

Tanzania 101 - Culture, Kilimanjaro, Safari



- Price
- Duration
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- Why this itinerary?

Number of People	2	3	4	5+
2024/2025 US	\$1,700	\$1,425	\$1,280	\$1,200

per person, double occupancy (single supplement US \$100)

Listed prices are for guidance only. Since every SENE safari is custom-designed and dependent on several factors, the only exact price will be that of your final personalized quote.

6 days / 5 nights

All year round

All in one! Experience the warm culture of Tanzania, sleep on the slopes of majestic Mount Kilimanjaro, and see the country's famed wildlife in its pristine beauty! This adventure enables you to meet the local Chagga people of Kilimanjaro, hike its foothills and visit mountain villages, taste the famous banana beer, roast your own coffee, and then see the most beautiful of Tanzania safari parks and their wildlife.

Highlights

- Experience authentic Tanzania with a hike on the Kilimanjaro Foothills.
- Discover a part of Tanzania few tourists ever see.
- Three nights at Mbahe Farm Cottages where you can learn how to make your

own coffee!

- Descend into the Ngorongoro Crater.
- Visit three of the most beautiful national parks in Tanzania.

Itinerary Overview

Day 1: Arrival. **Mbahe Village.** Mbahe Farm Cottages.

Day 2: Day hike on the **Kilimanjaro foothills.** Mbahe Farm Cottages.

Day 3: Cultural, educational, and energetic activities at **Mbahe Village.** Mbahe Farm Cottages.

Day 4: **Lake Manyara National Park.** Migombani Camp.

Day 5: **Ngorongoro Crater.** Migombani Camp.

Day 6: **Tarangire National Park** and **Arusha.** Departure

Detailed Itinerary

Day 1: Arrival / Mbahe village.

We pick you up upon arrival at the Kilimanjaro International Airport and bring you to Mbahe Village, located in the foothills of Mount Kilimanjaro at 1800 meters. Accommodations are in SENE's private cottages at Simon Mtuy's Mbahe Village Farm.

Overnight: Mbahe Farm Cottages

Meals: D

Drive time to Mbahe Farm: 2.5 hours from Kilimanjaro Airport

Day 2: Kilimanjaro foothills

Today hike for several hours on mountain trails between 1400m and 2200m elevation. The route proceeds through colorful mountain villages, past coffee and maize farms and rivers where you can refresh in the cool and crystal clear water. You may spot blue monkeys hanging in the trees overhead. Your local SENE guide will share with you his knowledge of the mountain and village culture in which he grew up. Enjoy a picnic lunch at a stunning view point from which you can admire the plains below. In the afternoon return to the Mbahe cottages for a well-deserved rest and delicious dinner.

Note: The walking can be strenuous on steep trails that can be slippery when wet.

Overnight: Mbahe Farm Cottages

Meals: B,L,D

Day 3: Mbahe village

Today is a day for cultural, educational, or energetic activities! Go for a refreshing swim below the Moonjo River waterfall that sits on the property, take guided walks through the village, visit the local primary school, learn about the area

flora, enjoy a coffee production demonstration, taste banana beer, or just sit on your veranda with a cup of freshly roasted coffee and enjoy the peaceful village scene!

Overnight: Mbahe Farm Cottages

Meals: B,L,D

Day 4: Lake Manyara National Park

Depart after an early breakfast for the drive to Lake Manyara National Park, a small gem nestled below the 1,000 foot western wall of the Great Rift Valley escarpment. The soda lake for which the park is named appears tinted pink by its huge flocks of flamingoes. Upon closer inspection, you will also find the lake bursting with hippos bobbing in the water or grazing at its edge. With your guide explore the park's many environments, including a jungle-like forest of wild fig, palm, and tamarind trees, an acacia woodland, and a grassy flatland where baobab trees and elephants abound. Keep a keen eye out for the park's famous tree-climbing lions. Picnic lunch in the park.

Migombani Camp is a family-run camp located nearby to Lake Manyara National Park. The campsite is beautifully-appointed with grassy grounds. The spacious tents are equipped with comfortable beds and shared bathrooms.

Overnight: Migombani Camp

Meals: B,L,D

Drive time from Mbahe Farm to Lake Manyara: 4 hours

Day 5: Ngorongoro Crater

After breakfast, enter the *Ngorongoro Conservation Area* for a day game drive in its famed *Crater*. The descent into the crater, 2,500 feet below the rim, is an unforgettable experience. Ngorongoro is the best location for viewing the rare black rhino and to observe huge old bull elephants who come here to "retire." Picnic lunch in the crater.

At the end of the day, drive back to camp to rest.

Overnight: Migombani Camp

Meals: B,L,D

Drive time to Ngorongoro Crater rim: 30/45 minutes

Day 6: Tarangire National Park / Arusha

Your next destination is picturesque Tarangire National Park, known for its magnificent baobab trees. This 2,600 square kilometer gem is often overlooked on the standard tourist routes but is known for its wild landscapes, resident elephants, large prides of lion, leopards, the rare fringe-eared oryx, excellent year-round bird watching, and the last remaining pack of wild dogs in northern Tanzania. During

the dry season Tarangire can rival the Serengeti for its density of zebra, wildebeest, and other ungulate herds.

Enjoy game-viewing before a picnic lunch at your lodge and then a longer afternoon game drive.

Return back to Arusha Town to see this bustling commercial center of northern Tanzania and shop before transferring to the Kilimanjaro International Airport for your late flight home.

Meals: B,L

Drive time to Arusha: 3 hours

Inclusions

- Private safari for your group.
- All activities, meals, accommodations, and transfers as indicated.
- Services of a professional English-speaking guide trained in East African wildlife and ecology.
- Park fees and unlimited mileage on game drives in fully-equipped 4WD safari vehicle with pop-top.
- Purified drinking water in vehicle

Exclusions

Cold beverages and alcohol; activities on safari and at lodges that require additional charges; gratuities to trip leaders, guides, drivers, crew, or other staff; international airfare; airport departure taxes; additional accommodations made necessary by airline schedule changes or other factors; pre-trip expenses such as immunizations, travel insurance, passports, and visas; and any expenses of a personal nature, such as souvenirs and laundry.

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