



AFRICAN UBUNTU SAFARIS

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Safari Quotation

Traveller:	Katinka and Jeremy
Tour name:	Tanzania Wedding Safari and Zanzibar
Travel dates:	03 – 13 January 2013
Number of travellers:	2

Itinerary Outline

Day	Date	Accommodation	Meals	Location
1	03 January 2013	Arusha Coffee Lodge	BB	Arusha
2	04 January 2013	Lake Manyara Serena Lodge	FB	Lake Manyara
3	05 January 2013	Serengeti Sopa Lodge	FB	Serengeti National Park
4	06 January 2013	Serengeti Sopa Lodge	FB	Serengeti National Park
5	07 January 2013	Ngorongoro Sopa Lodge	FB	Ngorongoro Crater
6	08 January 2013	Ngorongoro Sopa Lodge	FB	Ngorongoro Crater
7	09 January 2013	Tarangire Sopa Lodge	FB	Tarangire National Park
8	10 January 2013	Pongwe Beach Hotel	BB	Zanzibar
9	11 January 2013	Pongwe Beach Hotel	BB	Zanzibar
10	12 January 2013	Southern Sun Dar es Salaam	BB	Dar es Salaam
11	13 January 2013	Day of departure	B	

BB = Bed and Breakfast

HB = Breakfast and dinner

FB = Breakfast , lunch and dinner

Cost includes:

- Meet and greet services and airport transfers
- Seat in shared vehicle safari
- Depart by 4x4 vehicle with photo roof (maximum 7 clients per vehicle)
- Private game drive in Ngorongoro Crater
- Guaranteed window seat
- Services of an English speaking driver-guide
- All game drives
- Hot-air balloon flight in the Serengeti
- Wedding ceremony arranged by Ngorongoro Sopa Lodge
- All accommodation and meals as specified
- All park fees and government taxes

Cost Excludes:

- International flights
- Visas
- Airport tax (usually included in the tickets)
- 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 or travel insurance



Detailed Itinerary

Day 01: 03 Jan 2013

Arusha

On arrival at Kilimanjaro International Airport this morning on flight **KQ420** at **09h05** you will be met by a driver and transferred to the **Arusha Coffee Lodge**, to spend **1 night** on a **bed and breakfast basis**.

Welcome to Tanzania!

Arusha Coffee Lodge

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: 04 Jan 2013

Arusha – Lake Manyara National Park B/L/D

You will have the morning at leisure and your safari briefing, followed by lunch. This afternoon you will join your seat in vehicle safari and you depart Arusha passing through the Masai Steppe filled with many picturesque African villages as well as maize, coffee and banana plantations.

At the town of Makuyuni you turn North West and continue the journey up through a scenic escarpment that brings you to your lodge, perched on the edge of the Rift Valley with stunning views over the distant Lake Manyara.

You will spend **1 night** at **Lake Manyara Serena Lodge** on a **full board basis**.



Lake Manyara Serena Lodge

Lake Manyara Serena Safari Lodge stands high on the edge of a towering terracotta escarpment with panoramic views over Lake Manyara, and offers a blend of tranquillity, wildlife discovery, and ornithological richness.

Grouped around a central 'vanishing horizon' pool, this Lodge features a simple timbered reception area, built in traditional African style, which is accessed via a bridge over a small stream. Beyond the reception are the central dining room, bar and veranda, below which lies the pool. Perched on the very edge of the cliffs, with views over the lake, is the pool bar and observation point.

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 03: 05 Jan 2013 **Lake Manyara – Serengeti National Park** **B/L/D**

After breakfast there is a game drive in Lake Manyara National Park that returns to the lodge for lunch.


Leaving Lake Manyara behind, the journey continues North West across the stunning hilly countryside of the highlands which is filled with wheat and coffee plantations, and then into the Ngorongoro Conservation Area. From here lie the vast plains of the Serengeti, where you'll hopefully start spotting game well before you get into the park.

You will spend the next **2 nights** at the **Serengeti Sopa Lodge** on a **full board basis**.

	<p>Serengeti Sopa Lodge</p> <p>Serengeti Sopa Lodge is nestled in the acacia woodland on the edge of the escarpment overlooking the plains of the south-western Serengeti National Park.</p> <p>Accommodation is provided in 69 standard rooms, all with 2 queen size beds, carpeted, and furnished with local fabrics and pictures. On entering the room there is a lounge with a mini bar. A veranda with 2 comfortable chairs and coffee table faces the vast Serengeti plains. The rooms have en-suite bathrooms and hairdryers.</p>
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Day 04: 06 Jan 2013 **Serengeti National Park** **B/L/D**

This morning you will be collected before sunrise and taken to the launch point for your hot-air balloon flight over the Serengeti plains. After drifting for about an hour, you will land and enjoy a champagne breakfast, surrounded by wildlife. You will join the group again later in the day for another game drive.

<p>Serengeti National Park</p> <p>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. While best known for the enormous herds of the wildebeest migration, there is far more to the Serengeti than this, and the national park can be enjoyed even when you are not in the vicinity of this spectacle.</p>	
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Day 05: 07 Jan 2013 **Serengeti – Ngorongoro Crater** **B/L/D**

After breakfast you depart for Ngorongoro viewing game across the vast Serengeti plains. After a picnic lunch you will visit a Maasai village before continuing to your lodge, set high on the rim of Ngorongoro Crater. You will spend the next **2 nights** at the **Ngorongoro Sopa Lodge** on a **full board basis**.

<p>Ngorongoro Sopa Lodge</p> <p>Situated on the eastern rim of the Ngorongoro Crater, the 90 double bedrooms of Ngorongoro Sopa Lodge each accommodate two queen sized beds and a separate dressing area.</p> <p>Each room has a glass fronted veranda, where a private view of the Crater may be enjoyed. The lodge also has 6 single rooms with queen sized beds and glass sliding doors.</p>	
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Day 06: 08 Jan 2013

Ngorongoro Crater

B/L/D

On this massively exciting day you will be taken on a private game drive onto the floor of the Ngorongoro Crater, where you will spend the full morning before returning to the lodge for some lunch, and to get ready for your wedding ceremony!

Sopa Lodge will take care of all of the arrangements, and you will have a truly wonderful ceremony on the rim of the Ngorongoro Crater! Enjoy some choc-mint ice-cream in celebration!

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 07: 09 Jan 2013

Ngorongoro – Tarangire National Park

B/L/D

Departing Ngorongoro Crater after breakfast you will head south-east en route to Lake Manyara, Mto wa Mbu village and Tarangire beyond. Through the highlands and the Karatu district, you'll view the scenic wheat plains and coffee plantations here before journeying down the spectacular escarpment where you turn south on to the main Arusha – Dodoma road and into the park. From here to the lodge, you'll enjoy a game drive en-route.

After lunch and perhaps a swim, the remainder of the afternoon will be spent on a game drive.

You will spend **1 night at Tarangire Sopa Lodge** on a **full board basis**.



Tarangire Sopa Lodge

Tarangire Sopa Lodge provides 75 spacious rooms furnished with a mini bar and 2 queen size beds including mosquito nets. 4 of these rooms are suitable for the physically challenged.

The Lodge lies hidden among the kopjes and surrounded by ancient baobab trees. Tarangire is the home of one of the greatest concentration of elephants in Africa, and showcases other game including the elusive leopard. Over 400 bird species can be spotted here as well.

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 08: 10 Jan 2013

Tarangire – Zanzibar

B/L

This morning you will leave Tarangire behind and drive back to Arusha where you will catch your flight to Zanzibar, departing at **15h30** and arriving at **16h30**. On arrival you will be met and transferred to the east coast of the island where you will spend **2 nights** at the **Pongwe Beach Hotel** on a **bed and breakfast basis**.

Pongwe Beach Hotel

Situated on one of the most beautiful coastlines in the world, the Pongwe Beach Hotel is a true paradise retreat, set within a secluded bay on the east coast of Zanzibar. Pongwe is a modestly sized hotel, with sixteen traditional beach-side cottages, and an intimate atmosphere. The bay's clear blue waters — protected by the reef one kilometre from the shore — are ideal for swimming and snorkeling. If the midday sun becomes too strong you can retreat into the shade of the palm trees that line the white sandy beach, and sip a long, cool drink.



Day 09: 11 Jan 2013

Zanzibar Coast

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This full day 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.



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 10: 12 Jan 2013

Day of departure

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You will be collected from your hotel today and transferred back to Zanzibar Airport where you will be dropped off in time for your flight to Dar es Salaam, departing at **16h00** and landing at **16h40**. On arrival you will be met and transferred to the **Southern Sun Dar es Salaam** to spend **1 night** on a **bed and breakfast basis**.

Southern Sun Dar es Salaam

Located in the heart of Tanzania's business capital is Southern Sun Dar es Salaam. The Hotel is in the commercial centre of the city, and it borders the Botanical Gardens and diplomatic offices.

The central location of the hotel makes it a perfect choice for international business travellers, NGO's and diplomats. The hotel ambience and décor would meet the approval of the founder of Dar es Salaam, the Sultan of Zanzibar, who established the city in 1882. Following in this tradition, all guests to Southern Sun Dar es Salaam are welcomed and treated like royalty.



Day 11: 13 Jan 2013

Day of departure

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It will be an early start this morning as you are collected from your hotel at close to 04h00 and transferred to Dar es Salaam Airport in time for you flight **SA189** departing at **06h45** and landing in Johannesburg at **09h25**.

End of Services



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Thanks very much for confirming your travel plans through African Ubuntu Safaris. We know you will have an amazing time, and are sure you will love returning to Australia as Mr and Mrs Somers!

Kind regards

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Booking terms and conditions:

- **In order to confirm a booking, a 30% non-refundable deposit is required**
- **Balance payment is due 60 days prior to start date**

Cancellation terms and conditions:

- **All cancellations must be advised of in writing**
 - **For cancellation made less than 45 days prior to departure date: 100% cancellation penalty will apply (i.e. the full booking cost)**

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.**

Passenger Information

- **Passengers should bring only soft sided bags on safaris.**
- **All the passengers must have Identification Card/Passport with them for internal flights.**
- **Passangers arriving in Tanzania may be asked to produce a yellow fever vaccination certificate**