



Climb Kilimanjaro

Summitting the Machame Route

9 Nights

August – November 2016



Summary

At 5895m high, the majestic Mount Kilimanjaro is not only the highest mountain in Africa and one of the world's "Great 7" summits, it is also the highest free-standing mountain in the world.

This dormant volcano has drawn climbers from all over the world for more than 120 years.

Aside from the striking natural beauty, the breath-taking vistas and sunsets and the distinct and often other-worldly ecological systems that are boasted by this snow-capped giant, Kilimanjaro's popularity also stems from the fact that it can be summited without technical gear or extreme fitness, and fairly cheaply. You will need willpower, a sense of humor, a healthy body and a little bit of luck. Aside from that, with Kilimanjaro-Experience at your side there is nothing to stop you from standing on the roof of Africa, a moment that you will never forget.

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- A proven expertise in organizing successful
- Experienced and knowledgeable staff
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Overview

Dates: August – November 2016

Interest: group - family

Level of Comfort: 2/5

Minimum # of passengers: none

Maximum # of passengers: none

Information about the destination

- **Currency:** Tanzanian shilling
- **Language:** Swahili- English
- **Dialing Code:** 255
- **Banks & currency exchange:** Currency can be exchanged at major banks, exchange offices or authorized hotels

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Day 1: Arusha, Tanzania

Upon arrival in Arusha, meet greet and transfer to your hotel

Day 2: Arusha

In preparation for the climb ahead, start to acclimatize with a walk through Arusha National Park. Situated between the peaks of Mount Kilimanjaro and Mount Meru, this scenic park is home to a wide range of habitats, from a string of crater lakes populated by waterfowl, to highland montane forest and imposing summit views. The forest is home to a wealth of wildlife, including black-and-white colobus monkeys and regal bushbucks. This evening there is a welcome dinner, a chance to meet your fellow adventurers.

Day 3: Mount Kilimanjaro (10,000 Feet)

Drive from Arusha to the Machame village on the slopes of Mount Kilimanjaro to begin your climb along the challenging and scenic Machame Route. Hike for about six hours through dense rubber tree and giant fig forests to your camp, set up near huts once used for shelter on the mountain. As you make your way up through the forested terrain, keep an eye out for elephants. Settle in to your first camp, poised at an altitude of 10,000 feet.

Day 4: Mount Kilimanjaro (12,500 Feet)

Awake early to a piping-hot cup of coffee or tea and hearty breakfast, before leaving camp, taking in the commanding view of Uhuru Peak. Trek out of the forest up to the Hagenia zone, through a savannah of tall grasses and haunting volcanic lava landscapes. After a six-hour hike, arrive at the Shira Plateau and the next camp. At 12,500 feet, it has sweeping views across the Masai Steppe to distant Mount Meru and the Shira Needles.

Day 5: Mount Kilimanjaro (13,000 Feet)

During another six-hour hike, skirt the Shira Plateau toward the Kibo Massif, continuing onwards and upwards to the pass at Lava Tower (15,000 feet). Descend toward Barranco Camp through the immense waterfall-punctuated Grand Barranco canyon, which is fed by streams from the Umbwe River. Today's camp is situated at an elevation of 13,000 feet.

Day 6: Mount Kilimanjaro | Acclimatisation Day

Hike for about six hours along the Barranco Cliff with no increase in elevation. This allows time to rest and adjust to the increasingly higher altitudes. In the afternoon you may choose to hike the Karanga Valley set beneath the icefalls of the Heim, Decken and Kersten glaciers.

Day 7: Mount Kilimanjaro | Preparing For The Summit (15,200 Feet)

Hike for about four to five hours and a day of acclimatisation as you near Kilimanjaro's peak, stopping at Barafu Camp (15,200 feet) on a morain, with views of Mawenzi Peak to the right and looming Kibo Peak overhead. The surrounding scenic alpine desert terrain is largely minera, featuring mainly lichens and moss. Turn in early this evening, ahead of an early start for the summit the following morning.

Day 8: Mount Kilimanjaro | Summit Day (19,341 Feet)

Rise very early to a hot cup of coffee or tea before beginning the final ascent to soaring Stella Point at 18,630 feet on the rim of Kibo Crater. Start the 13 hour trek by making your way up a winding path flanked by the towering Ratzel and Rebmann glaciers. As the sun rises, continue around the rim to Uhuru Peak (19,341 feet), where the air is rarefied. Should all go to plan, you will stand at the highest point in Africa in about seven hours' time. Take some time to savour your achievement before descending to the campsite (10,200 feet).

Day 9: Depart Arusha

Continue the descent to the base of the mountain, where your A&K driver will be waiting to drive you back to Arusha. Enjoy a farewell lunch with your fellow climbers to celebrate your achievement. Comfortable dayrooms are provided until your departure flight.

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Day 10: Arusha

Transfer to the airport for your departure flight

Selected hotels

Nights

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Regions

Arusha
Mt. Kilimanjaro
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5* Lodges

Mount Meru Hotel
Machame Camp
Shira Camp
Barranco Camp
Karanga Camp
Barafu Camp
Mweka Camp

Prices Include

Round trip ticket to Arusha (economy class)
Round trip transfer: airport – hotel – airport (private car)
9-night accommodation
Meals: full board
English driver / tour guide
Utilise top-of-the-line camping gear and safety equipment,
Stay in the largest and most comfortable sleeping tents on the mountain with private toilet facilities
Porters transport your luggage and equipment; you carry only a day pack
Assistance of our representative in Tanzania

Prices Exclude

Airport taxes
Fuel surcharge
DIP surcharge \$5/ticket
Visa fees
Travel insurance
Tips for guide
All other expenses

Starting price per person in US\$

Hotel

4* lodges

Double

7505

- Prices may change without prior notice and subject to availability at time of booking

Flight Schedule

From	To	Flight No	Departure	Arrival
Beirut	Nairobi	KQ 311	02:35	06:40
Nairobi	Kilimanjaro	KQ 6722	08:30	09:30
Kilimanjaro	Nairobi	KQ 421	10:55	11:55
Nairobi	Beirut	KQ 310	19:15	01:20

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