

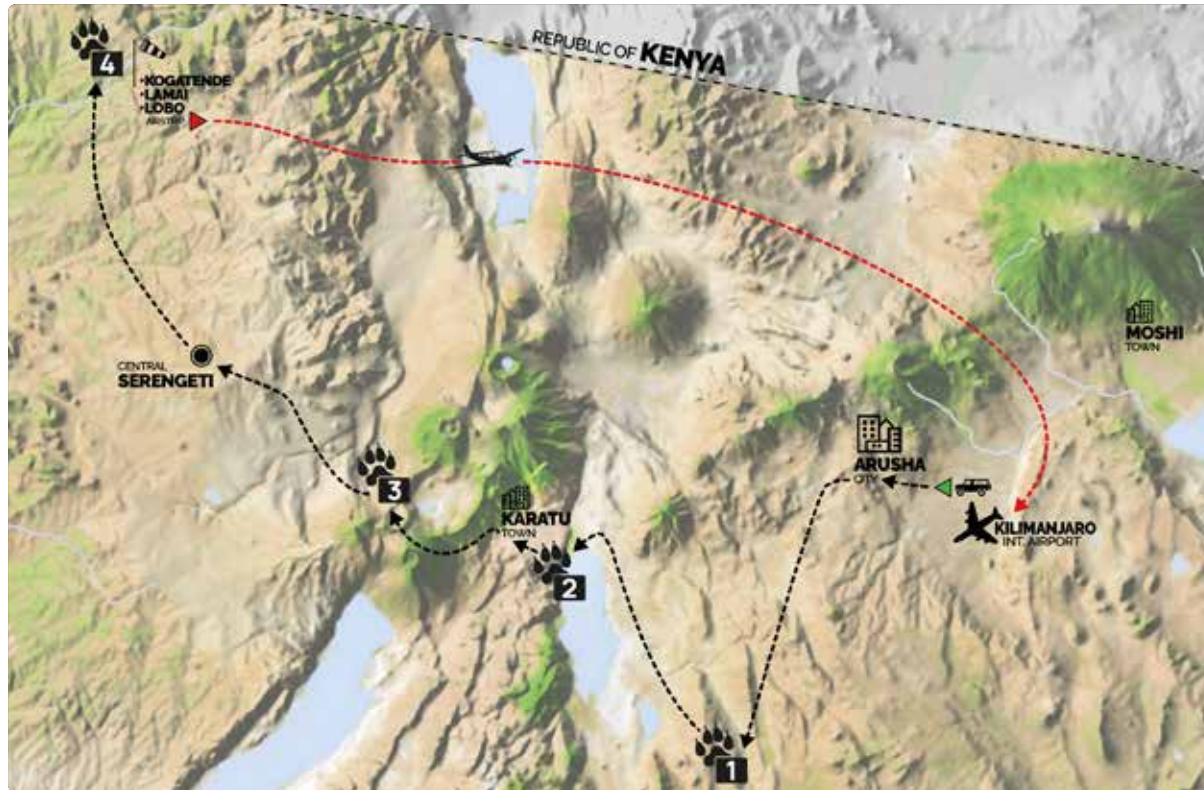
**PREMIUM** SAFARI

Premium  
north Migration



**TRACKS** OF AFRICA  
SAFARI ADVENTURE

# PREMIUM NORTH MIGRATION TOUR ITINERARY



10 DAYS



9 NIGHTS

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

An exclusive tour to witness the most emblematic moment of the Great Migration: the crossing of the herds of the Mara River. The Premium category accommodations have been carefully selected to offer the highest quality and luxury service with reduced environmental impact, where modern design and African style blend together.





## **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 at the hotel with dinner and overnight stay.



## **DAYS 2 AND 3 • THE KINGDOM OF ELEPHANTS AND BAOBABS**

Early in the morning you will leave, immediately after breakfast, to discover the wonderful Tarangire National Park, an unmissable stop on any 10 day safari in Tanzania. **(Approximate transfer time Arusha • 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.

The following day will be entirely dedicated to exploring the park with morning and afternoon safari. In the late afternoon return to the Lodge/Tented Camp for dinner and overnight stay.



## DAY 4 • THE PARADISE OF BIODIVERSITY

Depart early in the morning to drive through the Great Rift Valley to Lake Manyara National Park, where you will go on a daytime safari. **(Approximate transfer time Tarangire • Manyara: 2 h 30 min)** Lake Manyara is one of the smallest parks in Tanzania (330 km<sup>2</sup>), 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 in Karatu. **(Approximate transfer time Manyara • Karatu: 1 h)**



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

In the morning, immediately after breakfast, you will start the game drive in the Ngorongoro Conservation Area, declared WORLD HERITAGE SITE (UNESCO 1978) AND INTERNATIONAL BIOSPHERE RESERVE (1981). **(Approximate transfer time Karatu • Ngorongoro Conservation Area: 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. After a short stop at the crater rim, you will descend to the bottom of the caldera for a photo safari dedicated to the discovery of one of the most beautiful places on Earth, where nature is sovereign and "unchanged over time". The 265 km<sup>2</sup> 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. After lunch near the enchanting hippo lake, you will head up the crater out of the Ngorongoro Conservation Area with return to the Lodge/Tented Camp for dinner and overnight. **(Approximate transfer time Ngorongoro Crater • Karatu: 1 h 30 min)**



## DAYS 6 AND 7 • DISCOVERING THE ENDLESS PLAINS

Early in the morning, you will leave to reach the most famous park in Tanzania: the Serengeti, the beating heart of every safari in Tanzania. **(Approximate transfer time Karatu • Serengeti : 3 h)** During the journey you will be able to admire, crossing the Ngorongoro Conservation Area, 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 transfer to the Lodge/Tented Camp for dinner and overnight.

The next day will be entirely dedicated to exploring the central Serengeti. In the Seronera Valley, along the banks of the river of the same name, you will have the opportunity 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. The safari will end in the afternoon with the return to the Lodge/Tented Camp for dinner and overnight stay.



## **DAYS 8 AND 9 • NORTHWARDS ON THE TRAIL OF HERBIVORES TO THE MARA RIVER**

In the morning your Safari will continue to discover the park until you reach the far north, where between July and October the herbivores are preparing to cross the Mara river. During the game drive there will be opportunities for sighting families of giraffes and elephants, large prides of lions, leopards, cheetahs, hyenas and smaller ones such as foxes, mongooses, honey badgers, jackals, along with more than 500 species of birds. The day will end with transfer to the Lodge/Tented Camp for dinner and overnight.

The next day will be entirely dedicated to the search for one of the most famous natural spectacles, but also one of the most ferocious in the animal world: the crossing of the river by herbivores. The waters, in fact, are infested with crocodiles waiting for their prey. The lack of rain, in this period, forces the herds to stop and graze in the Masai Mara, on the border with Kenya, and then return to the central Serengeti following the short rains of the season. In this period, in the northern part of the park, the concentration of large predators is very high and, in a single day, there could be dozens of sightings of cheetahs, leopards and herds of hyenas and lions. In the afternoon return to the Lodge/Tented Camp for dinner and overnight stay.



## DAY 10 • RETURN KILIMANJARO AIRPORT

After breakfast, transfer to the Airstrip and scheduled flight to Kilimanjaro Airport. **(Approximate flight time: 1 h 30 min)**

Arrival at the airport and meeting with the hotel driver for the private transfer to the Airport Planet Lodge. Lunch and room available until departure. About two hours before the flight, meeting with the driver for the transfer to Kilimanjaro airport in time for the handling of baggage boarding paperwork on the return flight.

However, we are flexible and available in case of special needs, such as early flight or other. Relying on a specialized Tanzania safari tour operator guarantees an authentic and safe experience, with selected accommodations and expert guides to accompany you to discover the extraordinary fauna and breathtaking scenery of this magnificent country.

**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
- Domestic flight to Kilimanjaro Airport
- Hotel transfer to/from Kilimanjaro Airport
- AMREF Flying Doctors Emergency Evacuation Insurance

## EXCLUDED FROM THIS PACKAGE

- International 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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