

TRIP ITINERARY

Classic Safari

**Tanzania** 





This rewarding great value road safari with weekly departures is ideal for those short on time. Discover the wilderness of Tarangire park and the "8th" wonder of the world, the magnificent Ngorongoro Crater, home to Big 5. A combination assured to give you fabulous game viewing when visiting these diverse eco systems.

### Day 01 Thursday

Arrive at Kilimanjaro International Airport. On clearing customs and immigration formalities you will be met outside opposite the Arrivals Hall by our representative. He will assist you to your transfer vehicle for your transfer to the hotel.

Accommodation Kibo Palace Hotel on bed and breakfast basis in Executive Room (excludes other meals, drinks and laundry)

### **Kibo Palace Hotel**

The hotel features a modern and stylish design, with spacious rooms and suites that offer all the amenities expected of a city hotel.

The rooms are equipped with air conditioning, flat-screen TVs, minibars, tea and coffee making facilities, and free Wi-Fi. The ensuite bathrooms feature a bathtub or a shower, and some rooms come with balconies that offer panoramic views of the surrounding area.

Kibo Palace Hotel also boasts several on-site dining options, including a fine-dining restaurant that serves a variety of international cuisine, a coffee shop that offers freshly brewed coffee and light snacks, and a bar that serves a wide range of cocktails and other drinks.

Other amenities at the hotel include a fitness centre, a spa, a swimming pool, and a business centre that provides meeting and conference facilities.

### Day 02

Morning at leisure with optional activities (payable direct). Safari briefing and lunch at the hotel. Then depart to Tarangire National Park. As you make your way out of Arusha, you leave the busy city behind, and the landscape gives way to vast plains dotted with grass thatched huts. It will be common to see young children tending to herds of cattle and sheep. In the distance, the imposing wall of the Great Rift Valley rises from the horizon. Afternoon arrival at the tented lodge located adjacent to the park for dinner and overnight.

Accommodation Tarangire Simba Lodge on full board basis (excludes laundry and drinks)

# **Tarangire National Park**

The park is named after the Tarangire River which runs through it and is known for its large herds of elephants and diverse wildlife. The park covers an area of 2,850 square kilometres and is home to over 550 bird species, as well as lions, leopards, zebras, wildebeest, giraffes, and many more animals. The park is also known for its baobab trees and picturesque views of the Maasai Steppe and the Rift Valley. It is a popular destination for wildlife safaris and outdoor adventure activities.

# **Tarangire Simba Lodge**

### **Tented Rooms**

Tarangire National Park is a gem on the northern safari circuit. Teeming with wildlife, especially in the dry season, this area is a safari-goers dream. The camp is located near the Sangaiwe Gate of Tarangire National Park.



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Accommodation at Tarangire Simba Lodge is in sixteen classic canvas safari tents situated permanently under thatch. The spacious tents are constructed on platforms complete with wooden floors, large en-suite dressing room, toilet and shower. There are twin and queen tents; triples are possible. There is also a family tent with two queen-sized beds. Additionally, there is an outdoor shower, and each tent has a private veranda with views to the bush and Lake Burunge. Furnishings are handcrafted from African hardwood complimented with tastefully selected fabrics; electricity and hot water are solar powered. Full amenities are provided.

### Day 03

Morning game drive and lunch at the lodge. Then depart Tarangire Region, you drive through the surrounding bushland, passing small Maasai villages and farms. The road is mostly unpaved but well-maintained, with occasional bumps and dips. After about 20 minutes, you will reach the town of Makuyuni, where you will turn left onto the main road that leads to Lake Manyara, the Great African Rift Valley and onto Karatu town. This road is paved and in good condition, and it winds through lush green hills and valleys, offering stunning views of the surrounding landscapes.

As you approach Karatu town, you will see small markets and shops along the roadside. Karatu town is a small and bustling town, known for its proximity to the Ngorongoro Conservation Area and its vibrant local market.

On arrival at your lodge check in and remainder of the day/evening at leisure

Accommodation Karatu Simba Lodge on full board basis (excludes laundry and drinks)

# Karatu Simba Lodge

### **Tented Rooms**

Located between Lake Manyara and Ngorongoro, Karatu Simba Lodge is nestled up against the lush Ngorongoro Forest Reserve.

Travellers can take a break from the safari trail to experience a taste of rural Tanzanian life, relax and enjoy the changing rhythm and landscape of the seasons. Sleep under the Southern Cross listening to the call of bush babies and montane night jars.

### Day 04

Early departure from your lodge and enter the Ngorongoro Conservation Area. Climb the back wall of the crater and continue to the rim of the crater and descend to the floor of the Ngorongoro Crater. You game drive in this paradise. With a space of only 102 square miles and a resident wildlife population of more than 30,000 mammals, there is a great chance that you might see all of the big five. A picnic lunch box is provided at a scenic location within the floor of the crater. In the afternoon, you return to the rim of the crater and continue to your lodge for dinner and overnight.

Accommodation Karatu Simba Lodge on full board basis (excludes laundry and drinks)

## **Ngorongoro Conservation Area**

The Ngorongoro Crater is home to an estimated 30,000 animals, making it one of the most densely populated wildlife areas in the world. The area is also home to the Maasai people, who have lived in the area for centuries and still practice their traditional way of life. In addition to the wildlife, the area is known for its stunning landscapes, including the Ngorongoro Crater, the Olduvai Gorge, and the Empakai Crater. Ngorongoro Conservation Area is a UNESCO World Heritage Site and a popular destination for wildlife safaris and outdoor adventure activities.



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#### Day 05

Following breakfast, depart your lodge and begin your journey back to Arusha arriving in the city for lunch (excludes drinks). Then transfer to Kilimanjaro International or Arusha Airport for your departing flight. Option flight to Zanzibar, Mafia or Pemba or beach extension – at supplement

# Please note this scheduled departure can also operate on a private basis with exclusive vehicle departing any day

**Includes:** Meet and greet services, transfers, seat in shared 4x4 vehicle with photo roof (maximum 6 clients per vehicle), services of a bilingual English speaking driver-guide, guaranteed window seat, game drives and crater tour, all accommodation and meals as specified, all park fees and government taxes, filtered water in the vehicles (clients to bring refillable bottles)

**Excludes:** International flights, visas, airport tax (pay direct), driver guide or local escort gratuities, drinks and dining rooms tips, porterage, personal travel and baggage insurance, laundry and any items of a personal nature, Medical insurance, evacuation cover and travel insurance

**NB**: We may have to reroute the itinerary or accommodate in similar lodges in case of non-availability. Prices for domestic flights, airport taxes or park fees may be changed without prior notice. This is beyond our control and any increase levied will be passed to you.