

OUT OF AFRICA

Tanzania and Zanzibar

Safari and Cultural Tour

Detailed Itinerary

Day 1, October 8, 2018

Depart the USA for Tanzania.

Day 2, October 9, 2018

Arrive in Mount Kilimanjaro. Transfer to hotel in Arusha

Overnight:

Planet Lodge Arusha or similar (Meals: D)

Day 3, October 10, 2018

You'll wake early for a sunrise view of Mount Kilimanjaro, Africa's highest mountain and the 'Roof of Africa.

For those wishing to see Africa's highest mountain, Mt. Kilimanjaro, Africa Amini Life's location makes it one of the best places in Tanzania to take in the majesty of Kilimanjaro. Dawn wake-up calls (with much-needed coffee or tea) can be arranged to ensure you have your chance to see the Roof of Africa while the skies are clear.

MAASIA LODGE – village visit.

Here you will spend your day on the journey of a cultural discovery. You will have the chance to participate in a variety of cultural activities including spear throwing competitions, guided nature walks to learn about traditional Maasai medicine, dance performances, handicraft lessons, traditional cooking, and much more

In the afternoon you will head to Karatu and overnight!

Overnight:

The Lodge - Karibu Eileen's Trees Inn or similar (Meals: B, L, D)

Day 4, October 11, 2018

SERENGETI NATIONAL PARK

We'll take an early breakfast, as we've got a big day of exploration and adventure ahead of us!

We'll begin the day with the scenic drive towards the Serengeti. Along the way, we'll pass through the mist-shrouded rainforests of the Ngorongoro Conservation Area where you might be lucky enough to glimpse cape buffalo, baboons, or even elephants and leopards in the dense undergrowth.

It's a nearly four-hour drive to the Serengeti park, but the drive can be broken with these activities:

Oldupai Gorge Museum: Sometimes known as the Cradle of Mankind, the Oldupai Gorge Museum commemorates some of the oldest evidence of human habitation ever found. Here you can see some of the oldest fossil evidence in the world of human habitation, visit the Oldupai Gorge Museum to learn more about the human journey, and take in the stunning views of this stark gorge country.

Maasai boma visit: Pay a visit to one of the famous Maasai bomas, where you'll have the opportunity to witness (and participate in) traditional Maasai dance, tour an authentic Maasai village, and even do a little souvenir shopping at the local market.

After a delicious lunch at the Serengeti National Park picnic area, it's time to explore the Serengeti itself. Witness Africa's iconic savannah landscape and be amazed by the sheer number of animals that roam these grassy plains.

Overnight:

Serengeti Kati Kati Tented Camp or similar (Meals: B, L, D)

Day 5, October 12, 2018

SERENGETI NATIONAL PARK - NGORONGORO CONSERVATION AREA

You'll wake before dawn to take part in a sunrise game drive. As the sun sets fire to the savannah, you'll have the best opportunity to see predators in action as they take advantage of the low light and cooler temperatures to look for an early meal. It's an ideal time to see lions, leopards, and cheetahs in action as well as the early morning movements of the wildebeest, zebra, and other herbivores.

After your unforgettable morning, you'll return to your lodge for a late breakfast and to freshen up before hitting the road again with a picnic lunch. Your driver will select the best possible route based upon the time of year and the kind of animals you'd like to see, catering your day so that your opportunities to see the Serengeti's diverse wildlife are maximized.

After breakfast, we get right on the road back towards the Ngorongoro Conservation area.

Our drive takes us back through the Serengeti via a different route, offering plenty of opportunities to spot the animals that eluded you on day two. As far as the eye can see, you'll spot thousands upon thousands of animals in herds; wildebeests and zebras migrating together, tall and graceful giraffes, jumping antelopes and gazelles, the powerful African elephant and the most respected group of animals: the predators.

You will have the chance to spot lean cheetahs and shy leopards, foraging hyenas, and last but not least, the king himself; the lion.

Overnight:

The Lodge - Karibu Eileen's Trees Inn or similar (Meals: B, L, D)

Day 6, October 13, 2018

NGORONGORO CRATER –

After breakfast, you'll depart for Ngorongoro Crater; considered by some to be the Eighth Wonder of the World. When you get your first glimpse of this vast, verdant caldera from the panoramic viewpoint, you'll soon understand why it has earned such a lofty reputation. Home to over 120 species of mammal including the fabled Big Five, the Ngorongoro Conservation Area is one of the most sought after safari destinations in the world. It's a particularly good place to see the endangered black rhinoceros enjoying a lonely meal out on the grass plains, as well as a place to see large numbers of hippopotamus enjoying the cool water. From the comfort of your open-top vehicle, you'll be able to observe and photograph some of Africa's most recognizable faces. The crater is home to a large number of predators including lions, leopards, cheetahs, jackals, and hyenas, as well as a large population of wildebeest, zebras, antelope, cape buffalo, and more. It is truly one of Africa's premier safari destinations. After the thrills and excitement of the day, you will have a picnic lunch by the park's famous hippo pool before making your way to Lake Eyasi for the night.

Overnight:

Lake Eyasi Safari Lodge or similar (Meals: B, L, D)

Day 7, October 14, 2018

LAKE EYASI

You'll be up before breakfast today, as you'll be joining the Hadzabe bushmen for the opportunity to hunt for your own food! One of the last true bushman tribes in Africa, the Hadzabe live very much as they always have despite the rapid development of Tanzania. With only 2,000 members, the Hadzabe tribe are fascinating people who offer us a window into how life in Tanzania was in the past. The local hunters will prepare a demonstration of hunting techniques just for us. Far from being a mere performance, this display reveals a great deal about their everyday lives when they must hunt for animals to feed their families. You will see firsthand how the Hadzabe use distinctive motions and even the body parts of certain animals to lure their prey close enough that they can be brought down with hand-crafted poisons.

After a late breakfast, you'll have the opportunity for a drive around Lake Eyasi proper. While this shallow soda lake is not home to the same variety of wildlife you'll find in a national park, you'll have the chance to spot a variety of bird and mammal life. On occasion, flamingos and hippos even call the lake home. You'll also have time to meet with the Datoga people. Mostly farmers and cattle breeders, these fascinating people offer another insight into tribal life in Tanzania.

Once your day's activities have been complete, you'll make your way back to the town of Karatu for overnight.

Overnight:

The Lodge - Karibu Eileen's Trees Inn or similar (B, L, D)

Day 8, October 15, 2018

after breakfast, drive to Lake Manyara National Park. The journey takes approximately two hours, but we'll pass through the market town of Mto Wa Mbu along the way. This agricultural and fresh produce market is a melting pot of local cultures and a souvenir hunter's paradise.

After a brief stop at the village market, you'll enter Lake Manyara National Park. The park is truly a photographer's playground and offers some of the best game viewing in the world. You can expect to see many of Africa's most well-

known animals, with the tree-climbing lions a particular treat. These proud predators lounge in acacia trees practically begging to be photographed. Bird-watchers will find Lake Manyara is an absolute delight, with a huge variety of birds on display in the park. Even the novice can expect to be amazed by large flamingo flocks, circling birds of prey, and the brightly colored lilac breasted roller.

Overnight:

Planet Lodge Arusha or similar (B, L, D)

Day 9, October 16, 2018

Later that morning/afternoon transfer to Kilimanjaro Airport for your departure Zanzibar.

Arrive at Zanzibar, pick up and transfer to hotel in Stone Town. Spend the rest of the day exploring the many sights Stone Town offers, or check out the market for souvineers! Consider an optional tour.

Overnight:

Maru Maru Zanzibar or similar (Meals: B)

Day 10, October 17, 2018

Spend your day exploring Stone Town or consider one of the optional tours

Overnight:

Maru Maru Zanzibar or similar (Meals: B)

Day 11, October 18, 2018

Transfer from Stone Town to Nungwi- the northern part of the island with the nicest beaches

The rest of the day, Nungwi on your own, or consider one of the optional tours

Overnight:

Amaan Bungalows or similar (Meals: B, D)

Day 12, October 19, 2018

Nungwi on your own, consider one of the optional tours

Overnight:

Amaan Bungalows or similar (Meals: B, D)

Day 13, October 20, 2018

You will have free time in the morning and afternoon to enjoy the beach or enjoy Nungwi on your own before we leave Zanzibar for the flight back to mainland Tanzania for our international flight home. (Meals: B)

Day 14, October 21, 2018

Arrive back in the USA