



## AFRICAN UBUNTU SAFARIS

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### Confirmed Itinerary

Traveller:	Anthony, Margaret and Peta
Tour name:	8 Day Tanzania Small Group Safari
Travel dates:	04 – 13 July 2013
Group size:	Max 7

### Itinerary Outline

Day	Date	Accommodation	Meals	Location
01	04 July 2013	<a href="#">Serena Mountain Village</a>	BB	Arusha
02	05 July 2013	Serena Mountain Village	BB	Arusha
03	06 July 2013	<a href="#">Ngorongoro Serena Lodge</a>	FB	<a href="#">Ngorongoro Crater</a>
04	07 July 2013	Ngorongoro Serena Lodge	FB	Ngorongoro Crater
05	08 July 2013	<a href="#">Serengeti Serena Lodge</a>	FB	<a href="#">Serengeti National Park</a>
06	09 July 2013	Serengeti Serena Lodge	FB	Serengeti National Park
07	10 July 2013	<a href="#">Lake Manyara Serena Lodge</a>	FB	<a href="#">Lake Manyara</a>
08	11 July 2013	<a href="#">Tarangire Sopa Lodge</a>	FB	<a href="#">Tarangire National Park</a>
09	12 July 2013	<a href="#">Arusha Coffee Lodge</a>	B / L	Arusha
10	13 July 2013	Day of departure	B	

BB = Bed and Breakfast 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)
- Guaranteed window seat
- Services of an English speaking driver-guide
- Game drives and crater tour
- All accommodation in a triple room 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 or travel insurance



## Detailed Itinerary

### Day 01: 04 July 2013 Arrival:Arusha

You will arrive at **Kilimanjaro International Airport** at **15h20** today on flight **QR544**, where you will be met by a driver and transferred to the **Serena Mountain Village**, to spend **2 nights** on a **bed and breakfast basis**.

Welcome to Tanzania!

#### Serena Mountain Village

Nestled at the foot of the wooded slopes of Mount Meru, the Serena Mountain Village stands amid coffee plantations on the shores of tranquil Lake Duluti. Designed to echo the traditional style of the colonial coffee farm, which originally stood on this site, Mountain Village offers a range of cottage-styled rooms set amid extensive landscaped grounds.

The hotel features a stone-built reception with adjoining lounge, library, restaurant, boutique and business centre.



### Day 02: 05 July 2013 Arusha B

You will have the day at leisure to explore the area around the lodge or simply to relax.

### Day 03: 06 July 2013 Arusha – Ngorongoro Crater 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 past Lake Manyara and through Karatu to your lodge perched on the edge of the Ngorongoro Crater.

You will spend **2 nights** at **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.



### Day 04: 07 July 2013 Ngorongoro Crater B/L/D

A 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 destination 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 05: 08 July 2013                      Ngorongoro – Serengeti National Park                      B/L/D

Departing Ngorongoro Crater after breakfast you will continue in a north westerly direction towards the vast plains of the Serengeti. You will hopefully start spotting game well before you get into the Serengeti National Park.

After lunch at the **Serengeti Serena Lodge**, where you will spend the next **2 nights** on a **full board basis**, you will have an afternoon game drive before heading back to the lodge for dinner.



### Serengeti Serena Lodge

Located adjacent to the famous Serengeti National Park Western Corridor and Grumeti River, set high on the saddle of a tree-clad ridge, commanding panoramic views, the lodge has been designed to blend into the landscape.

A series of two storey domed thatched 'rondavels' provide guest accommodation. Each stone built rondavel has its own private balcony, private entrance, spacious bedroom, natural stone bathroom and intricately carved furniture.

### Day 06: 09 July 2013                      Serengeti National Park                      B/L/D

Today will be spent on a full day game drive on 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 07: 10 July 2013                      Serengeti – Lake Manyara National Park                      B/L/D

After breakfast you head back towards Lake Manyara National Park in time for lunch and an afternoon game drive.

You will spend **1 night** at the **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.

### 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 08: 11 July 2013

### Lake Manyara – Tarangire National Park

B/L/D

Leaving Lake Manyara after breakfast today, you turn south on to the main Arusha – Dodoma road and into the Tarangire National 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.

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 09: 12 July 2013**

**Tarangire – Arusha**

**B/L**

This morning after breakfast you will leave Tarangire behind and drive back to Arusha through the Masai Steppe. On arrival in Arusha you will be provided lunch followed by a transfer to **Arusha Coffee Lodge** for **overnight bed and breakfast**.

**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 10: 13 July 2013**

**Arusha**

**B**

After breakfast and a morning at your leisure you will be taken to **Kilimanjaro International Airport** in time for your departure at **16h20** on flight **QR545** to **Doha**.

**End of Services**

Kind regards

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- Cancellation penalties:
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  - For cancellations made between 45 and 60 days prior to departure date: 50% cancellation penalty will apply
  - 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 insists 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. African Ubuntu Safaris will not be liable for any costs resulting from any traveller's failure to purchase travel insurance.

**Passenger and Travel Information**

- Travellers should bring only soft sided bags on safaris.
- All travellers must have Identification Card / Passport with them for internal flights.



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- Luggage restrictions are in place when travelling in Africa, especially concerning light aircraft flights. In general, in Southern Africa the weight limit is 20 kgs per person, and in East Africa the limit is 15 kgs per person. This includes hand luggage. It is possible to pay for extra weight allowance.
- A yellow fever vaccination is compulsory for a number of African countries. Please consult a travel doctor for up to date information.
- Travellers must have a passport which is valid for more than 6 months after the end date of the itinerary.
- Travellers' passports must have a minimum 2 blank pages per country to be visited.