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Arusha - Tarangire National Park - Ngorongoro Region - Lake Eyasi - Central Serengeti - Ngorongoro Crater 9 Days / 8 Nights 19 June 2021 - 27 June 2021

Introduction

Accommodation	Destination	Basis	Duration
Mount Meru Hotel	Arusha	B&B	1 Night
Lake Burunge Tented Camp	Tarangire National Park	FB	2 Nights
Ngorongoro Forest Tented Lodge	Ngorongoro Region	FB	1 Night
Lake Eyasi Safari Lodge	Lake Eyasi	FB	1 Night
The Whisper	Central Serengeti	FB	2 Nights
Ngorongoro Forest Tented Lodge	Ngorongoro Crater	FB	1 Night

### Price

### Budget

Double room : USD 5 600 (ie USD 2800 per person) CHF 2620 per person at FX rate of 08.01.2021)

Single room : USD 3400, ie CHF 3130 at fx rate of 08.01.2021

Subject to hotels/lodges availability at the time of booking.

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Day 1: Mount Meru Hotel, Arusha (Sat, 19 June)

#### Arusha

Resting at the foot of Mount Meru, the sprawling city of Arusha is known as the safari capital of northern Tanzania. It serves as an excellent base from which to explore the remarkably scenic surrounding area which includes majestic Mount Kilimanjaro, as well as the Manyara, Tarangire and Ngorongoro National Parks. Arusha is a good spot to take a day or two off from the safari circuit as it features a temperate climate and lush surrounds. Visitors can look forward to exploring the wildlife-abundant Serengeti National Park; the magnificent Arusha National Park; and taking on the challenge of climbing Mount Meru, Africa's fifth highest mountain.

### **Day Itinerary**

Upon our arrival at Kilimanjaro airport and after the immigration formalities, our driver-guides will welcome you and drive us to our hotel in Arusha for the night.

### **Overnight: Mount Meru Hotel**

Situated at the foothills of Mount Meru in the city of Arusha, the Mount Meru Hotel is set on 15 acres of serene and lush landscape and surrounded by some of Africa's most breathtaking vistas. The guest rooms include mini-refrigerators, tea and coffee making facilities, DSTV with Freeview channels, and free Wi-Fi. With three on-site restaurants, as well as a bar and cigar lounge, guests are spoilt for choice when it comes to dining and drinking. Guests can unwind in the swimming pool, or enjoy rejuvenating massages and treatments at the Tulia Spa and Salon. The hotel also offers a golf course and a variety of convenience shops.



# Day 2: Acclimatisation day, Arusha city tour, lunch local Indian restaurant Head to Lake Burunge

### **Day Itinerary**

This is acclimatisation day : after a good night's sleep, we will visit the buoyant city of Arusha, if open again by then the Cultural Heritage (the biggest art collection of Africa), have lunch in a great Indian restaurant in town.

Then, we will drive towards the national park areas, and spend the night in a lovely lodge close to lake Burunge.

#### **Overnight: Lake Burunge Tented Camp**

Tarangire

Permanent luxury tents. Located only 10 minutes from Tarangire National Park, Lake Burunge Tented Camp consists of 30 rooms with en suite facilities.



## Day 3: Safari in Tarangire National Park (Mon, 21 June)

### **Tarangire National Park**

Tarangire National Park, situated within Tanzania's spectacular Manyara Region, is an awe-inspiring national park comprising of granite ridges, river valleys, mixed vegetative landscapes, and free-roaming wildlife. During the annual dry season the Tarangire River is a magnet for thirsty wildlife. Large herds of elephants and migratory wildebeest, zebra, buffalo, impala, gazelle, hartebeest and eland gather and not surprisingly the predators follow. With lion being among the most commonly spotted animal, it is a rare day that a visitor does not spot this majestic animal prowling or grazing. Tarangire is also the one place in Tanzania where dry-country antelope such as oryx and gerenuk are seen regularly. This expansive area is also known for its spectacular baobab trees, its breathtaking views of the Masaai Steppe and the wondrous mountains to the South.

#### **Day Itinerary**

Our safari starts today with Tarangire National Park, where we will see a lot of wildlife.

Back to the same lodge for dinner and overnight.

## Day 4: Mto wa Mbu village visit (Tue, 22 June)

#### **Ngorongoro Region**

Bordering Kenya to the north, the Ngorongoro Region is known for its abundance of beautiful natural features. It encompasses the Ngorongoro Conservation Area, a UNESCO World Heritage Site; the spectacular Ngorongoro Crater, and the active OI Doinyo Lengai volcano. Visitors can look forward to a variety of activities such as viewing the epic Serengeti wildebeest migration, visiting a local Maasai village, soaking up the remarkably diverse scenery and catching a glimpse of the magnificent bird and wildlife including over 500 bird species, all of the Big Five, as well as crocodile, hippo, zebra, antelope, lion, leopard, and cheetah. Don't miss the opportunity to join a walking safari, enjoy thrilling mountain biking adventures and scenic trekking.

### **Day Itinerary**

Today, after a relaxing breakfast, we will be heading to the village of Mto wa Mbu.

There and accompanied by a local guide, we will tour the village before having lunch in a local restaurant.

Then, we will visit the Maasai market and later, drive to the city of Karatu where will be spend the night in a lovely lodge, on the hills bordering the town.

### **Overnight: Ngorongoro Forest Tented Lodge**

Ngorongoro Forest Tented Lodge is located just before Karatu when driving to Ngorongoro.

It is a very intimate property with 10 luxury tents on the platform with inside and outside showers.

A perfect place to stay before or after a day in the crater. Close to Lake Manyara National Park and the gate to Ngorongoro Crater it is the perfect stopover between the two. Using Ngorongoro Forest Tented Lodge as a base for a few days you can also visit Tarangire National Park (about 1.5 hrs away) and Lake Eyasi (1hr away) as well as explore the region around Karatu where there are many hiking/walking opportunities and possibilities for cultural exchanges. The team will be happy to provide the best service to make your stay unforgettable. From the lounge or fire place enjoy the sunset and the service from bilingual staff.



## Day 5: Lake Eyasi Safari Lodge, Lake Eyasi (Wed, 23 June)

### Lake Eyasi

Tucked between the Kidero Mountains in the south and the Eyasi Escarpment in the North, Lake Eyasi is set in a remote, dry, arid landscape located just south of Tanzania's renowned Serengeti National Park. This seasonal lake features dry salt beds; a variety of birdlife such as flamingos and pelicans; and is surrounded by woodlands, forests and ancient baobabs. Visitors can learn about local cultures and visit the pastoralist Datoga people as well as the nomadic hunter-gatherer Hadzabe group. Other popular activities include: bird watching, hiking, walking safaris and soaking up the spectacular views. Don't miss the opportunity to visit the nearby Oldeani Mountain, the swampy valley of Yaeda and spectacular Serengeti.

#### **Day Itinerary**

Today, we will be headed to the shores of lake Eyasi.

There, we will visit the Datoga tribe, the Hazabé (and possibly go for a short hike with them), and then a "blacksmiths" tribe, before going for a short walk by lake Eyasi.

Dinner and overnight near the lake.

#### **Overnight: Lake Eyasi Safari Lodge**

Located on a gentle slope overlooking the lake, Lake Eyasi Safari Lodge offers stunning views over the seasonal soda lake and up to the Ngorongoro Conservatio Area. All the 14 spacious rooms are scattered within the vast property and are tastefully furnished with great attention to detail, the décor blends elements from the surrounding landscape with modern comfort, and have private verandah overlooking the lake.

The region of Lake Eyasi, South-west of Ngorongoro, is home to the Hadza bushmen, the last survivors of a civilisation that knows nothing of agriculture, livestock, pottery, and metals. They live by hunting with bows and arrows, and gathering wild berries and fruits. They are the last heirs of the homines sapientes who took their first steps right here, along the Rift Valley, about two hundred thousand years ago.

Their way of life has remained unchanged over the millennia and they live in small wandering groups of about twenty individuals. The Hadza people of Lake Eyasi are the heirs of the very first human beings, the kids of Olduvai Gorge and Koobi Fora who still have a symbiotic relationship with the environment, the purest example of anarchic society with no rules, no chief, no dont's.



Day 6: Serengeti (Thu, 24 June)

## **Central Serengeti**

Situated in the heart of Tanzania, the Central Serengeti encompasses the world-famous Seronera Valley which is known for its prime wildlife-viewing opportunities. This picture-perfect landscape is characterised by endless stretches of savannah-covered open plains, interspersed by rocky outcrops of granite, scattered with acacia woodlands and covered in a network of rivers and streams. The Central Serengeti forms part of the great wildebeest and zebra migration and provides an ideal habitat for a variety of wildlife such as giraffe, impala, waterbuck, hippo, elephant, buffalo, lion, leopard, hyena, jackal, serval and much more. Popular activities include: game viewing, cultural tours, horse riding safaris, and hot air ballooning over the spectacularly scenic terrain.

## **Day Itinerary**

Today, we are heading to the great Serengeti National Park, where we will spend most of the day looking for the Big 5.

Dinner and overnight in a bush camp, in the heart of the savannah, our home for the coming two nights.

### **Overnight: The Whisper**

The Whisper offers an intimate camp with 6 large Guests tents, equipped with wooden floors, en-suite bathroom with shower, vanity desk and flush toilets. A dining and lounge tent where travellers can meet and share their day while enjoying a drink admiring the surrounding wildlife. Full board accommodation, meals freshly prepared by its Chefs on a daily basis. At night, it also offers the unique experience of a campfire, admiring the astonishing Tanzanian skies.

## Day 7: Serengeti (Fri, 25 June)

#### **Day Itinerary**

Safari in the Serengeti.

#### Basis

Full Board - Dinner, Bed, Breakfast and Lunch

#### **Ngorongoro Crater**

Located in Northern Tanzania, the Ngorongoro Crater is best known for its natural beauty and abundance of diverse wildlife; which makes it one of Africa's most popular safari destinations. Surrounded by Tanzania's highlands, this UNESCO-listed crater is said to be the world's largest intact volcanic caldera. Visitors can look forward to spotting the world-renowned Big Five and a host of other wildlife species including large herds of zebra and wildebeest. It is famed as one of Tanzania's best tourist attractions offering visitors an array of wonderful activities including excellent bird watching, trekking, wildlife viewing, mountain biking and visiting a local Maasai village. Don't miss the opportunity to jump on an excursion to the magnificent Olduvai Gorge.

#### **Day Itinerary**

Early start today, heading for the spectacular Ngorongoro crater.

At the end of the day, back to Karatu in the same lodge as day 4 (Ngorongoro Forest Tented Lodge).



## Day 9: End of Itinerary (Sun, 27 June)

#### Day Itinerary

Today is the end of our safari.

The driver-guides will drop off people who are flying to Zanzibar at Manyara airstrip, and drive those going back to Switzerland to Arusha, then Kilimanjaro at the end of the afternoon.