



Tanzania Wildlife Safari

12 days | 15 days with Zanzibar extension

Time seems to stand still in the wilds of Tanzania, yet every day on this small group Safari Tour is thrilling and new. Experience the best of this beguiling country, from untamed Tarangire to glimmering Lake Manyara, and the legendary Serengeti to the “Garden of Eden” at Ngorongoro Crater.



Your tour package includes

9 nights in handpicked hotels
9 breakfasts
8 lunches
10 dinners with beer or wine
8 game drives
Expert Tour Director & local guides
4x4 Land Cruiser safari vehicle

Included highlights

Shanga River House
Tarangire National Park
Lake Manyara National Park
Maasai boma visit
Anti-poaching talk
Serengeti National Park
Olduvai Gorge Museum
Ngorongoro Crater

Tour pace

On this guided tour, you'll walk for less than 1 hour daily across mostly flat terrain, including paved roads and unpaved trails.

Group size

6–18

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Overnight Flight → 1 night

Day 1: Travel day

Board your overnight flight to Kilimanjaro today.

Arusha → 1 night

Day 2: Arrival in Kilimanjaro & transfer to Arusha

Included meals: welcome dinner

Welcome to Tanzania! Arrive at Kilimanjaro airport and make your way to Arusha, where you'll enjoy an included dinner.

Tarangire National Park → 2 nights

Day 3: Tarangire National Park via the Shanga Foundation

Included meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner

This morning, stop at the Shanga Foundation. This organization provides local people with disabilities the opportunity to work and develop new skills, such as using recycled materials to produce crafts that can be sold. Then, discover Tarangire National Park, one of the best-kept secrets in Tanzania.

- Enjoy included lunch
- Set out on a game drive
- Roam along landscapes that vary from dry scrub to lush swamp
- Search for leopards and lions on the hunt for prey like kudu, eland, and gerenuk

Tonight, sit down with your fellow travelers to enjoy a welcome dinner with drinks.

Day 4: Tarangire National Park game drives

Included meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner

Begin and end your day on thrilling game drives through Tarangire National Park.

- On a morning game drive, marvel at one of Africa's largest herds of elephants, and keep watch for over 500 bird species
- Enjoy an included picnic lunch
- Spot predators on the prowl on an afternoon game drive
- Visit a community school to meet local teachers and students

Sit down for an included dinner this evening.

Manyara Region → 1 night

Day 5: Lake Manyara National Park via Maasai boma & anti-poaching talk

Included meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner

Immerse yourself in the Maasai way of life with the help of a local guide and journey through Lake Manyara National Park.

- Tour an authentic boma and discover the history and heritage behind the Maasai tribe
- Travel through the Manyara region's acacia woodland and the Great Rift Valley
- Enjoy an included lunch at your lodge
- Spy a stunning variety of wildlife, such as giraffes, zebras, hippos, and perhaps even tree-climbing lions on a game drive
- Glimpse Lake Manyara and its incredible swath of flamingos

Sit down for an included dinner this evening.

This evening, meet a local anti-poaching expert from the African Wildlife Foundation.

- Hear how locals and park rangers work together to protect the wildlife
- Learn about the anti-poaching efforts in East Africa, with a special focus on capacity-building in boma communities where poaching is most prevalent
- Ask the expert questions while chatting
- Hear about how communities and organizations collaborate to train new rangers, avoid human-wildlife conflict, and identify poaching threats

Serengeti National Park → 3 nights

Day 6: Transfer to Serengeti National Park & game drive

Included meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner

Drive through the scenic savanna to Serengeti National Park.

- Enjoy an included lunch at your lodge
- Head out on a game drive to watch the dramatic dance of predator and prey
- Keep watch for all of the Big Five: lions, leopards, elephants, Cape buffalo, and rhino

Sit down for an included dinner this evening.

Day 7: Moru Kopjes game drives

Included meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner

Continue your exploration of the Serengeti's endless plains on two game drives.

- Look for the exceedingly rare black rhino on your morning game drive
- Feast on an included lunch in the open air of the Serengeti
- Embark on an afternoon game drive to see the Moru Kopjes, stunning granite formations rising out of the plains
- View ancient Maasai cave art

Sit down for an included dinner this evening.

Day 8: Simba Kopjes & Seronera Valley game drives

Included meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner

Set off into the Simba Kopjes area of Serengeti National Park for a morning game drive.

- Try to spot bohor reedbucks, flamingos, Grant's gazelles, and bat-eared foxes
- Soak in views of the vast African plains
- Enjoy an included lunch at your lodge before heading out on an afternoon game drive.
- Explore one of the Serengeti's richest ecosystems, the Seronera Valley
- Stay on the lookout for lions, cheetahs, and leopards

Sit down for an included dinner this evening.

Ngorongoro Region → 2 nights

Day 9: Ngorongoro Region via Olduvai Gorge & Iraqw village

Included meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner

Make several stops as you travel to the Ngorongoro region today.

- Visit the famed Olduvai Gorge, known as the "Cradle of Mankind"
- Learn about the 1.25-million-year-old fossils that were found here
- Discover how the fossils provided insight into human evolution
- Savor a scenic picnic lunch at your lodge in the Ngorongoro region
- Stop at an Iraqw village to learn about local communities and culture

Sit down for an included dinner this evening.

Day 10: Ngorongoro Crater game drive

Included meals: breakfast, lunch, farewell dinner

Pay a visit to one of the most spellbinding sights in all of Africa: Ngorongoro Crater.

- Descend 1,000 feet into Ngorongoro Crater, an intact caldera covering over 100 square miles
- Survey the local wildlife on a game drive, catching sight of one of the world's densest populations of lions
- Enjoy a picnic lunch near the region's gorgeous flora and fauna

Back at the lodge, raise a glass with your fellow travelers at a farewell dinner.

Overnight Flight → 1 night

Day 11: Departure

Included meals: breakfast, dinner

Drive from Ngorongoro to the Kilimanjaro region, where you'll relax in a dayroom.

Enjoy an included dinner before transferring to Kilimanjaro Airport for your overnight flight home or continue your adventure in Zanzibar.

Arrive Home

Day 12: Travel day

Arrive home today.

+ Zanzibar extension

Off the eastern coast of Tanzania, Zanzibar sits as one of Africa's most beautiful island destinations. Extend your adventure with a local expert to step inside the Sultan's Palace and visit a natural coral lagoon that's home to endangered sea turtles—those are just two ways you'll tap into the local culture, but you get the idea.

Stone Town → 3 nights

Day 11: Transfer to Kilimanjaro & flight to Stone Town

Included meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner

Enjoy a boxed lunch as you travel to Kilimanjaro. Fly to Stone Town, located on the island of Zanzibar, this afternoon and sit down for an included dinner tonight.

Day 12: Sightseeing tour of Stone Town

Included meals: breakfast, dinner

Spend a free morning in Stone Town or add an excursion.

Join a local guide this afternoon for a sightseeing tour of Stone Town, a UNESCO-recognized area of Zanzibar City.

- Walk through a local fruit and vegetable market
- Learn about the enslaved East African people who were forced into the Middle Eastern slave trade during a visit to Christ Church, which was built on the site of a former slave market
- Enter the Sultan's Palace to learn more about the island's interesting history
- Step inside the House of Wonders, which was designed by Second Sultan of Zanzibar Barghash bin Said
- See the colonial mansions, stroll along the narrow alleyways, and visit the Livingstone House
- Enter the Old Fort of Zanzibar, a military fortification that's also the oldest building in Stone Town

Sit down for an included dinner this evening.

+ Swahili Cooking Class & Lunch

Day 13: Sightseeing tour of Nungwi Village

Included meals: breakfast, lunch

Head to the northern tip of the island to visit Ngunwi village, which is known for the pristine white-sand beaches.

- See how local fisherman make their boats from scratch
- Visit the Mnarani Natural Aquarium, a coral lagoon that's home to a variety of endangered sea turtles and fish
- Enjoy a Swahili-style lunch in the village before heading back to Stone Town

Spend free time in Stone Town or add an excursion.

+ Dhow Sunset Cruise & Dinner

Overnight Flight → 1 night

Day 14: Departure

Included meals: breakfast, lunch

Enjoy an included lunch in Stone Town this afternoon. Then, head to the airport and fly to Dar es Salaam where you'll board your flight home.

Please note: Depending on the flight schedule, lunch may take place in Dar es Salaam.

Day 15: Arrival at home

Arrive home today.

Customize your experience

Customize your tour by adding excursion options. Excursions offered on the same day will occur at different times, so there's no need to choose. Save \$10 when you book your excursion up to three days before your tour departs.* Excursions requiring advance reservation only list this discounted price. Call or go online to customize your tour: goaheadtours.ca/TWS | 1-800-754-5066

Extension excursion options

Day 12: Swahili Cooking Class & Lunch

\$119CAD/\$129CAD* (5 hours, departs in the morning, lunch included)

Learn how to make authentic Swahili food during today's market visit and cooking class. The day begins with a visit to a market in Stone Town where locals shop for grains, meat, and seafood used in traditional recipes. Then, continue on to a spice farm. Swahili cuisine is known for the bright, flavorful spices incorporated into each dish. Some of the most popular spices include turmeric, cumin seeds, curry powder, and tamarind. After you've learned about the flavors and roots of East African dishes, learn how to cook an authentic meal you'll find served at restaurants and in home across Zanzibar. Your meal may include local ingredients such as beans, yams, sweet potatoes, rice, spices, and plantains.

Day 13: Dhow Sunset Cruise & Dinner

\$159CAD/\$169CAD* (3 hours , departs in the evening, dinner included)

Make your way to the shores of Stone Town and step aboard a dhow, a traditional Arab pearling boat. You'll sail on the boat, led by a skilled crew, and head about a half-a-mile off the coast of Stone Town. From here, the crew will put the sails up and you'll have time to sit back, relax, and enjoy the peacefulness of the ocean as you watch the sunset. Savor a cold drink in view of the city's magnificent shoreline. After the sun sets, head back to Stone Town and enjoy an included dinner. Please note: This excursion is weather-dependent.

*Optional excursions may be purchased up to three days prior to departure or while on tour. Pre-purchased optional excursions cannot be canceled within three days prior to departure or while on tour. Select optional excursions require advance booking and cannot be purchased or canceled after the advanced reservation deadline. GAT accepts payment by cash, Visa or MasterCard for optional excursions purchased on tour. Additional fees may apply for optional excursions purchased on tour. Excursions require a minimum number of participants to operate. Details and prices are subject to change. Due to seasonal hours of operation and availability, some excursions may not operate. If this occurs, you will be refunded any payments made for that excursion post-tour. Learn more at goaheadtours.ca/terms