The Legendary Northern Safari – 9 Days of Timeless Elegance

Duration: 9 Days | Price: $0.00



Overview

The Legendary Northern Safari is a refined journey through Tanzania's most celebrated landscapes, crafted for travelers who value depth, comfort, and authenticity. Following the classic northern circuit, this exclusive experience unfolds at a graceful pace, allowing each destination to be fully appreciated rather than hurried through. From the very first welcome in Arusha to the final farewell, every detail is carefully considered, combining private guiding, handpicked luxury lodges, and seamless transitions between destinations.

This safari weaves together the dramatic contrasts that define northern Tanzania. In

Tarangire, ancient baobab trees stand like monuments over vast plains where elephants roam in remarkable numbers. Lake Manyara introduces a softer beauty—lush groundwater forests, shimmering alkaline waters, and the rare sight of tree-climbing lions. The journey then rises into the Ngorongoro Highlands, where the crater reveals itself as a natural sanctuary, rich with wildlife and breathtaking views that feel almost unreal in their scale and serenity.

The adventure reaches its grand finale in the Serengeti, a land of endless horizons and raw, untamed drama. Here, vast herds move across golden plains, predators stalk with quiet precision, and each game drive feels like a private performance staged by nature itself. Evenings are spent in elegant camps where fine dining, attentive service, and the sounds of the wild blend effortlessly. This is more than a safari—it is a curated passage through Africa's most iconic wilderness, experienced in comfort, guided by tradition, and remembered long after the journey ends.

Itinerary

Day 1

Arrival and Welcome in Arusha

Your journey into the heart of Africa begins upon arrival at Kilimanjaro International Airport, where you are warmly welcomed by your private safari guide. After a smooth and unhurried transfer, you arrive in Arusha, nestled beneath Mount Meru and surrounded by fertile highlands that have long served as the gateway to Tanzania's northern wilderness.

You will check in at the elegant Arusha Coffee Lodge, a refined retreat set within a working coffee plantation. Your private cottage offers a peaceful sanctuary, blending contemporary comfort with classic African charm. Gentle birdsong, manicured gardens, and the aroma of freshly roasted coffee create an atmosphere of calm after your international journey.

As evening falls, enjoy a relaxed dinner at the lodge, where your guide will introduce the safari ahead. This first night is about settling in, slowing down, and allowing Africa's rhythm to gently take hold—an unspoken promise of the remarkable days to come.

Accommodation: *Arusha Coffee Lodge*

Day 2

Tarangire National Park – Land of Giants

After breakfast, depart Arusha and journey south toward Tarangire National Park, passing through open Maasai plains and scenic countryside. The landscape gradually transforms, and soon the silhouettes of ancient baobab trees signal your arrival in one of Tanzania's most characterful parks.

Your private game drive reveals Tarangire's defining feature—its extraordinary elephant population. Watch herds gather along the Tarangire River, calves playing in the dust as matriarchs stand guard. Lions rest beneath acacia trees, giraffes stride elegantly across the savannah, and colorful birdlife fills the air with movement and sound.

In the late afternoon, arrive at your luxury lodge overlooking the wilderness. Enjoy afternoon tea with sweeping views before settling in for dinner under the African sky. As night falls, the distant calls of wildlife remind you that you are truly immersed in the wild.

Accommodation: *Tarangire Safari Lodge*

Day 3

Tarangire - Lake Manyara National Park – Forests, Flamingos & Lions

This morning, continue your journey toward Lake Manyara National Park, a compact yet remarkably diverse ecosystem set beneath the dramatic Great Rift Valley escarpment. The park's lush groundwater forests offer a striking contrast to the open plains of the previous day.

During your game drive, explore shaded fig and mahogany forests alive with baboons and blue monkeys. Keep watch for the park's famous tree-climbing lions resting along branches, while hippos wallow near the lake's edge. Flamingos and other water birds gather along the alkaline shores, painting the water's edge in soft pink hues.

Later in the day, arrive at Lake Manyara Serena Lodge, perched high on the

escarpment with panoramic views across the lake below. The evening is yours to relax, enjoy a refined dinner, and take in the serenity of one of Tanzania's most picturesque settings.

Accommodation: *Lake Manyara Serena Lodge*

Day 4

Ngorongoro Highlands – Arrival at the Crater Rim

After breakfast, depart Lake Manyara and ascend into the cool, green highlands of the Ngorongoro Conservation Area. This UNESCO World Heritage Site is both a wildlife haven and a cultural landscape, where Maasai communities continue to live alongside nature.

Arrive at the iconic &Beyond Ngorongoro Crater Lodge, dramatically perched on the rim of the crater. The lodge's architecture blends Maasai-inspired design with opulent comfort, offering uninterrupted views into the vast caldera below—an awe-inspiring sight that few places on earth can rival.

Spend the afternoon at leisure, enjoying the lodge's exceptional service, crackling fireplaces, and panoramic terraces. As evening approaches, indulge in a sumptuous dinner, knowing that tomorrow brings one of Africa's most extraordinary wildlife experiences.

Accommodation: *Ngorongoro Crater Lodge*

Day 5

Ngorongoro Crater – Africa's Natural Amphitheater

Rise early and descend into the Ngorongoro Crater, a perfectly preserved volcanic caldera often described as Africa's Eden. The crater floor hosts one of the highest concentrations of wildlife on the continent, offering exceptional game viewing in a single, breathtaking setting.

Your full-day game drive reveals an astonishing variety of animals—lions, elephants, buffalo, zebras, wildebeest, hippos, and vast flocks of flamingos. With luck, you may encounter the endangered black rhinoceros, one of the crater's most prized residents.

Enjoy a picnic lunch beside a hippo pool before continuing your exploration. In the late afternoon, ascend back to the crater rim and return to the lodge, where a warm welcome, fine dining, and fireside relaxation await.

Accommodation: *Ngorongoro Crater Lodge*

Day 6

Ngorongoro Journey to the Serengeti – Endless Horizons

Today, the safari continues toward the legendary Serengeti National Park, either by scenic drive or a short flight, depending on your preference. As you enter the Serengeti, the landscape opens into vast, rolling plains that stretch endlessly toward the horizon.

Arrive at Signature Camp, an exclusive luxury tented camp that blends refined comfort with a true sense of wilderness. After settling in, head out for an afternoon game drive, where cheetahs scan the plains, elephants move gracefully through the grasslands, and predators begin to stir as the sun lowers.

As night falls, return to camp for a beautifully prepared dinner beneath the stars. The sounds of the Serengeti—distant roars, rustling grass, and nocturnal calls—create a magical atmosphere that only the wild can provide.

Accommodation: *Serengeti Signature Camp*

Day 7

Serengeti National Park – A Full Day of Discovery

Spend the entire day exploring the Serengeti, guided by expert knowledge and an unhurried pace. This is a land of dramatic wildlife encounters, where predator and prey

coexist in an ancient rhythm unchanged for millennia.

Track lions on the hunt, observe graceful giraffes silhouetted against the sky, and follow vast herds moving across the plains. Each moment feels cinematic, yet deeply personal, as your private guide positions you for the best possible sightings.

Pause for a bush lunch in a scenic location before continuing your afternoon exploration. Return to camp in the evening for a relaxed dinner, sharing stories of the day's encounters as lanterns glow softly around you.

Accommodation: *Serengeti Signature Camp*

Day 8

Serengeti Farewell & Return to Arusha

Begin the day with a final morning game drive, savoring your last moments in the Serengeti as the early light paints the plains in gold. This quiet hour often delivers unforgettable sightings and a sense of peaceful closure to your time in the wild.

After the drive, transfer to Seronera Airstrip for your scheduled flight back to Arusha. Upon arrival, you will be taken once again to Arusha Coffee Lodge, where a day room is reserved for your comfort.

Spend the afternoon resting, refreshing, or enjoying the tranquil surroundings before your onward journey. It is a gentle return to civilization, without losing the elegance of the safari experience.

Accommodation: *Arusha Coffee Lodge*

Day 9

Departure – Until Next Time

After breakfast, enjoy a private transfer to Kilimanjaro International Airport for your international departure. As you leave Tanzania, you carry with you memories of extraordinary landscapes, intimate wildlife encounters, and the quiet luxury of a journey

perfectly executed.

This legendary northern safari is more than a holiday—it is a passage through time-honored routes, guided by tradition, comfort, and respect for the land.

Africa does not say goodbye. It simply waits for your return.

Accommodation: *NIL*

Inclusions

- Private luxury safari in a 4x4 Land Cruiser with pop-up roof
- Dedicated professional English-speaking safari guide throughout the safari
- All airport transfers (arrival and departure)
- Accommodation as specified in the itinerary (luxury lodges & tented camps)
- Full board during the safari (breakfast, lunch, and dinner)
- All park entrance fees and conservation fees
- Ngorongoro Crater service and descent fees
- Domestic flight from Serengeti to Arusha (as per itinerary)
- Bottled drinking water during all game drives
- Game drives and safari activities as outlined in the itinerary
- Government taxes and statutory charges

Exclusions

- International and domestic flights not specified in the itinerary
- Visa fees for Tanzania
- Travel and medical insurance
- Alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages at lodges and camps
- Personal expenses (laundry, gratuities, souvenirs)
- Optional activities not mentioned in the itinerary
- Any increase in park fees or government taxes beyond our control