

Rongai Route

Arusha- Kilimanjaro (Rongai Route)- Arusha- Ngorongoro- Serengeti- Arusha

Day One; Arusha- On arrival you will be met by one of our airport representative and transferred to **Naura Springs Hotel** where you will meet the Mountain crew and preparing for the climb. You will have the opportunity to go over any last minute questions, have the crew check your gear. At this point you will also have the chance to leave a bag behind with anything you don't need on the mountain. Your left-behind gear will be secured at the Hotel and will meet you as soon as you come down off the mountain.

Overnight; **Naura Springs Hotel or Similar on (B)**

Kilimanjaro Trekking

Day Two; Rongai Camp- *Altitude: 6,396' to 8,530'; Hiking time: 3 hours.* Register at the Marangu park gate and transfer by four wheel car (approximately two and a half hours) to the Rongai trailhead. Meet your climbing staff and begin hiking from the village of Nale Moru.



The small winding path crosses maize fields before entering pine forest, and then climbs gently through a forest sheltering a variety of wildlife, including the Kilimanjaro Colobus monkey. Our campsite is on the edge of the moorland zone with expansive views of the Kenyan plains.

Day Three; Kikelewa Caves- *Kikelewa Caves Altitude: 8,530' to 11,320'; Hiking time: 6-7 hours.* Challenging ascent to the "Second Cave" where you will relax and take lunch with superb views of Kibo and the ice fields on the crater rim. After lunch proceed towards the jagged peaks of Mawenzi, where we camp in a sheltered valley near Kikelewa Caves.

Day Four; Mawenzi Tarn- *Altitude: 11,320' to 14,210'; Hiking time: 3-4 hours.* A short but steep climb up grassy slopes offers superb views of this wilderness area. The vegetation zone ends shortly before we reach our next camp at Mawenzi Tarn spectacularly situated beneath the towering spires of Mawenzi. Spend the afternoon acclimatizing and exploring the area.

Day Five; Kibo Campsite- *Altitude: 14,210' to 15,580'; Hiking time: 4-5 hours.* We cross the saddle between Mawenzi and Kibo to reach Kibo Campsite. The remainder of the day is spent resting in preparation for the final ascent.

Day Six; Final Ascent- Hombo Camp- *Altitude: 15,580' to 18,650' (Gillman's Point) to 19,340' (summit) then down to 12,200'; Hiking time: 12-16 hours.* Begin the final, steepest and most difficult part of the ascent at 1:00am. Hike slowly on a switchback trail through loose volcanic scree to reach the crater rim at Gillman's Point. Rest for a short time to enjoy the spectacular sunrise over Mawenzi. For those who feel strong enough, continue (3 hrs roundtrip) to Uhuru Peak passing close to spectacular glaciers and ice cliffs in the summit area. Descend to Kibo for lunch and a rest then continue down the Marangu route to our Horombo Camp.

Day Seven; Descent to Marangu- *Altitude: 12,200' to 6,250'; Hiking time: 5-6 hours.* Descend steadily through the moorland, past Mandara Hut and through a lush rain forest to the Marangu park gate where you will be transferred to Arusha. Overnight; **Naura Springs Hotel or Similar on (B)**

Day Eight; Tarangire- Depart after your morning breakfast with your private 4 x 4 land cruiser and your safari guide. Game viewing in Tarangire National Park. Nestled in a remote pocket of Tarangire National Park. The stands of ancient baobab trees, large family herds of elephants, prolific bird life and dry season concentrations of wildlife make Tarangire the classic Africa of lore. **Tarangire Safari Lodge** is built on top of a high bluff with a breathtaking panorama, our lodge is superbly located in Tarangire National Park, providing one of the best views in Africa.

Overnight; **Tarangire Safari Lodge. Or Similar on (B, L, D)**

Day Nine; Ngorongoro- Private guide and game viewing Land Cruiser 4x4. Game viewing in Ngorongoro conservation area with your skilled guide. **Ngorongoro Wildlife Lodge** is perched on the edge of the world-famous Ngorongoro Crater at the eastern edge of the Serengeti in northern Tanzania. It lies within the Ngorongoro Conservation Area, which covers more than 8 000 square kilometres (3 100 square miles) of pristine African wilderness. Descend to the caldera of the Crater. All day of game viewing with our skilled safari guides.

Overnight; **Ngorongoro Wildlife Lodge or Similar on (B, L, D)**

Day Ten; Serengeti- Private guide and game viewing Land Cruiser 4x4. Includes a stop at the famous Olduvai Gorge where the hominid "Lucy" and other significant archaeological discoveries have been made. Game viewing in Serengeti National Park. Perfectly sited nestled in the acacia woodland in the edge of escarpment overlooking the plains of the south western Serengeti National Park. One of the most famous National Parks which hosts the wildebeest migration which occurs seasonally. Overnight; **Seronera Wildlife Lodge or Similar on (B, L, D)**

Day Eleven; Serengeti- Private guide and game viewing Land Cruiser 4x4. Game viewing in Serengeti National Park. Optional balloon safari early in the morning, you will have an aerial view of Serengeti National park at USD. 479 Per person. Game viewing in Serengeti National Park. Overnight; **Seronera Wildlife Lodge or Similar on (B, L, D)**

Day Twelve; Arusha- Transfer back to Arusha by our safari land cruiser otherwise, optional regional flight can be arranged from Seronera Airstrip 1105 HRS to arrive Arusha at 1210 HRS at an additional cost of USD. 250 Per person inclusive of all applicable taxes.

QUOTE; USD. 2, 700 Per person sharing based on a minimum of seven pax.

Quotes Includes;

Accommodation on Full board basis
Free airport transfers as per the itineraries
Safari in our 4 X 4 Land cruisers
Enjoy the services of our local English speaking driver/guide
All the park entrance fees during your safari
Game drives
Camping gears
Porters

Excludes;

Tips and any items of personal nature