



## **Kifaru Safari - Serena DAR / DAR - 8 Days**

### **(#18438)**

**Note:** Price printed on this PDF is valid until **27-05-2024** and is subject to change without notice due to Partner changes and currency fluctuations

### **Overview**

Days of operation from Dar Es Salaam International Airport – Daily on Request

Starts at Dar Es Salaam International Airport

Ends at Dar Es Salaam International Airport

### **Trip Highlights**

Dar Es Salaam - Arusha - Lake Manyara National Park - Serengeti National Park - Ngorongoro Crater - Arusha - Dar Es Salaam

### **Detailed Itinerary**



## Day 01

### Day 01: Dar Es Salaam - Arusha (Lake Duluti)

Arrive at Dar Es Salaam Airport (booked by Agent) Private transfer to domestic Terminal for a Scheduled flight to Arusha upon arrival guests will be met and transferred to their hotel located a short distance from Arusha City Centre.

Overnight Arusha Serena Hotel on Half Board Basis.

#### Lake Duluti Serena Hotel

This unique hotel stands amid coffee plantations on the shores of tranquil Lake Duluti. Designed to echo the traditional style of the colonial coffee farm, which originally stood on this site, Lake Duluti Serena Hotel offers a range of tastefully presented cottage-styled rooms set amid extensive landscaped grounds. Standing at the gateway to the famous Tanzanian 'Northern Safari Circuit', the hotel offers a broad range of attractions, which include: walking, mountain biking and canoeing on Lake Duluti (all at additional costs). The hotel features a stone-built reception with an adjoining lounge, library, restaurant, boutique and business centre. Imposing in stature and spacious in concept, the design of the new building echoes the hotel's original incarnation as a working coffee farm dating back to colonial times.

## Day 02

### Day 02: Arusha - Lake Manyara National Park

Morning at leisure with safari briefing followed by lunch. Afternoon board your vehicle safari and depart Arusha passing through the Masai Steppe filled with many picturesque African villages as well as maize, coffee, and banana plantations. At the town of Makuyuni turn Northwest and continue the journey through a scenic escarpment that brings you to your lodge, perched on the edge of the Rift Valley with stunning views over the distant Lake Manyara.

Overnight at Lake Manyara Serena on Full board basis

#### Lake Manyara Serena Lodge

Standing high on the edge of a towering terracotta escarpment with panoramic views over the glittering alkaline waters of Lake Manyara, Lake Manyara Serena Safari Lodge offers a unique blend of tranquillity, wildlife discovery, and ornithological richness. The unprecedented range of high-adventure sports, include mountain biking, canoeing, forest walks and treetop walkway, while cultural choices include tours of the neighbouring villages and traditional lunch (all at additional costs). Grouped around a central 'vanishing horizon' pool, this highly unusual lodge features a simple timbered reception area, built in traditional African style, which is accessed via a bridge over a small stream. Beyond reception, lies the central dining room, bar and veranda, below which lies the pool. Perched on the very edge of the cliffs, with stunning views over the lake is the pool bar and observation point. Dotted around the grounds, all with views over the lake, are a series of circular two-story 'rondavels', which house the rooms. Designed to reflect the brilliance of Lake Manyara's unique birdlife, the architectural motif melds swooping avian curves with the gentle concentric patterns of traditional Maasai 'Bomas', while the



vibrantly coloured wall frescoes depict the colourful intricacy of bird migratory patterns.

### Day 03

### Day 03: Lake Manyara National Park - Serengeti National Park

After breakfast there is a game drive in Lake Manyara National Park that returns to the lodge for lunch. Leaving Lake Manyara behind, the journey continues Northwest across the stunning hilly countryside of the highlands which is filled with wheat and coffee plantations, and then into the Ngorongoro Conservation Area. From here lie the vast plains of the Serengeti, where you begin spotting wildlife as you approach the entrance gate. Complete the formalities and enter the park with game viewing en route to the lodge arriving for dinner.

Overnight at Serengeti Serena Lodge on Full board basis

#### Serengeti Serena Lodge

Set high on the saddle of a tree-clad ridge, commanding panoramic views across the Serengeti, this lodge is the ultimate fusion of traditional African architecture and world-class style. Centrally located adjacent to the famous Western Corridor and Grumeti River, the lodge has been designed to blend completely into the living landscape. A series of traditional domed 'rondavels' are widely spaced throughout the grounds, which are cooled by groves of acacia trees and watered by sparkling streams. On the very edge of the ridge is a 'vanishing horizon' pool, which looks out over the 'endless plains' after which the Serengeti is named. The lodge has been styled to offer a showcase of cultural performance, heritage and traditional art, which is best illustrated by the lavish Makonde carvings which decorate both the rooms and the stunning domed dining room. As for wildlife, the Serengeti National Park offers not only all the members of 'The Big Five' (elephant, rhino, lion, leopard and buffalo), but also the annual 'migration' of over one million wildebeest and their attendant cast of predators.

### Day 04

### Day 04: Serengeti National Park

Morning and afternoon game drives in Serengeti National Park. The Serengeti National Park, meaning "endless plains" in the Maasai language, is undoubtedly one of the world's most celebrated wilderness areas and is an ongoing source of inspiration to writers, filmmakers, and photographers. It is Tanzania's oldest game reserve, renowned as the site of the annual Great Migration, when an estimated three million antelope, mostly wildebeest migrate to Masai Mara Game Reserve.

Overnight at Serengeti Serena Lodge on Full board basis



## Day 05

### Day 05: Serengeti National Park - Ngorongoro Crater

After breakfast you depart for Ngorongoro with a picnic lunch viewing game across the vast Serengeti plains, stopping en route for a picnic lunch. Continue to your lodge, set high on the rim of Ngorongoro Crater arriving for dinner.

Overnight at Ngorongoro Serena Lodge on Full board basis

#### Ngorongoro Serena Lodge

Regularly voted one of the best hotels in the world, this unique lodge clings to the rim of the magnificent Ngorongoro Crater, the largest and most perfect volcanic crater on Earth. Long and low, the lodge is built from local river stone and camouflaged with indigenous vines. Designed to blend completely into the landscape, it is entirely invisible from the floor of the Crater 600 metres below. Hugging the contours of the jagged Crater rim, the lodge takes its inspiration from the so-called 'Cradle of Mankind', the prehistoric site of Olduvai Gorge, which lies close by. Linked by arched stone passages and timbered decks, its walls are decorated with stylised prehistoric cave paintings and lit by flaring torches. At the stone heart of the lodge burns a glowing fire, which is kept constantly alight. Decorated with cave paintings, the rooms are strung around the Crater rim. Each has its own rock- enclosed balcony, and all enjoy completely uninterrupted views of the volcanic amphitheatre far below. Known as 'The eighth wonder of the world' the Ngorongoro Crater is one of Africa's best-known wildlife arenas. A UNESCO World Heritage Site, it offers a unique biosphere, which has remained virtually unchanged since the dawn of time. Deep within the Crater, enclosed by towering walls, some 25,000 large mammals wander the plains, lakes and forests of 'The land that time forgot', dominated by enormous bull elephants, rhinos and lions.

## Day 06

### Day 06: Ngorongoro Crater

A highlight awaits you this morning as you depart to explore what is commonly referred to as the World's largest natural wildlife arena. After breakfast, you descend with a picnic lunch through the early morning mists and 2,000 feet into the crater. Ngorongoro Crater is the World's largest intact volcanic caldera. Due to its size and diversity, the crater floor is comprised of several distinct areas, ranging from forest, swamps, lakes and springs to open grassland and some sandy dunes. A truly unique wildlife experience. Return to the lodge in the late afternoon.

Overnight at Ngorongoro Serena Lodge on Full board basis

## Day 07

### Day 07: Ngorongoro Crater – Arusha



Depart Ngorongoro Crater after breakfast, head southeast past Lake Manyara and Mto wa Mbu Village. Through the highlands and the Karatu district, you'll view the scenic wheat plains and coffee plantations here before journeying down the spectacular escarpment turning on to the main Arusha – Dodoma Road towards Arusha hotel for relax and leisure. Overnight Arusha Serena Hotel on Full board basis

**Day 08****Day 08: Arusha – Dar Es Salaam (Departure)**

After breakfast private transfer to Arusha Airport for a Scheduled flight to Dar Es Salaam. Upon arrival guest will connect their onward connection (booked by Agent).

## Inclusions

- Meet and greet services with assistance at the airport.
- Airport transfers on private basis
- All transport and game drives on safari sector will be in a 4x4 Land cruiser with pop-up roof.
- English Speaking safari guide.
- Meals and accommodation as specified.
- All Park fees and government taxes.
- Filtered water will be provided in safari vehicles.
- Internal scheduled flights as specified.

## Exclusions

- Visas and international flights/regional flights
- Driver-guide gratuities, drinks, dining rooms tips and portorage
- Personal travel, baggage, and medical insurance
- Telephone bill, laundry, and any items of a personal nature
- Any other services which are not mentioned in the itinerary

## Note





### **Hotels Envisaged OR Similar**

Arusha (Lake Duluti) - Arusha Serena Hotel on Half Board Basis.

Lake Manyara National Park - Lake Manyara Serena on Full board basis

Serengeti National Park - Serengeti Serena Lodge on Full board basis

Ngorongoro Crater - Ngorongoro Serena Lodge on Full board basis

Arusha - Arusha Serena Hotel on Full board basis

Minimum 02 pax required to operate tour

In order to qualify for the above rate, tour must start and finish within the specific dates

**Kindly note:** No reservations have been made. Accommodations are subject to availability at the time of booking.

### **Supplements**

Festive and New Year Supplement [24 Dec to 01 Jan 2024/25] - AUD 100.00 per person per night

Easter Supplement [29,30,31 Mar, & 01 April 2024] - AUD 89.00 per person per night

Child/Third Adult Rates available on request.

### **Passenger Information**

Passengers should bring soft sided bags on safaris.

All the passengers must have Identification Card/Passport with them for internal flights.

Baggage on internal flights is strictly limited to 15 kgs per person (including hand luggage). Any excess baggage will be charged by the airline at check-in.

Due to limited luggage space in vehicles and internal aircrafts, hard suitcases are unsuitable for road-based safaris. We recommend soft sided suitcases and bags.

Travellers' cheques generally are not accepted in East Africa. US bank notes cannot be older than 2004 and must have the most current security markings (large portrait of the presidents).

### **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.

Passengers arriving to Kenya and Tanzania may be required to provide proof of vaccination against yellow fever.

## **Program Touring / Guide**



Private touring

## Periodic Departure

**01 Apr, 2024 to 24 May, 2024**

Hotel

AUD 8,065 P P twin share

AUD 8,311 P P single

AVAILABLE

**25 May, 2024 to 23 Jun, 2024**

Hotel

AUD 9,820 P P twin share

AUD 10,653 P P single

AVAILABLE

**24 Jun, 2024 to 31 Oct, 2024**

Hotel

AUD 10,465 P P twin share

AUD 11,513 P P single

AVAILABLE

**01 Nov, 2024 to 15 Dec, 2024**

Hotel

AUD 8,634 P P twin share

AUD 9,336 P P single

AVAILABLE

**16 Dec, 2024 to 31 Dec, 2024**

Hotel

AUD 10,758 P P twin share

AUD 11,878 P P single

AVAILABLE

