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Ultimate Kilimanjaro Expedition

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The Kilimanjaro Lemosho Route is the best ascent route but this offers the complete Kilimanjaro experience, more acclimatization time, more culture, more spectacular scenery and even a night in Kibo caldera - Plains to Peak! Starting with 2 nights in a wilderness reserve in West Kilimanjaro with the possibility of seeing some of the biggest elephants left in Africa, this trip allows guests to see and learn more about the mountain that has fascinated European explorers since it was first sighted in 1849, standing at 19,341ft. The trip is fully supported with spacious guest tents, mattress and pillow as well as a mess tent with lightweight tables and chairs and all cutlery. Our trips also include a toilet tent in camp and most importantly knowledgeable professional guides that go through bi annual training. Our logistics team at our base monitors your trip from start to finish. West Kilimanjaro private wilderness, Maasai culture, walking with Maasai, Amboseli elephants, Lemosho ascent of Kilimanjaro, afro-montane forest, Shira plateau, glacial valleys and alpine desert, views of Mawenzi, ascent of Kibo and possible views of Kibo caldera and ash pit. Glaciers and the roof of Africa!

In more detail...

Day 1 ~ Arusha

On arrival you are personally met by one of our representatives and transferred to Arusha to a well appointed lodge. In the afternoon there is a full briefing with the climbs Manager and your guide. *Overnight Rivertrees Country Inn (D) **other options available***

Day 2 ~ West Kilimanjaro

After breakfast you depart by vehicle to West Kilimanjaro. Lunch is taken in camp before an afternoon game drive. *Overnight West Kilimanjaro Camp (B,LD) **option depends on departure***

Day 3 ~ West Kilimanjaro

Today you have a full day of activities starting first thing with sunrise over Kilimanjaro! Here you have the freedom to meet and even walk with Maasai in the wilderness as well as game drives, night game drives and meals al fresco. Your guides are with you throughout to answer and explain the environment and history of this very special area. *Overnight West Kilimanjaro Camp (B,L,D)*

Day 4 ~ Forest

From our accommodation we set out in vehicles to the starting point of our Kilimanjaro climb, the Lemosho trail. Here you meet the rest of your crew and set off at a leisurely pace into afro-montane forest. Lunch is taken on trail and camp is reached mid afternoon. *Overnight Forest Camp (B,L,D)*

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Day 5 ~ Shira 1

From the forested slopes of Lemosho you ascend through Podocarpus and Juniper forest and break out of the forest on to the heath zone and the Shira Plateau. Lunch is taken on trail and you arrive in camp mid afternoon. *Overnight Shira 1 Camp (B,L,D)*

Day 6 ~ Shira 2

After a relatively long hike and significant altitude gain, today is a short day and you arrive in Shira 2 camp in time for lunch. A good day for acclimatization with the option of an afternoon walk with your guides. *Overnight Shira 2 Camp (B,L,D)*

Day 7 ~ Barranco

Today is a walk high sleep low day. You ascend into alpine desert and for those that are feeling strong you can even head up to Lava Tower before descending to Barranco Camp. Lunch is taken as a picnic lunch on route. This is a long day but pays dividends later on - great acclimatization day! *Overnight Barranco Camp (B,L,D)*

Day 8 ~ Karanga

You now have a relatively short day to Karanga camp, after conquering the Barranco Wall. The selection of Karanga camp is strategic - significant time at altitude is essential for safe acclimatisation and in the late afternoon you arrive in camp. Sunsets here are particularly spectacular with views of the southern glacial valleys and ice fields towering 1000 meters (over 3000 feet) above you. *Overnight Karanga Camp (B,L,D)*

Day 9 ~ Barafu

Today is another half day ascending to Barafu camp. Once again lunch is taken in camp allowing plenty of time to relax before the summit bid. Desolate alpine desert and at times strong winds rip over this camp and yet in the evening splendid views of Mawenzi peak are the norm. A relatively early dinner is taken before heading to rest for the evening. *Overnight Barafu Camp (B,L,D)*

Day 10 ~ Crater

Unlike other routes with a night time ascent, your hike selection affords you a day time ascent to Kibo crater. The going is slow but with constant encouragement from your climb team the rim of Kibo is reached before descending a little way into the caldera to Crater camp. The afternoon is spent relaxing and short walks can be taken with one of your guides. *Overnight Crater Camp (B,L,D)*

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Day 11 ~ Summit / Mweka

After a night in the crater you now have the shortest final summit bid of any route. With such a short distance to the summit from the crater (around 1 hour) means that timing arrival with the sunrise is much easier and quite spectacular. The summit of Kilimanjaro is the top of the highest freestanding mountain in the world. After your summit bid you then descend for a final night on the mountain at Mweka Camp passing back through the heath zone. Endemic Proteas, pollinated by Malachite Sunbirds are plentiful. *Overnight Mweka Camp (B,L,D)*

Day 12 ~ Arusha

After breakfast you descend once again through montane forest and around mid day after saying farewell to your crew, you are picked up and transferred back to your lodge for a well deserved shower! *Overnight Rivertrees Country Inn (B,L,D)*

Day 13 ~ Depart

Today a day room is held to allow you to relax and check out later in the day. A vehicle is on hand to transfer you to the airport to connect with your international flight, or you may connect with further programs such as safari or Zanzibar... (B,L)

END OF SERVICES

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