

*Off We Go*

TOURS & SAFARIS



## **KILIMANJARO TREKK 2019/ 2020**

### **1. MARANGU ROUTE: 6 Days trekking tour + 2nights hotel stay**

The Marangu route is perhaps the easiest and most comfortable route to reach the summit of Mt Kilimanjaro. The route is well-developed and the climb is constant and moderate. Only the approach to the summit is the exception as it is slightly more demanding. The accommodation on this tour is in simple mountain huts, which might be an advantage compared to the camping routes.

#### **Highlights**

**Day 1-8 | Tanzania**

#### **Day 2**

**Start:** Marangu Gate (1,860 m)

**Finish:** Mandara Hut (2,700 m)

**Altitude:** ↑ 840 m

**Walking time:** 3-4h

#### **Day 3**

**Start:** Mandara Hut (2,700 m)

**Finish:** Horombo Hut (3,700 m)

**Altitude:** ↑ 1,000 m

**Walking time:** 5-6h

#### **Day 4**

**Start:** Horombo Hut (3,700 m)

**Finish:** Horombo Hut (3,700 m)

**Altitude:** ↑ 280 m ↓ 280 m

**Walking time:** ca 4-5h

#### **Day 5**

**Start:** Horombo Hut (3,700 m)

**Finish:** Kibo Hut (4,700 m)

**Altitude:** ↑ 1,000 m  
**Walking time:** 5-6h

### Day 6

**Start:** Kibo Hut (4,700 m)  
**Finish:**  
Uhuru Peak (5,895 m) - Horombo Hut (3,700 m)  
**Altitude:** ↑ 1,195 m ↓ 2,195 m  
**Walking time:** 12-14h

### Day 7

**Start:** Horombo Hut (3,700 m)  
**Finish:** Marangu Gate (1,860 m)  
**Altitude:** ↓ 1,840 m  
**Walking time:** 6-7h

### Detailed Itinerary

#### Day 1 Kilimanjaro Airport - Moshi

Upon your arrival at Kilimanjaro Airport, our transfer driver will be waiting for you. He will take you to Park View Hotel where you will have the rest of the day at leisure. Dinner and overnight at Park view Hotel

#### Day 2 Moshi - Marangu Gate (1,860 m) - Mandara hut (2,700 m)

After breakfast at the hotel you will be taken to the Kilimanjaro National Park gate (1,840 m). Once the necessary paper work is completed, your trek can start and you will soon be hiking through the dense rainforest. You might be lucky to catch a glimpse of the thumbless black and white colobus monkeys scrambling through the lush vegetation. Approximately 4 hours later, you will reach your destination for the day - the Mandara Hut. After a well-earned rest, your guide will take you to the Maundi Crater where you can enjoy wonderful views of the Kenyan interior. Evening meal and overnight stay at Mandara Hut (2,700 m).

Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

#### Day 3 Mandara Hut (2,700 m) - Horombo Hut (3,700 m)

The day begins with an early breakfast and shortly after you have left Mandara Hut, you will reach the treeline where vegetation changes to shrubs. Approximately 4 to 6 hours later, the Horombo Hut will come into sight at an altitude of about 3,700 m. From the hut you will have fantastic views overlooking Mawenzi, Kibo peak and the Masai steppe. Evening meal and overnight stay at the Horombo Hut.

Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

#### Day 4 Horombo Hut (3,700 m) - Zebra Rocks (3,980 m) - Horombo Hut (3,700 m)

Today's purpose is getting your body to acclimatize to the altitude. Acclimatization should not be underestimated as it greatly improves your chances of reaching the summit. After a relaxing breakfast, you will set off on a 2 to 4hour trek to Zebra Rocks (3,980 m). The distinctive black and white stripes give the rock formation its name. On your return to Horombo Hut, a cooked lunch will be waiting for you. You can relax in the afternoon and regain your strength for the hike the following day. Overnight and evening meal at Horombo Hut.

Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

#### **Day 5 Horombo Hut (3,700 m) - Kibo Hut (4,700 m)**

Today's stage is long and tough. The trail passes the "last waterpoint" which is followed by the so-called "saddle". This nearly plantless plateau links the summit of Kibo with Mawenzi. Today's destination is Kibo Hut and it should be reached in about 5 to 6 hours. Tonight is an early night to get enough rest, for you will be woken at approximately 23:00 h.

Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

#### **Day 6 Kibo Hut (4,700 m) - Uhuru Peak (5,895 m) - Horombo Hut (3,700 m)**

Today is the "big day" - the summit stage. You will start in the middle of the night when the lava ash is still frozen and walking on it is easier. You will begin the long and strenuous trek to the summit in the dark. Passing the Hans Meyer cave at 5,200 m, the climb slowly but surely goes upwards. At sunrise, you will reach Gilman's Point (5,715 m) on the crater rim. Soon you will have forgotten the cold of the night and after another 1 to 2 hours, you will reach Uhuru Peak at 5,895 m. Now you are standing on the "Roof of Africa". The descent follows the same path and the lava ash will now have thawed and allows for a fast descent. On your return to Kibo Hut, a warm meal awaits you and you can rest a while to regain your strength. After the 1 to 2 hour break, you will be on your way down to the Horombo Hut (3,700 m) where you will arrive in the afternoon. After an evening meal, it is early to bed for most.

Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

#### **Day 7 Horombo Hut (3,700 m) - Marangu Gate (1,860 m) - Arusha**

The last stage passes through the heather and moor zone to the Mandara Hut (2,700 m) where a cooked lunch awaits you. Soon you will again be in the lush tropical rainforest and after about 6 hours of trekking, you will be back at the Kilimanjaro National Park gate (1,860 m). After saying goodbye to your mountain crew you will be taken back to Park view Hotel. At the hotel you can have a warm shower and celebrate your success in reaching the summit of Mt Kilimanjaro. Dinner and overnight at Park view Hotel

Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

#### **Day 8 Moshi - Kilimanjaro Airport**

After breakfast, you will be transferred to Kilimanjaro Airport or alternatively you can extend your trip in Tanzania and go on safari.

Breakfast

END OF OUR TOUR.

***Facts***

***Scheduled trekking:***

***Kilimanjaro via Marangu Route***

***Tourcode: OWGTAS001***

***From: Kilimanjaro International Airport***

***To: Kilimanjaro International Airport / Moshi or Arusha***

***Min. number to guarantee tour: 4***

***Max number of participants: 10 per group***

***Departure day: every Friday***

***Price: 2,090 USD***

***Single Supplement: 60 USD***

Items included:

Kilimanjaro trekking according to the itinerary

Professional, English-speaking guide

Mountain crew (cook & porters)

Overnight stays in hotels and mountain huts

Meals according to the itinerary

Drinking water

All national park fees

All mentioned transfers

Items excluded:

Sleeping bag



Flights

Alcoholic and soft drinks

Visa fees

Tips

Personal spending money for souvenirs etc.

Travel insurance