Marangu Route 6 Days Trek

Duration: 6 Days | Price: $0.00



Overview

Embark on the Marangu Route 6 Days Trek and experience the most popular yet scenic route towards Kilimanjaro! Benefit from having hut accommodation and dining during your stay through its established hut system – a luxury for trekkers. Start off with being picked up at Kilimanjaro airport before transferring to the hotel in Moshi where you will meet your mountain guide. And even better, experienced porters are available to carry all of your equipment so that you can focus more on enjoying the spectacular scenery as well as what this nation has to offer without too much worrying about personal items. With round-trip transfers included, don’t miss out on this incredible adventure today!

Itinerary

Day 1

Marangu gate – Mandara Hut

Elevation gain: (1700m to 2740m) – (5,500ft to 9,000ft)

Distance: 8 kilometers

Time: 3 hours

After breakfast and a short briefing from our professional and experienced mountain guides, our driver will take you for about an hour's drive to Kilimanjaro National Park Gate via the attractive Marangu village. As you arrive, you will register at Kilimanjaro National Park Authority offices and commence the climb. You will walk through the rainforest to the Mandara hut located at (9,000 ft. / 2,740 m.) as you arrive at Mandara hut you will have a short rest and later in the evening, you will go for a side trip to Maundi Crater where it’s a good way to acclimatize see the surroundings including Northern Tanzania.

Accommodation: *Mandara Hut*

Day 2

Mandara Hut to Horombo Hut

Elevation gain: (2,740m to 3700m) – (9,000ft to 12,100ft)
Distance: 11 kilometers
Time: 5 hours

Around 8:30 a.m. morning after breakfast, you will start trekking to Horombo Hut. After 1 hour, you will leave the glades of the rainforest and follow an ascending path on the open moorlands to the Horombo Hut. The view of Kibo summit and Mawenzi are both stunning and shining in clear days. In most cases, giant lobelias and groundsels are found on your way.

Accommodation: *Horombo Hut*

Day 3

Acclimatization Walk

On this day your guide will take you for a day trip in which you will have time to visit zebra rock located 3 kilometers away from Horombo hut and hike on Mawenzi Ridge. Mawenzi Ridge is a unique landscape that offers motivating views of Kibo and Mawenzi. After spending a few moments exploring the area we will head back to Horombo Hut. These activities will give you an opportunity to acclimatize to the environment in order to prepare for a fresh climb the next day. Also spending an extra day gives a wide change of body for successful climbing to the roof of Africa.

Accommodation: *Horombo Hut*

Day 4

Horombo Hut to Kibo Hut

Elevation gain: (3700m to 4700m) – (12,100ft to 15,400ft)
Distance: 9 kilometers
Time: 5 hours

Early morning after breakfast the trek will take us to the last water point, walking on the saddle of Mount Kilimanjaro between the peaks of Kibo and Mawenzi. Vegetation begins with the upper heartland but then disappears into a desert-like structure. At Kibo you will have your dinner, take a nap, and in the middle of the night around 23:30 hour, you will prepare for the summit climb.

Kibo Hut to Summit
Elevation gain: (4,750m to 5,895m) – (15,580ft to 19,340ft)
Distance: 6 kilometers

Time: 6 hours

Around midnight, awake for the final ascent to Uhuru Peak, the roof of Africa. The hike begins with a demanding five-hour hike to Gillman's Point on the crater rim. Although this is considered to be the easiest of the three crater ascent paths, it is still extremely difficult. The first major rest stop, William's Point, lies at 5000 meters and is approximately a two-hour hike from Kibo Hut. Continue on for thirty minutes before beginning the rocky switchbacks that will take you to Gillman's Point (5,681 meters). The hike from Gilman's to Uhuru Peak is a gradual climb and as far as hikes go, not very difficult.

The altitude, however, makes the hike long and tiring. The crater rim hike takes approximately two hours. Upon reaching Uhuru, take photos of your guide and group at the peak before beginning the descent to Horombo Hut.

Accommodation: *Kibo Hut*

Day 5

Summit Mount Kilimanjaro - Horombo Hut

Elevation loss: (5,895m to 3700m) – (19,340ft to 12,100ft)
Distance: 15 kilometers
Time: 7 hours

On the way down from the summit, you will see all of the magnificent views you could not see on the way up. Stop for a short break and snacks at Kibo Hut before continuing to Horombo Hut. You will arrive at Horombo Hut in the afternoon and enjoy your last night on the mountain.

Accommodation: *Horombo Hut*

Day 6

Horombo Hut - Marangu Gate

Elevation Loss: (1,800m to 3,720m) - (12,200ft to 5,905ft)
Distance: 19 kilometers
Time: 5 hours

After breakfast, finish the trek with a descent to Marangu Gate. Your last hike on Kilimanjaro is a beautiful one, passing through Kilimanjaro’s cloud forest. Watch your step during the descent, as the trail can be slippery. Our vehicles will be waiting at Marangu Gate to take you back to Moshi.

Accommodation: *Marangu Gate*

Inclusions

- Two nights bed and breakfast accommodation in Moshi Town
- Full board accommodation on the mountain
- All park fees
- Hut fees
- Oxygen cylinder - only for emergency
- English speaking guide
- Mountain crew (cook and porters)
- First aid kit and pulse oximeter
- Bottled drinking
- Pick up & drop off at the airport

Exclusions

- International and domestic flights
- Tips
- Visa Fees
- Travel insurance
- Flight
- Laundry
- All meals and drinks in Moshi town