

## **ITINERARIES**

### **WILDLIFE SAFARIS**

Masero Tours is renowned for its professional excellence in organizing safari tours to the world famous game parks in Tanzania, including Serengeti, Ngorongoro, Tarangire, Lake Manyara, Mikumi, Ruaha, the Selous and many others.

#### **2 Days Safari Ngorongoro**

##### **Day 1 : Drive to Lake Manyara OR Tarangire for afternoon game drive**

Drive from Moshi/Arusha to Lake Manyara OR Tarangire, lunch en route, afternoon game drive.

Tarangire is best to visit from July-October and Lake Manyara is best November-June.

Meals: BLD

##### **Day 2 : Half day game drive in Ngorongoro Crater, drive to Moshi/Arusha**

Drive to Ngorongoro Crater for half-day game drive in the crater. Afternoon, return to Moshi or Arusha via Mto Wa Mbu.

Meals: BL

#### **3 Days Serengeti Tours**

3 Days Serengeti Tours Serengeti National Park & Ngorongoro Crater. Spend three days exploring two of the Seven Natural Wonders of Africa and official UNESCO World Heritage Sites on our Wonders of Africa Safari to the Serengeti National Park and Ngorongoro Crater. The Maasai describe the Serengeti as 'the place where the land runs on forever' – this description corresponds with the vast plains of the wildlife sanctuary perfectly. Dubbed 'Africa's Garden of Eden', The Ngorongoro Crater hosts an abundance of wildlife including the exceptionally rare black rhino and is renowned for maximum game spotting.

##### **Day 1: Arusha to Serengeti National Park**

In the morning we will depart to the Serengeti National Park from Arusha. We will take the scenic route to the Serengeti passing along the rim of the Ngorongoro Crater. Serengeti is one of the Seven Natural wonders of Africa; it also features spectacular river crossings and is home to all the big predators. You have the opportunity to marvel at the view whilst enjoying an appetising picnic lunch on a kopje (small hill in a generally flat area). We will resume our journey and progress further into the Serengeti for a game drive. When the game drive is completed you will proceed to the Serengeti Camp, full-board camping is on offer.

##### **Day 2: Serengeti to Ngorongoro Crater**

The day will begin in the central Serengeti where you will have an opportunity to view game. Lunch will be served in the park before we proceed to the Ngorongoro Crater. The Ngorongoro Crater has a diverse ecological system that includes lions, leopards, elephants, cheetahs, buffaloes, zebras, wildebeest, elands, wild dogs, gazelles, crocodiles, giraffe, zebras, monkeys, baboons, hippos, rhinos and antelopes. There are migrant birds from Eurasia and African birds such as vultures, storks and flamingos. Majority of the plantation can be described as luscious and green but there are species of desert plants. The probability of what species you are likely to see all depends on the time of year and the migration of the herds. We will drive to the rim of the crater in the afternoon and spend the night at the Camp.

### **Day 3: Ngorongoro Crater to Arusha**

We will have an early departure from camp to ensure that we arrive at the Ngorongoro Crater promptly. We will descend into the crater as our game drive with a picnic lunch is inside the crater. The Ngorongoro Crater is an immense, unbroken caldera that was formed when a volcano erupted millions of years ago. The elevated structure encourages the animals subside within the crater which means there is a high possibility of spotting every member of 'The Big 5'. The powerful group comprises of buffalo, lions, rhinos, elephants and leopards. You can expect to see other wildlife including zebra, hippos, wildebeest and hyenas. The flamingos will lounge gracefully on the banks of the Soda Lake whilst the vultures can be found scavenging for the discarded prey of a predator. Geese and storks are amongst some of the other bird species. Our guides are highly skilled and their ability to track down animals is impressive. This level of expertise is not easily acquired. Your trip will come to an end in the late afternoon and we will proceed to Arusha.

3 Days Tarangire/Crater

#### **Day 1: Arusha to Tarangire National Park**

Early Morning breakfast then depart for a 2 hours journey to Tarangire National Park to begin your safari with your expert guide.

Tarangire National Park is probably one of the least visited of the northern Tanzanian game parks, and retains a real air of undiscovered Africa, particularly in the south of the park. Just two hours drive away from Arusha. It lies a little distance to the south east of Lake Manyara and covers an area of approximately 2,850 square kilometers. It is named after the Tarangire River that flows through the park. The swamps, tinged green year round, are the focus for 550 bird varieties, the largest number of species in one habitat anywhere in the world; on drier ground, the Kori bustard – the heaviest flying bird – can be found. In late afternoon and proceed to your camp for dinner and overnight stay.

Accommodation: Tarangire Camp

Meal Plan: Lunch, Dinner

#### **Day 2: Tarangire to Ngorongoro Crater Rim**

Enjoy another day of your safari with game drives in this unique national park where mighty baobab – the tree of life – tower majestically over the savannah can be seen.

Leave the park in the afternoon and drive straight to Ngorongoro Crater rim for dinner and overnight Overnight at your lodge

#### **Day 3: Ngorongoro Crater to Arusha**

Descend into the Ngorongoro caldera very early in the morning to view the wildlife on the crater floor. The Ngorongoro Crater is often called "Africa's Eden" and the "8th Natural Wonder of the World". A massive extinct volcano, the sheer walls drop thousands of feet to a "Noah's Ark" of animals on the verdant floor below. Large herds of zebra, buffalo, antelope and wildebeest graze nearby while sleeping lions laze in the sun. At dawn, the endangered black rhino returns to the thick cover of the crater forests after grazing on dew-laden grass in the morning mist. The world-famous Ngorongoro Crater is at the eastern edge of the Serengeti in northern Tanzania. Nearly three million years old, the ancient caldera of the once-volcanic Ngorongoro shelters one of the most beautiful wildlife havens on earth, ringed with towering walls and sheltering forests, grasslands, fresh springs and a large soda lake. Leave the crater late afternoon and drive back to Arusha for dinner and overnight. Meal Plan: Breakfast, Lunch

### **4 Days Tanzania Safari**

#### **Day 1: Drive from Arusha to Lake Manyara**

A **Budget Tanzania Camping tour safari** in Tanzania will start after breakfast, your driver will pick up and drive to Lake Manyara national park, you arrive in time for lunch at the lodge and after lunch do we head into the Lake Manyara National Park for an afternoon game drive. This national park is one of Tanzania's most dramatically located wildlife areas, consisting of a massive but shallow soda lake (covering two-thirds of the park), located at the foot of the Great Rift Valley's western escarpment. The park's varied habitat attracts a wide variety of animals, including one of Africa's largest concentrations of elephants, Lake Manyara's unique tree-climbing lions, as well as large flocks of flamingos attracted by the algae in the lake.

### **Day 2: Safari in Lake Manyara to Serengeti**

Your **Safari in Tanzania tour** itinerary will start after breakfast we head towards the Serengeti National Park, via the beautiful high lying farmland of Karatu and the Ngorongoro Conservation Area. 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 park area, 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.

### **Day 3: Safari in Serengeti to Ngorongoro Crater**

In your **4 days Tanzania budget** or **lodge Safari** you will stopover at Olduvai Gorge, boasting with a history dating back to the dawn of time. It was here, that the anthropologists Drs. Lois and Mary Leakey discovered the skulls of 'Nutcracker Man' and 'Handy Man', both very significant links in the chain of human evolution, We arrive in time for lunch at the lodge and after lunch we will descend over 600 meters into the crater to view wildlife for a half day's safari tour. Supported by a year round water supply and fodder, the Ngorongoro National Park supports a vast variety of animals, which include herds of wildebeest, zebra, buffalo, eland, warthog, hippo, and giant African elephants. Another big draw card to this picturesque national park is its dense population of predators, which include lions, hyenas, jackals, cheetahs and the ever-elusive leopard, which sometimes requires a trained eye to spot. We will visit Lake Magadi, a large but shallow alkaline lake in the southwestern corner, which is one of the main features of the crater. A large number of flamingos, hippos and other water birds can usually be seen here.

### **Day 4: Safari in Ngorongoro Crater to Arusha**

Tanzania **Budget Camping Safari** the day start after breakfast, you will leave with en-route game viewing transfer back to your hotel in Arusha. Upon arrival in Arusha will we have lunch and then we will end our **Tanzania Tour Safari**. The group should tip the guide around \$20 a day. You will be taken to your hotel, which ends our safari services.

The end of 4 Days Tanzania Wildlife.

### **8 Days Northern Tanzania Safari**

This private 8 Days Northern Tanzania Safari in Tanzania explores all the highlights for that part of the country. Game viewing is, of course, the main theme, and optional extras such as a hot air balloon ride in the Serengeti can be added. We can also amend this itinerary include some time on the beach in Zanzibar or Tanzania's coastline.

### **Day 1 - Kilimanjaro to Arusha**

Arrive at JRO. After clearing customs and immigration formalities, you will be met by our representative and transferred to Arusha. Overnight on Bed & Breakfast at Impala Hotel, before your African adventure begins.

### **Day 2 - Arusha to Tarangire National Park**

After breakfast, depart for Tarangire National Park arriving in time for lunch and an afternoon of game viewing. Lesser kudu, eland, lion, and gerenuk can be found in this beautiful park, noted for its multitude of baobab trees and its tree-climbing lions. Dinner and overnight at the lodge or tented camp

### **Day 3 - Tarangire to Ngorongoro Conservation Area**

After breakfast, drive to Ngorongoro Conservation Area. Lunch at the lodge. This afternoon, you will descend 2000 feet (over 600 meters) to the floor of the crater for a day crater tour with picnic lunches. Explore the forest areas that are inhabited by monkeys and elephants, the lake area, where you may see the flamingos and the open savannah where the lions hunt for food. Dinner and overnight at the lodge in Ngorongoro.

### **Day 4 - Ngorongoro to Serengeti Game Reserve**

Drive to Serengeti National Park via Olduvai Gorge, the site of Louis and Mary Leakey's renowned archaeological discoveries. Their findings include some of the man's earliest known ancestral remains. Lunch at the lodge in Serengeti. You will have an afternoon game drive in the endless plains of the Serengeti for a chance to see the great herds of wildebeest, zebras and gazelles or a pride of lions lounging in the shade. Dinner and overnight at the lodge.

### **Day 5 & 6 On safari in the Serengeti**

Two full days of game viewing in the Serengeti. Meals and overnight at the lodge in the Serengeti National Park. Here the option exists of booking onto a hot air balloon safari, that will lift off the ground at around sunrise, and take you on a magical floating journey over the vast plains of the Serengeti.

### **Day 7 - Serengeti to Lake Manyara**

Enjoy an early morning game drive, before breakfast. Return to the lodge for late breakfast. Enjoy a mid-morning and then depart to Ngorongoro Highlands. Lunch at Gibbs Farm or similar. Afternoon visit to the waterfalls. Dinner and overnight at the lodge in Manyara

### **Day 8 - Safari ends at Kilimanjaro International**

After breakfast, you will have a morning game drive in Lake Manyara National Park whose inhabitants include hippos, monkeys, tree climbing lions, flamingos and other varieties of birdlife. Lunch at Lake Manyara Hotel Lodge. After lunch, drive back to Arusha and proceed to JRO for departure flight in the evening which will conclude your safari in Africa.