

Kilimanjaro Trekker-Zanzibar



Excerpt:

The majestic, snow capped Mount Kilimanjaro, the highest mountain in Africa dominates the landscape of the East African savannah. It beckons every trekker and mountaineer to rise to the challenge of scaling its lofty, towering summit which you will do before spending two relaxing days in Zanzibar in this 14 day (13 night) trek.

Description

The summits of Mt. Kilimanjaro consists of three extinct volcanoes: Kibo 19,340 ft. (5,895 meters), Mawenzi 16,896 ft (5,149 meters) and Shira 13,000 fts (3,962 meters). The main route from Marangu is the most popular way up Kilimanjaro, the path meandering through lush rain forests on the lower slopes, and then moving higher through moorlands, rocky ravines and highland desert before reaching the summit. Whilst reasonable fitness is required, the schedule, trails and accommodation are designed to allow visitors to acclimatize easily.

Trip Highlights

- Ascend Kilimanjaro, the Roof of Africa, and behold stunning views from the summit
- Climb the Marangu Route, seeing diverse ecosystems from rainforest to alpine desert
- Join a team of local African guides who help you accomplish this amazing feat

[Important Information](#)

Itinerary

Day 1: Departure

?Depart USA, overnight transatlantic flight.

Day 2?: Europe

Arrive in Europe early in the morning. This evening, leave on overnight flight to JKIA Nairobi.

Day 3: ?Nairobi

Upon arrival in the Morning, you are met by Ashford Tours & Travel Representative and transferred to your hotel. The rest of the morning is at leisure. In the afternoon you join on a City Tour of Nairobi that includes a visit to National Museum and the Snake Park. Then back to your hotel for overnight. Hotel: Nairobi Safari Club BB.

Day 4: ?Nairobi ? Arusha

After breakfast in the hotel, you are transferred to Kenya-Tanzania border where you change vehicles. Then proceed to Arusha. Rest of the day is free for packing in preparation for the mountain climb. Hotel: Mountain Inn BB.

Day 5: Arusha ? Mt Kilimanjaro

Your expedition starts today. Drive to Kilimanjaro National Park gate. Ascend, walking through the rain forest to MANDARA HUT lying at 9,000 ft/2750m. Stay overnight.

Day 6: Mountain climbing

Leave the glades of forest and follow ascending path on the open moorlands to HOROMBO HUT (12,000 ft/ 3,700 m). Stay overnight.

Day 7: Mountain climbing

Ascend past the ?last water?, walking on to the saddle between the peak of Kibo and Mawenzi arriving at KIBO HUT at 15,000 ft / 4,700 m. Stay overnight.

Day 8?: Mountain climbing

Early start for the summit on steep and loose slopes up to Gillman's Point at 18,640 ft. 5869 m. The trek continues along the crater rim at Gillman's Point to UHURU PEAK, giving magnificent views over the vast plains below. The highest point in Africa at 19,340 ft / 5896 m. From here you descend going straight down to HOROMBO HUT. Stay overnight.

Day 9?: Mt. Kilimanjaro ? Arusha

The day is spent in descending down to the park gates. Drive to Arusha for an overnight stay at Mountain Inn DBB.

Day 10?: Arusha ? Zanzibar

?After breakfast, you are transferred to the Airport for your flight to Zanzibar. You are then transferred to your Beach hotel. Hotel: Karafuu Beach Club DBB.

Day 11/12: Zanzibar

?Two days at leisure in the beach club. Hotel: ?Karafuu Beach Club, DBB.

Day 13: Return to Europe

?Transfer to the Airport for your flight to Nairobi. Connect your overnight flight to Europe.

Day 14: Return to USA

Arrive in Europe early in the morning. Connect USA bound flight, arrive later in the day.