

# Tanzania Great Migration Safari

July 12 - 21, 2025 (Sold Out)

July 23 - August 1, 2025 (Sold Out)

January 24 - February 2, 2026 (Sold Out)

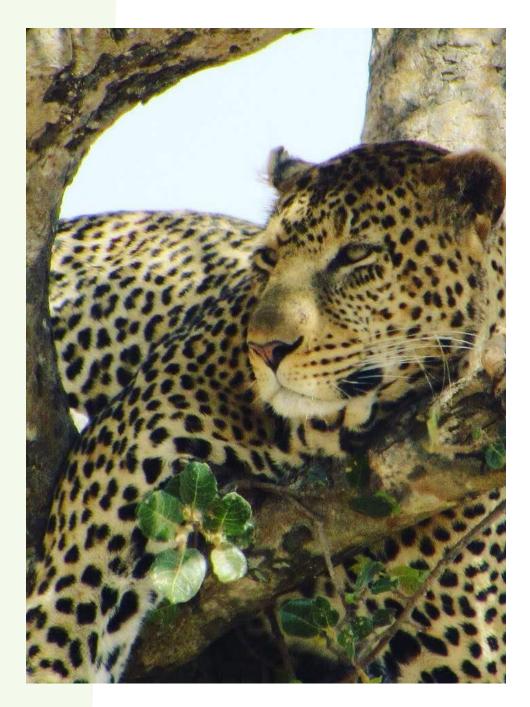
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## Trip Highlights

**EXPERIENCE** Tanzania's most famous and diverse National Parks – from beautiful bushlands to the endless expanse of the Serengeti plains.

**EXPLORE** Ngorongoro Crater on an early morning game drive, home to Africa's densest lion population and some of the last black rhinos in the world.

**WITNESS** one of the most spectacular mass migrations\* on earth!

**VISIT** the Maasai, one of Africa's most famous, friendly and unique tribes. Experience their culture, learn their traditions, and sing and dance with them.

**VIEW** wildlife from a guaranteed window seat in our pop-top Land Cruiser. Your expert safari guides will take you off the main roads looking for cheetahs, leopards, lions, elephants, and more.

**SAVOR** delicious meals at our lodges, and picnic lunches in picturesque locations such as under massive Baobab trees.

\*Migrations are seasonal natural occurrences and thus predicting them is challenging. Regardless of where the migration might be during your visit, you will see plenty of incredible wildlife!

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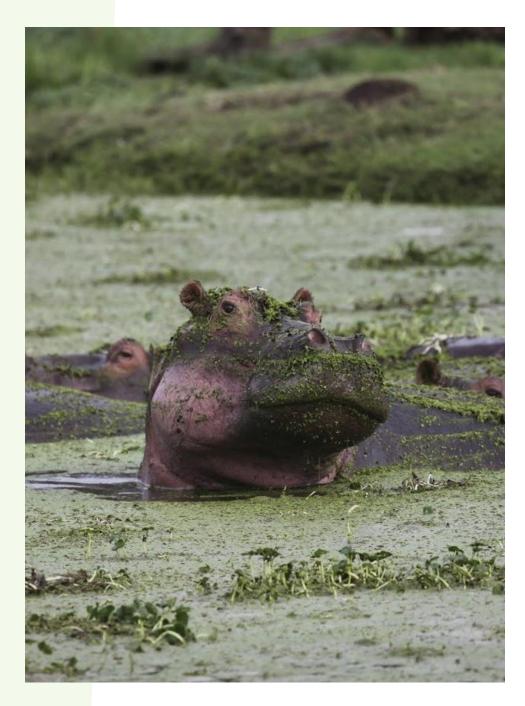


### What's Included

- Lodging for all nine nights from comfortable hotels to deluxe tented safari camps with ensuite bathrooms.
- All meals included (breakfast, lunch, and dinner) except for arrival and departure days.
- Expert local safari guides and drivers that accompany the group throughout the trip.
- All activities and excursions, including game drives and guided walks.
- All National Park entrance fees in Tanzania (Arusha National Park, Tarangire National Park, Ngorongoro Crater & Serengeti National Park).
- ► Maasai Village visit.
- A window-seat in a private Toyota Land Cruiser safari vehicle.
- Flight from Serengeti to Arusha at the end of the safari.

We pay for Carbon Neutralization for each guest to minimize your safari's impact on the environment.

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### Dates & Prices

Upcoming Departures: July 12 - 21, 2025 — Full July 23 - August 1, 2025 — Full January 24 - February 2, 2026 — Full February 4 - 13, 2026 June 2 - 11, 2026

**\$7,495 per person**; \$700 single supplement added for solo travelers / single occupancy.

Flights to and from Tanzania are not included. Limited to 18 guests per departure.

### Trip Leaders:

July 2025: Gary Howell, Senior Guide Jan & Feb 2026: Dani Catania, Operations Manager

The Trip Leaders work alongside our amazing Tanzania guide team.

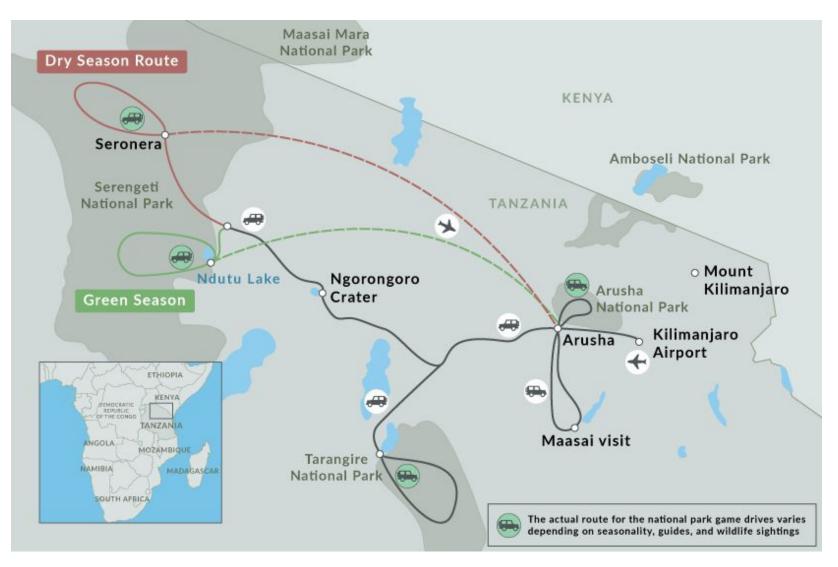
This safari is often combined with our **Zimbabwe: Victoria Falls Extension** and/or **Rwanda: Gorillas, Chimps & National Parks Adventure**. For more details about those itineraries and pricing, click the buttons below.

### Victoria Falls Brochure >

Rwanda Brochure >

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### Tour Map



The itinerary is almost the same in both seasons. The only difference is where we stay in the Serengeti, which is matched with where most of the wildlife is seen during that time of the year. During the green season (January/February) we stay in South Serengeti and during the dry season (May-July) we stay in Central Serengeti.



## TOUR ITINERARY





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### Day One

After arriving in Tanzania, your guide will pick you up at the Kilimanjaro International Airport (JRO) and bring you to the lodge. Surrounded by beautiful trees, maintained gardens, and vervet monkeys, this lodge is a secluded and relaxing place to begin our East African journey.

Depending on arrival times, we'll either host a Meet & Greet before dinner tonight or after breakfast tomorrow morning.

**Dinner Included** 

## Day Two

After breakfast today we depart for Arusha National Park. This park has amazing colobus monkey viewing, and giraffes, buffalos, hippos, hyenas, and zebras can all be seen around the lakes and craters.

A real highlight of this park is the opportunity for a guided ranger hike followed by a picnic overlooking amazing landscapes and wildlife. We'll take a lovely afternoon game-drive before returning to the lodge.

Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner Included



## Day Three

After breakfast, we'll drive two hours south from Arusha to visit a Maasai *boma*, a family compound made up of huts for the patriarch and each of his wives. An English-speaking Maasai will act as our guide and interpreter. We might see the cows and goats leave the boma for pasture. You'll have an opportunity to see the inside of a hut and participate in a traditional dance.

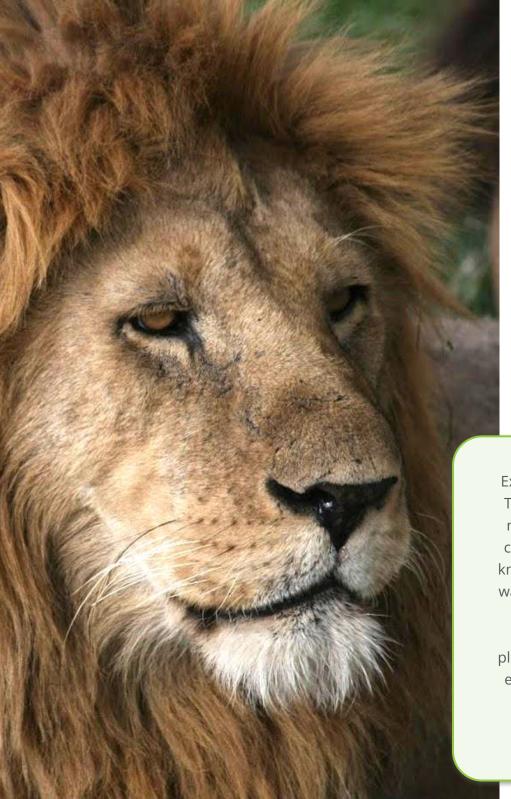
Afterward, the Maasai guide will give a talk where he explains and shares information about their culture, gender norms, and beliefs. We're also welcome to ask questions.

Following a fresh and filling bush lunch you can either go on a short, guided walking safari escorted by a ranger or stay with the vehicles and drive to a beautiful nearby lake where we'll observe birds and meet up with the walkers.

In the late afternoon we'll drive back to the lodge in Arusha for dinner and a quiet evening.

Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner Included

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### Day Four

We'll check out of the lodge today and drive southwest to Tarangire National Park, a hidden gem of Tanzania. The landscape is gorgeous and sightings of zebras, wildebeest, antelopes, and lions are very common amongst the park's iconic baobab trees. Tarangire is also known for some of the greatest concentrations of elephants in the world.

We'll enjoy a game drive and stop at a scenic spot for a picnic. When the sun gets lower in the sky we'll check in at a deluxe tented camp situated inside the National Park, sit down for dinner, and fall asleep in a comfortable bed.

#### Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner Included

Excellent!! The tour was literally a once-in-a-lifetime experience. Tanzania and the Serengeti far exceeded our expectations. We not only saw tons of different wildlife but also were amazingly close to the animals. Our wildlife guides were experienced and knew the animals and their behaviors well. The size of the group was small which made everything doable. We all had great seats in the wildlife viewing Land Cruisers. In fact everyone in the group had window seats. Our accommodations were very pleasant and comfortable throughout this tour. I certainly would encourage anyone with an interest in Africa and its indigenous people to take this tour. Would love to this tour again."

- David L.

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## Day Five

We'll start the day off with a morning game drive in Tarangire National Park. There's usually a lot of activity during morning hours when the light is golden and the heat of the day has yet to set in.

We'll leave the park and drive towards Ngorongoro Conservation Area, stopping for lunch along the way. Once we're past the gate, a series of unpaved switchbacks take us up to the crater rim. We'll stay at a tented lodge near the rim tonight.

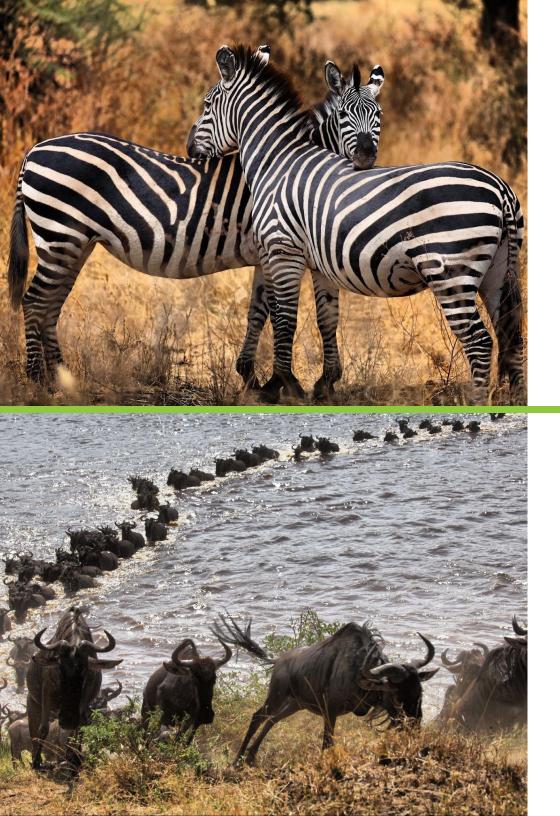
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## Day Six

We'll get an early start and head down into the Ngorongoro Crater for morning game drive. The crater measures 100 square miles and is the world's largest unbroken caldera. Today it's home to the critically endangered black rhinoceros, as well as one of the densest lion populations in Africa. Other animals to look out for are hippos, zebras, elephants, wildebeest, and more!

We spend the afternoon driving to the famous Serengeti National Park, deep into the heart of wild Africa.

Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner Included



## Day Seven

With over 5,600 square miles of land, every day spent in the Serengeti will bring new landscapes and wildlife into focus.

Depending on the timing, you may get a chance to watch the unfolding of a year-long migration filled with danger and drama.

Watch as hundreds of thousands of wildebeests, zebras, and gazelles make their annual 500 mile journey, while lions and cheetahs pursue and crocodiles wait for a chance to prey.

Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner Included

## Day Eight

The Serengeti is packed with wildlife and every day offers opportunities for new views and observations.

We'll go for a morning game drive, head back to the lodge to eat lunch and relax during the midday heat, and venture back out later in the afternoon for another thrilling game drive

Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner Included



## Day Nine

Enjoy a final morning game drive in Serengeti National Park, followed by transportation back to Arusha. This will be by plane from within Serengeti National Park or, if you prefer, by Land Cruiser. Tonight we'll have a farewell dinner in Arusha and look back on our incredible journey together!

Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner Included

## Day Ten

After breakfast and a goodbye to your new friends, you'll be transferred to the airport for your departing flight.

**Breakfast Included** 

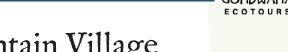
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## ACCOMMODATIONS

\*Please note that accommodations on this tour may change to properties of a similar standard depending on availability





### Serena Mountain Village Nights 1, 2, 3 & 9

Located about 45 minutes from Kilimanjaro Airport on the outskirts of Arusha. This delightful lodge is the ideal base for our Safari and activities in the surrounding area. The rooms are spacious and include a small outdoor area nestled next to the garden chalets. The main building is a former colonial manor in what used to be a coffee plantation. Today you'll find the restaurant, bar, reception, and a small gift shop. Just outside is a garden sitting area with views of Lake Duluti below.

### Balloon Camp Tarangire Night 4

Situated in the heart of Tarangire National Park and overseeing Tarangire River, this bush camp offers convenience, comfort, and immediate access to the incredible scenery and wildlife. Each deluxe safari tent features an ensuite bathroom with a shower, vanity, and flush toilets. The common area includes a lounge, dining room, and a small swimming pool, while friendly staff and chefs keep us comfortable, happy, and well-fed.





## Ngorongoro Serena Safari Lodge

### Night 5

This lodge is the perfect stop before we head into the Ngorongoro Crater. Featuring locally inspired décor and private stone balconies overlooking the crater, you can enjoy an elegant retreat that blends modern luxuries with the beauty of the surrounding natural landscape.

Amenities include complimentary Wi-Fi, coffee/tea making stations, and extensive viewing terraces throughout the property that offer stunning panoramic views.

Situated on the rim of the crater, the lodge's location is ideal as we will be among the first to descend into the crater at sunrise, which is teeming with wildlife.

As is common with boutique hotels, room sizes and views are often different within the same property. Please note that we assign guest rooms on a first come, first serve basis. No exceptions.

\*We reserve accommodations for our tours up to two years in advance. However, in rare cases, hotels or lodges may overbook, change ownership, or no longer meet our quality standards. If this happens, we reserve the right to provide a suitable alternative of similar quality. We will notify you via email if we need to change your accommodations. Thank you in advance for your understanding and flexibility.

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### Ang<sup>3</sup>ata Migration Ndutu Camp Nights 6, 7, 8

The Ndutu Camp is a classic tented safari camp located in the southern part of Serengeti National Park. This is a seasonal bush camp discretely set above a marsh, which allows safe observation of wildlife just below the camp, as well as of Lake Ndutu in a distance.

This location is ideal to experience the Great Wildebeest Migration in full swing and you can expect the same standard, Tanzanian hospitality, and comfort as we've gotten used to from the other camps.

### Ang'ata Serengeti Camp Nights 6, 7, 8

The Serengeti Camp is a classic tented safari camp located in Seronera, the central area of the Serengeti National Park. This bush camp is a tranquil haven hosted by cheery staff and offers picturesque views of the surrounding plains and valleys. Wildlife often travels within view of the camp.

Situated at a prime location within the park, it provides incredible access to seasonal migrations and the region's breathtaking scenery.

Depending on the season and wildlife activity, our accommodations for nights 6 -8 varies. During the green season (January/February), we will stay at a migration camp in the Ndutu area, while during the dry season (July), we will stay in the Seronera area of the Serengeti National Park.

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### Our Guides

We work with a carefully selected crew of expert guides led by Victor John Mushi. Our guides are from Tanzania and are trained experts of the region's geography, natural history, flora, fauna, and Maasai culture, history, and customs. All of our guides are personable, professional, courteous, friendly, and excited to show our guests some of the most incredible parts of Tanzania. All of our guides are vetted, trained, and hold relevant certifications to guide in Tanzania and inside its beautiful National Parks.

We typically assign guides to specific departure dates a few months out and you'll receive more information about your specific guide or guides before you travel.



## GENERAL INFORMATION

## FAQ - GETTING THERE AND BACK

#### Is This Trip For Me?

Our Great Migration Safari requires moderate mobility and physical fitness. You should be able to walk unassisted on uneven terrain without established trails for at least one mile, walk with moderate elevation gains to 100 feet (30 meters), and comfortably enter and exit vans, buses, and small aircraft without assistance. You will spend a significant amount of time in our safari vehicles on bumpy roads and across grasslands during game drives, which can last up to five hours. You must be comfortable with sitting for long periods of time and handling dust. The itinerary includes a scenic flight using a safe, but small aircraft.

Please note that the minimum age for all of our tours is 12. Some activities may also have specific age restrictions. However, we may be able to make exceptions in certain cases. For more information or to inquire about younger participants, please email our Guest Services department at <u>info@gondwanaecotours.com</u>.

#### When should I arrive in Tanzania?

> You can arrive anytime at the Kilimanjaro International Airport (JRO) on Day 1 of this itinerary.

#### What do I need to do to prepare for my arrival and journey?

Send us your flight itinerary and we will organize an airport pick-up for you (included). A Gondwana Ecotours representative will be waiting for you at the airport with a sign with your name on it or the Gondwana Ecotours logo. Make sure you travel with a valid passport (must be valid for at least six months after your stay) and your visa will be issued upon arrival in Tanzania if you did not secure it ahead of time.

#### What if I want to come and explore before Day 1?

 If you decide to come before Day 1 we can book a room for you at our first lodge and we will of course organize transportation from the airport to the lodge when you land.

#### What should I do in preparation for my departure?

You can depart at the Kilimanjaro International Airport (JRO) anytime on Day 10 of your Safari. Most guests depart in the afternoon.

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## FAQ - GETTING THERE AND BACK

#### Can you cater to my dietary restrictions?

We cater to common dietary restrictions and can accommodate most common diets with advanced notice. After registering for a tour, we provide a Registration Form to collect your dietary information, which we share with our vendors to make necessary accommodations. If you have specific questions about an uncommon dietary restriction, please email our Guest Services department at info@gondwanaecotours.com, and we will explore possible options to match your needs.

#### What if I want to stay longer?

For those of you who will be staying longer, feel free to ask us for help! We offer a <u>pre-trip trek to the top of</u> <u>Mount Kilimanjaro</u>, the tallest peak on the African continent. We also have an incredible opportunity to <u>visit</u> <u>Rwanda and its famous mountain gorillas</u>. If you are interested in either — or both — be sure to check out the brochures we linked to in this section and reach out directly as needed.

#### What's the difference between the different times of year that this safari is offered?

We offer this tour in two different seasons and both are fantastic times to visit. The dry season runs from June to October. Rainfall is rare during this period and the weather is typically cooler and often hazy or cloudy. Temperatures vary by location and altitude, but are generally mild and range from 54°F to 73°F. The green season is named for the grasses and vegetation fueled by rain. The heaviest rains usually occur from mid-March to May, and a shorter period of rain occurs from November to mid-January. Temperatures often range from 55°F to 82°F.

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#### How do I sign up?

- Secure your spots with a \$500 per person deposit (via phone, email, or on our <u>website</u>) that is fully refundable within 30 days of payment, provided your trip starts at least 121 days from the time of booking. The remaining balance is due 120 days before the tour departs. Read our complete <u>Booking Agreement here ></u>
- After signing up, we will send you a confirmation message and valuable information to prepare you for the trip.
  We will also send you two easy forms to submit with your registration information and flight details.

### WHY TRAVEL WITH US?

Our promise is to deliver custom crafted and authentically local travel experiences that send you home with lifelong memories of your unique adventure. We strive to put our values into practice with every Ecotour that we create.

**SMALL-GROUP SIZE** We limit our group to 18 so you can have a unique and personalized experience.

**LOCAL GUIDES** Enjoy the company of local guides who share their culture and customs with you for an unbeatable authentic experience. Note that specific guides guiding specific tour dates is never guaranteed.

**FIVE-STAR REVIEWS** We take pride in our commitment to quality, service, and unforgettable adventures, all of which have earned us glowing reviews from guests. We're honored by the <u>kind words they share</u> about their positive experiences.

**CARBON NEUTRALIZATION** We pay for Carbon Neutralization for each guest to minimize your trips impact on the environment.

**LOW IMPACT** Our ecotours leave a small impression on the environment because of the accommodations, restaurants, small group size of 18, and the activities.

**UNIQUE LODGING** Feel the heart of the destination by staying at unique hotels that are locally owned and eco-friendly.

**ONE-OF-A-KIND ACTIVITIES** Many of our activities have been created by our passionate local guides and our founder exclusively for our guests; you truly cannot get these experiences with any other company.



We hope you'll join us on an upcoming Tanzania Great Migration Lodge Safari!

A \$500 per person deposit is all that's needed to reserve this adventure. Contact us via phone or email to reserve your spot!

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