

TRIP ITINERARY

Kilimanjaro Climb (Rongai Route)

Tanzania





Mount Kilimanjaro

Mount Kilimanjaro is Africa's highest mountain at 5895 metres. The second highest is Mount Kenya at 5195 metres. Kilimanjaro used to be within the boundaries of Kenya. Legend has it that Queen Victoria gave the mountain to Kaiser Wilhelm in 1848 because he commented that it was unfair that Kenya had the two highest peaks. Since 1889, several attempts have been made to determine the exact height of the mountain. The Kilimanjaro 2008 Precise Height Measurement Expedition used GPS and gravimeter methods to output the value of 5,891.8 metres (19,330 ft). Due to Kilimanjaro's equatorial location and high elevation, almost every climate type on earth is represented, including a year-round snow-topped summit.

The Rongai route is a more technical climb, which starts on the Northern slopes of the mountain.

Day 01

Collection from Kilimanjaro airport, and transfer to Springlands Hotel located in Moshi Town close to the foothills of Mount Kilimanjaro. Here you will have a climb briefing and time to prepare and overnight.

Overnight at Springlands Hotel on a bed and breakfast basis

Day 02

Drive to the mountain. Walk through maize and potato fields, followed by pine forests. The night is spent at Simba Camp at an altitude of 3150 m. The day's hike takes approximately 3 to 4 hours.

Overnight at Simba Camp on full board basis

Day 03

A steady walk with spectacular views of the eastern ice fields and Kibo. The night is spent at camp at an altitude of 3600 m. The day's hike takes approximately 6-7 hours walking.

Overnight at Kikelewa Camp on full board basis

Day 04

Short steep morning climb. Afternoon to acclimatise with time to explore local surroundings. The night is spent at camp at an altitude of 4290 m. The day's hike takes approximately 3-4 hours walking.

Overnight at Mawenzi Tarn Camp on full board basis



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Day 05

Cross the lunar desert. Rest of the day to acclimatise and early to bed. The night is spent at camp at an altitude of 4750m. The day's hike takes approximately 5-6 hours walking.

Overnight at Kibo Camp on full board basis

Day 06

Depart during the early hours for the final ascent to Gilman's Point to watch the sunrise, then on to Uhuru Peak at an altitude of Summit 5,895 m. The day's hike takes approximately 11-15 hours walking including your descent. **Overnight at Horombo Camp on full board basis**

Day 07

Steady descent through moorland and forest to the base of the mountain which takes approximately 5-6 hours walking. Transfer to the base hotel for a welcome shower and celebration.

Overnight at Springlands Hotel on bed & breakfast basis.

Day 08

Morning transfer to Kilimanjaro International Airport for your onward arrangements. End of our services. (If further services are required, please advise your consultant and they will provide costs accordingly)

We no longer offer a shared option for this climb. Private basis climb programmes use shared campsite with twoperson tents provided and it is likely that there will be other climbers on the same itinerary throughout the climb. On private basis, you have your own mountain guide and porters. All transfers are on a shared basis. Sole climbers must book on private basis.

Δ An extra night on the mountain can be added between days 4 and 5. This day remains at Mwenzi Tarn Camp.

Cost Includes

Meet and greet services
Transfers as specified
Use of tents on the mountain
Meals on the mountain prepared by climb crew*
Services of an experienced English speaking mountain guide
Porters to carry backpack/rucksack and camping equipment
Accommodations and meals as indicated
Park fees, camping fees, mountain rescue fees** and government taxes



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International Flights & Regional Flights

Visas

Airport tax

Travel/medical/baggage insurance

Tips for porters and mountain guide

Climbing gear such as goggles, walking stick, flashlight/torch, bed roll, etc. (though these are available to rent)

Drinks/laundry (unless specified)

Dining room tips

Porterage

Telephone bills

Any other items of a personal nature

Additional Remarks

Park fees and camping permits may be changed without prior notice. This is beyond our control and any increase levied will be passed on to you.

Prices guoted are based on the dates shown. Changes in dates may lead to a change in the safari price.

Passengers arriving into Kenya and Tanzania may be required to provide proof of vaccination against yellow fever.

Passenger Information

Passengers should bring only soft sided bags on safaris.

All the passengers must have Identification Card/Passport with them for internal flights.

Baggage on internal flights is strictly limited to 15kgs per person (including hand luggage). Any excess baggage will be charged by the airline at check-in.

Passengers arriving to Tanzania may be asked to present a valid Yellow Fever Vaccination Certificate

*Meals on the mountain are prepared for high carbohydrate intake to facilitate climbing. They are not hotel standard meals and will be basic. Special diets can be catered to with advance notice.

**Rescue fee covers evacuation from the mountain to the park gate only. It does not cover any medical treatment at all, or transportation to the local hospital. We recommend that travellers purchase travel insurance with medical and evacuation cover.

Climb preparation documentation, suggested packing lists and equipment rental lists are available on request.