

Breathtaking Vista by Tim S. Geiss

# TANZANIA VISTAS by SAFARI EXPRESS

12 or 13 Day Road/Fly Safari

Tours operate daily with two people minimum (based on availability)

Highlights: Two World Heritage Sites, flora, fauna, scenery, views from your room and more wildlife.

## Tanzania Safari Plan

- 1. ARUSHA
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- 3. TARANGIRE NP (Fly from Arusha)
- 4. TARANGIRE NP
- 5. LAKE MANYARA NP (Fly from Tarangire)
- 6. LAKE MANYARA NP
- 7. NGORONGORO CRATER
- 8. NGORONGORO CRATER
- 9. SERENGETI NP (Fly from Lake Manyara)
- 10. SERENGETI NP
- 11. SERENGETI NP
- 12. ARUSHA (Fly from Serengeti)
- 12. SERENGETI NP (Optional)
- 13. ARUSHA (Fly from Serengeti)







Our *ultimate safari* in Tanzania will visit the top four parks. While enjoying the utmost safari luxury throughout you'll have sweeping views from above in all the parks. Add the world class animal viewing led by our top English speaking guides and trip of a lifetime becomes an understatement. The mix between flying between the parks and the safari vehicles on the game drives has you traveling at a comfortable pace allowing you plenty of time for exploration and relaxation.

Day 1: Arrival in Arusha, Tanzania KARIBU TANZANIA! Welcome to Tanzania! Arrive Kilimanjaro International Airport (JRO) in Arusha, Tanzania. Airport Meet and Greet and then transfer to Arusha Hotel for overnight.

# Day 2: Arusha

Meet with your tour guide at 10 am. Visit a local market where you will help pick out local produce to donate to a local orphanage. Lunch will be at a local restaurant. In the afternoon, have a choice of optional visits to the Tanzanite Experience, Shanga or take the remainder of the day at leisure. (BLD)

### Day 3: Arusha - Tarangire NP

Morning departure on your flight to Tarangire National Park. Depending on the season, it's possible to see large herds of elephants throughout the park. Along with many other herbivores they are drawn to the Tarangire River and the Silale Swamp. Overnight at Lemala Mpingo Ridge Lodge. (BLD)

### Day 4: Tarangire NP

Morning and afternoon game drives today. The mid-day is yours to enjoy the sweeping views from the escarpment from which the lodge sits. Large Baobab trees are a main feature of the park. While over 500 bird species have been recorded here the big cats may be found as well. Overnight at your Tarangire lodge. (BLD)



The Ngorongoro King by Tim S. Geiss

# Day 5: Tarangire NP - Lake Manyara NP Optional early morning game drive. Return to Lemala Mpingo Ridge for breakfast and prepare for your departure. Mid-morning transfer to Kuro Airstrip for your flight to Lake Manyara. Fly over the Great Rift Valley before arriving up on the escarpment. Transfer

your flight to Lake Manyara. Fly over the Great Rift Valley before arriving up on the escarpment. Transfer to Lake Manyara Kilimamoja Lodge which sits on the edge of the escarpment looking down into this luscious section of The Great Rift Valley. After lunch and some settling in you will have the choice of an afternoon at leisure or a visit with an Iraqw tribal village. Overnight at your lodge. (BLD)

# Day 6: Lake Manyara NP

Morning game drive in Lake Manyara National Park famous for its tree climbing lions. This small park is diverse with five vegetation zones. The soda lake is a draw to over 400 species of birds including the greater and lesser flamingoes. Afternoon at leisure then overnight at Lake Manyara Kilimamoja Lodge. (*BLD*)

Day 7: Lake Manyara NP - Ngorongoro Crater Mid-morning transfer to the Ngorongoro Conservation area. An en-route stop at Tanzania's best souvenir and fine arts shop - African Galleria. Arrive at your lodge for lunch. In the afternoon, you may visit a Maasai Village or have the afternoon at leisure. Overnight at and Beyond's Crater Lodge. (*BLD*)



Maasai Giraffe on the Serengeti Plains by Tim S. Geiss

Day 8: Ngorongoro Crater Conservation Area Game drive 2000 feet down in the Eighth Natural Wonder of the World - Ngorongoro Crater. Year round water keeps a large variety of animals teeming in the area. Picnic lunch will be at one of the hippo pools. Continue your game drive in one of the best places to see black rhinos in Tanzania. The crater elephants also have some of the largest tusks in all of Africa. Overnight at and Beyond's Crater Lodge. (*BLD*)

Day 9: Ngorongoro Crater - Serengeti NP Return to the Manyara airstrip and fly to the Seronera Airstrip in the central area of the Serengeti. Game drive en-route to your lodge. You will have an afternoon game drive in the 'endless plains' which means Serengeti in the Maasai language. Return to your lodge in the early evening for dinner. Overnight at the Serengeti Lake Magadi Lodge. (*BLD*)



A sated Leopard near the Silale Swamp of Tarangire by Tim S.



Love Bird by Tim S. Geiss

# Day 10: Serengeti NP

*Optional* A Sunrise Hot Air Balloon Safari. Enjoy more exploration of this great park possibly visiting one of the many dazzling Kopjes (rocky outcrops) scattered throughout the area. Return in the late afternoon and overnight at your Serengeti lodge. (*BLD*)

## Day 11: Serengeti NP

The Serengeti is full of awe-inspiring landscapes from the plains, to the acacia forests, to the hills in the central region and the Kopjes located throughout. Add that to the abundant wildlife and you will see why it is animal paradise. You will spend the entire day in it looking for game including the many prides of lions that live throughout the park. Overnight at your Serengeti lodge. (BLD)

### Day 12: Serengeti NP - Arusha

Morning game drive en-route to the Seronera Airport in the central Serengeti for your flight to Arusha. Continue on to your Zanzibar extension or transfer to your Arusha hotel where there is a day room waiting for you. Transfer to JRO for your evening departure for the U.S. (BL)

### **EXTRA! EXTRA!**

It is highly recommended to add an extra night in the fabulous Serengeti. With the Serengeti being the size of Vermont there is plenty of park left to explore. The additional day also creates flexibility in how the game drives will play out during the other 3 days in the Serengeti.

# Day 12: Serengeti NP

This morning is another day in animal paradise. You will leave early to go explore either the western or northern part of the Serengeti. Destination will be determined on whether the migration has made an early appearance to the Serengeti. Millions of animals may be seen here during the migration seasons. Return in the late afternoon and overnight at your Serengeti lodge. (BLD)



Cheetah motherly love by Tim S. Geiss

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Morning game drive en-route to the Seronera Airport in the central Serengeti for your flight to Arusha. Continue on to your Zanzibar extension or transfer to your Arusha hotel where there is a day room waiting for you. Transfer to JRO for your evening departure toward home. (*BL*)

### Inclusive meals as indicated:

B = Breakfast; L = Lunch; D = Dinner



Room balcony view from the Serengeti Lake Magadi Lodge by Tim S. Geiss



Mt. Meru view from Gran Melia Arusha courtesey of Melia Hotels



Tub with a view at Lemala Mpingo Ridge by Tim S. Geiss



Kilimamoja Lodge vista of the Great Rift Valley by Tim S. Geiss



Ngorongoro Crater vista from and Beyond by Tim S. Geiss

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