



AFRICAN UBUNTU SAFARIS

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Safari Itinerary and Quotation

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Tour name:	Private Tailor-made Honeymoon Safari
Travel dates:	07 – 26 December 2012

Itinerary Outline

<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Accommodation</u>	<u>Meals</u>	<u>Location</u>
01	07 December 2012	Rivertrees Country Inn	BB	Arusha
02	08 December 2012	Kirurumu Tarangire Lodge	FB	Tarangire National Park
03	09 December 2012	Kirurumu Tarangire Lodge	FB	Tarangire National Park
04	10 December 2012	Ngorongoro Serena Lodge	FB	Ngorongoro Crater
05	11 December 2012	Ngorongoro Serena Lodge	FB	Ngorongoro Crater
06	12 December 2012	Olakira Camp	FI	Serengeti National Park
07	13 December 2012	Olakira Camp	FI	Serengeti National Park
08	14 December 2012	Kigali Serena Hotel	BB	Kigali
09	15 December 2012	Gorilla Mountain View	FB	Volcanoes National Park
10	16 December 2012	Gorilla Mountain View	FB	Volcanoes National Park
11	17 December 2012	Zanzibar Serena Inn	BB	Stone Town
12	18 December 2012	Zanzibar Serena Inn	BB	Stone Town
13	19 December 2012	Z Hotel	BB	Zanzibar Coast
14	20 December 2012	Z Hotel	BB	Zanzibar Coast
15	21 December 2012	Z Hotel	BB	Zanzibar Coast
16	22 December 2012	Z Hotel	BB	Zanzibar Coast
17	23 December 2012	Z Hotel	BB	Zanzibar Coast
18	24 December 2012	Z Hotel	BB	Zanzibar Coast
19	25 December 2012	Z Hotel	BB	Zanzibar Coast
20	26 December 2012	Day of departure	B	

BB = Bed and breakfast FB = Breakfast, lunch, dinner FI = Breakfast, lunch, dinner, selected drinks

Cost includes:

- Meet and greet services
- All airport transfers
- Services of a private English speaking driver-guide
- Exclusive 4x4 vehicle in Tanzania and Rwanda
- All game drives and a Crater tour
- Flights: Serengeti – Kigali
- 1 x gorilla permit per person @ US\$500
- All accommodation and meals as specified
- All park fees and government taxes

Cost Excludes:

- International flights
- Visas
- Driver guide or local escort gratuities
- Drinks and dining rooms tips, portorage, personal travel and baggage insurance
- Telephone bill, laundry and any items of a personal nature
- Medical, evacuation and travel insurance



Detailed Itinerary

Day 01: 07 Dec 2012

Arrival into Arusha

On arrival at Kilimanjaro International Airport today off flight **KQ6726** landing at **19h00** you will be met by a driver and transferred to **Rivertrees Country Inn**, to spend **1 night** on a **bed and breakfast basis**.

Welcome to Tanzania!

Rivertrees

Situated just 5 minutes from Arusha Airport, the Arusha Coffee Lodge is ideally placed to begin a safari in Tanzania, and offers stylish accommodation on the grounds of a coffee plantation.

Comprising of 30 Plantation Houses - including 12 Plantation Suites - all of which radiate out into the evergreen coffee fields - Arusha Coffee Lodge has been designed around the original landowner's home which dates back over one hundred years.



Day 02: 08 Dec 2012

Arusha – Tarangire National Park

B/L/D

This morning you will be collected from your lodge by your private driver-guide, who will spend the next 7 days with you, and depart Arusha for Tarangire National Park, where your wildlife experience begins.

You will arrive at your camp in time for lunch, before spending the afternoon on a game drive.

The next **2 nights** will be spent at **Kirurumu Tarangire Lodge** on a **full board basis**.

Kirurumu Tarangire Lodge

Kirurumu Tarangire Lodge is set high in private land on the northern tip of the Tarangire National Park.

The tented lodge has stunning views over a water hole and into the park and is ideally located only fifteen minutes off the main Tarangire road and again only fifteen minutes' drive away from the main Tarangire National Park gate.

Accommodation comprises 10 tented cottages with verandas, 2 honeymoon suites and 2 family cottages. All have fully en-suite bathrooms, hot and cold running water and electricity.



Day 03: 09 Dec 2012

Tarangire National Park

B/L/D

In Tarangire you will have the opportunity to explore the bush on walking safari, and will spend the rest of the day on a game drive, seeing the amazing elephant herds and other wildlife.

Tarangire National Park

In the past, Tarangire National Park was often overlooked by visitors to Tanzania, however it is now holding its own as one of the best dry season parks in the region.

During the dry months of July through to October, an enormous amount of wildlife is drawn inside Tarangire to access the water from the Tarangire River and the Silale Swamps, allowing for very rewarding game viewing experiences. The park is home to some of the largest elephant herds of East Africa, and the scenery is particularly popular for the wide open, Serengeti-like plains, decorated with enormous and commanding Baobab trees.





Day 04: 10 Dec 2012

Tarangire – Ngorongoro Crater

B/L/D

This morning you will depart Tarangire and drive into Lake Manyara National Park for a game drive, before continuing to the rim of the Ngorongoro Crater where you will spend the next **2 nights** at the **Ngorongoro Serena Lodge** on a **full board basis**.

Ngorongoro Serena Lodge

Regularly voted one of the best hotels in the world, the Ngorongoro Serena Lodge clings to the rim of the magnificent Ngorongoro Crater.

The lodge takes inspiration from the so-called 'Cradle of Mankind', the prehistoric site of Olduvai Gorge, which lies close by. Long and low, the lodge is built from local river stone and camouflaged with indigenous vines.

Linked by arched stone passages and timbered decks, and lit by flaring torches, the lodge and rooms are decorated with stylized prehistoric cave paintings. Designed to blend completely into the landscape, it is invisible from the floor of the Crater 600m below.



Lake Manyara National Park

Being a relatively small park, and with Lake Manyara taking up the majority of the area, Lake Manyara National Park can be covered easily on half-day game drives, but these drives are usually very rewarding despite their brevity.

The scenery and birdlife are Lake Manyara's major attractions, with the lake being perfectly located to offer spectacular views along the Great Rift Valley.



Day 05: 11 Dec 2012

Ngorongoro Crater

B/L/D

Another highlight awaits you this morning as you depart to explore what is commonly referred to as the World's largest wildlife zoo. After breakfast, you descend with a picnic lunch through the early morning mists and 2,000 feet into the crater. Ngorongoro Crater is the World's largest intact volcanic caldera.

Due to its size and diversity, the crater floor is comprised of several distinct areas, ranging from forest, swamps, lakes and springs, to open grassland and some sandy dunes. It's an awesome wildlife experience. Lunch is served near a small lake filled with hippos. You then continue game viewing before returning to the crater's rim and your lodge.

Ngorongoro Crater

A unique and fascinating game viewing destinations in Africa, the Ngorongoro Crater is a must-see on any Tanzania safari.

Being the world's largest intact caldera, and the result of a collapsed volcano thousands of years ago, the 260 square kilometres of crater floor hosts up to 25 000 animals at all times of year. This makes it one of the most dense wildlife areas in Africa, and allows for many memorable sightings.



Day 06: 12 Dec 2012

Ngorongoro – Serengeti National Park

B/L/D

Continuing your journey west today you will drive to the Serengeti National Park, where you will spend the next **2 nights** at **Olakira Camp** on a **fully inclusive basis**.

The afternoon will be spent on a game drive looking for the best location to get into the midst of the herds of the wildebeest migration.



Olakira Camp

Meaning “star” in Swahili, Olakira Camp aims to deliver an intimate and authentic safari experience. As the great migration makes its way across the expansive Serengeti plains, so the luxury seasonal Olakira Camp follows.

The camp moves twice a year between carefully chosen campsites. In the early part of the year, Olakira is perfectly situated to witness the calving of wildebeest. In the dryer months the camp moves to the Northern Serengeti to have a front row seat for when the big herds move north.



Day 07: 13 Dec 2012

Serengeti National Park

B/L/D

Today will be spent on morning and afternoon game drives across the Serengeti plains.

Serengeti National Park

The word "Siringit" means "endless plains", and this is understandably from where the Serengeti National Park takes its name. The iconic, endless, golden plains of Africa are nowhere more evident than within this national park, as they stretch off into eternity, dotted throughout with thousands of animals.

Located in the north-west corner of Tanzania, alongside Lake Victoria, the Serengeti has earned its place as one of the world's most famous wildlife areas.



Day 08: 14 Dec 2012

Serengeti – Kigali

B/L

This morning will be spent on one more game drive, before you are taken to the airstrip where you will bid farewell to your guide as you catch your flight to Kigali, departing at **13h55** and landing at **18h30**.

On landing at Kigali International you will be met after passing through immigrations and transferred to the Kigali Serena Hotel to spend **1 night** on a **bed and breakfast basis**.

Kigali Serena Hotel

Ideally located on one of Kigali's most charming boulevards, the five-star Kigali Serena Hotel is built around a polished granite atrium, which showcases the very best of Rwandese cultural art.

Relaxed yet elegant, the hotel centres on the Executive Lounge and Bar, which opens onto a wide sundeck overlooking the newly refurbished swimming pool. Also overlooking the pool, the popular Milima Restaurant offers a wide range of all-day buffet choices, while the relaxed Sokoni Café offers inside and outside poolside seating.



Day 09: 15 Dec 2012

Kigali – Volcanoes National Park

B/L/D

After breakfast this morning you will be taken on a city tour and a visit to the Genocide Memorial, before having lunch.

After lunch you will be driven on the scenic route to the Volcanoes National Park, where you will spend the next **2 nights** just outside the park boundary at **Gorilla Mountain View Lodge** on a **full board basis**.



Gorilla Mountain View Lodge

The Mountain Gorilla View Lodge is the new mid-range lodge in the area and is perfectly situated for gorilla tracking in Rwanda. The 30 individual cottages have been built on 4 acres of land on the slopes of Mt Sabinyo.

The stone and thatch cottages each have en-suite facilities, a small lounge with a fire place and a private veranda. The cottages are of a good size and are well positioned to give them privacy from each other. There is a separate restaurant and bar area where meals are served to the guests.

Mountain Gorilla View Lodge provides good value for money at the same time as great views and easy access to Parc National des Volcans.



Day 10: 16 Dec 2012 Volcanoes National Park (Gorilla Trekking) B/L/D

Today will be your exciting gorilla trek, as you wake with an early start, and join your group venturing into the Virunga Mountains.

You will be led by experienced guides and rangers, as they take you into the lush rainforest in search of these beautiful animals.

Gorilla treks can involve walking time of anywhere between 30 minutes and 8 hours, and you need to be prepared for some wet and muddy conditions. Once with the gorillas, 1 hour will be spent watching them, and experiencing the group move around you, before your guide will give you the signal to start heading back down the mountain for a well-earned dinner.

Volcanoes National Park

"In the heart of Central Africa, so high up that you shiver more than you sweat, are great, old volcanoes towering up almost 15,000 feet, and nearly covered with rich, green rainforest - the Virungas".

Situated in the far northwest of Rwanda, the Volcanoes National Park protects the steep slopes of this magnificent mountain range - home of the rare mountain gorilla - and the rich mosaic of montane ecosystems, which embrace evergreen and bamboo forest, open grassland, swamp and heath.



Day 11: 17 Dec 2012 Volcanoes – Stone Town B

This morning you will be driven back to Kigali and dropped off at the airport in time for your flight **KQ442** departing at **13h40** and landing in Nairobi at **16h10**. In Nairobi you will connect onto flight **KQ6712** departing at **18h40** and landing in Zanzibar at **20h20**.

On arrival you will be met and transferred into Stone Town where you will spend **2 nights** on a **bed and breakfast** basis at the **Zanzibar Serena Inn**. You will have the evening free to explore the town and try out some of the local cuisine.

Zanzibar Serena Inn

Idyllically situated on the sea-front of ancient Stone Town, and flanked by an exotic mix of sultan's palaces, Portuguese forts, ancient dhow harbours, and bright bazaars, the Zanzibar Serena Inn is a haven of tranquillity and opulence amongst the bustle of one of Africa's most ancient and most enchanting towns.

A member of the prestigious Small Luxury Hotels of the World, the inn has been styled to represent the epitome of Swahili style, ethnic elegance and Arabic opulence.





Day 12: 18 Dec 2012

Stone Town

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You will have a full day spent in Stone Town, after arriving too late last night to see anything. You can arrange a guided tour, or explore the maze of alleyways on your own agenda.



Zanzibar

The Zanzibar Archipelago has lured travellers to its pristine, white beaches for centuries, and continues to be the drawcard for sun-seeking, beach-loving tourists from all over the world.

The main island of Zanzibar (correctly named Unguja), has a plethora of accommodation options, ranging from rustic beach bungalows to large and glitzy resorts, and can offer something to everyone's taste. Sandy beaches run the length of the coast, shaded by green palm trees, and caressed by turquoise waters.

Day 13: 19 Dec 2012

Stone Town – Zanzibar Coast

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This morning you will have some more time to explore Stone Town before being transferred across to the north coast of the island to spend **7 nights** at **The Z Hotel** on a **bed and breakfast** basis in a deluxe seaview room.

The Z Hotel

This chic, boutique hotel situated in a secluded plot on the corner of an idyllic beach in Nungwi, is located on the northern tip of Zanzibar.

It blends elegant, contemporary design with traditional Zanzibari features to create a unique cool and relaxing environment.

Set in a lush, tropical garden with direct access to the white powder beaches and warm waters of the Indian Ocean, the Z hotel has been finished to a high specification by an international team of architects and interior designers.



Day 14 - 19: 20 – 25 Dec 2012

Zanzibar Coast

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These 7 full days will be spent at leisure, enjoying some of the numerous activities available on the island, or just relaxing on the beach or at the pool with a cocktail. On 25 December a table has been reserved for you at the Saruche Restaurant for Christmas dinner. Please confirm this reservation with the reception.

Day 20: 26 Dec 2012

Day of departure

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Today you will be transferred back to Zanzibar Airport in time for your departure flight to Nairobi **KQ6715** departing at **19h20**.

End of Services

Kind regards

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Insurance:

- African Ubuntu Safaris strongly advises that every traveller purchases comprehensive travel insurance. As the deposit is non-refundable, and cancellation penalties apply, insurance must be taken out which can cover you in the event of you needing to cancel your travel plans.

Additional remarks:

- We may have to reroute the itinerary or accommodate in similar lodges in case of non-availability.
- Prices for domestic flights, airport taxes or park fees may be changed without prior notice. This is beyond our control and any increase levied will be passed to you.

Passenger Information

- Passengers should bring only soft sided bags on safaris.
- All the passengers must have Identification Card/Passport with them for internal flights.
- Baggage on internal flights is strictly limited to 15kgs per person (including hand luggage). Any excess baggage will be charged by the airline at check-in.
- Passengers arriving in Tanzania may be asked to present a valid Yellow Fever Vaccination Certificate.