



## **SMALL GROUP TRIP TO TANZANIA, NAT GEO STYLE** **13 Days / 12 Nights**

### **SUMMARY:**

Travel dates: August 8, 2019 to August 20, 2019

Duration of Trip: 13 days / 12 nights

Group size: no more than 17 guests

### **DESTINATION HIGHLIGHTS:**

- Arusha: The gateway to Tanzania's Northern wildlife parks, Arusha is also an eclectic town that melds local Tanzanian as well as European influences. Often called the "Switzerland of Africa", Arusha has beautiful museums and art galleries, as well as places to shop for local artwork (paintings, sculptures, masks) as well as jewelry (TANZANITE, etc.)
- Tarangire National Park: Although not as well-known as its neighbors, Ngorongoro and Serengeti, Tarangire is a wildlife gem in its own right. This is the place where you can see some of the largest herds of elephants with the biggest tuskers in Tanzania. Tarangire also has a good-sized predator population, iconic herbivores like giraffe, buffalo, zebra, wildebeest, impala, etc. as well as wonderful birdlife.
- Ngorongoro Conservation Area: Often called "The Garden of Eden" because of the variety and density of wildlife, the Ngorongoro Crater is one of the most breathtaking places in the world. It has been designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site – for good reason.
- Serengeti National Park: In the Maasai language, "Serengeti" means "Endless Plains". And that is exactly what this most famous of African parks is...a very large savannah/grassland area that is teeming with all the iconic African wildlife species living in an unadulterated, natural habitat. The location of several National Geographic as well as BBC Nature shows and specials, Serengeti is also home to The Great Wildebeest & Zebra Migration!





## **DAY BY DAY ITINERARY:**

- Aug 8: You will depart from your home airport in the U.S. Africa is waiting to give you its unique, warm welcome. Karibuni sana, marafiki zetu!
- Aug 9: You will be en route to Tanzania.
- Aug 10: Upon arrival, you will be met at Kilimanjaro International Airport by your Certified English-speaking driver / wildlife guide. You will be escorted to your 4X4 Land Cruiser safari vehicle and transferred to your hotel in Arusha.
  - Accommodations: Four Points Sheraton, The Arusha Hotel. Meals included: Breakfast.
- Aug 11: After breakfast, you will be driven to Tarangire National Park, a wildlife haven for large herds of elephants and other mammals, reptiles, and birds. You will enjoy a full day of safaris, including a picnic lunch inside the national park.
  - Accommodations: Lake Manyara Serena Lodge. Meals included: All meals.
- Aug 12: After breakfast, you will check out of the lodge and you will depart for Ngorongoro Conservation Area for lunch at your new luxury lodge. The afternoon will be at your leisure, and you can choose to participate in a lovely walk around the lodge, enjoy the breathtaking scenery, and/or witness local village life. Overnight in Karatu / Ngorongoro Area.
  - Accommodations: Ngorongoro Farm House. Meals included: All meals.
- Aug 13: You will wake up early in the morning and have a light snack/breakfast. Then you will be driven to the Ngorongoro Conservation Area, where you will descend into the Ngorongoro Crater – known as the “Garden of Eden” for a full day spent in the African natural wilderness. Here, you will witness an amazing range of wildlife and birdlife. For lunch, you will stop by a lake that is home to a large family of hippos and have an enjoyable picnic. In the late afternoon, you will return to your lodge for dinner and overnight stay.
  - Accommodations: Ngorongoro Farm House. Meals included: All meals.
- Aug 14: After breakfast, you will check out of the Farm House and you will be driven to Central Serengeti National Park. En route, you will enjoy sightings of several species of wildlife. Lunch will be at your new lodge. In the afternoon, you will enjoy a safari game drive in the Serengeti.
  - Accommodations: Kubu Kubu Luxury Tented Lodge. Meals included: All meals.
- Aug 15: You will enjoy a full day of wildlife experiences and safari drives in Central Serengeti. Optional activities such as a Hot Air Balloon safari (where you will see the Serengeti from the air, in a hot air balloon) and a Bush Breakfast (breakfast in the middle of the Serengeti savannah) can be arranged at extra cost.
  - Accommodations: Kubu Kubu Luxury Tented Lodge. Meals included: All meals.





- Aug 16: After breakfast, you will depart for Northern Serengeti, where the Great Wildebeest Migration herds are expected to be in August. Lunch will be at your new luxury tented camp. In the afternoon, you will enjoy your Great Wildebeest Migration safaris in Northern Serengeti.
  - Accommodations: Mara Under Canvas. Meals included: All meals.
- Aug 17: You will enjoy a full day of wildlife experiences and Great Wildebeest Migration safari drives in Northern Serengeti. Optional activities such as a Hot Air Balloon safari (where you will see the Serengeti from the air, in a hot air balloon) and a Bush Breakfast (breakfast in the middle of the Serengeti savannah) can be arranged at extra cost.
  - Accommodations: Mara Under Canvas. Meals included: All meals.
- Aug 18: You will enjoy a full day of wildlife experiences and Great Wildebeest Migration safari drives in Northern Serengeti. Optional activities such as a Hot Air Balloon safari (where you will see the Serengeti from the air, in a hot air balloon) and a Bush Breakfast (breakfast in the middle of the Serengeti savannah) can be arranged at extra cost.
  - Accommodations: Mara Under Canvas. Meals included: All meals.
- Aug 19: After breakfast at the camp, you will be taken to the nearby airstrip for a flight to Arusha. (NOTE: The cost of this flight is not included in the quoted package price below). Then, later on in the afternoon/evening, you will be dropped off at Kilimanjaro International Airport for your flight back home.
- Aug 20: You will arrive in the U.S. after a trip of a lifetime – with beautiful photographs, amazing video clips, and of course unforgettable memories!

## **PRICE**

**Price per adult (when sharing accommodations with another adult): \$4,999/person**

### **The Trip Cost quoted above includes:**

- Airport meet & greet services
- Ground transportation with an English-speaking driver/guide or naturalist guide
- Accommodation and meals as stipulated in the itinerary
- Safari game drives or sightseeing as stipulated in the itinerary
- Park or reserve entry fees - where applicable

### **This Trip Cost quoted above excludes:**

- Round-trip flights between the U.S. and Africa
- Any domestic or regional flight(s) within Africa that are NOT identified as “Included” (e.g. the flight from Serengeti to Arusha)





- Visa fees
- Government-imposed taxes
- Tips & gratuities (a tipping guide will be provided)
- Inoculations and personal/medical/travel insurance
- Meals and beverages not included in the itinerary
- Optional activities and excursions
- Items of personal nature – such as laundry services, shopping expenses, telephone charges, etc.

## **DISCLAIMERS & GENERAL TERMS**

### **Disclaimers:**

- This itinerary is subject to Terms and Conditions. A copy of the Terms and Conditions will be sent for your review. Please note the General Terms & Conditions itemized below.
- This Itinerary is subject to availability of quoted services at time of booking.
- Costs are based on rates made available by our suppliers and therefore subject to change.
- Costs are subject to change due to currency fluctuations or any other statutory increases beyond our control.
- It might be necessary, due to circumstances beyond our control, where we might need to change the program. Closing times at sightseeing points, changed flight times, road blocks, detours or act of God can also delay the program. We reserve the right to make changes due to circumstance of this nature.

### **General Terms & Conditions:**

- **Park Entry Fees:** The quoted prices above are inclusive of current park entry fees; however should there be any new statutory taxes introduced and/or increase of any current levies or fees by Government/statutory bodies, these will be passed on to you.
- **Luggage restrictions:** Soft-sided luggage (i.e. duffel bags) is preferable to hard luggage for storage on safari vehicles. Items of dimensions greater than 24"x 17"x 7" are difficult to store in vehicles and on aircraft, and should be avoided. (Baggage and personal effects are at owner's risk throughout the tour and baggage insurance for members is strongly advised).
- **Seasonal variations:** Some bookings might straddle two seasons, making the above seasonal quotations on accommodations NOT APPLICABLE. In such cases, please contact us for TAILOR-MADE QUOTATIONS for dates that cut across seasons.
- **Ngorongoro Crater:** Currently, Ngorongoro Conservation Area Authority (NCAA) is allowing full day crater tours; but they might restrict tours to just half day in the future.

