

5-Day Tanzania Safari: Tarangire, Serengeti & Ngorongoro Crater (Mid-Range)

Overview:

Set off on an unforgettable 5-day safari adventure through three of Tanzania's most celebrated national parks—Tarangire, Serengeti, and the world-famous Ngorongoro Crater. This well-balanced itinerary offers a rich blend of scenic beauty and exceptional wildlife encounters. Witness massive elephant herds and ancient baobab trees in Tarangire, explore the endless plains of Serengeti teeming with predators and plains game, and descend into the Ngorongoro Crater, a natural wonder and sanctuary for the Big Five. With comfortable mid-range accommodations, professional guides, and immersive game drives, this safari delivers an authentic and memorable taste of Tanzania's wild heart.

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SKELETON ITINERARY:

Date	Destination	Activities	Accommodation	Meal Plan
	Arusha	Arrival & Transfer to The Hotel	Arusha Planet Lodge	HB
	Arusha - Tarangire	Game Drive	Marera Valley Lodge	FB
	Serengeti National Park	Full Day Game Drive	Land of Nature Camp	FB
	Serengeti - Ngorongoro Highlands	Crater Tour	Ang'ata Ngorongoro Camp	FB
	Ngorongoro Crater - JRO/ARK	Departure	-	HB

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DAY TO DAY SECTION:

Day 1:

Location: **Arusha**

Program of the day:

Arrive at Kilimanjaro International Airport (JRO) or Arusha Airport (ARK), where your friendly safari guide will meet and transfer you to your comfortable mid-range lodge in Arusha. Enjoy the scenic drive through local villages and rolling green hills as you settle into the rhythm of Tanzania. After check-in, take some time to relax, freshen up, or explore the lodge surroundings. In the evening, enjoy a hearty dinner and a briefing from your guide about the exciting days ahead. Get a good night's rest—your safari adventure begins tomorrow!

Main Destination	Arusha
Activities	Arrival, Scenic Transfer, Check-in to the hotel & safari briefing
Accommodation	<u>Arusha Planet Lodge.</u> (1 Double/Twin Room)
Meal Plan	Bed & Breakfast, Lunch or Dinner

Day 2:

Location: Arusha - Tarangire National Park. (Elephants & Baobabs)

Program of the day:

After breakfast, meet your guide and set off on a scenic drive to Tarangire National Park—famous for its ancient baobab trees and large elephant herds. The journey takes about two hours and offers a glimpse into rural Tanzanian life along the way.

Upon arrival, enjoy a full-day game drive through the park's diverse landscapes. Keep your eyes open for lions, zebras, giraffes, and an impressive variety of birdlife. A picnic lunch will be served inside the park, giving you a moment to relax amid nature.

Later in the afternoon, drive to your lodge in Karatu, where you'll check in, freshen up, and enjoy dinner. Rest well and get ready for the legendary Serengeti tomorrow!

Main Destination	Tarangire National Park
Distance / Time	Arusha - Tarangire (Approx. 2-2.5 hours)
Activities	Scenic Transfer & Game Drive
Accommodation	<i>Marera Valley Lodge</i> (1 Double/Twin Room)
Meal Plan	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner & Water



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Day 3:

Location: Karatu - Serengeti National Park

Program of the day:

After an early breakfast, begin your journey to the legendary Serengeti National Park. The drive takes you through the scenic Ngorongoro Conservation Area, where you'll pass lush highlands and dramatic viewpoints worth a photo stop or two.

As you reach the Serengeti gates, the landscape opens up into endless plains filled with wildlife. This is the heart of Tanzania's safari experience—home to the Big Five, and if you're lucky, the seasonal Great Migration.

Enjoy a full-day game drive with a packed lunch in the park. From lions resting under acacia trees to herds of wildebeest and zebra crossing the grasslands, the Serengeti never disappoints.

In the late afternoon, arrive at your mid-range lodge or tented camp inside the park. Settle in, have dinner, and fall asleep to the distant sounds of the wild.

Main Destination	Serengeti National Park.
Distance / Time	Karatu - Serengeti (Approx. 4-5 hrs.)
Activities	Game Drive
Accommodation	<u>Land of Nature Camp</u> (1 Double/Twin Room)
Meal Plan	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner, Water & Soft Drinks



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Day 4:

Location: Serengeti – Ngorongoro Highlands. (From Plains to Peaks)

Program of the day:

Start your day with an early morning game drive across the golden plains of the Serengeti. As the sun rises, the park comes alive with activity—lions may be on the move, elephants feeding in small herds, and perhaps a cheetah scanning the horizon for prey. This is one of the best times to observe wildlife in action.

After an unforgettable morning, enjoy a picnic lunch surrounded by the natural beauty of the Serengeti. It's the perfect moment to relax and take in the sights and sounds of the bush one last time before heading out.

In the afternoon, begin your journey toward the Ngorongoro Highlands. Watch as the scenery shifts dramatically—from wide open plains to green, misty hills and forested slopes. This change in environment is not only scenic but also refreshing after a few days on the savannah.

Arrive at your cozy lodge nestled in the highlands by late afternoon. With cooler air and sweeping views, it's an ideal spot

to unwind. Enjoy a hearty dinner and a quiet evening reflecting on your time in the Serengeti.

Overnight in the Ngorongoro area, ready for tomorrow's descent into the world-famous crater.

Main Destination	Ngorongoro Highlands
Distance / Time	Serengeti to Ngorongoro Highlands (Approx. 3-3.5 hrs.)
Activities	Game Drive & Scenic transfer
Accommodation	<u>Ang'ata Ngorongoro Camp</u> (1 Double/Twin Room)
Meal Plan	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner, Water & Soft Drinks

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Day 5:

Location: Ngorongoro Crater & Departure.

Program of the day:

Wake up to the crisp highland air and enjoy a warm breakfast with panoramic views of the Ngorongoro Highlands. Afterward, descend into the world-famous Ngorongoro Crater—often called Africa's Eden. This massive volcanic caldera is home to some of the highest concentrations of wildlife in Africa, including the legendary Big Five: lion, elephant, rhino, buffalo, and leopard.

Spend the morning on an exciting game drive across the Crater floor, where grassy plains, acacia forests, and soda lakes provide habitat for an incredible array of animals and birdlife. Keep your camera ready—you never know what you might encounter just around the corner.

Stop for a relaxed picnic lunch at a scenic spot within the Crater, soaking in the peaceful atmosphere and reflecting on the incredible sights of the morning.

In the afternoon, ascend the Crater rim and begin your drive back to Arusha or to Kilimanjaro International Airport, depending on your onward travel plans. As your journey comes to a close, carry

with you unforgettable memories of Tanzania's breathtaking landscapes and wildlife.

Optional: We can also arrange an additional night's accommodation upon request for guests who prefer to rest before departure.

Main Destination	Ngorongoro Crater.
Distance / Time	Ngorongoro Crater - Kilimanjaro International Airport (Approx. 3.5 hrs.) Ngorongoro Crater - Arusha Airport (Approx. 3 hrs.)
Activities	Crater Tour & Departure
Accommodation	N/A (Departure)
Meal Plan	Breakfast, Lunch, Water & Soft Drinks

End of Tour

OFFERED PRICE.

No. of Pax Per Group	1	2	3	4	5	6
Cost of Safari Per Person (PP)	\$ 2,800	\$ 1,980	\$ 1,850	\$ 1,768	\$ 1,680	\$ 1,630

INCLUSIONS:

- Transfers to and from Kilimanjaro Airport (JRO) and Arusha
- All Park entrance fees
- All game drives and activities as per the itinerary
- All accommodations as stated in the itinerary
- A professional driver/guide throughout the safari
- All transportation in a 4x4 safari vehicle with a pop-up roof for optimal viewing
- Drinking water throughout the day on safari
- All taxes/VAT
- Meals (Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner as outlined in the itinerary)

EXCLUSIONS:

- International Airfares (flights to and from Tanzania).
- Premium drinks (alcoholic and soft drinks outside of meals)
- Entry Visas.
- Personal items (souvenirs, laundry, etc.)
- Additional accommodation before and after the safari.
- Government-imposed increase of taxes or park fees during the tour.
- ❖ **Tips** for guides, drivers, and other service staff (gratuities are optional but appreciated):
 - **Safari Guide:** \$15-\$20 per day, per person
 - **Hotel Staff/Other Service Personnel:** \$2-\$5 per person, per day (based on service received)
- Services not mentioned in the itinerary (e.g., optional activities or excursions)
- Travel insurance and medical repatriation

Comments

- Our itineraries are designed to be flexible and can be modified to suit your preferences.
- Accommodation and domestic flights are subject to availability at the time of reservation.
- All prices quoted are current but may change due to external cost adjustments, such as increases in park entry fees or hotel/airline rates. Therefore, we reserve the right to re-quote if confirmation is not received within 10 working days from the date of quotation

TRAVELER'S IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Visa Information

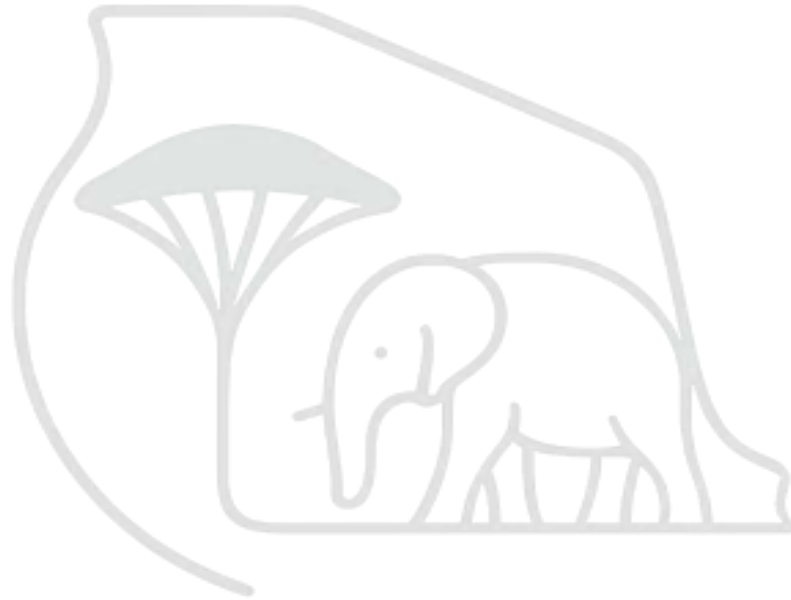
Starting November 30, 2024, Tanzania visas will no longer be available at entry points (borders and ports). All visa applications must be completed **online** through the official Tanzania Immigration website.

- **Cost:** \$50 per person for non-American citizens; \$100 per person for American citizens.
- **Validity:** The visa allows for a stay of up to 3 months in Tanzania Mainland and Zanzibar.

- **How to Apply:** The online process allows visitors to apply, pay, and receive their visas remotely. For more details and to apply, please visit [Tanzania Immigration website.](#)

Travel Requirements

- **Identification:** Passports should be kept in carry-on luggage as they may be required when boarding all flights, including domestic and charter flights.
- **Yellow Fever Certificate:** Travelers arriving from countries affected by Yellow Fever must carry a valid vaccination certificate.
- **Plastic Bag Ban:** As of June 1, 2019, Tanzania has banned the import and use of plastic carrier bags. Exceptions include plastic packaging for medical, industrial, agricultural, food, sanitary, and waste management purposes. Small "Ziploc" bags used for toiletries are permitted if kept for personal use.
- **Luggage Restrictions:** For safari, please bring only soft-sided bags. Domestic flights have a check-in baggage allowance of 20 kg.
- **Currency:** When carrying US dollars, ensure bills are dated 2006 or later, as earlier bills may not be accepted in East Africa.



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