

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.

Min 4 pax - £75 supplement for 2/3 pax

Single supplement: £110

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.

Single supplement: £110

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

CHALLENGE INFORMATION

DETAILED INFORMATION

Trip Safety

Your safety, and that of the rest of the group, is our highest priority. Our trips are designed and planned with safety in mind. Your crew will be equipped with communication devices (eg phones, radios and/or emergency satellite phones), medical kit and other safety apparatus appropriate to the destination. Our leaders always have access to our 24-hour emergency UK back-up. They are responsible for safety on the trip, and will make any changes to the itinerary they deem necessary, should local conditions dictate. Pre-trip administration - such as medical questionnaires and travel insurance as appropriate - is all done with your safety in mind.

PREPARING FOR THE CHALLENGE

Fitness Levels

This is designed to be a challenge, and it is vital that you train sufficiently for it. We will supply you with a thorough training guide once you have registered. We expect all participants to train hard in advance, but we respect everyone's limits and do not expect everyone to maintain the same pace. Inadequate training is likely to have an impact not just on your chances of completing the challenge, but enjoying it too - and we want you to have the time of your life!

Our challenges attract people of all levels of experience, fitness and ability as well as all ages and backgrounds. We design our challenges so that everyone can go at their own pace: this is not a race. If you have concerns about your fitness or if you have reduced mobility please do contact us for a confidential chat about whether this challenge is appropriate for you.

For logistical and safety reasons we sometimes need to re-group, so the front-runners may find themselves waiting for the slower ones. Please relax, and remember that this is a team effort that enables people to achieve their personal goals and earn sponsorship.

Clothing & Kit

We plan our trips around the optimal weather conditions, but could still be exposed to bad weather at any time. It is vital you are prepared for all conditions. We provide you with a detailed packing kit-list on registration, as well as details on useful discounts you are entitled to as a Discover Adventure customer. We are always available if you need advice.

If you are still to buy some kit don't forget that Cotswold Outdoor, Snow and Rock, Cycle Surgery and Runners Need offer all Discover Adventure participants **15% off** any purchases you make with them. Please ask us for the code if you do not have this already.



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 20 Oct 2021, and the challenge is subject to change.