



8 DAYS

TANZANIA · WILDLIFE SAFARI

8-Day Tanzania Safari with Lake Eyasi & Maasai Culture

Tarangire, the central Serengeti, Ngorongoro Crater and Lake Manyara, plus a morning with the Hadzabe at Lake Eyasi and a visit to a Maasai village.

DURATION

8 days

DESTINATIONS

7

ROUTE

Arusha > Arusha

AT A GLANCE

Tour Overview

Most northern circuit safaris pass people without stopping. This one sets aside a day and a half to meet three of the communities who live around the parks, without giving up any of the main wildlife areas.

The game viewing covers Tarangire, two nights in the central Serengeti, the floor of Ngorongoro Crater and a final morning in Lake Manyara National Park. Between the crater and Manyara you drive down to Lake Eyasi, where the Hadzabe still hunt with bows and gather wild food. You walk out with the hunters at dawn, then visit a Datoga homestead to watch blacksmiths cast arrowheads and bracelets from scrap metal.

On the last day you visit a Maasai village and have lunch in Mto wa Mbu before the transfer to the airport.

Good for: travellers who want to understand how people live alongside wildlife, and families with older children. The Hadzabe walk covers rough ground and starts early.

DURATION

8 days

DESTINATION

Tanzania

TRIP STYLE

Wildlife Safari

DESTINATIONS

Arusha · Tarangire National Park · Central Serengeti · Ngorongoro Crater · Lake Eyasi · Lake Manyara National Park

Safari Highlights

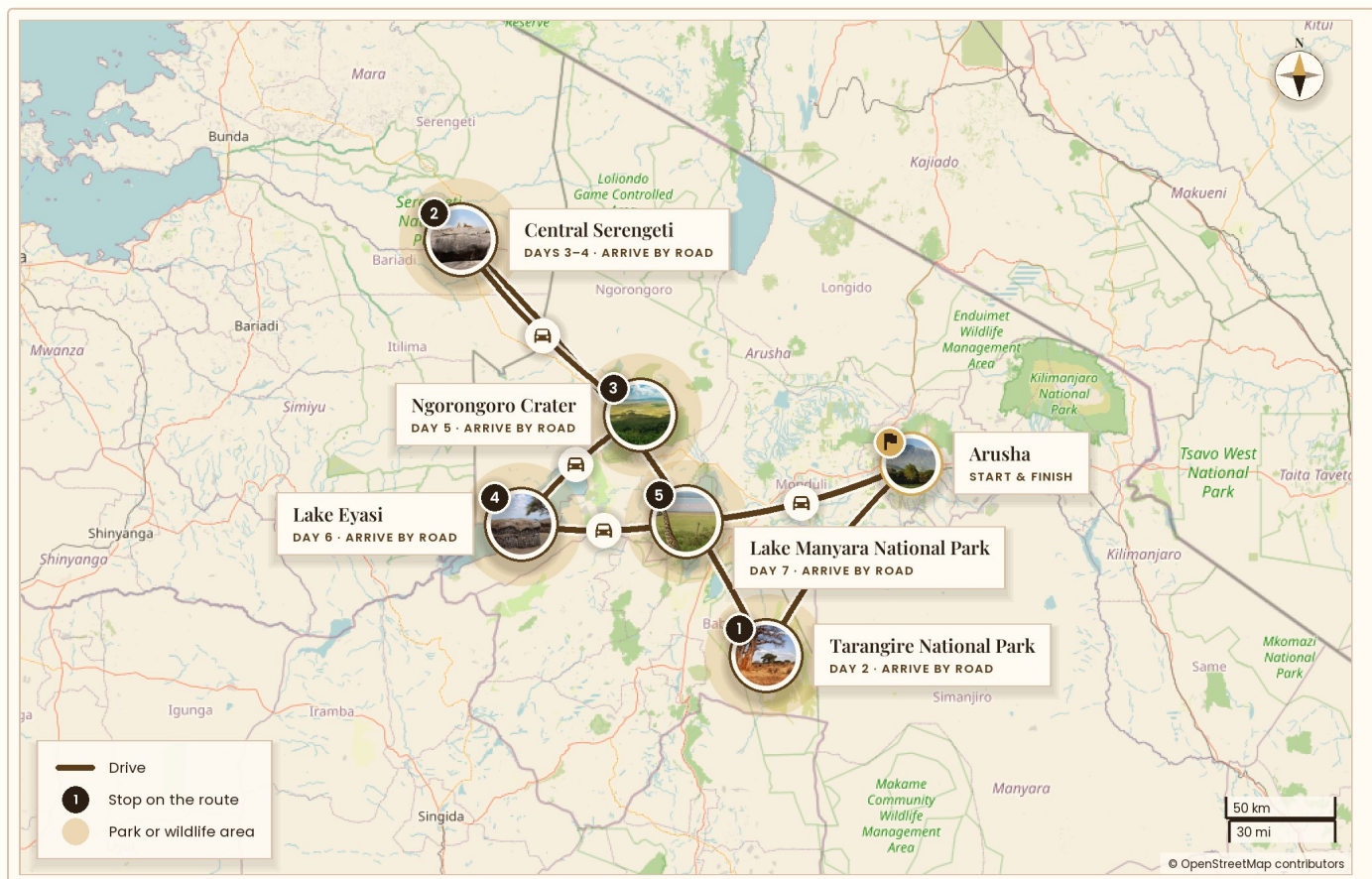
- Dawn walk with Hadzabe hunters at Lake Eyasi
- Two nights in the central Serengeti
- Tarangire and Lake Manyara national parks
- Datoga blacksmiths at work in their homestead
- Ngorongoro Crater floor game drive
- Maasai village visit and local lunch in Mto wa Mbu



TANZANIA

Your route

Where the journey takes you, from the first day to the last.



Arusha Day 1 › Tarangire National Park Day 2 › Central Serengeti Days 3-4 › Ngorongoro Crater Day 5 › Lake Eyasi Day 6
› Lake Manyara National Park Day 7 › Arusha Day 8



Arusha

DAY 1 • START

Overnight: Mount Meru Hotel



1 Tarangire National Park

DAY 2 • ARRIVE BY ROAD

Overnight: Tarangire Sopa Lodge



2 Central Serengeti

DAYS 3-4 • ARRIVE BY ROAD

Overnight: Serengeti Sopa Lodge



3 Ngorongoro Crater

DAY 5 • ARRIVE BY ROAD

Overnight: Ngorongoro Rhino Lodge



4 Lake Eyasi

DAY 6 • ARRIVE BY ROAD

Overnight: Lake Eyasi Safari Lodge



5 Lake Manyara National Park

DAY 7 • ARRIVE BY ROAD

Overnight: Lake Manyara Serena Safari Lodge



6 Arusha

DAY 8 • ARRIVE BY ROAD

8 DAYS

Day by day

Your journey through Tanzania, one day at a time.



DAY 01

Arrive Kilimanjaro Airport, transfer to Arusha

You are met at Kilimanjaro International Airport and driven to your hotel in Arusha for dinner and a briefing with your guide. Overnight in Arusha.

DESTINATION Arusha

OVERNIGHT Mount Meru Hotel



DAY 02

Arusha to Tarangire National Park, overnight Karatu

A two-hour drive to Tarangire, then game drives through baobab country along the Tarangire River, where elephants are present in large numbers in the dry months. Picnic lunch in the park. In the late afternoon you continue to Karatu in the Ngorongoro highlands.

DESTINATION Tarangire National Park

OVERNIGHT Tarangire Sopa Lodge



DAY 03

Karatu to the central Serengeti

You cross the Ngorongoro Conservation Area, with a stop at the crater rim, and drive down to the Serengeti. Game viewing begins at the park gate and continues to Seronera, where you arrive in the afternoon. Overnight in the central Serengeti.

DESTINATION Central Serengeti

OVERNIGHT Serengeti Sopa Lodge



DAY 04

Full day in the central Serengeti

Morning and afternoon game drives around the Seronera River, the most reliable part of the park for lion and leopard, with cheetah on the plains to the east. Overnight in the central Serengeti.

DESTINATION Central Serengeti

OVERNIGHT Serengeti Sopa Lodge



DAY 05

Serengeti to Ngorongoro Crater, overnight Karatu

An early start for the drive back to Ngorongoro. You descend to the crater floor for a game drive with a picnic lunch, looking for black rhino, lion and elephant, then climb out and continue to Karatu.

DESTINATION Ngorongoro Crater

OVERNIGHT Ngorongoro Rhino Lodge



DAY 06

Lake Eyasi: Hadzabe and Datoga

You leave before sunrise for Lake Eyasi, about two hours on a rough road. With a local guide you join Hadzabe men on their morning hunt, see how they make fire and arrows, and then visit a Datoga family and their forge. Return to Karatu in the afternoon.

DESTINATION Lake Eyasi

OVERNIGHT Lake Eyasi Safari Lodge



DAY 07

Lake Manyara National Park, return to Arusha

A morning game drive in Lake Manyara National Park: groundwater forest, baboon troops, elephants and, depending on water levels, flamingos and pelicans on the lake. After lunch you drive back to Arusha.

DESTINATION Lake Manyara National Park

OVERNIGHT Lake Manyara Serena Safari Lodge



DAY 08

Maasai village visit and departure

You visit a Maasai village to see how a homestead is laid out and how the herds are managed, followed by lunch and time at the craft market in Mto wa Mbu. Afterwards you are driven to the airport for your flight.

DESTINATION Arusha

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Where you stay

Lodges and camps chosen for their setting, comfort and service. (or similar, depending on availability)



Mount Meru Hotel

DAY 1 · HOTEL · MID-RANGE

A large, well-run hotel on the edge of Arusha, set in gardens with views of Mount Meru on clear days. A practical, comfortable base for the first and last nights of a safari, with...

Restaurant · Bar · Swimming pool · Wi-Fi in public areas · Private bathroom



Tarangire Sopa Lodge

DAY 2 · SAFARI LODGE · MID-RANGE

A comfortable lodge inside Tarangire National Park, among baobabs and acacia woodland. Being in the park means early starts and late returns on game drives, with elephants often cl...

Restaurant · Bar · Swimming pool · Wi-Fi in public areas · Private bathroom



Serengeti Sopa Lodge

DAY 3-4 · SAFARI LODGE · MID-RANGE

A spacious lodge on a hillside in the central Serengeti, with wide views across the plains from the rooms, terraces and pool. A comfortable base for game drives around the Seronera...

Restaurant · Bar · Swimming pool · Private bathroom · Panoramic views



Ngorongoro Rhino Lodge

DAY 5 · SAFARI LODGE · MID-RANGE

A small, homely lodge in the highland forest on the crater rim, close to the road down into Ngorongoro Crater. Nights up here are cool, so fireplaces and warm bedding are welcome a...

Restaurant · Bar · Private bathroom · Evening campfire



Lake Eyasi Safari Lodge

DAY 6 · SAFARI LODGE · MID-RANGE

Stone and thatch cottages above the shores of Lake Eyasi, a remote soda lake below the Rift escarpment. A base for mornings with the Hadzabe and Datoga communities, with a pool and...

Restaurant · Bar · Swimming pool · Private bathroom · Panoramic views



Lake Manyara Serena Safari Lodge

DAY 7 · SAFARI LODGE · MID-RANGE

Round, thatched rooms on the edge of the Rift Valley escarpment, with sweeping views down over Lake Manyara and its forest. A good stop between Tarangire and Ngorongoro, with a pool...

Restaurant · Bar · Swimming pool · Wi-Fi in public areas · Private bathroom

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Inclusions and Exclusions

Included

- Professional guide support during the itinerary
- Accommodation as per itinerary nights
- Ground transfers and safari transport
- Park or activity fees as specified per day
- Meals according to itinerary notes

Not included

- International flights and visa charges
- Travel and medical insurance
- Tips and personal expenses
- Optional excursions not explicitly listed



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