

TANZANIA ADVENTURE:

ARUSHA, MTO MA MBU, SERENGETI & NGORONGORO

PACKAGE: 7 DAYS / 6 NIGHTS

Witness wildlife on open savannah

Experience the culture, cuisine and stunning landscapes of Tanzania. Discover the beauty of the Great Rift Valley. Led by a certified safari guide, you'll journey to the Serengeti in search of phenomenal wildlife in its natural habitat. Full-service camping will bring you closer to the region's animals and is an economical way to gain insight into local cultures in a short amount of time.

TRIP HIGHLIGHTS:

- **Taste some of the best coffee in the world** at a local plantation near Arusha.
- Hike to **Mount Meru Waterfall** at the foot of dormant volcano and taste a delicious local lunch.
- Visit the famed national parks in the **Serengeti and Ngorongoro Crater region**.
- Our **small safari vehicles** minimize drive times and improve your chances of snapping that perfect shot of one of the elusive "big five."
- Our **local expert crew** will keep you well informed (and well fed!) – filling you in on all you need to know about the Great Rift Valley.

TRIP OVERVIEW



START/END: Arusha – Arusha
SERVICE LEVEL: Camping & Basic accommodation
DIFFICULTY: 3 – Moderate (suitable for most fitness levels)
TRIP TYPE: Small group (min 4, max 14)

WHAT'S INCLUDED?

- Local guides & Local Safari Guides
- **Accommodation:**
 - 2 nights Arusha hotel/lodge
 - 1 night Mto wa Mbu lodge
 - 3 nights camping in Serengeti & Ngorongoro (basic facilities)
- **Meals:**
 - 6 breakfast, 5 lunches, 5 dinners
- **Activities:**
 - Welcome meeting with Olivia: The Happy Traveller
 - Mount Meru Waterfall Hike with lunch
 - Coffee Plantation Visit
- **Serengeti & Ngorongoro 4d/3n package:**
 - Pre-departure briefing in Arusha
 - 7-Seat 4x4 Safari Vehicles with pop up roof for game viewing, with charging adapter & refrigerator
 - Professional registered guides
 - Full board (all meals included during the safari package)
 - Fully serviced camping experience
 - All equipment (2 people tents, sleeping bags, mattresses, pillows, dining tables and chairs)
 - Professional safari chef
- **Permits & Entrance tickets:**
 - Mount Meru entrance fees
 - Serengeti National Park fees
 - Ngorongoro Conservation Area park fees
- **Transport:**
 - All transport from and to included activities

WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED?

- International flights
- Visas
- Airport transfers
- Travel insurance
- Tips for the staff
- Additional meals, drinks and activities not mentioned
- Emergency fund (unforeseen events)



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PACKAGE PRICE

STANDARD LEVEL + CAMPING

2026 price
Min 4 people

Per person
ZAR 30,520.00

2026 price
Single supplement

Per person
ZAR 1,715.00

ACCOMMODATION: Quoted Standard hotels/lodges (or similar):

Arusha:

- Njiro Climax Hotel - <https://www.njiroclimax.online/>

Mto wa Mbu:

- Nsya Lodge & Camp - <https://nsyalodge.com/>

Serengeti National Park:

- Nyani Public Campsite

Ngorongoro Crater:

- Simba Public Campsite



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SHORT OVERVIEW:

About dry Season in the Serengeti (June)

The beginning of the season is the ultimate way to combine the thrill of the start of Wildebeest Migration with a friendly camping safari.

With a focus on the Central, West and South Serengeti, 4 days safari package takes you in pursuit of the Wildebeest Migration.

DAY 1: ARUSHA, ARRIVAL DAY

Jambo! Welcome to Tanzania. Arrive at any time.

Your adventure begins today with a welcome meeting at 5:00pm at the hotel. If you arrive early you can head out and explore more of Arusha but make sure you are back in time.

Welcome meeting & dinner

Meet Olivia, The Happy Traveller, and the rest of the group

Your opportunity to meet Olivia and fellow travellers, and learn more about the tour.

Meet everyone and join them for a welcome dinner after the brief.

Accommodation: 1 hotel night in Arusha

Meals: Welcome Dinner



DAY 2: ARUSHA TO MTO WA MBU

Included activity: Mount Meru Waterfall Hike (2 hours approx.)

Start the morning active with an included hike to the Mount Meru's beautiful Napuru Waterfalls, hidden gem nestled on the slopes of the mount. Covering roughly 4 kilometres through forested trails, bubbling streams, and rocky paths.

Along the way, an English-speaking guide shares stories about the mountain's plants, wildlife, and cultural significance. The reward? A waterfall cascading into a quiet pool – cool mist and all.

After wards enjoy a traditional lunch at the local village.

Included activity: Coffee Plantation Visit & Tasting

Next the coffee experience awaits you, learn how coffee is cultivated, dried, roasted and further processed. You will also be invited to help with the grinding of the coffee, which is traditionally accompanied by local traditional songs and dances – a fun way to immerse yourself in the local culture.

Before you say goodbye and start your drive to Mto wa Mbu.

Accommodation: 1 lodge night in Mto wa Mbu

Meals: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner



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DAY 3: MTO WA MBU TO SERENGETI NATIONAL PARK

After breakfast, depart for 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. Then head to the central park area, known as the Seronera area, one of the richest wildlife habitats in the park, featuring the Seronera River.

Arrive in time for lunch and enjoy an afternoon game drive in the Serengeti national park.

7-Seat 4x4 Safari Vehicle

Get a better view and take better snapshots aboard this off-road ride with a pop-up top.

Included Activity: Serengeti National Park Safari

This is the reason you came to Tanzania. Charge your camera, grab your binoculars, and set out on safari. Your eagle-eyed driver will keep an eye out for wildlife – buffaloes, elephants, lions, wildebeests, zebras, and more. Tanzania's Serengeti tends to be less crowded than some of Kenya's reserves, so enjoy the scenery, the vast expanse of the grasslands, the play of light and shadow, and the up-close look at wild Africa.

Accommodation: 1 night camping in Serengeti National Park

Meals: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner



DAY 4: SERENGETI NATIONAL PARK

Rise early for a full-day wildlife safari drive in the Serengeti. Enjoy a picnic lunch in the bush and continue the search for the "big five" while taking in the vastness of the Serengeti plains.

In the afternoon we will follow the Kopjes Circuit.

7-Seat 4x4 Safari Vehicle

Included Activity: Serengeti National Park Safari

Optional activity (at additional cost):

- **Serengeti Balloon Safari: USD600pp**

Spirited aloft in a hot-air balloon, view the wildlife and terrain of the Serengeti that only the birds see. Enjoy a champagne breakfast and keep that shutter-finger good and limber—you'll be using it plenty over the course of your hour in the air. Unique experience!

Accommodation: 1 night camping in Serengeti National Park

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DAY 5: SERENGETI NATIONAL PARK TO NGORONGORO

Take a morning wildlife safari drive as you depart the Serengeti, then continue wildlife viewing in the Ngorongoro Crater, before getting a spectacular view of the crater from your campsite on its rim. The rich pasture and permanent water of the Crater floor supports a resident population of more than 20,000 to 25,000 large mammals.

7-Seat 4x4 Safari Vehicle

Included Activity: Serengeti National Park Safari

*Please note that due to the high-altitude location of our camp, temperatures can drop at night. We recommend bringing extra layers to wear during the evening and following morning.

Accommodation: 1 night camping in Ngorongoro Crater Rim

Meals: Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner



DAY 6: NGORONGORO TO ARUSHA

After an early breakfast we will depart from Serengeti to Ngorongoro Conservation Area. We will descend over 600 meters into the crater to view wildlife.

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. Late afternoon transfer to Arusha for our final night together.

7-Seat 4x4 Safari Vehicle

Included Activity: Ngorongoro Crater Morning Wildlife Safari

Supported by a year round water supply and fodder, the Ngorongoro Conservation Area supports a vast variety of animals, which include herds of wildebeest, zebra, buffalo, eland, warthog, hippo and giant African elephants. 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.

Accommodation: 1 night hotel in Arusha

Meals: Breakfast | Lunch



DAY 7: DEPARTURE

Depart at any time. Your trip comes to an end today, and there are no activities planned today.

Meals: Breakfast



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WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW:

Camping Service: The idea of camping in Africa can be a daunting one. For those not accustomed to 'roughing it' for a few days we offer a full camping service. All tents are pitched for you, meals are prepared and served and the washing up is done by the staff. This leaves you with more time to enjoy your surroundings and is ideal for first-time campers who may be worried about the challenges such a trip can entail.

When camping we are exposed to the elements, and whilst there are times when the weather is fine and temperatures are pleasant, there may be days when it is foggy, rainy and cool. In certain locations there may also be a number of bugs. These factors, however, should be seen as minor downsides to a camping experience which will allow you to get up close to the beautiful nature that Africa has to offer.

Camps are open to the natural environment (ie. no fences) – care must be taken, especially at night, when a torch/flashlight is recommended when walking around the camp area.

All camping equipment is supplied: tents, mattresses, sleeping bags, camping chairs and a camping dining table. We supply canvas dome tents with built-in mesh insect nets on the doors and windows.

Migration: Tanzania and Kenya

The Seronera Plains, which lie in the southeast of the National Park and extend into the western Ngorongoro Conservation Area, form the main ungulate calving grounds of the Serengeti. The wildebeest typically disperse into the Seronera plains during the short rains, which fall in late November or early December, before calving in January, and staying put until the end of the long rains from January to early May. Towards the end of April the wildebeest start to congregate on the southern plains in the preparation for the 800km northward migration. The major obstacle faced by the wildebeest on this migration is the crossing for the Grumeti River through the western corridor, which typically occurs from June into early July. From July to October, the ungulates disperse again, with about half of them crossing the Mara River into Kenya's Masai Mara National Reserve and the remainder spreading out through the northern and western Serengeti. By late October the animals have generally started to plod back southward to the Seronera Plains, to arrive there in late November when the cycle starts all over again.

Travel days:

This is not a physically demanding journey; however, travelling can be difficult, as long drives and poor road conditions. A safari is about travelling to see animals, so we cover long distances crossing the country to visit different wildlife parks. Once there, we spend the majority of the time viewing wildlife while driving in the parks. This translates to a lot of driving. Despite this, the diversity and scenery of the African landscape, the local culture and abundant wildlife are all well worth the experience.

Meals:

All camp meals you have during your trip will be prepared from fresh local produce. Shopping for food will be done before the trip departs, fresh vegetables and fruit will be bought along the route from supermarkets, local shops and markets. Breakfasts will generally be cereals, if time allows a warm breakfast may be prepared. Many lunches will be provided en-route and will be light meals such as sandwiches or salads. All evening meals will be hot and will consist of a variety of continental and local dishes. Vegetarian meals and other dietary requirements need to be specified prior to arrival. Please note all bottled drinking water will be at your own expense.

Solo travellers:

We believe single travellers should not have to pay more to travel so our group trips are designed for shared accommodation and do not involve a single supplement. Single travellers joining group trips are paired in twin accommodation with someone of the same sex for the duration of the trip.

Single supplement:

Please note that if you have booked the "Single supplement" option for this tour, you will receive your own single room/tent for all night stops. Exception: day 3,4,5.



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PAYMENTS & TIMELINES (GROUP BOOKINGS):

- A deposit of 20% of the total cost of the tour in order to secure space for you on this trip. Bookings will be consider provisional until deposit payment has been made.
- Balance of the full amount needs to be paid 60 days before trip departure, otherwise your reservation will be cancelled.
- If the date of travel is within 60 days, full payment of the price of the booking needs to be received in order to reserve and confirm space.

CANCELATION POLICY:

Cancellation in reference to this tour must be made in writing and is not effective until such written cancellation is received and acknowledged by Inspired Routes. Cancellation fees are applied to the tour price as follows:

- (a) Cancellation 61 days or more before first day of departure on relevant booking: 20% deposit will be held by the Company in accordance with these Terms.
- (b) Cancellation 60–31 days before first departure on relevant booking: An amount equal to 50% of the Tour price of the canceled Tour will be refunded.
- (c) Cancellation less than 30 days or less before first departure on relevant booking: No refund will be payable.



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