Tanzania Safari - Maasai Adventure

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WILDLIFE	GUIDED GROUP	LEISURELY 1



HIGHLIGHTS

- See herds of elephants, zebra and wildebeest in Tanzania's finest park - the Serengeti
- Search for rhino, lion, leopard, buffalo and elephant in the Ngorongoro Crater
- Visit Lake Natron for walks with Maasai guides, and meet the tribal Hadzabe people
- Stay in classic safari tents with proper beds and en suite facilities

AT A GLANCE

- Safari games drives and 2 half-day walks
- Join at Kilimanjaro International Airport

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

VIEW DATES, PRICES & BOOK YOUR HOLIDAY HERE

Introduction

This Tanzania wildlife safari has an added extra: our visit to the hauntingly beautiful Lake Natron. This multi coloured, alkaline lake lures the flamingo during breeding season and is a sight to behold. Away from the normal safari circuit, the local Maasai guides take us on walks here in the shadow of the marvellous volcano of Ol Doinyo Lengai. Our circular route then takes us into the Serengeti along the lesser used road from Lake Natron. The massive plains of the Serengeti are world famous for their wildlife; including all the classics such as the giraffe, zebra, antelope and hippo, but also the wildebeest migration and the big cats that follow it. After a couple of days here we travel to the Ngorongoro Crater, which is the best place to spot the Big 5; rhino, elephant, buffalo, leopard and lion. It's a special atmosphere here in this huge crater. A second detour from the beaten track is our outing to Lake Eyasi where we meet the last hunter-gatherer tribe in Tanzania, the Hadzabe. We follow their simple lives, making an arrow, cooking and maybe some archery practice. This safari holiday is right for those who wish to have a taster of the splendid African wildlife with some additional cultural elements and walks by the lesser known Lake Natron. It is a special part of the world.

Is this holiday for you?

Fabulous days are spent in the game vehicles (land cruisers) either driving or quietly wildlife watching. The vehicles have 6 seats for clients, and these are all window seats. There will be a guide/driver for each vehicle. Much of the driving is done slowly on dirt roads and tracks. It can get dusty. The accommodation varies from hotels, lodges, permanent tented camps to mobile camps (all with proper beds and toilets!). All are en suite and although some can be simple, all are very well presented in local African styles. We have a morning and afternoon walk when at Lake Natron, each taking 2-3 hrs. Binoculars and patience to watch and appreciate the magnificent, beautiful and graceful African wildlife is essential!

Itinerary

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Extensions

When booking your holiday, you will be able to 'add an extension option'. Once we have received your booking we will contact you to discuss additional services required for the extension and to take any additional deposit.



Zanzibar Extension (3 nights)

The lure of Zanzibar -The Spice Island, is legendary, with its exotic towns, palm-fringed beaches and pristine coral reefs it is the perfect place to relax after either climbing Kilimanjaro and being on safari. We are based at The Mwenzi Boutique Resort, The Ocean Paradise Resort, or similar (depending on availability) - all have access to the pristine white beaches. Zanzibar is bliss, and the perfect place to stop and relax for a few days after your time in Tanzania.

4 days from
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Holiday Information

What's Included

- A professional and qualified safari guide
- Airport transfers to/from the group hotel on arrival and departure
- All accommodation as described
- All meals
- All land transport required by the itinerary
- National Park entrance fees

What's not Included

- Travel insurance
- Mandatory additional travel insurance required for Tanzania - https://inbound.nicinsurance.co.tz/ (Note: This is in addition to your own travel insurance)
- Visas
- Tips
- Miscellaneous personal expenditure - drinks and souvenirs etc

Joining Arrangements & Transfers

Return airport transfers from/to Kilimanjaro International Airport to/from the group hotel are provided for all passengers.

If you have additional nights which are not booked at the group hotel then we can provide private airport transfers at an additional cost.

Hotel contact details and an emergency number will be provided with your booking confirmation.

Meal Plan

All meals included from dinner on Day 1 to breakfast on Day 8.

Special Diets

Whilst we can cater for vegetarians, albeit sometimes with a more limited choice, we cannot always provide for special diets. Due to the nature of some of the trips that we operate and the countries in which we operate them, it can be very hard (and sometimes impossible) to cater for a wide range of dietary choices and you may have to supplement your meals with food/snacks from home. If you have specific dietary requirements please do speak to our sales team and they will be able to advise you whether or not we will be able to offer your specific choice. Please note that we are unable to provide separate menus and cannot accept liability for any problems arising from special dietary requirements or intolerances.

Food & Water

It is not recommended to drink untreated water from the taps. You should take purification tablets or a filter bottle (such as a Water-To-Go bottle) to treat your water. We do not encourage the purchasing of single use plastic bottles.

You will be fed well during this holiday. Breakfasts will include fresh fruits, cereals, and usually some form of cooked eggs or bacon. Picnic lunches will contain fruit, a sandwich or boxed salad and usually a drink. These are provided by our accommodation. Dinners are a hearty three course meal with a variety of vegetables, rice, pasta, potatoes, meats and vegetation options. We might try some traditional Tanzanian dishes and spices, but the majority of the food will be familiar to the traveller!

Accommodation

During this holiday we stay in simple, clean hotels, lodges, permanent tented lodges and tented camps. They have an African style to them with colourful traditional blankets, ornaments and smiling friendly staff. All accommodation has en suite facilities and 'proper' beds - there is no camping. Below is an indication of the places we stay, however please do aware that these are subject to change.

When in Arusha we stay at Moyoni Airport Lodge. This new lodge is perfectly situated near the international airport and with great views of Kilimanjaro. At Lake Natron we have 2 nights at the Natron River Camp. These are the classic African permanent tented camps, with safari tents with proper beds and en suite facilities. There is a restaurant, bar and a small dip pool with splendid views of Ol Doinyo Lengai. In the Serengeti we stay in a mobile safari camp. Again these classic safari tents have proper beds, and a toilet and a shower. The large main tent has a small bar, a dining table, proper chairs and sofas - it's very pleasant! In Ndutu we stay at Ndutu lodge, which has individual thatched stone cottages. Most evenings they have a campfire to sit around outside. Bliss under the African skies. In Karatu we stay for 2 nights at the Ngorongoro Forest Tented Lodge, which again are classic safari tents on platforms with en suite inside and outside showers. It's a very beautiful place with great views of the green forest.

All accommodation has mosquito nets provided.

If you are travelling by yourself, you will be paired up with another single client of the same sex. Single rooms are available for a supplementary cost. If you are planning on extending your holiday additional nights at the group hotel are available on request.

Group Leader & Support Staff

Group leaders are the key to any successful safari. On this safari, you will travel with a qualified and experienced field guide. In the vehicle there are also books on fauna, and one set of binoculars.

Altitude

This holiday does not involve any significant ascent to altitude and we would not expect any altitude issues with this trip.

Spending Money

We estimate that a total of around £200 per person (or equivalent in euros/dollars) should be allowed for personal spending. This amount should be sufficient to cover miscellaneous expenses, including tips to local staff. If you are intending to buy expensive souvenirs, considerable quantities of soft drinks / beer you should budget accordingly (credit cards can be useful in this respect). You can choose to take your money in pounds sterling, dollars or euros. There will be the opportunity to change money into local currency on arrival at the airport on arrival, and we advise you to use the facilities here. Credit cards are useful and it is a good idea to carry one in case of emergency, however be aware that not all lodges/ hotels accept cards.

Guidance on Tipping

Your tour leader also works extremely hard to ensure that your holiday runs smoothly and that you are happy. We suggest you tip the guide $20 per day from all the people in one vehicle (max 6 clients). As in all cases with tipping, the final decision of the amount tipped is up to the individual. It is up to you to decide if you thought the service was poor, or exceptional, and the amount tipped should reflect that.

Beat the Jet Lag

Our holidays are normally designed with minimal 'down time' at the start of the trip, but having a day or two at the beginning will have the additional benefit of allowing you time to get over the stress of a long journey or travelling across time zones, leaving you refreshed and ready for your holiday. We can easily arrange for you to have additional nights and airport transfers.

Baggage Allowance

For this holiday you should take one piece of luggage and a daypack. Please keep the weight of your main luggage to 15kg. You should bring a soft bag, as these are more suitable to pack in the vehicle. It is possible to leave clothes or other items not required on safari at the group hotel. For international flights please check your baggage allowance with your airline.

Please be aware that plastic/polythene bags are illegal in Tanzania. The law says that they are not allowed to be manufactured, imported, used or sold in Tanzania (since Jun 2019).

Group Size & Holiday Status

For each holiday there is a minimum number of participants required to enable it to go ahead. Once the minimum number is reached, the trip status will change from 'Available' to 'Guaranteed to run'. You can check the trip status for each departure in the ‘Dates and Prices’ table. Other than in exceptional circumstances, we will not cancel a trip once it has achieved this guaranteed to run status so you are free to proceed with your international flight booking and other travel arrangements.

General Information

Passport & Visas

The information that we provide is for UK passport holders.

A passport with 6 months remaining validity at the end of your stay is generally required**,** and you should have at least 2 blank pages for each country that you visit.

For other nationalities, please refer to your own Government website for the latest information.

It is your responsibility to ensure that you have the correct travel documents including vaccinations and health certificates *(see Health & Vaccinations below),* **and visas for your holiday.** Please ensure that you check the FCDO for the latest advice for **each country visited** before travel.

Visa Tanzania

UK passport holders do require a visa. The visa fee is $50 (single entry) and is obtainable on arrival or prior to departure online at https://eservices.immigration.go.tz/visa/. The online application requires a scanned passport photo, a scanned copy of your passport bio page and evidence of your return flight details.

If you are arriving into Kilimanjaro Airport, Dar es Salaam or into Tanzania via the Namanga border crossing, we advise you to get a visa prior to arrival as there can be long queues for visas services at customs.

For visas on arrival you require 2 passport photos for the visa, however we recommend you travel with 4 passport photos just in case. Payment must be in cash when getting your visa on arrival.

USA passport holders do require a visa. The visa fee is $100. It is advised to obtain this prior to departure, full and up to date information can be found online https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/International-Travel-Country-Information-Pages/Tanzania.html

We (KE) require copy of the information page of your passport in order to make the arrangements in Tanzania. A colour scan must be emailed or posted to us at the earliest opportunity.

If you are travelling to Zanzibar you will also need to purchase specific insurance (as well as your standard travel insurance), through the Visit Zanzibar website - Visit Zanzibar

Travelling With Under 18s

If the children (under 18yrs) with whom you are travelling have a different surname to yours, you should consider taking with you the child's full birth certificate. It is not a requirement, but some border personnel in Tanzania as well as the UK, may request to see it when travelling to/from Africa.

If you are travelling via Kenya to your destination you may also require a visa for Kenya. If you have connecting flights and your baggage has been checked all the way through to your destination you will not need a Kenyan visa.

Health & Vaccinations

Vaccinations:

You should be up to date with the routine vaccinations recommended in the UK for overseas travel.

You must also contact your doctor or travel clinic to check if there are specific vaccinations or other preventive measures that you need for the area you are visiting, in good time before you are due to depart.

Please ensure you are looking at the recommendations for all countries visited on your holiday plus recommendations for any borders you cross.

On holidays to more remote areas you should also have a dental check-up.

It is your responsibility to ensure that you have the correct travel documents including vaccinations and health certificates.

Please check the FCDO and Travel Health Pro. For all of your intended destinations for up-to-date advice.

Severe Allergies:

If you have a severe allergy please inform the KE office before you travel. We will do all we can to help, but we cannot guarantee an allergy free environment on KE trips.

Currency

The unit of currency in Tanzania is the Tanzanian Shilling.

Climate

There are essentially 2 main seasons. The dry season from May to October and rainy from November to April. However there is less rain at the end of December and January. It is slightly hotter during the rainy season, but generally temperatures are in the high 20 degrees C. When it rains here it does so in sudden enormous downpours, it is very localised and is over quickly (Unlike a consistent drizzly day in the UK). The end of the rainy season is otherwise known as the 'green season'. The majority of wildlife give birth between February and March. The wildebeest migration will normally go through the Serengeti from November to June. It is a vast area and the exact location where the herds are depends on the rains and therefore cannot be accurately predicted from year to year.

Travel Aware

As a reputable tour operator, KE supports the British Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office's **'Travel Aware'** campaign to enable British citizens to prepare for their journeys overseas. The 'Travel Aware' website provides a single, authoritative source of advice for all kinds of travellers and we recommend that before travel, all KE clients visit the official UK Government website at travelaware.campaign.gov.uk and read the FCDO Travel Advice for their chosen destination. All other nationalities should check their government websites for relevant information.

KE treat the safety and security of all clients as the most important aspect of any trip we organise. We would not run any trip that we did not consider reasonably safe. Should the FCDO advise against travel for any reason, we will contact everyone booked to travel to discuss the situation. We receive regular updates directly from the FCDO and are in constant touch with our contacts on the ground. If you have any questions about government travel advice, please call our office.

Single Use Plastic

KE do not encourage the use of single use plastic items. We are ensuring that our agents all over the world are working together to reduce the problem and educate those around them. We are leading by example in our KE office by reducing our plastic use.

Private Groups Information

Make this KE Adventure holiday your own!

- Do our normal group departure dates not fit?
- Would you prefer to travel with just friends and/or family?
- Are you looking to organise a trip for your local walking, biking or mountaineering club?

It's really easy to make a trip your own. Simply select from our full range of adventure holidays and choose the dates that work for you and your group.

We are experts in creating holidays for groups of friends, families, charities and clubs. Our personal service means you'll be fully involved as we make the arrangements for your perfect adventure holiday.

Independence with Security

Travelling as a KE Private Group allows you more flexibility and choice, but still with the peace of mind that everything is pre-planned and arranged for your group by a reputable adventure travel company.

To take your first step to an amazing adventure with your friends and family complete the private group enquiry form, or call our **Sales Experts on: 017687 73966**

Travel Insurance

It is an essential condition of joining a holiday with KE Adventure Travel that you have a valid travel insurance policy to cover the cost of medical treatment and to protect the value of your holiday in the event of cancellation. When taking out insurance please ensure the policy you choose covers you for the activities and altitude included in your itinerary.

For appropriate insurance cover we recommend Campbell Irvine Direct. Please go to our Travel Insurance page for further information and to get a quote.

Equipment Information

Equipment List

Please try to keep the weight of your baggage to a minimum. See the 'baggage allowance' section for further details.

You should bring the following items:

- Lightweight walking boots/shoes or sturdy trainers
- Sandals
- Socks & Underwear
- Lightweight trousers / Shorts / Skirts
- T-shirts, tops and/or casual shirts
- Lightweight waterproof jacket & trousers
- Fleece jacket or warm jumper
- Sunhat
- Sunglasses
- Daypack 20-25 litres
- Headtorch and spare batteries
- Sun protection (including total bloc for lips, nose etc.)
- Water bottles - minimum 2 litres(we encourage re-filling water bottles rather than single use plastic)
- Water purification tablets
- Washbag and toiletries (biodegradable soap is preferred)
- Antibacterial handwash
- Insect repellent
- Basic First Aid Kit including: antiseptic cream, throat lozenges, diarrhoea treatment (Imodium), painkillers, plasters and blister treatment and re-hydration salts (Dioralite).

The following items are optional:

- Swimwear
- Pen-knife (remember to pack sharp objects in hold baggage)
- Camera
- Binoculars (highly recommended)
- Reusable cloth bag for shopping (to avoid plastic bags)

Notes:

Bright bold colours and white are not suitable for game viewing or bush wear as they attract insects and the attention of animals. Please do not bring camouflage or military style clothes as they can cause problems with local authorities.

Please dress appropriately for village and market visits - ie: no bare feet, no bare chests, no bikinis.

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Land Only Information

Please refer to the 'Joining Arrangements & Transfers' within Holiday Information for further details.

Flights and other transport to your destination should not be booked until you have received your booking confirmation and the departure is showing 'Guaranteed to Run' or 'Limited'.

Land Only Information

The LAND ONLY dates and prices are for the itinerary joining in Arusha, Tanzania. For clients making their own flight arrangements, Kilimanjaro International Airport is the most convenient for transfers to the group hotel.

Flight Inclusive Information

Limited seats are available at the advertised flight price, please book as early as you can. If we are unable to secure seats at the price shown, or you have requested regional departures and/or upgrades, we will provide you with an alternative quote. It is likely that flight payment will be in advance of your final holiday balance. Booking a flight inclusive package means you will benefit from full financial protection, eases your holiday planning, and leaves us to deal with airlines and schedule changes. If you book flights through KE Adventure Travel we will offset the carbon of your flight.

Regional departures and/or alternative carriers are available on request.

Flight Inclusive Information

The FLIGHT INCLUSIVE dates and prices are based on UK flights from London to Kilimanjaro International airport. Outbound flights depart the UK in the afternoon, arriving the morning (day 1 of the land only itinerary). Return flights will depart Kilimanjaro International airport in the evening of the last day of the itinerary, arriving in the UK on morning of the following day.

Why Choose KE

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Very few operators in the UK do a classic safari which includes Lake Natron and the tribal people on Lake Eyasi. These elements make this trip a real gem.

Please Note This document was downloaded on 12/11/2026 and the trip is subject to change