

OFF WE GO SAFARIS LLC 2018- 2019 TANZANIA & KENYA EXPLORER- 15 DAYS ITINERAY

L-Lunch, D-Dinner, BB-Bed and breakfast, LDBB-Lunch, dinner, bed and breakfast, Trsf-Transfer, E-Early morning game drive, A-Morning game drive, P-Afternoon game drive, HDS-Half Day sightseeing, FDS-Full Day Sightseeing

Quotation Full Itinerary

Day 01: Kilimanjaro Internationa Airport- Arusha

Meet and transfer from Kilimanjaro International airport to Arusha

Dinner and overnight at Lake Duluti Serena LDBB

http://www.serenahotels.com/serenaarusha/en/default.html

Day 02: Arusha

Breakfast, vehicle at disposal for within Arusha activities, on this day you can choose to have lunch anywhere within the town or still can opt for a different taste like the local choma/indian/japanesse cuisine. Later we will drive you back to your lodge.

Dinner and overnight at Lake Duluti Serena LDBB

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Day 03: Arusha – Tarangire National Park

Today after breakfast, check-out and cruise off to Tarangire National park in time for check-in and lunch. This afternoon we embark on our first game drive in this park - herds of up to 300 elephants scratch the dry Tarangire river bed for underground streams, while migratory wildebeest, zebra, buffalo, impala, gazelle, hartebeest and eland crowd the shrinking lagoons. It's the greatest concentration of wildlife outside the Serengeti ecosystem - a smorgasbord for predators – and the one place in Tanzania where dry-country antelope such as the stately fringe-eared Oryx and peculiar long-necked gerenuk are regularly observed. The swamps, tinged green year round, are the focus for 550 bird varieties, the most breeding species in one habitat anywhere in the world. On drier ground you may find the Kori bustard, the heaviest flying bird; the stocking-thighed ostrich, the world's largest bird; and small parties of ground hornbills blustering like turkeys. Other birds include the yellow-collared lovebird, drabber rufous-tailed weaver and the ashy starling – all endemic to the dry savannah of north-central Tanzania

Dinner and overnight at Tarangire Sopa lodge LDBB

http://www.sopalodges.com/tarangire-sopa-lodge/overview

Day 04: Tarangire National Park

Full day game viewing at Tarangire National Park which involves Maasai bomas visit, wildlife and bird viewing.

All meals and overnight at **Tarangire Sopa lodge** LDBB



http://www.sopalodges.com/tarangire-sopa-lodge/overview

Day 05: Tarangire National Park-Ngorongoro Conservation Area

Breakfast, drive to Ngorongoro conservation area via a local school, hot lunch at Ngorongoro Serena lodge, afternoon walk along the crater rim.

Dinner and overnight at **Ngorongoro Serena Lodge LDBB** http://www.serenahotels.com/serenangorongoro/en/default.html

Day 06: Ngorongoro Conservation Area

After breakfast descend some 600 metres into the crater, which is home to an abundance of wildlife and a photogenic paradise, for a full day of game-viewing at the crater. Ngorongoro Crater, the largest intact caldera in the world teams with an abundance of wildlife permanently resident on the crater floor. Prides of lions, herds of Cape buffalo, impala, thompsons gazelles, rhino, golden & black-backed jackal, zebra, cheetah, leopard and the spotted hyena. Unmatched for its natural variety & breath-taking beauty, there are few places on earth where such a tremendous diversity of landscapes exist inside a region this size. Apart from its wildlife riches, the crater is also of great archaeological importance, with the remains of some of mankind's earliest ancestors discovered in the area, also a home to hundreds of bird species, refreshing in the small lakes in the crater floor. Enjoy your lunch at the crater and continue with an afternoon game drive. Later in the evening ascend to the crater rims and drive back to your lodge before dusk.

Dinner and overnight at **Ngorongoro Serena Lodge LDBB** http://www.serenahotels.com/serenangorongoro/en/default.html

Day 07: Ngorongoro Conservation Area – Serengeti National Park

Breakfast, drive to Serengeti NP Via Oldupai gorge Oldupai Gorge, the world famous palaeoanthropological site studied for more than 40 years by the Leakey family, hot lunch at Serengeti Serena lodge, afternoon game at Serengeti National Park.

Dinner and overnight at Serengeti Serena lodge LDBB

http://www.serenahotels.com/serenaserengeti/en/default.html

Day 08: Serengeti National Park

Early morning Serengeti Balloon Launching at dawn, rising as the sun rises, you gently float over the plains of the magnificent Serengeti. Breakfast, Enjoy Morning and afternoon game drives in the endless plain of the Serengeti for a chance to see the great heard of wildebeest, zebras and gazelle or a pride of lions lounging in the shade.

All meals and overnight at **Serengeti Serena lodge LDBB** <u>http://www.serenahotels.com/serenaserengeti/en/default.html</u>



Day 09: Serengeti National Park

Breakfast, Enjoy Morning and afternoon game drives in the endless plain of the Serengeti for a chance to see the great heard of wildebeest, zebras and gazelle or a pride of lions lounging in the shade. hot lunch at Kirawira Luxury camp, afternoon game drive at Western Serengeti.

Dinner and overnight at Kirawira Luxury camp LDBB

http://www.serenahotels.com/serenakirawira/en/default.html

Day 10: Serengeti National Park

Breakfast, Enjoy Moring and afternoon game drives in the endless plain of the Serengeti for a chance to see the great heard of wildebeest, zebras and gazelle or a pride of lions lounging in the shade, this evening we will provide you with sundowner at Kirawira Luxury Camp as a gesture of well ending of our wildlife safari.

Dinner and overnight at Kirawira Luxury camp LDBB

http://www.serenahotels.com/serenakirawira/en/default.html

Day 11: Serengeti National Park - Masai Mara Game Reserve

Today we will have an early breakfast, check-out and cruise off to the Kenya/Tanzania border of Sirari where we will go through customs and immigration, cross the border and continue with our drive to Masai Mara. Enjoy our packed lunches enroute. Arrive Masai Mara in time for an exciting game viewing drive. The Rolling plains and grasslands, stretching far into the horizons as far as the eye can see is home to the black-manned lion, the savannah elephant, the Cape buffalo, wildebeests, the elusive leopard, cheetah, the spotted & stripped hyena, the rhino, topi, burchelle's zebra, the Masai giraffe among many others. The Mara game reserve is one that can never disappoint. One is spoilt by the variety of bird and wildlife species in this game reserve..... For a long time, Mara Game Reserve has stubbed her authority as the 'granary' of wildlife in Kenya.

Dinner and overnight at Mara Serena Lodge L-DBB

http://www.serenahotels.com/serenamara/en/default.html

Day 12: Masai Mara Game Reserve

Full day adventure; we are right in time for the greatest spectacle on earth; the eighth wonder of the world – the wildebeest migration. From July to October, the fields are awash with thousands of wildebeests that yearly migrate from the Serengeti National park in Tanzania to Masai Mara in search of pasture. They cross the Nile crocodile invested Mara River. Tens of them drawn in the ranging waters, others are captured and killed by the giant crocodiles. The wildebeests are closely followed by Burchell's zebras and impalas. Predators too in their hundreds also follow and lay in wait for those animals that become weak or incapacitated during the long journey for a kill.. Be on the look-out for the big five that Maasai Mara is famous for. These include the lion, savannah (African) elephant, the Cape buffalo, the leopard and the black rhino. In the early 20th century, Kenya was a famous hunting destination. Killing any of the big five game one pride, a sense of class, a feeling of heroism. We may even be so lucky to witness a leopard or a cheetah sprint and make a kill! We return back to the lodge before dusk.

OPTIONAL ACTIVITY: Today's adventure begins just before dawn. Flames from the hot air balloon burners light



the darkness as the crew inflate their craft. The first, pink tongues of sunlight flicker across the skies and the hot air balloon fills then rises. Suspended in a basket beneath the rainbow-coloured canopy, you're off for a game-viewing adventure with an entirely different perspective. Apart from the occasional hiss of the burners, a lion's roar, elephants crashing through the bush, baboons perched in the tips of the trees startled and screeching to see something above them, the flight above the Masai Mara plains is magically silent. At the end of the flight, the passengers are treated to a champagne breakfast in the bush, complete with flowers. China and crystal are set out on the table that is placed under a convenient acacia tree. The finishing touch to the flight is a game drive back to the camp, and the possibility of seeing the same pride of lions, or herd of elephants that had been viewed while ballooning. A flight certificate is issued on completion of the balloon safari.

All meals and overnight at Mara Serena Lodge LDBB http://www.serenahotels.com/serenamara/en/default.html

Day 13: Masai Mara Game Reserve – Lake Nakuru National Park

Today after breakfast, check-out and cruise off to Nakuru National Park to arrive in time for check-in and lunch. The 68km2 alkaline Lake Nakuru is home to hundreds of lesser and greater flamingoes. The environment here is welcoming, one of the best places to relax, to unwind, to enjoy nature's beauty. The scenery is breath-taking; a sight of the virgin forest is re-assuring. Some of the interesting places to visit include the baboon cliff, the lion hill and the Mau escarpment. The park is one of the best game viewing parks with various animal species including prides of lion, Cape buffalo, waterbucks, wart hogs, the endangered Rothschild giraffes, the black & white Rhino, the Burchell's zebra, impalas, and the elusive leopard among many others. Over 300 bird species have been recorded here too. This is one of the best places to see the endangered black and white Rhino.

Dinner and overnight at Sarova Lion Hill Lodge LDBB

http://www.sarovahotels.com/lionhill/

Day 14: Lake Nakuru National Park -Lake Naivasha - Nairobi

After breakfast, check-out and drive to Lake Naivasha with an enroute morning game drive at Lake Nakuru National Park. Lake Naivasha is a beautiful freshwater lake, fringed by thick papyrus. The lake is almost 13kms across, but its waters are shallow with an average depth of five metres. Lake area varies greatly according to rainfall, with an average range between 114 and 991 sq kms. At the beginning of the 20th Century, Naivasha completely dried up and effectively disappeared. The resulting open land was farmed, until heavy rains a few years later cause the lake to return to existence, swallowing up the newly established estates. Enjoy lunch at one of the lodges overlooking the lake, after lunch we proceed to Nairobi to arrive at our hotel late in the afternoon.

Overnight at **Tamarind Tree Hotel** L-BB http://www.tamarind.co.ke/tamarind-tree/

Day 15: Nairobi & Depart

Today after breakfast check-out (1000Hrs) and transfer to Jomo Kenyatta International airport in time for your onward international flight.

