



MBAHE VILLAGE | KILIMANJARO
LAKE MANYARA | NGORONGORO | SERENGETI

SUMMIT TO SERENGETI

Kilimanjaro Lemosho Crater Climb and 5 Day Wildlife Safari
February 19 – March 7, 2010

DATE	LOCATION	DESCRIPTION & ACTIVITIES	MEALS ACCOMMODATION
Fri Feb 19 - Wed Mar 3	Mbahe Village Mount Kilimanjaro	On arrival at Kilimanjaro International Airport you will be greeted by your SENE trip leader and transferred to our <i>Mbahe Village Cottages</i> , perched on the emerald slopes of Mount Kilimanjaro. Sleep soundly and awaken refreshed to the African morning and stunning views up and down the mountain. See Lemosho Crater climb itinerary.	See <i>Lemosho Crater climb itinerary</i>
Wed Mar 3	Lake Manyara Ngorongoro Conservation Area	Your safari begins! After breakfast head to <i>Lake Manyara National Park</i> , a small gem nestled below the 1,000 foot western wall of the Great Rift Valley escarpment. The soda lake for which the park is named appears tinted pink by its huge flocks of flamingoes. Upon closer inspection you will also find the lake bursting with hippos bobbing in the water or grazing at its edge. With your guide explore the park's many environments, including a jungle-like forest of wild fig, palm, and tamarind trees, an acacia woodland, and a grassy flatland where baobab trees and elephants abound. Keep a keen eye out for the park's famous tree-climbing lions. Picnic lunch in the park. In the late afternoon ascend the Rift Valley wall and proceed through the Ngorongoro Highlands up onto the crater rim to your overnight accommodations. Perched on the eastern rim of the Ngorongoro Crater, the <i>Ngorongoro Sopa Lodge</i> commands magnificent views over the crater floor and a spectacular front row seat of the African sunset. Each of the 90 double bedrooms is very spacious with two queen sized beds, a separate dressing area, and a glass-fronted verandah. The lodge includes a swimming pool, extensive gift shop, and a stunning restaurant with a high roof and large glass windows with views to the crater.	<i>B,L,D</i> <i>Ngorongoro Sopa Lodge</i>
Thu Mar 4	Ngorongoro Conservation Area Olduvai Gorge Serengeti National Park	Depart early in the morning and - using the nearby Lemala descent road - enter into the <i>Ngorongoro Crater</i> , often referred to as "Africa's Eden," for a day game drive. The descent into the crater, 2,500 feet below the rim, is an unforgettable experience. Its 100 square miles is home to almost 30,000 animals, creating a density and diversity of wildlife unseen anywhere else in Africa. Ngorongoro is the best location for viewing the rare black rhino and to observe huge old bull elephants who come here to "retire." Picnic lunch in the crater. Continue the drive west to the African plains and the great Serengeti National Park. Stop along the way to visit the Olduvai Gorge museum at the site of Louis and Mary Leakey's archeological discoveries of early human ancestors. As the sun sets in the west, you will reach your Serengeti camp for sundowners, dinner, and animated conversation about the day's adventures. The <i>Simiyu Exclusive Mobile Camp</i> allows you to experience the wild African bush firsthand, yet in complete comfort and privacy. The spacious tents are fully furnished with either a king or twin beds and en suite facilities (flush toilet, wash basin with running water, and hot showers). The delicious meals are served in a separate tent, though as weather permits dining may be done outside.	<i>B,L,D</i> <i>Simiyu Exclusive Mobile Camp</i>

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<p>Fri Mar 5 - Sat Mar 6</p>	<p>Serengeti National Park</p>	<p>On these days, your guide, a trained expert in East African wildlife and ecology, will explore with you the vast Serengeti Plain in search of the best game-viewing opportunities, dependent on the daily migration patterns. You may take early morning pre-dawn game drives and late afternoon drives at dusk – the times of the day at which the animals are most active – with a rest at camp for lunch. Or, take full day game drives with a picnic lunch to explore a greater range of the vast wilderness.</p> <p><i>Serengeti National Park</i> is probably the most famous wildlife area in the world. Its pure numbers are staggering: about 4 million animals reside within its ecosystem, including a million and a half wildebeest, a quarter million zebra, twice that many gazelle, and tens of thousands of their predators (lion, leopard, cheetah, hyena, jackal, crocodile, etc.). The Serengeti is also the site of one of the most magnificent events of the natural world - the migration of more than a million wildebeest in a cyclical process that occurs in different stages and areas throughout the year. Moreover, the vast park offers breathtaking scenery unto itself. Scattered throughout the southeastern short grass plains are kopjes, geologic wonders comprised of exposed gneiss and granite shaped by the wind and temperature fluctuations. Different environments emerge as you head deeper into the Serengeti. Here you will find riverine forests, acacia woodlands, hills, and open grassland that create a vast geographic mosaic.</p>	<p><i>B,L,D</i> <i>Simiyu Exclusive Mobile Camp</i></p>
<p>Sun Mar 7</p>	<p>Serengeti National Park Arusha Kilimanjaro International Airport</p>	<p>After a last morning of game viewing in the Serengeti board your 11:00AM flight from a bush airstrip for the magnificent flight back to Arusha, where you will be met by a SENE vehicle and driver. Proceed through Arusha Town to see this bustling commercial center of northern Tanzania, shop, and visit the Cultural Heritage Center.</p> <p>Continue on to the <i>Ngare Sero Mountain Lodge</i>, on the outskirts of Arusha Town, where you can relax and refresh in your day room before dinner at the lodge and your transfer to the Kilimanjaro International Airport for your flight home.</p> <p>Nestled in lush gardens amid forest and crystal clear waters on the slopes of Mount Meru, <i>Ngare Sero Mountain Lodge</i> is a wonderful place to relax and experience the immense beauty of Tanzania. The Lodge is adapted from a charming turn of the century colonial farmhouse consisting of ten rooms with thick walls, heavy timber beams, and comfortable period décor. The surrounding gardens contain a profusion of trees and flowers, among which two hundred species of birds have been observed. While at <i>Ngare Sero</i> you may enjoy boating in their handmade punt on the private lake, fishing, nature walks, bird watching, a farm tour, cultural tour in the local village, yoga, massage, sauna, swimming, croquet, or just relax with a sundowner on the verandah while watching the changing colors of the glaciers on distant Kilimanjaro.</p>	<p><i>B,L,D</i> <i>Ngare Sero Mountain Lodge</i> <i>(day room)</i></p>

Price per person (double occupancy): U.S. \$6,775

Includes:

- All accommodations, meals, and activities as indicated
- Beverages and laundry at Simiyu
- All flights and road transfers within Tanzania
- On safari, all park fees and services of English-speaking safari guide/driver and fully-equipped safari vehicle, bottled water

Does not include:

Cold beverages, alcohol, and laundry at Ngorongoro Sopa Lodge and Ngare Sero Lodge; activities at camps and lodges requiring additional charges; international airfare; tipping or gratuities to leaders, guides, crew, or other staff; additional accommodations made necessary by airline schedule changes or other factors; pre-trip expenses such as medical immunizations, travel insurance, passports, and visas; airport departure taxes; and other expenses of a personal nature.

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