



The Magic Volcano

3 days safari



TANZANIA ADVENTURES AND SAFARIS

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Arusha Lake Manyara National Park

Day 1



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Depart after breakfast and drive across the Great Rift Valley to Lake Manyara National Park for a full day game drive. Although only 205 sq. miles in size this enchanting park is noted for its beauty and incredibly lush acacia forest of giant fig and mahogany trees, which are home to troops of baboons and blue monkeys. The park is also home to a large numbers of buffalos, giraffes, elephants, impalas and a Hippo lake, where large numbers of hippos usually gather. Well known for its birds (over 400 different species), Lake Manyara is one of the few places where you'll be able to see the Ground Hornbill and the Crested Eagle. This park has become famous for the the climbing lions and the flamingos in the lake shore. The landscapes of these park are absolutely stunning, very different from the Serengeti for example. The game drives are done along the shore of the lake, providing incredible views of giraffes and buffalos in the foreground with the lake, flamingos and flat plains in the horizon. Great photo opportunities! In the afternoon, return to campsite for dinner.

Extra tour recommended: Bicycle ride in Lake Manyara.

Overnight in campsite, tented camp or lodge. Our recommendations are Haven Nature tented camp (budget), Manyara Wildlife Safari Camp (mid-range), Ngorongoro Wildlife Lodge (mid-range+), Manyara Serena Lodge (Luxury) or Plantation Lodge Luxury Suites (Luxury+).

Alternative: Visit Tarangire National Park instead.

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Ngorongoro Crater

Day 2

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After an early breakfast we will drive a little to the 8th natural wonder of the world - the Ngorongoro Crater. With walls 2,000 ft high and a crater floor that spreads for 102 sq. miles, the crater is a virtual Noah's Ark, inhabited by almost every species of wildlife indigenous to East Africa including the rare black rhino. In fact, the crater has the greatest concentration of wild life in the planet. It contains a river, several swamps, a soda lake that, from the top, looks like steam, full of flamingoes, a forest and open plains. The large bull elephants that reside here have extremely large tusk, due to the rich mineral content of the volcanic soil and its grasses. They are the most incredible elephants you'll ever see in your life.

Descend down to the crater floor for a day of wildlife viewing in one of the most incredible places on Earth. After a stop for a picnic lunch near the hippo lake and more wildlife viewing in the afternoon, drive up the steep road out of the crater,.

Possibility for an afternoon walking safari in Ngorongoro highlands.

Evening transfer to Lake Eyasi. Overnight at public campsite or tented lodge. We recommend Lake Eyasi public campsite (budget), Tindiga tented camp (mid-range) or Kisima Ngeda (Luxury).

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Hadzabe Tribe Masai Village

Day 3



Very early in the morning, before breakfast, join the Hadzabe tribe, one of the last true nomadic tribes of Africa, in a fascinating hunting or fruit gathering session. This is something absolutely unique and out of the beaten track which is a great cultural experience and authentic while providing incredible opportunities for world class photography. After staying a while with the tribe, visit the beautiful Lake Eyasi, a seasonal shallow salt lake on the floor of the Great Rift Valley at the base of the Serengeti Plateau.

In the afternoon visit a traditional Masai village that is by no means a touristic show. In fact, many visitors to Tanzania consider this visit to be the greatest highlight of their trip.

During the tour, you will be guided by a Maasai Chief, who will show you the village, how the Maasai live, their habits, how they cook, how they take care of livestock, what and how they study, dance, etc.

Opportunity to watch the village women perform a local traditional dance. The whole experience provides fantastic photo opportunities.



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Information



Included in this package

- All National Park **entrance and camp site fees**
- **Accommodation as detailed** – Luxury tented camps or lodges or public campsites. If doing a budget camping safari, we provide all the camping equipment as well.
- Transport with **qualified driver/ guide** in well maintained 4*4 **Land Cruiser** with Safari pop-up open roof.
- High-End Nikon/Olympus/Bushnell **Binoculars**.
- * **All food** - breakfasts, packed lunches and evening meals.
- **Bottled water and soft drinks** in the vehicle during the safari.
- **Pickup/dropoff** in Arusha hotel before/after safari.
- * Services of various local guides.
- Donations and payments to local community projects.

Not Included in this package

- **Tips for guide** and cook (the industry guidelines is \$10 USD per person per day to the guide and half to the cook, but it is ultimately up to the client's description).
- **International visa** for Tanzania (can be obtained on arrival in Tanzania for \$50 USD per person)
- Meals outside the regular safari itinerary

Optional Extras

- Flying doctors **emergency insurance AMREF** for \$30 USD per person.
- **Welcome Package** for \$100 USD: Includes It Started in Africa tshirt, suitcase stickers, laser-crafted wooden magnets, travel notebook, Lonely Planet guidebook, Itinerary hard copy and gifts. **This package is sent by post before the safari (shipping costs included).**