

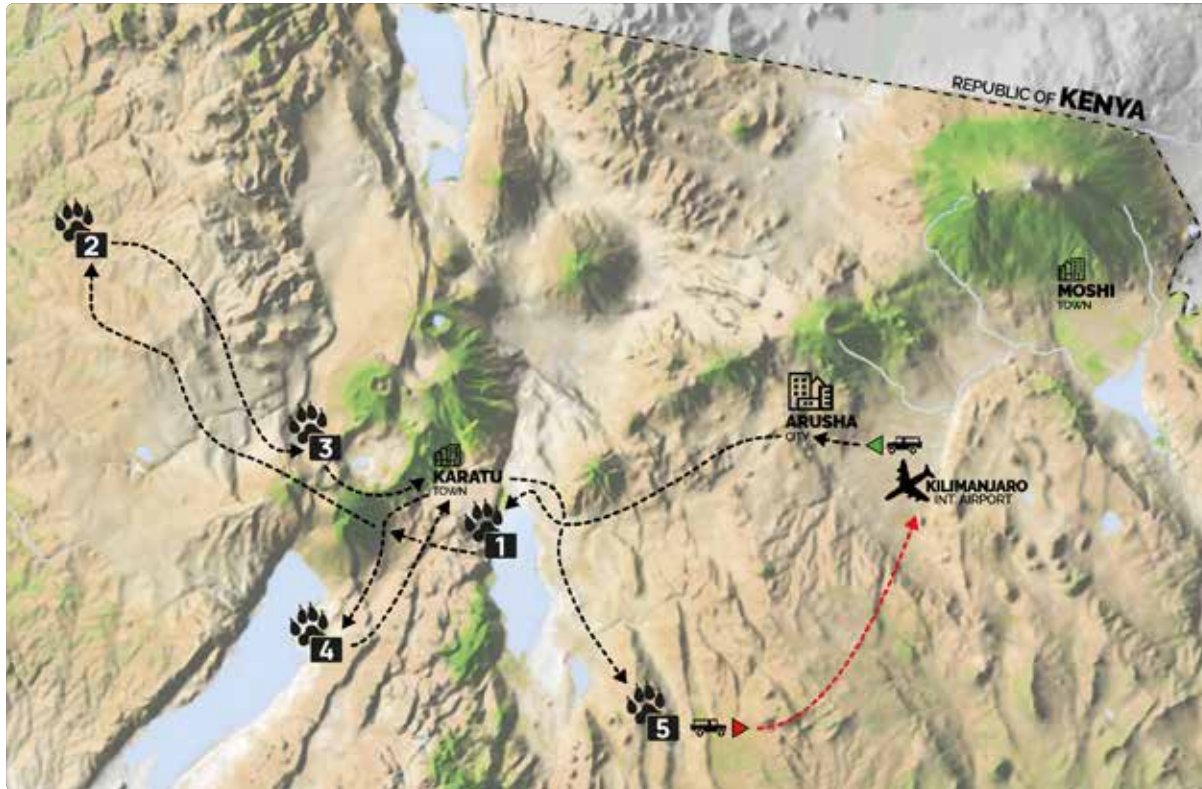


**SPECIAL** SAFARI

Perfect week

**TRACKS** OF AFRICA  
SAFARI ADVENTURE

# PERFECT WEEK TOUR ITINERARY



8 DAYS



7 NIGHTS

- 1 LAKE MANYARA NATIONAL PARK
- 2 SERENGETI NATIONAL PARK
- 3 NGORONGORO CRATER
- 4 LAKE EYASI
- 5 TARANGIRE NATIONAL PARK

In this itinerary our Tanzania safari tour operator will offer you the opportunity to visit the most popular parks in the northern part of Tanzania and interact with the Hadzabe and Datoga tribes.



## **DAY 1 • ARRIVAL AT THE AIRPORT AND TRANSFER TO THE LODGE IN ARUSHA**

Upon your arrival at Kilimanjaro (or Arusha) airport, just outside the main exit, you will be received by our guide who will take you to your Lodge in Arusha. If you have time, you can take a tour of the city, accompanied by the guide. Alternatively, relax in the hotel with dinner and overnight stay according to the chosen category.



## DAY 2 • THE PARADISE OF BIODIVERSITY

Depart early in the morning to drive through the Great Rift Valley to Lake Manyara National Park, where you will begin your safari in Tanzania. **(Approximate transfer time Arusha • Manyara: 2 h 30 min)** Lake Manyara is one of the smallest parks in Tanzania (330 km ), but it has a lot to offer. The lake and the surrounding area constitute an ecosystem renowned for its richness in plant and animal species. The vegetation is very varied, with areas of evergreen forests, stretches of savannah, swamps and hot springs (Maji Moto). The fauna includes numerous elephants, baboons, wildebeests, zebras, giraffes, hippos, large flocks of pink flamingos and other species. The park is also home to leopards, hyenas and the famous Manyara lions that have the habit of climbing trees in this area. At the end of the game drive, transfer to the Lodge/Tented Camp for dinner and overnight stay according to the chosen category.



## DAYS 3 AND 4 • THE LAND OF THE GREAT MIGRATION AND FELINES

Early in the morning, you will leave to reach the most famous park in Tanzania: the Serengeti. **(Approximate transfer time Manyara • Serengeti: 4 h)** As you travel through the Ngorongoro Conservation Area, you will be able to admire the dense forest of tall trees and the vastness of the crater from above. As you progress towards the Serengeti, you will understand why the name means, in the Maasai language, "endless plain". The Serengeti is considered the most famous national park in the world, the cradle of the Great Migration, where every year one of the most impressive natural cycles on the planet is renewed: tens of thousands of ungulates move, guided by the primordial instinct for survival, in constant search of new pastures. The landscape, dotted with large acacias and Kopjes (mounds of ancient rocks), is the ideal habitat for big cats. The safari will end in the afternoon with the transfer to the Lodge/Tented Camp for dinner and overnight stay inside the park according to the chosen category.

The next day will be entirely dedicated to the exploration of the Seronera Valley. Along the banks of the river of the same name, you will have the chance to see leopards climbing sausage trees, observe the numerous prides of lions on the Moru kopjes and, with a little luck, even spot a black rhinoceros. Finally, you can get out of the car at the famous hippo pool and approach the pool to scrutinize the many hippos piled up. In the late afternoon return to the Lodge/Tented Camp for dinner and overnight stay.



## DAY 5 • THE REFUGE OF THE AFRICAN "BIG FIVE"

Early in the morning, just after breakfast, you will start the game drive leaving the Serengeti to reach the Ngorongoro Conservation Area, declared a WORLD HERITAGE SITE (UNESCO 1978) AND INTERNATIONAL BIOSPHERE RESERVE (1981). **(Approximate transfer time Serengeti • Ngorongoro Conservation Area: 2 h 30 min)** The area has become a real ecosystem, thanks to the good rainfall, the ponds, the small lakes and internal streams, the night fog that surrounds and feeds the forests of the slopes of its famous crater. The safari will continue descending to the bottom of the caldera for an entire afternoon dedicated to the discovery of one of the most beautiful places on Earth, where nature is sovereign and "unchanged over time". The 265 km caldera has the highest concentration of wildlife on the continent. It is one of the very rare places where you can meet the black rhino. In the late afternoon you will go up the crater to exit the Ngorongoro Conservation Area with transfer to the Lodge/Tented Camp for dinner and overnight in Karatu according to the chosen category. **(Approximate transfer time Ngorongoro Crater • Karatu: 1 h 30 min)**



## DAY 6 • THE LAST TRUE PRIMITIVE HUNTERS AND GATHERERS

Early in the morning, you will depart, immediately after breakfast, to reach the northern shore of Lake Eyasi where you will meet the local tribes of the Hadzabe and the Datoga. **(Approximate transfer time Karatu • Eyasi : 1 h)** The Hadzabe are one of the most primitive peoples on the African continent. They live exclusively by hunting and are gatherers of the spontaneous fruits of nature such as berries, tubers and honey. They do not know agriculture, writing and forms of political organization. The Datoga are a population of semi-nomadic shepherds, easily recognizable by the elongated lobes and the showy tattoos on the face and back that make breeding their main source of livelihood, even if over the centuries they have introduced the practice of cultivating corn and millet. During the visit, you can participate with the Hadzabe men in bush hunting, learn with the women the use of medicinal plants collected in the savannah, admire the art of working the metals used to create jewelry, knives, arrows and participate in the lively ritual of grinding corn on stone to obtain flour. At the end of the activities, return to the Lodge/Tented Camp for dinner and overnight stay.



## DAY 7 • THE KINGDOM OF ELEPHANTS AND BAOBABS

Early in the morning, after a good breakfast, you will depart to reach Tarangire National Park, during the transfer you will have the opportunity to stop for shopping and gifts in the local bazaars. **(Approximate transfer time Karatu • Tarangire : 2 h 30 min)** The park, dotted with huge baobabs, covers an area of 2850 km<sup>2</sup> and includes the Tarangire River, where immense herds of zebras, wildebeests, oryx, water antelopes, lesser kudus, giraffes, buffaloes and their natural predators such as lions, leopards and wild dogs gather, especially during the dry season. Tarangire is also known for having the highest concentration of elephants in the world and is considered by many to be Tanzania's best destination for birdwatchers, with over 450 species of birds spotted there. After lunch on one of the many natural terraces with breathtaking views of the river and the surrounding nature, the safari will continue in the afternoon with the transfer to the Lodge/Tented Camp for dinner and overnight according to the chosen category.



## **DAY 8 • RETURN TO ARUSHA/KILIMANJARO AIRPORT**

The morning will be dedicated to the game drive in the park and after lunch you will return to Arusha/Kilimanjaro to take the flight home. This 8-day safari in Tanzania will take you through the most emblematic areas of the country, offering you the opportunity to live extraordinary experiences surrounded by unspoiled nature.

**(Approximate transfer time Tarangire • Arusha: 3 h • Tarangire • Kilimanjaro Airport: 4 h)**

However, we are flexible and available in case of special needs, such as early flight or other.

**IT IS POSSIBLE TO COMBINE THIS SAFARI WITH AN EXTENSION OF A BEACH STAY IN ZANZIBAR.**

## INCLUDED IN THIS PACKAGE

- Taxes and entrance fees for parks (including Ngorongoro Crater)
- 4WD Land Cruiser vehicle with pop-up safari roof, unlimited kilometres and guide/driver (speaking English, Italian, French and Spanish)
- Electrical charging sockets on board, Wi-Fi, fridge and binoculars
- Full board in the proposed lodges, hotels and tented camps or similar category (excluding drinks unless otherwise indicated when booking)
- On vehicle during safari snacks, water and soft drinks included
- AMREF Flying Doctors Emergency Evacuation Insurance
- Visit Datoga/Hadzabe tribe

## EXCLUDED FROM THIS PACKAGE

- International and domestic flights
- Meals and drinks outside the safari (unless otherwise stated)
- Travel and personal accident insurance
- Tanzania International Visa, Vaccinations, Medicines
- Optional excursions/activities not detailed in the itinerary
- Tips and any additional services required
- Possible introduction of new or increased government taxes and fuel, cost of entrance fees to various tourist sites, parks or wildlife reserves of which we are not aware at the time of processing the quote
- Surcharge during Christmas and New Year's Eve

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