info@lindotravel.com
+255 768 884 042
www.lindotravel.com



KILIMANJARO · LINDO TRAVEL & TOURS

7 Days Kilimanjaro Climbing via Lemosho Route – A Scenic Journey to the Roof of Africa

Lemosho Route · 7 days

Experience one of the most scenic ways to climb Mount Kilimanjaro on this unforgettable 7-day Lemosho Route expedition. Approaching the mountain from its remote western side, this spectacular trail takes you through lush tropical rainforests, beautiful moorlands, the expansive Shira Plateau and dramatic alpine landscapes before reaching the highest point in Africa.

The journey offers incredible scenery and diverse landscapes as you gradually make your way towards Uhuru Peak (5,895m). Along the way, you will experience iconic mountain landmarks, including the Shira Plateau, Lava Tower and the famous Barranco Wall, before making your final summit attempt from Barafu Camp.

Accompanied by our experienced mountain guides, professional porters and dedicated mountain crew, you will enjoy freshly prepared meals, comfortable mountain camping and support throughout your expedition. Whether this is your first Kilimanjaro adventure or another milestone in your trekking journey, the 7-day Lemosho Route promises an extraordinary experience on the Roof of Africa.

Trip Highlights

Explore the scenic western approach to Mount Kilimanjaro.

Trek through the beautiful rainforest and spectacular Shira Plateau.

Experience diverse ecological zones and breathtaking mountain scenery.

Visit the iconic Lava Tower for an important acclimatization opportunity.

Conquer the famous Barranco Wall.

Enjoy spectacular views of Kibo and Mawenzi peaks.

Reach Uhuru Peak (5,895m), the highest point in Africa.

Descend through the beautiful Mweka Route.

Arrival

ARRIVAL

Arrival Day: Welcome to Tanzania

Upon arrival at Kilimanjaro International Airport (JRO), you will be warmly welcomed by our Lindo Travel & Tours representative and transferred to your hotel in Moshi or Arusha. Depending on your arrival time, you can relax, enjoy the hotel facilities and prepare for your upcoming mountain adventure.

Later, you will meet your professional mountain guide for a pre-climb briefing, equipment inspection and final preparations. Your guide will explain the trekking schedule, altitude considerations, safety procedures and essential tips for a successful Kilimanjaro climb.

Enjoy a relaxing evening and a good night's rest before beginning your seven-day journey via the beautiful Lemosho Route.

Arrival accommodation options

Midrange: Panama Garden Resort

Day-by-day itinerary

DAY 1

Moshi – Londorossi Gate to Mti Mkubwa Camp (2,780m)



Your Kilimanjaro climbing adventure begins after breakfast at your hotel in Moshi. You will meet your mountain guide and drive towards Londorossi Gate, located on the western side of Mount Kilimanjaro. Upon arrival, you will complete the park registration formalities while your mountain crew prepares the equipment for your expedition.

After registration, you will continue by vehicle to the Lemosho trailhead, where your trek begins. Today's walk takes you through a beautiful and relatively untouched tropical rainforest, characterized by towering trees, thick vegetation, colourful wildflowers and the sounds of mountain wildlife.

The trail gradually ascends through the forest, offering a peaceful introduction to the mountain. Keep an eye out for black-and-white colobus monkeys and other forest wildlife along the way.

After approximately 3–4 hours of trekking, you will arrive at Mti Mkubwa Camp, also known as Big Tree Camp (2,780m). Your mountain crew will have prepared the campsite, where you can enjoy dinner and relax before your next day's adventure.

Elevation: 2,100m to 2,780m

Distance: Approximately 6km

Hiking time: 3–4 hours

Accommodation: Mti Mkubwa Camp

Accommodation options

Standard: Mti Mkubwa

DAY 2

Mti Mkubwa Camp to Shira 2 Camp (3,850m)



After breakfast, you will leave the rainforest behind and continue ascending towards the beautiful Shira Plateau. The trail gradually opens into heath and moorland, where the dense forest gives way to giant heathers, open grasslands and unique high-altitude vegetation.

Today's trek is relatively long as you cross the western slopes of Kilimanjaro and gradually gain altitude. Along the way, you will enjoy spectacular views of the surrounding landscape, with Mount Kibo becoming increasingly visible as you approach the Shira Plateau.

As you continue across this remarkable volcanic landscape, you will experience the vastness and beauty of one of Kilimanjaro's most impressive geographical features. Weather permitting, the views of the mountain's snow-capped summit provide wonderful photographic opportunities.

After approximately 7–9 hours of trekking, you will arrive at Shira 2 Camp (3,850m). Your mountain crew will welcome you with refreshments and a freshly prepared dinner. Rest well as you prepare for the next stage of your climb.

Elevation: 2,780m to 3,850m
Distance: Approximately 14–16km
Hiking time: 7–9 hours

Accommodation options

Standard: Shira 2 Camp

DAY 3

Shira 2 Camp to Lava Tower to Barranco Camp (3,960m)



After breakfast, you will leave Shira 2 Camp and continue trekking eastwards across the spectacular alpine landscape towards Lava Tower. Today's route takes you through a semi-desert environment, with impressive views of Kilimanjaro's volcanic formations and rugged mountain terrain.

As you gradually ascend, you will reach Lava Tower (approximately 4,630m), one of the most recognizable landmarks on Mount Kilimanjaro. Here, you will stop for lunch and spend some time at higher altitude before beginning your descent towards Barranco Camp.

This climb-high, sleep-low approach is an important part of altitude acclimatization, helping your body gradually adjust to the increasing elevation.

After approximately 6–8 hours of trekking, you will descend into the beautiful Barranco Valley, arriving at Barranco Camp (3,960m). Surrounded by dramatic mountain scenery and the impressive Barranco Wall, this is one of the most picturesque campsites on the mountain.

Enjoy a freshly prepared dinner and a well-deserved rest before tackling the famous Barranco Wall the following morning.

Elevation: 3,850m to 4,630m, descending to 3,960m
Distance: Approximately 10km
Hiking time: 6–8 hours

Accommodation options

Standard: Barranco Camp

DAY 4

Barranco Camp to Karanga Camp (4,035m)



After breakfast, your day begins with one of the most exciting sections of the Lemosho Route: climbing the famous Barranco Wall. Although the wall looks intimidating from the campsite, the ascent is manageable with careful footing and guidance from your experienced mountain crew.

As you make your way up the rocky slopes, you will enjoy spectacular views of the surrounding valleys, glaciers and the towering summit of Kilimanjaro. Reaching the top of the wall is a rewarding moment, offering excellent opportunities for photographs.

You will then continue along a beautiful trail of ridges and valleys towards Karanga Camp. Today's trek includes several short ascents and descents, with impressive views of the southern glaciers and the mountain's dramatic landscape.

After approximately 4–5 hours of trekking, you will arrive at Karanga Camp (4,035m). Your crew will prepare a warm meal while you relax and enjoy the mountain surroundings.

Elevation: 3,960m to 4,035m

Distance: Approximately 5km

Hiking time: 4–5 hours

Accommodation options

Standard: Karanga Camp

DAY 5

Karanga Camp to Barafu Camp (4,673m)



After breakfast, you will leave Karanga Camp and continue ascending towards Barafu Camp, your final base camp before attempting the summit of Mount Kilimanjaro.

Today's trail passes through a dry alpine desert characterized by rocky terrain, sparse vegetation and increasingly dramatic mountain scenery. Although the distance is relatively short, the altitude makes it important to maintain a slow and steady walking pace.

As you approach Barafu Camp (4,673m), you will enjoy magnificent views of the surrounding landscape, including the peaks of Mawenzi and Kibo. Upon arrival, your mountain crew will prepare lunch or an early dinner, depending on the schedule.

Your guide will provide a detailed briefing about the summit attempt, explaining the route, expected weather conditions and safety precautions. You will organize your warm clothing, headlamp, trekking poles and other essential equipment before enjoying an early dinner.

Try to get as much rest as possible, as your final ascent towards Uhuru Peak will begin around midnight.

Elevation: 4,035m to 4,673m

Distance: Approximately 4km

Hiking time: 3–4 hours

Accommodation options

Standard: Barafu Camp

DAY 6

Barafu Camp to Uhuru Peak (5,895m) to Mweka Camp (3,100m)



Today is the most challenging and rewarding day of your Kilimanjaro adventure. Your summit attempt begins around midnight after a light snack and hot drinks. Equipped with warm clothing, headlamps and determination, you will begin the gradual but demanding ascent towards Stella Point (5,756m) on the crater rim.

The trail follows steep volcanic scree and rocky terrain, requiring patience, endurance and a slow, steady walking pace. Your experienced mountain guides will support and encourage you throughout this demanding climb.

As the first light of dawn appears over the African horizon, you will continue from Stella Point towards Uhuru Peak (5,895m), the highest point in Africa. Reaching the famous summit sign is an extraordinary achievement, rewarding your determination with breathtaking views of the surrounding glaciers and the vast African landscape.

Take photographs, celebrate your accomplishment and enjoy this unforgettable moment on the Roof of Africa, weather and conditions permitting.

After celebrating at the summit, you will begin your descent towards Barafu Camp, where you will take a short break before continuing down to Mweka Camp (approximately 3,100m).

The descent can be physically demanding after the summit climb, but your guides will help you maintain a comfortable pace. Upon arrival at Mweka Camp, enjoy a well-deserved dinner and your final night on Mount Kilimanjaro.

Elevation: 4,673m to 5,895m, descending to approximately 3,100m
Distance: Approximately 16–17km
Hiking time: 10–14 hours

Accommodation options

Standard: Mweka Camp

DAY 7

Mweka Camp to Mweka Gate (1,640m) – Moshi



After breakfast at Mweka Camp, you will begin your final descent through the beautiful tropical rainforest towards Mweka Gate. The trail passes through lush vegetation, tall trees and rich forest surroundings, offering a completely different atmosphere from the dry alpine landscapes you experienced during the upper sections of the climb.

The descent generally takes approximately 3–4 hours, depending on your walking pace and trail conditions. Upon reaching Mweka Gate, you will complete the official park checkout procedures and receive your Kilimanjaro summit certificate, depending on the highest point you successfully reached.

This is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate your achievement with your mountain guides and support crew.

After completing your Kilimanjaro climbing adventure, our driver will meet you for a transfer back to your hotel in Moshi or Arusha. Enjoy a relaxing afternoon, a well-earned shower and some time to reflect on your incredible journey to Uhuru Peak.

Elevation: 3,100m to 1,640m

Distance: Approximately 10km

Hiking time: 3–4 hours

Accommodation options

Midrange: Panama Garden Resort

Departure

DEPARTURE

Departure Day: Farewell Tanzania

After breakfast at your hotel, enjoy your final moments in Tanzania before checking out. Depending on your flight schedule, our driver can arrange a transfer to Kilimanjaro International Airport (JRO) for your onward journey home or to your next destination.

Take with you unforgettable memories of the mountain, the friendships made along the trail and the incredible achievement of reaching the Roof of Africa with Lindo Travel & Tours.

Trip details

Included

- Experienced mountain guides and support crew
- Mountain accommodation and meals
- Park, rescue and camping fees as specified
- Safety briefing and basic medical checks
- Transfers to and from the mountain gate

Not included

- International flights and visas
- Personal trekking gear and expenses
- Tips for mountain crew
- Travel insurance and evacuation cover