



The Tanzania Classic – Simba Lodges

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Private Touring

- Flexible Dates
- Flexible Itinerary
- Modern Airconditioned Vehicle
- 24-Hour Local Assistance
- Upgrade Accommodation

Visit: Arusha-Tarangire National Park-Karatu-Ngorongoro Conservation Area-Arusha

Detailed Itinerary

Day 01: Arrive Arusha

Arrive at Kilimanjaro International Airport on your scheduled flight (arranged either by your agent or independently). After completing customs and immigration formalities, you will be met outside the Arrivals Hall by our representative. They will assist you to your transfer vehicle for your journey to the hotel.

Accommodation at the Kibo Palace Hotel on a bed and breakfast basis in an Executive Room (excludes other meals, drinks and laundry).

Kibo Palace Hotel.

The hotel features a modern and stylish design, with spacious rooms and suites that offer all the amenities expected of a city hotel.

The rooms are equipped with air conditioning, flat-screen TVs, minibars, tea and coffee making facilities, and free Wi-Fi. The en-suite bathrooms feature a bathtub or a shower, and some rooms come with balconies that offer panoramic views of the surrounding area.

Kibo Palace Hotel also boasts several on-site dining options, including a fine-dining restaurant that serves a variety of international cuisine, a coffee shop that offers freshly brewed coffee and light snacks, and a bar that serves a wide range of cocktails and other drinks.

Other amenities at the hotel include a fitness centre, a spa, a swimming pool, and a business centre that provides meeting and conference facilities.

Meal Plan

No Meal

Day 02: Arusha-Tarangire National Park

Spend the morning at leisure, with optional activities available (payable locally). After a safari briefing and lunch at the hotel, depart for Tarangire National Park. As you leave the bustling city of Arusha behind, the landscape opens up to vast plains scattered with traditional grass-thatched huts. Along the way, it is common to see young children herding cattle and sheep. In the distance, the imposing wall of the Great Rift Valley rises on the horizon. Arrive in the afternoon at your tented lodge, located adjacent to the park, where you will enjoy dinner and an overnight stay.

Accommodation at Tarangire Simba Lodge on a full board basis (excludes laundry and drinks).

Tarangire National Park

Tarangire National Park, located in northern Tanzania, is one of the country's most rewarding yet often overlooked safari destinations. Covering approximately 2,850 square kilometres, the park is renowned for its vast, rugged landscapes, ancient baobab trees, and a rich diversity of wildlife. During the dry season, Tarangire becomes a magnet for animals, drawing one of the highest concentrations of wildlife outside the Serengeti. The life-giving Tarangire River, which winds its way through the park, is a crucial water source for herds of elephants, wildebeest, zebras, and antelope.

The park is particularly famous for its elephant population, offering visitors remarkable close-up encounters with these majestic creatures. It is also a haven for birdwatchers, with over 500 recorded species, including vibrant, yellow-collared lovebirds, bateleur eagles, and the rare ashy starling. Predators such as lions, leopards, and cheetahs are also present, often seen stalking the open savannah or resting in the shade of acacia trees. The dramatic scenery, shifting from open plains to swamps and woodlands, provides a varied and stunning backdrop for wildlife viewing.

Tarangire's distinctive character lies in its quieter, more authentic atmosphere compared to the more famous parks nearby. Visitors can explore its beauty through traditional game drives, guided walking safaris, and cultural visits to nearby Maasai and Barabaig communities. Whether it's marvelling at a parade of elephants silhouetted against a fiery sunset or listening to the calls of distant lions at night, Tarangire National Park offers an unforgettable and deeply immersive safari experience.

Tarangire Simba Lodge

Tented Rooms

Tarangire National Park is a gem on the northern safari circuit. Teeming with wildlife, especially in the dry season, this area is a safari-goer's dream. The camp is located near the Sangaiwe Gate of Tarangire National Park.

Accommodation at Tarangire Simba Lodge is in sixteen classic canvas safari tents situated permanently under thatch. The spacious tents are constructed on platforms complete with wooden floors, a large en-suite dressing room, toilet and shower. There are twin and queen tents; triples are possible. There is also a family tent with two queen-sized beds. Additionally, there is an outdoor shower, and each tent has a private veranda with views to the bush and Lake Burunge. Furnishings are handcrafted from African hardwood, complemented with tastefully selected fabrics; electricity and hot water are solar-powered. Full amenities are provided.

Meal Plan

Full Board

Day 03: Tarangire National Park-Karatu

After a morning game drive and lunch at the lodge, depart the Tarangire region. Your journey takes you through the surrounding bushland, passing small Maasai villages and farmland. The road is mostly unpaved but generally well-maintained, with occasional bumps and dips.

After approximately 20 minutes, you will reach the town of Makuyuni, where you turn left onto the main road leading towards Lake Manyara, the Great Rift Valley, and onward to Karatu town. This section of the drive is on a paved road in good condition, winding through lush green hills and valleys, with stunning views of the surrounding landscapes.

As you near Karatu, you will notice small roadside markets and shops. Karatu itself is a lively, bustling town, known for its vibrant local market and its location near the Ngorongoro Conservation Area. Upon arrival at your lodge, check in and enjoy the remainder of the day and evening at leisure.

Accommodation at Karatu Simba Lodge on a full board basis (excludes laundry and drinks).

Karatu Simba Lodge

Tented Rooms

Located between Lake Manyara and Ngorongoro, Karatu Simba Lodge is nestled up against the lush Ngorongoro Forest Reserve.

Travellers can take a break from the safari trail to experience a taste of rural Tanzanian life, relax and enjoy the changing rhythm and landscape of the seasons. Sleep under the Southern Cross listening to the call of bush babies and montane night jars.

Meal Plan

Full Board

Day 04: Karatu-Ngorongoro Conservation Area

Depart early from your lodge and enter the Ngorongoro Conservation Area. Your journey begins with a climb up the back wall of the crater, continuing to the rim before descending to the floor of the Ngorongoro Crater. Here, you will enjoy a game drive in what is often referred to as a natural wildlife paradise. Covering just 102 square miles, yet home to over 30,000 resident mammals, the crater offers an excellent opportunity to encounter all members of the famed Big Five.

A picnic lunch box will be provided and enjoyed at a scenic spot within the crater floor, allowing you time to relax and absorb the stunning surroundings. In the afternoon, ascend once more to the crater rim and continue to your lodge, where dinner and an overnight stay await.

Accommodation at Karatu Simba Lodge on a full board basis (excludes laundry and drinks).

Ngorongoro Conservation Area

The Ngorongoro Conservation Area, located in northern Tanzania, is one of Africa's most extraordinary protected regions, recognised as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Covering over 8,000 square kilometres, it encompasses a diverse range of habitats, from open grasslands and volcanic craters to dense forests and sweeping highlands. The area was established to conserve wildlife while allowing the traditional Maasai communities to maintain their pastoral lifestyles, creating a rare balance between human and wildlife co-existence.

At the heart of the conservation area lies the Ngorongoro Crater, the world's largest intact, unfilled volcanic caldera. Formed approximately two to three million years ago after the collapse of a massive volcano, the crater spans about 19 kilometres in diameter and drops 600 metres to the floor below. This natural enclosure creates a unique ecosystem, supporting an astonishing concentration of wildlife year-round, including lions, elephants, black rhinos, buffalo, and large herds of wildebeest and zebra. The crater's permanent water sources, including Lake Magadi and several freshwater springs, ensure that the resident animals rarely need to migrate, offering exceptional game viewing in all seasons.

The Ngorongoro Crater is often called the "Eighth Wonder of the World," thanks to its breathtaking scenery and prolific wildlife. Visitors can expect dramatic vistas from the crater rim before descending into a landscape teeming with life. In addition to game drives, the conservation area offers opportunities for cultural visits to Maasai villages, birdwatching, and exploration of archaeological sites such as Olduvai Gorge, famously known as the cradle of humankind. Whether viewed from above or explored at ground level, Ngorongoro offers an unforgettable experience of Africa's natural beauty and ancient heritage.

Meal Plan

Full Board

Day 05: Ngorongoro Conservation Area-Arusha

After breakfast, depart your lodge and begin your journey back to Arusha, arriving in the city in time for lunch (drinks not included). Following lunch, you will be transferred to either Kilimanjaro International Airport or Arusha Airport for your departure flight (arranged by your agent or booked independently). End of our services.

Meal Plan

Breakfast and Lunch**Inclusion**

Landside meet and greet services.

Transfers as specified.

Transport for the safari sector in 4x4 vehicles on a PRIVATE basis with a maximum of 7 passengers per vehicle.

Guaranteed window seats (with one passenger next to the driver/guide).

Services of experienced bilingual English-speaking driver-guides (languages including Spanish, French, German and Italian are available on request and subject to availability).

Game drives and activities as specified in the itinerary.

All accommodation and meals as specified.

All park fees and government taxes (except Zanzibar Infrastructure Tax, where applicable).

Filtered water will be provided in safari vehicles (as applicable).

Travellers should bring reusable water bottles.

Exclusion

International and regional flights (except where specified)

Airport taxes except on the tickets we issue

Passport and visa fees

Zanzibar Infrastructure Tax (where applicable)

Hot air balloon safaris

Driver-guide gratuities

Dining rooms tips and portorage

Personal travel, baggage, and medical insurance

Drinks, Laundry, Telephone bills and any items of a personal nature (except where specified)

Note**Hotel Used Or Similar**

Arusha-Kibo Palace Hotel

Tarangire National Park-Tarangire Simba Lodge

Karatu-Karatu Simba Lodge

Supplements

Christmas Supplement [24, 25, 31 December] - AUD 58.00 per adult per night.

Child and Third Adult Policy

Children must share with adults

Children younger than a certain age are not permitted by the suppliers

Children younger than 13 must share with an adult

Amounts shown are a reduction of the per-person rate

Copies of passports are required for all

Third adult sharing is possible, but there is no reduction

NOTE ON FEES

We have included the amount of anticipated increases in park entry fees, concession fees, conservation fees and bed levies. It is an estimated amount. We will advise the actual amounts once known. In case it is more than the amount already incorporated, the same will be advised to you.

PLEASE NOTE: No reservations have been booked. Services are subject to availability at the time of booking.

Arrival Information

Earliest check-in at the arrival hotel is 14h00. Travellers arriving on early morning flights are urged to book a pre-night at the arrival hotel (at an additional cost) to avoid delays in accessing the hotel rooms on arrival.

Departure Information

This safari returns to Arusha at 1230 hrs.

Travellers departing from Arusha Airport on a domestic flight to Zanzibar's Abeid Amani Karume International Airport or an international flight should book a flight departing later than 1245 hrs.

Travellers departing from Kilimanjaro International Airport on a domestic or international flight should book a flight departing later than 1530 hours.

Travellers with limited time before their departure flight will be provided a picnic boxed lunch instead of lunch in Arusha.

Travellers with a long layover before their departure flight should consider booking a day room (at an additional cost) to refresh and repack before their international journey.

IMPORTANT Luggage Information

Travellers should only bring soft-sided bags on safari. Luggage space in safari vehicles is limited. These bags should measure no more than the following: Height 66 centimetres, Length 42 centimetres, Width

28 centimetres. Soft-sided bags with wheels are permitted.

If travelling on internal flights during your safari, luggage allowances are strictly enforced to 15 kilograms per person, including carry-on bags.

If arriving and departing from the same city, bags can be stored in our offices for a one-time fee of AUD 115.00 (per booking, not per bag or per person) to transfer and store the bags and reconnect them with the travellers for departure.

Information about Internal Flights

Once services are confirmed, GGTS will secure any internal flights included in the safari. The cost of these tickets will be subject to 100% cancellation fees. You must provide the correct passport names at the time of booking.

Additional remarks

We may have to re-route the itinerary or accommodate in similar lodges in case of non-availability.

Prices for domestic flights, airport taxes or park fees may be changed without prior notice. This is beyond our control and any increase levied will be passed to you for existing and new bookings.

Flight times mentioned for internal flights are based on published schedules but are subject to change depending on the airline's load factors and airstrips visited.

Tour Dates & Pricing**01 Apr 2026 to 25 May
2026****2-3 Pax**

AU\$3,361.11 Per Single

AU\$3,073.41 Per Twin

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4-5 Pax

AU\$2,712.30 Per Single

AU\$2,424.60 Per Twin

AVAILABLE

BOOK

6 Plus

AU\$2,470.24 Per Single

AU\$2,182.54 Per Twin

AVAILABLE

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**26 May 2026 to 31 Oct
2026****2-3 Pax**

AU\$3,898.81 Per Single

AU\$3,420.63 Per Twin

AVAILABLE

BOOK

4-5 Pax

AU\$3,230.16 Per Single

AU\$2,751.98 Per Twin

AVAILABLE

BOOK

6 Plus

AU\$2,982.14 Per Single

AU\$2,503.97 Per Twin

AVAILABLE

BOOK

**01 Nov 2026 to 15 Dec
2026****2-3 Pax**

AU\$3,361.11 Per Single

AU\$3,073.41 Per Twin

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4-5 Pax

AU\$2,712.30 Per Single

AU\$2,424.60 Per Twin

AVAILABLE

BOOK

6 Plus

AU\$2,470.24 Per Single

AU\$2,182.54 Per Twin

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16 Dec 2026 to 31 Dec 2026

2-3 Pax

AU\$3,926.59 Per Single

AU\$3,434.52 Per Twin

AVAILABLE

BOOK

4-5 Pax

AU\$3,277.78 Per Single

AU\$2,785.71 Per Twin

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6 Plus

AU\$3,035.71 Per Single

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