

# 5 days Safari "Simba"

**Destinations:** Departure & Arrival: <u>Arusha Town</u>

Tarangire Nationalpark | Lake Manyara | Serengeti National Park | Ngorongoro Conservation Area

#### **Accommodations:**

Twiga Lodge | Serengeti Wild Camps | Simba Campsite





# Arrival Day – Pick Up From Airport & transportation to hotel

Our guide will pick you up at Kilimanjaro International Airport (JRO) or Arusha Airport (ARK) and take you to your accommodation in Arusha. As local Tanzanians, our guides know well the country and Arusha city, so you'll be in good hands from when you arrive to the moment you leave.



Day 1

### **Arusha - Tarangire National Park**

After starting the first day with an early hotel pick up at around 06.30am, we will make our way to **Tarangire National Park.** The Tarangire National Park natural vegetation consists mainly of Acacia woodland and giant African Baobab trees, with huge swamp areas in the eastern and southern parts. Both the river and the swamps act like a magnet for wild animals which makes this park especially interesting during Tanzania's dry season.

The Tarangire National Park is known to contain some of the largest elephant groups in Africa counting herds with up to 300 animals. Moreover this 2800 square kilometers area is home to four of the African big five, except for the black rhino. It is also home to three endangered animals that can be found nowhere else in the country– the Greater Kudu, the Fringed-eared Oryx, as well as a few Ashy Starlings. Between June and November of each year, Tarangire National park plays host to a migration circle that includes 3000 elephants, 25000 wildbeasts and 5000 zebras. After an exciting day you will be again able to finish with a relaxing evening and Tanzanian dinner at Twiga Lodge.

Dinner & Overnight stay: Twiga Lodge







After starting the first day with an early breakfast, we will make our way to **Lake Manyara.** A full day game drive awaits you with picnic alongside the magnificent Lake Manyara. Although this park is relatively small with just 330 square kilometers, it boasts no fewer than 11 distinct ecosystems (from open savannah to dense evergreen forest).

**Lake Manyara National Park** is home to the three big cars species – lions, leopards and cheetahs, but it is most famous for its three climbing lions – so always make sure to look up in order not to miss a surprise. Next to buffalos, zebras, monkeys and giraffes Lake Manyara, furthermore us also a well-known birding hotspot with over 400 recorded species. After a full day in the park you will arrive at Twiga Lodge, where you will be able to relax and enjoy dinner.

Dinner & Overnight stay: Twiga Lodge





### Serengeti National Park

After an early breakfast we head towards the worlds' most famous National Park, the **Serengeti.** Driving via the beautiful high lying farmland of Karatu and the Ngorongoro Conservation Area you will be stunned by unforgettable views. Leaving the highlands behind, we descend into the heart of wild Africa – the **Serengeti National Park** – with its endless plains, rolling into the distance as far as the eye can see.

We head to the central part of the park, known as the Seronera area, one of the richest wildlife habitats in the park, featuring the Seronera River, which provides a valuable water source to this area and therefore attracts wildlife well representative of most of the Serengeti's species. The park has 6,900sq. mile (18,000 sq. km) and for most of it, the plains will stretch to the horizon defying your senses and perception of distances. It is the home of the Great Migration and to 2 million wildebeests, thousands of zebras and all kinds of antelopes.

We arrive in time for lunch and enjoy an afternoon Game Drive in the **Serengeti National Park.** After a breathtaking Game Drive, we will drop you in the middle of the Serengeti where you will experience Tanzanian hospitality at Serengeti wild camps. You will spend an exciting night in the middle of wilderness listening to roaring lions and other unusual sounds.

# Central Serengeti

"There's more to see than can ever be seen, more to do than can ever be done." When musicians Elton John and Tim Rice wrote the opening tune to Disney's "The Lion King," they were describing the "Circle of Life." But this lyric serves as a fitting description for world-renowned **Serengeti National Park.** The motto for this day is to get the maximum out of it and to cover as much as possible of the enormous Serengeti which covers nearly 15.000 square kilometers.

After having a morning coffee, eggs and biscuits for refreshment, we proceed to an early game drive till lunch time. Equipped with picnic lunch boxes, we head out to the open **central Serengeti**, which is documented as one of the oldest and most scientifically significant ecosystems on planet earth. Weather patterns, fauna and flora are believed to have changed very little for as long as a million years or more. Once hunger sets in, we will have picnic for lunch followed again by a long afternoon Game Drive. Again, after a long day you will be happy arriving at Simba Campsite on the top of Ngorongoro crater to finish an amazing day with good dinner and nice chats about the day's experiences.

### **Dinner & Overnight stay: Simba Campsite**







# Jay 5 Ngorongoro Crater

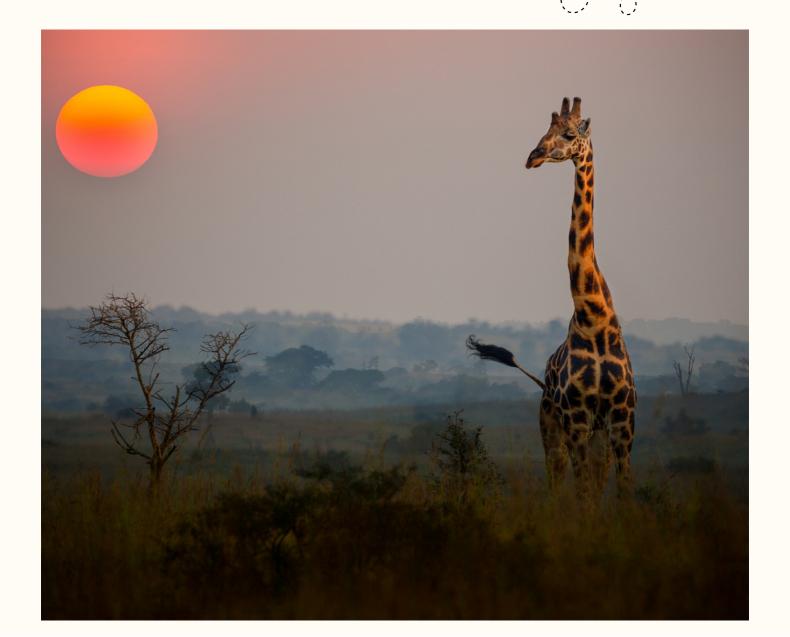


On this day after your last early breakfast, you will be driving towards **Ngorongoro crater** in order to descend into the volcano valley.

Supported by year-round water supply and fodder, the **Ngorongoro** supports a vast variety of animals which includes herds of buffaloes, wildebeest, zebras, eland, warthog, hippos and giant African elephants. Some 25.000 wild creatures, many of them as mentioned hoofed animals attract a large number of predators, like hyena, cheetah, leopards and lions. In fact, in recent years, the crater houses Africa's highest proliferation of lions per square mile.

Another big draw card to this picturesque area is the possibility of seeing the endangered species of the black rhino. The number of black rhinos is very low and although they can weigh up to 1.400kg it is amazing how easily they can camouflage their great bulk as they hide deep in the bush – so keep your eye out for their curved back and long horns sticking out of the grass!

After a stop and lunch at Lake Magadi, a large but shallow alkaline lake in the southwest conner, which is one of the main features of the crater, we will start our return **back to Arusha Town**.





# **Package Inclusions:**

- 4 Nights 5 Days Wildlife Safari
- Game drives in a 4×4 Safari vehicle with a pop-up roof
- · All Park fees, Camping fees and Crater Service
- All Meals on safari
- Mineral water, a glass of wine or soft drinks at dinner during safari
- Pick-up and Drop-off transfers at Airport (KIA Airport/Arusha Airport)
- Professional Safari cook
- Professional Safari guide
- Safari tents, mattress, sleeping bags, and pillows

### **Package Exlusions:**

- International and or Domestic flight tickets
- Any required visas
- Items of personal nature
- Tips to staff recommended 15 20\$ pp per day

### Possible extras:

- Maasai village (15 20 \$ pp)
- Hot air balloon (599 \$ pp)

### What to bring:

Appropriate clothing for safari, light jackets, sweaters as the nights can be chilly at high altitudes (specially Ngorongoro Crater), Towels for showering and personal hygiene toiletries, mosquito spray, sunglasses and sunscreen, Binoculars for better sighting

#### Note:

Exact arrival time / departure time should be provided as early as possible in order to organize the pick-up as well as the drop-off at the airport.

Our cooks and drivers are doing a great job and are happy about any tips.

We hope you enjoy your stay and are looking forward to welcome you soon in Tanzania.

Wild regards,







