

Ngorongoro Crater Safari



Duration: 3 days

A trip to East Africa is not complete without seeing some of the wildlife and scenery synonymous with the great open African Plains. We are therefore offering you the chance to unwind on safari after the exertions of your Kilimanjaro trek!

We visit the famous Ngorongoro Crater, Tarangire National Park and Lake Manyara National Park, all of which offer stunning scenery and the chance to see the big five: lion, elephant, buffalo, rhino and leopard, as well as giraffe, zebra, hippopotamus and many species of antelope, monkey and smaller mammals and birdlife.

You will stay in safari lodge accommodation, on a twin-share basis with good facilities including mosquito nets, solar-heated showers, and local guides and cooks to look after you. The guides are very knowledgeable about the flora and fauna you encounter, and will do their utmost to make sure you experience as much as possible of their wildlife, scenery and culture. This is a great way to fully round off your African experience!

The downloadable itinerary gives you an idea of the main regions you will visit on safari, but please bear in mind that your guides will vary the exact locations you go to depending on local conditions and wildlife sightings. The actual itinerary is designed to be very flexible to maximise your time spent watching wildlife.

Contact the office for pricing and availability.

DETAILED ITINERARY

Day 1: Moshi - Lake Manyara National Park

(main group departs Moshi)

We set off in the early morning (approx 8.30am) from Moshi, heading across the Rift Valley towards Lake Manyara National Park, famed for its tree-dwelling lions! After a game drive around the park (keeping an eye out for any wagging branches) we head to our lodge for some lunch and maybe a little siesta!

Breakfast, lunch and dinner provided. Safari lodge accommodation.

Day 2: Ngorongoro Conservation Area

An early start (approx 7.30am) takes us to the rim of Ngorongoro Conservation Area. Named after the sounds

made by the Masai tribes' ear adornments, Ngorongoro is the sunken crater (known as a caldera) of an extinct volcano that forms a perfect natural depression keeping the resident animals enclosed. Here we are guaranteed to see big game close up: lion, buffalo, wildebeest, zebra and elephant to name but a few. We spend the whole day inside the crater with an extended lunch stop which mirrors the activity of the animals by staying out of the midday sun! This is a truly incredible experience and not to be missed. We leave the park at around 5pm.

Breakfast, lunch and dinner provided. Safari lodge accommodation.

Day 3: Tarangire National Park - Arusha

An early start sees us dropping back down into the Rift Valley to visit Tarangire National Park, famous for its large elephant population. The Park also boasts an impressive array of birdlife and we spend the afternoon on a game drive exploring the park. In the afternoon we head to Arusha via the craft markets and stalls of Mto wa Mbu. If time allows we will stop off at a snake park along the way. We will arrive back in the early evening and spend one final night in Tanzania.

Breakfast, lunch and dinner provided. Hotel accommodation.

Day 4: Depart Arusha, Arrive UK (possible arrive next day)

Depending on flight schedules, you may depart Arusha early this morning and return to the UK on the same day. Otherwise you will depart later in the day, so you will have some free time to relax or explore before transferring to Kilimanjaro International Airport for your flight home. **Please check your flight schedule, as some flights may depart in the late evening and fly overnight, in which case you will arrive back in the UK in the early hours of Day 13.**

Breakfast provided. Provide own lunch.

Day 5: Arrive UK

Depending on flight schedules, you may land back in the UK in the early hours of the next morning. Own transport arrangements home.

Extension requires a minimum of 4 people to operate.

To operate this for 2 or 3 people a supplement of £75pp will be payable.

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NB: If usual accommodation is unavailable, we will discuss alternative options with you

WHAT'S INCLUDED?

- Accommodation in simple 3* hotel in Moshi in shared twin/double room

- Accommodation and equipment at the Pembeni Africa Lodge or Karatu Simba Lodge, or similar, for two nights
- Meals as indicated in itinerary
- Park entrance fees and permits
- All transportation and airport transfer
- Local English-speaking guide

WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED?

- Meals (dinner & lunch) where indicated
- Personal spending, tips for guides/drivers, extra food, drinks



Discover Adventure reserves the right to change the route or itinerary for safety reasons should local conditions dictate.

Please note: This document was downloaded on 29 Apr 2024, and the challenge is subject to change.