



Northern Circuit Safari and Zanzibar Scuba Adventure - 14 Days

8 - Day African Dream Safari & 4 Days in Zanzibar – 2 days travel

Focuses on Big Five & Migration Safari and Marine life /Scuba

Tarangire, Northern & Central Serengeti, Nduvu, Ngorongoro and Zanzibar Scuba Diving Mnemba Atoll

Cost for 2 people \$7,730 USD (\$3865 USD per person)

Remove Ngorongoro Crater and add the extra day in any other park you save \$200 USD from total price (extra fee for this park to drive down into crater. However, if you are happy with the above price it is well worth visiting!

Day 0: (Jan 10th) Arrival Kilimanjaro International Airport. **Our guide will pick you up from airport and transfer you to your hotel (Korona House).**

Day 1: (Jan 11th) 08:00 Pick up from your hotel in Arusha Drive to **Lake Manyara**, full day game drive, transfer through Ngorongoro Conservation area to Nduvu Lake, enjoy afternoon tea, sunset and dinner at campsite.

Ngorongoro Conservancy Area is a protected area and a **World Heritage Site** located 180 km west of Arusha in the Crater Highlands area of Tanzania. The area is named after Ngorongoro Crater, a **large volcanic caldera** within the area.

Day 2: (Jan 12th) Full day game drive in Nduvu, with focus on Migration and Big Cats, overnight at campsite.

Day 3: (Jan 13th) Early morning walk in Nduvu (1.5 – 2 - hour walk), before transfer through **Ngorongoro Conservation area to Serengeti** to Seronera area in central Serengeti **Set up camp**. Lunch then afternoon game drive.

Day 4 - 5: (Jan 14th - 15th) Early morning and afternoon game drives around Serengeti Your guide will have up to date information on the movement of animals and which areas of Serengeti to focus your safari. Return to same campsite.

The **Serengeti** is one of Tanzania's most famous National Parks. **Elephant** herds roaming and feeding in the shade of dense acacia 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.

Days 6: (Jan 16th) Transfer from **Serengeti**. back through **Ngorongoro Conservation Area** Visit **Maasai village**. Continue to Simba Camp on Ngorongoro Rim, enjoying a magnificent sunset from your location overlooking Ngorongoro Crater.

Day 7: (Jan 17th) Full day game drive Ngorongoro Crater.

The **Ngorongoro Crater** and surrounding highlands together form one of **Africa's most beautiful regions**. Volcanic craters form stunning backdrops to some of the most fertile and **richest grazing grounds** in Africa. It is home to

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the **highest density of big game in Africa**, including four of the **big five and plenty of predators**. Ngorongoro is justifiably one of the continent's most famous safari destinations. It is the best place in Tanzania to see 'The big five', and the only place to see the **black rhino** along with some of the **largest tusker elephants** left in Africa.

Transfer to campsite near Tarangire Park

Day 8: (Jan 18th) Full Day game drive in Tarangire National Park, return to Arusha around 6pm. Overnight at Hotel in Arusha.

Day 9: (Jan 15th) Flight to Zanzibar Departs Arusha at 12:45 -Arrives Zanzibar 14:20 Transfer to Beach hotel
Standard hotels: [Zanzibar Bahari Villas](#) or [Villa Kiva](#) short walking distance from dive centre).

Day 10 - 11: (Jan 20th – 21st) Scuba Diving with One Ocean Dive Centre

Located at Matemwe Beach Village, on the east coast of Zanzibar, where they have 2 traditional diving dhows and 1 speed boat that takes guests diving & snorkelling at Mnemba Atoll.

Two days Diving (total of 4 dives). Two dives are scheduled each day. You get an early start 07:30 journeying out to your dive locations in a wooden dhow, each dive lasts about 40 mins. Your guide will select different locations for each dive. Brief you on safety considerations and accompany you underwater. You can expect to be back at your hotel in the early afternoon.

Note: If it has been 12 months or more since your last dive, One Ocean Dive Centre require you to take **a refresher** course. If required, this should be done in the One Ocean pool the afternoon before your first dive excursion. **Dive equipment** should also be sorted out on at this time, in preparation for an early and smooth start the next day. The dive centre will transfer you to and from your hotel for dives.

Day 12: (Jan 22nd) Rest day (24hrs between diving and flying are highly recommended) Flight leaves Zanzibar 15:30, Arrives Arusha 18:20

Day 13: (Jan 23rd) Depart from Kilimanjaro International Airport

Day 14: (Jan 24th) Arrive back in Frankfurt.

There is little lee-way in the start and finish of the tour, which we can firm up once I know if you are leaving Frankfurt on Jan 10th or Arriving in Tanzania on the 10th (flights were slightly cheaper for leaving on the 9th Jan) and if you plan to leave Tanzania on Jan 23rd or need to be back in Frankfurt for the 23rd. Depending on time of flight you may leave on one date and arrive on the next day.

Note: I checked Flight prices from Frankfurt to Kilimanjaro for your dates the price at time of checking on Expedia was between \$600 - \$800 USD with Condor Airlines (German Airline) and a little more with other more well - known airlines.

I also checked price of International route: Inbound: Frankfurt – Kilimanjaro (JRO); Kilimanjaro – Zanzibar Zanzibar – Frankfurt. These flights worked out at around \$1200 - \$1400 USD

As you can see from the cost of the domestic flight between Arusha and Zanzibar (\$575 pp Rtn) there is very little difference in the total price. The difference would be a reduction of travel time, allowing you either more time in Zanzibar or and extra day on safari. But not necessarily any cheaper as you would be paying for activities on those days.

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Safari

Includes:

- Airport pick up and drop off Kilimanjaro Airport for International Flight
- Airport transfers Arusha for Zanzibar return
- Domestic Flights between Arusha and Zanzibar (Rtn) \$575 USD per person
- Hotel nights in Arusha night before and after safari and after Zanzibar (4 nights total)
- 4 wheel-drive, Safari pop-up top Toyota Land Cruiser
- Safari Guide and Cook
- All food on Safari (Breakfasts, Box Lunches and cooked dinners)
- Bottled water
- Park and camp fees
- Flying Doctors coverage (emergency evacuation only) valid for travel in Tanzania and Zanzibar

Excluded:

- International Flights to/from Kilimanjaro International Airport
- Sleeping Bag (can be rented \$25)
- Lunch and Dinner on hotel stays (Available at hotel restaurants)
- Trip add-ons: Hot Air Balloon Ride Serengeti \$550 USD per person
- Alcohol
- Laundry service at hotel
- Personal Medical Travel and Trip interruption insurance
- Tips Driver/Guide \$20 - \$30 per day, Camp cook \$10 - \$15 per day (per group) Estimated total for full tour \$385 - \$475
- **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.

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

Zanzibar & Scuba Dive Package

Inclusions

- Accommodation with Breakfast
- Drinking water
- Light snacks on the boat
- Divemaster or snorkel guide
- Soft gear (wetsuit, mask, snorkel and fins)
- Courses per given schedule (courses taken longer than our schedule will be charged the extra days)
- Transfers to / from hotel in Zanzibar (We will arrange this with your hotel)

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Exclusions

- BCD and regulator rental \$15 per day pp (we exclude this as guest may decide to bring their own)
- If it has been 12 months or more since your last dive, One Ocean Dive Centre require you to take a refresher course 1.5 hours beginning at 2:30 daily. \$25 USD per person.
- Lunch and Dinner (Available at hotel restaurant). We exclude this unless requested so that you may choose where you want to eat each day.
- Tips Driver Guide \$20 - \$30 per day

Scuba Diving Notes:

Underwater Rooms (very cool)!: I inquired about the underwater accommodation rooms at Manta Resort on Pemba Island. Unfortunately, there is no availability, as it books up many months in advance. Also, the extra cost of flying to Pemba Is was an additional \$160 USD per person.

Please note: that December and January being the windiest months of the year, the dive operators reserve the right to cancel any scuba outing due to weather conditions, in which case of course any payment made prior to the trip will be refunded fully by the Dive operator.

Walking Safari Note:

We have included an early morning walking safari, which is designed to fit into your safari schedule. It can be scheduled early in the morning or late afternoon when tropical temperatures are cool. The areas that you can enjoy a walking safari that fit with the above itinerary are Lake Manyara (hanging canopy walk), Nduku Lake Ngorongoro Conservation Area and Tarangire National Park. I have placed it at Lake Nduku so that it fits in after a few long travel days and game drives. A walking safari is an excellent break from game drives, and the bumping along on rough roads, locally known as the 'African massage'. Walking, visitors can learn some fascinating facts about nature, birds, reptiles, insects and medicinal uses of local plants, which add to one's appreciate of the richness of Africa, not notice from the seat of your safari van. Africa on foot engages the senses in sounds and smell of the African bush and is without doubt an adventure and a thrilling experience especially when the walk extends into wildlife habitats where encounters with freely roaming animals are the norm in such Parks as Arusha, Ngorongoro Conservation Area, Nduku and Tarangire game parks. All walks are guided and normally accompanied by an armed ranger.

Cultural Visit– This itinerary includes a Maasai Village (Bomba) visit in the Ngorongoro Conservation area (Approx 1 hour). The Maasai men and women will dance for you, show you their mud huts and encourage you to purchase beaded jewelry. These villages are some of the best places to buy authentic gifts. If you wish to stop and purchase other gifts such as paintings and sculptures, ask your guide to stop at the Maasai Market on the way back to Arusha.

Storing Luggage between Journeys

If you wish to leave any items needed only for your Zanzibar trip at the hotel while you are on safari, speak to the hotel manager on duty. Most hotels have a safe where belongings can be stored safely.

Visa – Check the visa entry requirements into Tanzania as relates to your Nationality. Some countries have agreements that allow their citizens to acquire their visa on entry at the airport (\$50 - \$100 USD cash), others have to apply before they reach Tanzania.

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Travel Medicine – Check with a travel medical clinic what immunization or medications you should get. It is best to check on Visa requirements and Travel Medications early so that you have time to make necessary arrangements.

If you have any questions or would like to make any alterations, please let me know.

Warm Regards,

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