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AUDIENCE

18-30-somethings Group size: 6-24

SUMMARY

An itinerary packed with wildlife, including the famous great migration in Serengeti. Enjoy Tanzania's most renowned parks at a local rate. End the journey with a relaxing day of swimming in the hot springs and breakfast with a view on Kilimanjaro.

Day	Summary	Overnight	Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner
1	Arrival Arusha	Arusha			✓
2	Tarangire	Mto wa Mbu	\checkmark	✓	✓
3	Serengeti	Serengeti	\checkmark	✓	\checkmark
4	Serengeti	Serengeti	\checkmark	✓	✓
5	Serengeti	Ngorongoro	\checkmark	\checkmark	✓
6	Ngorongoro	Arusha	✓	✓	✓
7	Hot Springs	Moshi	\checkmark	\checkmark	✓
8	Drop off at a location in Arusha or Moshi	Arusha/Moshi	\checkmark		

HIGHLIGHTS

- Great migration and big cats of Serengeti
- Majestic elephant herds and beaming baobab landscape in Tarangire National Park
- Ngorongoro Conservation area with its magnificent views, UNESCO World Heritage Site
- Hot springs with views of Kilimanjaro

PRICES

	Camping	Tented Lodge
Base Price	\$1,120	\$1,600
Tarangire National Park	\$180	\$300
Full Trip	\$1,300	\$1,900

Day 1: Airport Pick-up & overnight

We will pick you up at either Kilimanjaro airport or Arusha airport upon arrival. Our driver will await you with a sign with your name. We will bring you to a hostel in Arusha (hostel depending on size of the group). Someone will be at your disposal at all times should you need anything. Meet & greet during dinner in the dining hall, with a briefing of the upcoming days.

- From Kilimanjaro airport to Arusha is about 1 hour to 1 hour and 20 minutes depending on traffic
- Drinking water is provided upon pick-up at the airport
- Should flights be cheaper on some days before the trip start date, feel free to let us know and we'll make sure to accommodate and entertain you.

Day 2: Arusha - Tarangire National Park

We will pick you up at the hostel in Arusha at 8.30 in the morning. We will drive to Tarangire National Park for game drives. We will reach the Tarangire Park gate at around 11am, after a 2.5 hour drive. Tarangire National Park owes his name to the Tarangire river that crosses the park. This river draws animals to the park during the dry season. This park is famous for its herds of elephants and magnificent baobab trees. Here you'll find elephants, giraffes, hippos, buffaloes, zebras, wildebeest, lions, hyenas and more. We will spend about 6 hours in the park, including a picnic lunch at a location within the park. We will exit the park around 5pm and drive for about 1 hour to Fanaka Campsite (Camping) or Fanaka Lodge (Tented Lodge) for dinner and overnight. We'll pass through Maasai lands on the way to the campsite.

IMPORTANT NOTE: The safari is optional. You can stay in Arusha as well, go and explore town on your own or go on a hike to the waterfalls with us (\$30). If you do not go on safari this day, you will join the group later in the evening and sleep in Karatu at Fanaka campsite with the rest of the group.

- Expert Advice: Avoid wearing dark colors to Tarangire National Park. Insects are plentiful here, and they are drawn too dark colors such as black and dark blue.
- Highlight: Majestic elephant herds and beaming baobab landscape in Tarangire National Park

Day 3: Serengeti National Park

After breakfast at around 9am we will start our drive to Serengeti National Park, passing through Ngorongoro Highlands. The drive to the Serengeti gate is about 3 hours, yet worry not: You will be able to spot wildlife on the drive there already (as of about 1.5 hour in), and the drive is scenic. We will enter the park around 12am. The Serengeti's endless plains provide an exceptional landscape for wildlife viewing. With its 30.000 km² (12.000 sq mi) of breathtaking plains, the Serengeti is one of the Seven Natural Wonders of Africa and one of the ten Natural Travel Wonders of the World. The word "Serengeti" means "Endless Plains" in Maasai language. Due to its diverse habitats, the Serengeti is home to a broad variety of wildlife. Besides the great migration of wildebeest and a large population of lions, you can also spot zebras, warthogs, leopards, giraffes, gazelles, buffalos, impalas, hyenas, cheetahs, elephants, hippos & much more. We will spend about 6 hours doing game drives in the park, including a picnic lunch at a picnic site. Around 5pm we will head to the Seronera area for dinner and overnight at Seronera campsite or tented lodge.

Highlight: Serengeti's endless plains in all its wild glory

Day 4: Serengeti (including great migration)

Today you will do a full day of game drives within the park. We will spend about 8 hours doing game drives, including a picnic lunch within the park. We would recommend to start early in the morning, around 7-8am, yet are flexible depending on the client's needs. We will try to spot the great migration. Dinner & overnight at Lobo campsite/tented lodge or Seronera campsite/tented lodge, dependent on the season and the whereabouts of the wildebeest migration.

Highlight: The great migration and Serengeti's endless plains in all its wild glory

Day 5: Serengeti National Park – Ngorongoro Conservation Area

We will start our day bright and early at 6am, with game drives in the morning and en route along the way as we exit Serengeti drive to Ngorongoro. Game drives will last 6 hours, including a picnic lunch.

Dinner & overnight at simba campsite or tented lodge on Ngorongoro crater rim, with the most breathtaking views on the crater.

- Expert advice: bring warm clothes for this day, as the crater rim is elevated and it can get chilly!
- Highlight: Serengeti's endless plains in all its wild glory

Day 6: Ngorongoro Crater

After an early breakfast we will descend into the crater for the game drives around 7am. We will spend about 6 hours in the crater doing game drives, including a picnic lunch at the hippo pool picnic site at the crater floor. The Ngorongoro Conservation Area is a UNESCO world heritage site and one of the Seven Natural Wonder of Africa. The crater encloses an area of more than 8000 km² (3200 sq mi), with spectacular views as a result. The crater is home to lions, buffaloes, hippos, flamingos, wildebeest, zebras, gazelles, leopards, rhinos, hyenas, elephants and many more. In the afternoon, around 1pm, we will ascend the crater and drive to Arusha, back to the hostel.

Highlight: Ngorongoro Conservation area with its magnificent views, UNESCO World Heritage Site

Day 7: Hot Springs

Today we'll say goodbye to Arusha and drive to the Hot springs near Moshi. This natural warm water swimming pool is located about an hour and a half from Arusha. Don't worry though, during the second half of the drive you'll enjoy magnificent scenery as we drive through deserted lands, with a view of mount Kilimanjaro on a clear day; passing my numerous baobab trees. The water is very clear, there is a rope to swing from; and if you feel something tickling while you swim near the rocks, those are the little fish eating the dead skin from your feet. You can rent floaties on the premises. You can also enjoy a drink, lunch (included) and fresh fruit. When we're tired of swimming we'll drive to Kindoroko Hotel in Moshi.

• Highlight: natural oasis in the middle of nowhere

Day 8: Drop off & Goodbyes



After having breakfast in the rooftop restaurant of the hotel, and hopefully with magnificent views of Kilimanjaro, we will drop you off at any location on the island, whether you are going back to the airport, or continuing your journey without us.

IMPORTANT INFO

INCLUDED IN THE PRICE

- Accommodation and meals as indicated on the itinerary
- Airport pick up
- Government taxes
- Hot springs in Moshi
- 4-day safari with optional 5th day
- Service of guide that is with you during the whole trip

NOT INCLUDED IN THE PRICE

- Tanzania Tourist Visa of \$100 for Americans and \$50 for the Non-Americans
- Items of personal use (e.g. alcohol and other drinks during the meals)
- Flights
- Safari tips (highly recommended)
- Optional trips as indicated in the summary

ACCOMMODATION

- Arusha before & after safari: 2 bunk beds per room, private washroom, share a room with 2-4 pax
- Safari:
 - o Camping: tent per 2 pax, with mattresses and sleeping bags provided
 - Tented Lodge: luxury fixed tents with actual beds and a private washroom
- Kindoroko hotel in Moshi: Private room per 2-4 pax

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

- Tour departs when we reached the minimum of 8 pax confirmed
- Meals
 - Breakfasts are offered by your accommodation and usually consist of fruits, tea/coffee, local pastries, egg, bread, jam, peanut butter
 - Lunch & dinner in Arusha is either a la carte in a local restaurant, or cooked at the hostel premises
 - o We can accommodate any dietary needs. Just give us a head's up when booking
- How to participate?
 - o Fill out our Googleform and let us know which trip you would like to start when
 - o When we've reached the minimum people interested at least 1 month prior to the trip departure date, we'll send out trip details to your email address. At this point you can still opt out. You now have 2 weeks to confirm if you'll go or not.



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- When 6 pax confirm they'll join, we'll send everyone a trip confirmation, together with an invoice for \$400. This deposit is there to ensure that the others can still go on a trip, even if someone would cancel. This deposit is refundable up until 2 days prior to the trip, and to the extent that all extra costs caused by your cancellation are paid for (i.e. the bigger the group, the greater your refund, with an average of \$250 to be refunded)
- o Golden Dream Safaris does not carry any bank transfer costs
- o Golden Dream Safaris reserves the right to cancel the trip or provide travelers with an alternative in case of force majeure, or in case a large number of participants cancels last minute.
- o Golden Dream Safaris does not provide travel insurance.