you are lucky a black rhino.

**Accommodation:** Country lodge or similar

**Meals:** Breakfast, Box Lunch, Dinner

**Day 7:** After breakfast you will drive to Tarangire National Park. Tarangire Park you will be treated to a stunning diversity of landscapes, rolling hills, Acacia and Baobab trees. The Tarangire river winds its way through the park, providing watering holes around which wildlife gather during the dry season. This lush park is home to the largest population of African elephants, impala, giraffe, lions and approximately 500 species of birds. Following a box picnic lunch, you will enjoy an afternoon game drive. In the late afternoon you will be driven back to Arusha, arriving at your accommodation around 6pm.

## **Trip Inclusions/Exclusions in Budget Camping Safaris**

### **These prices include:**

- Game drives in 4x4 Toyota Land Cruiser
- Guides/drivers
- Accommodation during safari
- All Breakfasts, dinners and Picnic Lunches during safari
- Wifi access at most locations
- National Park gate fees
- Ngorongoro Crater car supplement fee
- Serengeti supplement fee
- Flying Doctors coverage (emergency evacuation only)
- 18% Tourism Tax introduced June 2016

### **Not included in price:**

- **Airport Pick up /drop off**
- Arusha Accommodation
- Alcoholic and soft drink beverages at the hotel
- Cultural Tour Fee (unless specified in itinerary)
- Laundry service
- **Tips** (see Tip Rates below)
- **Personal Travel and Medical insurance**
- **Flights /visas**

### **Cost of additional services:**

- Arusha Accommodation (can be arranged at extra cost on request) \$100 - \$150 per night (standard)
- Additional Cultural tours \$50 per person per extra tour
- Lake Manyara Tree top walk \$47 per person
- Serengeti Balloon Ride \$550 per person

### **Safari Tip Rates**

These Rates are only a basic guideline however feel free to tip more if you feel that the service you have received merits it.

<b>Driver / Guide</b>	<b>Cook (if on budget safari)</b>	<b>Hotel Staff</b>
Rate per Day per Group	Rate per Day per Group	Appreciated! not expected!
<b>\$15 - \$30</b>	<b>\$10 - \$15</b>	<b>\$1</b>

**Booking:**

Confirm your intention to book with Kilimanjaro Bliss and we will forward you registration and payment details.

Payment may be made by wire transfer or credit card. A 50 % non – refundable deposit is required on booking. Balance may be paid I cash on arrival, wired or by credit card.

A 5% surcharge is charged on credit card payments.

**Trip Cancellation Terms and Conditions:**

We reserve the right to alter the itinerary and daily route plan of safaris in order to manage accommodation reservations and environmental considerations.

**Cancellation by us:** We recognize the inconvenience of trip cancellations and endeavor not to cancel on our guests. However, should we have to cancel your safari or climb we will: a) notify you of cancellation or changes.

b) sub contract your safari or climb to a reputable company and provide you with written notification of new details.

c) In the event that your tour is completely cancelled we will refund you the cost of the tour payment made by you to us.

Note: Cancellations due to circumstances beyond our control, such as environmental conditions, civil unrest, travel advisories are not covered under section c) conditions.

**Cancellation by You:** The trip deposit of 50 % of your trip cost is NON- REFUNDABLE. If you cancel your safari or climb prior to 30 days before the departure date the balance of your trip will be refunded to you less a \$50 management fee. Cancellation within 30 days of your trip will result in no refund of monies paid.