

# **Tanzania Safari**

# July 18 – August 3, 2025

\$9,600 Per Person Double Occupancy



Day 1: July 18 – Depart US

## Day 2: July 19 - Arrival Arusha

Arrive Kilimanjaro International Airport.

We will be met at the airport to start the "Adventure of a Lifetime". Check in to the Arusha Coffee Lodge. Situated on what is reputed to be the largest coffee estate in Tanzania, the 30 plantation "houses" are designed around the original estate, which dates back to the early 1900s. We will have a late dinner after a long day of travel.

Overnight at Arusha Coffee Lodge

#### Day 3: July 20 – The Arusha Coffee Lodge

For our first day, we have planned a leisurely morning, where you can take advantage of the peaceful surroundings of the lush plantation from the Coffee Lodge's luxurious grounds and enjoy its incredible gardens, swimming pool and spa. Enjoy a delicious breakfast in the morning. In the late morning, you will have the option to either spend the rest of the day at leisure, or travel to nearby Moshi and visit the Tuleeni Orphans Home. This orphanage of nearly 100 children, from 3 months to 14 years old, began in the home of "Mama Faraji" nearly 20 years ago. Its mission holds to the belief that every child needs care, love, peace, respect, education, and all daily social requirements met. The word Tuleeni is a Swahili word which means "please care for us." If you choose to take this excursion, please consider "packing for a purpose" by bringing anything that can be useful for the children from clothing to school supplies and toys. If you would prefer not to travel with items to donate, a cash donation is always welcome. The drive to

Moshi is scenic, cruising through coffee farms and local villages and it also offers a great view of Mount Kilimanjaro on the way if skies are clear.

#### Day 4: July 21 – Lake Manyara via the Mto wa Mbu Village

After breakfast we will drive to Lake Manyara and enter the park for our first game drive. Lake Manyara itself is a shallow alkaline lake at the base of the Western Rift Valley, with a wide diversity of scenery, ranging from thick acacia woodlands to open grassy floodplains. We will see elephants, buffaloes, and giraffes. The park is famous for its unique tree-climbing lions which we hope to spot.

Overnight at the **Maramboi Luxury Tented Lodge** (All Inclusive), 4 Nights

#### Day 5: July 22 – Hadzabe Bushmen & Maasai Village

Early morning departure from the lodge to Lake Eyasi, a shallow salt lake on the floor of the Great Rift Valley at the base of the Serengeti Plateau. This is where the Hadzabe Bushmen live. This tribe, the oldest in East Africa, continue to live and thrive in much the same way as they have for 10,000 years. The men hunt with poisoned arrows and collect honey, while the women and children forage for edible roots, seeds and fruits. We may have a chance to see the men hunting, and hear their "click" language. The Hadza lanuage belongs to a minority group of African languages of which only 30 variations exist in the whole continent. Such click languages are spoken by fewer than 20,000 individuals. Late afternoon we return to the lodge via villages of the authentic Maasai people, semi-nomads in Tanzania who have preserved their culture to date. **Maramboi Luxury Tented Lodge** (All Inclusive)

## Day 6: July 23 - Tarangire National Park

Today we drive to the Tarangire National Park, which is more densely wooded than the other parks, primarily covered in acacia woodland studded with the iconic Baobab Trees. After a picnic lunch, we will go to the Tarangire River, which attracts a large range of mammals and birds. We might see over large herds of elephants in their family groups during the course of the day. The bird life is spectacular ranging from Fish Eagles and Palm Nut Vultures, storks, and brightly colored barbets.

Overnight at the **Maramboi Luxury Tented Lodge** (All Inclusive)

#### Day 7: – July 24 - Tarangire National Park – Walking Safari

Another whole day in the heart of Tarangire. Today, we will go on a private guided walking safari where you may see lions, cheetahs, spotted hyenas, elephants, and more.

Overnight at Maramboi Luxury Tented Lodge

#### Day 8: – July 25 - Serengeti National Park

Our entrance into the magnificent Serengeti. Today we go on another game drive on the way to the Mbuzi Mawe Tented Camp. You will notice the dense slowly gathering herds of grazing animals like wildebeest and their zebra "out-riders" getting ready for the move into Kenya. Overnight at Mawe Tented Camp. (All Inclusive)

#### Day 9: July 26 – Serengeti National Park

A full day's game drive in the Serengeti. We will hopefully see lions, hyenas, leopards, and elephants, as well as the herds of grazing animals moving towards the Mara River. Overnight, campfires are enjoyed after dinner.

Overnight at Mawe Tented Camp. (All Inclusive)

#### Days 10 & 11: July 27 & 28 – Serengeti National Park – Great Migration Safari

A full day observing the movements of the herds bunching up towards the river. Hopefully we will catch the moment when they all decide to cross together, a truly magnificent spectacle. Overnight at **Gnu Migration Camp** both days. (All Inclusive)

## Day 12: July 29 – Serengeti to Ngorongoro Crater

On the way from the Serengeti to the Ngorongoro Crater, we see the Olduvai Gorge, where the Leakey's discovered the bones and footprints of our "hominid" ancestors. We visit the museum, which relates the history of the discoveries, and where there are some interesting remains on display.

Overnight at the Ngorongoro Lion's Paw both days. (All Inclusive)

#### Day 13: July 30 – Ngorongoro Crater

We begin the day with an overview of the vast crater at the Ngorongoro Viewpoint. A full game drive follows inside the crater, where we hopefully will see black rhinos, basking hippos, lions, elephants and some of the amazing bird life which live in the crater, including the extraordinary Kori Buzzard, flamingos, ostriches and many more. The Ngorongoro Crater animals never leave the vast extinct volcano crater. Its walls are 600 meters high, and it has one of the densest wild animal populations in the whole of Africa. The Ngorongoro Crater is a UNESCO World Heritage Site, offering a unique biosphere, which has remained virtually unchanged since the dawn of time.

Overnight at the Ngorongoro Lion's Paw both days. (All Inclusive)

#### Day 14: July 31 – Arusha

With an early start we drive back to the Arusha Coffee Lodge from the Ngorongoro Crater. Overnight Arusha Coffee Lodge

### Day 15: August 1 - Arusha

Today we will visit Arusha National Park. There are spectacular views of Mt. Meru and Kilimanjaro. In the morning, with our guide and an armed Park Ranger, we will walk to a viewpoint towards Mt Meru and Kilimanjaro, via the spectacular Meru falls. After a picnic lunch, we will drive to Momella Lake to see giraffe, flamingos, buffalo and zebras. In the nearby forest there are the famous black and white Colobus Monkeys.

On the way back to the Coffee Lodge, we stop by the Overnight <u>Arusha Coffee Lodge</u>

## Day 16: August 2 – Arusha

Free Day at Arusha Cultural Center or relax at the Coffee Lodge. The **Arusha Cultural Heritage Centre** is home to one of Africa's largest art galleries, housing works from artists all over the continent. The center boasts of various carvings, gemstones, artifacts, clothing, jewelry, and leather goods.

We depart from the airport for our flight back to the U.S via Amsterdam.

# **Day 17: August 3 – Arrive in Washington Dulles**

The Arusha Coffee Lodge lies in a tranquil coffee plantation, just outside Arusha and close to the Arusha airport, making it an ideal stay for the start or end of a Safari to Ngorongoro and the Serengeti. The small lodge has some of the best rooms in Arusha, with a private atmosphere and personalized service. The luxurious interiors remind us of days gone by. Arusha Coffee Lodge was inspired by the grace and romance of a fine 'old-time' coffee plantation. A large solar-heated pool invites for some lazy hours in the afternoon. The captivating architecture combines open roof construction with attention to details. There is a comfortable open fireplace, cozy Safari Bar, the famous Migration Restaurant, and the Terrace Restaurant with spectacular views of Kilimanjaro and Mount Meru. The scent of the Angel's Trumpet trees will blow you away. You have arrived in East Africa.

The lodge consists of 17 luxury rooms and a honeymoon suite. Private balconies offer magnificent views of Mount Meru and the coffee plantation. The extensive menu of the Redds African Grill House features an exciting array of traditional Tanzanian cuisine as well as variety of other African specialties and a wide selection of excellent South African wines.

Maramboi Luxury Tented Lodge - Wildlife calls at the door of Maramboi Tented Lodge. Zebras, giraffes, warthogs, gazelles - You might see them appear between the palm trees from the terrace of your exclusive tent, from the stunning swimming pool while enjoying a cool drink after a walk with a Maasai guide or while you enjoy a delicious dinner under the stars.

Situated in the ecosystem of lake Manyara, in fields of golden vegetation, Maramboi Tented Camp brings together premium services, exclusive attentions and genuine hospitality in a spectacular scene.

Mbuzi Mawe Tented Camp — Strategically located on one of the main annual migration corridors for over one million wildebeest, half a million zebras and gazelles, and their accompanying cast of predators, it is at the very epicenter of one of the world's most famous national parks. Opening off the spacious bedroom, is a tented bathroom, which features twin basins, shower and a flushing toilet. The main bedroom features two queen-sized four-poster beds, each with all-encompassing mosquito nets.

<u>Gnu Migration Camp</u> – Gnu Mara River Camp is in the Kogatende area northern Serengeti just a few minutes' drive from the famous Mara river where the greatest land mammal of more than 2.5million wildebeest and zebras crosses while migrating to Maasai Mara. It offers basic accommodations and front seats to witness the annual's great migration.

Ngorongoro Lion's Paw



# **Includes**

- All Accommodations
- Almost All Meals (Except the Arusha Coffee Lodge)
- Luxury Tented Camps (some with Wi-Fi and Laundry Services)
  - Safari Drives
  - Ground Transportation
    - Expert guides

Rates Based On Double Occupancy Rates Based On 8 Clients Single Supplement Applies This itinerary is subject to change due to availability All Prices subject to change

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