



**KILIMANJARO TREKK 2019/ 2020**

**2. MACHAME ROUTE: 6 days Kilimanjaro Trekking + 2 nights hotel stay**

The Machame route is one of the most beautiful routes to the top of Mt Kilimanjaro. The climb begins in the lush rainforest and follows a path that offers occasional views of Mt Meru, Shira Ridge as well the main summit of Mt Kilimanjaro - Kibo. The Machame route contains more steep passages and higher altitudes than the Marangu and the Rongai route and is slightly more demanding.

**Highlights**

Day 1-8 | Tanzania

Day 2

Start: Machame Gate (1,790 m)

Finish: Machame Camp (3,010 m)

Altitude: ↑ 1,220 m

Walking time: 5-7h

Day 3

Start: Machame Camp (3,010 m)

Finish: New Shira Camp (3,845 m)

Altitude: ↑ 835 m

Walking time: 4-6h

Day 4

Start: New Shira Camp (3,845 m)

Finish: Barranco Camp (3,960 m)

Altitude: ↑ 795 m ↓ 680 m

Walking time: 6-7h

Day 5

Start: Barranco Camp (3,960 m)



Finish: Barafu Camp (4,640 m)

Altitude: ↑ 680 m ↓ 50 m

Walking time: 5-7h

Day 6

Start: Barafu Camp (4,640 m)

Finish:

Uhuru Peak (5,895 m) - Mweka Camp (3,080 m)

Altitude: ↑ 1,255 m ↓ 2,815 m

Walking time: 10-14h

Day 7

Start: Mweka Camp (3,080 m)

Finish: Mweka Gate (1,630 m)

Altitude: ↓ 1,450 m

Walking time: 2-3h

### Detailed itinerary

#### **Day 1 Kilimanjaro Airport - Arusha**

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 Arusha - Machame Gate (1,790 m) - Machame Camp (3,010 m)**

After breakfast you will be picked up at the Green Hills of Africa and taken to the entrance gate of Kilimanjaro National Park. While your guide is busy with the registration forms, you can watch the mountain team prepare for the climb and once this is all done, your Kilimanjaro adventure will begin. In no time you will be deep within the magnificent mountain rainforest with ancient trees, primeval ferns, liana, lichen and moss that carpets the ground and drapes from the trees. You will hear and with a little luck, even spot the beautiful black and white colobus monkeys in the treetops. After 5 to 6 hours, you will reach today's destination - the Machame Camp which is situated just above the tree line at 3,010

m. Here, at the base of Mt Kilimanjaro, you will have your first dinner followed by an overnight stay in tents.  
Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

**Day 3 Machame Camp (3,010 m) - New Shira Camp (3,845 m)**

After an early morning start, the path steepens and the landscape changes into moor- and heathland and the open landscape allows you to see the impressive mountain range. Today's stage is shorter than the previous day and you will arrive at the New Shira Camp by mid-afternoon. The camp has a breath-taking view of the mountain and during sunset, the evening sun lights the rock face and glacier of Kibo.

Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

**Day 4 New Shira Camp (3,845 m) - Lava Tower (4,640 m) - Barranco Camp (3,960 m)**

Today you will climb about 800 m but you will be camping at an elevation only slightly higher than the previous night. This will allow your body to acclimatize better. The trek begins with a long ascent above the Shira Plateau in the direction of the Lava Tower (4,640 m). The vegetation becomes sparser as the landscape changes to an afro-alpine desert. The route passes through the sweeping Barranco Valley with its lobelia and giant senecio plants. After 6 to 7 hours, you will arrive at the most beautiful camp on the mountain - the Barranco Camp.

Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

**Day 5 Barranco Camp (3,960 m) - Barafu Camp (4,640 m)**

Today's stretch starts with the climb of the "Barranco Wall". Safety is paramount and your guides will assist you wherever necessary. Following the ridge as it traverses up and down, you can enjoy the splendid views of the south glacier of Kibo. In the Karanga Valley you will have lunch, followed by a 2 to 3 hours climb to Barafu Camp (4,640 m). Once at the camp, you can relax, have dinner and call it an early night.

Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

**Day 6 Barafu Camp (4,640 m) - Uhuru Peak (5,895 m) - Mweka Camp (3,080 m)**

After hot tea and a light snack, the climb begins at around midnight. By torchlight, you will climb the scree of Kibo. After 5 to 7 hours of ascending in the dark you will arrive at Stella Point, the crater rim of Mt Kilimanjaro. Another 1 to 2 hours climb along the crater ridge will lead you to Uhuru Peak (5,895 m). Here you will see Kilimanjaro in all its glory, enjoying the 360° view over the landscape below as the sun rises. You are now standing on the "Roof of Africa". The simple descent runs almost along the same route and shortly before midday you should arrive at Barafu Camp, where the porters and the cook will be waiting for you. After a warm meal and a well-deserved break of approximately 1 to 2 hours, you will be on your way down to Mweka Camp (3,080 m) where supper and a well-earned rest await you.

Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner

**Day 7 Mweka Camp (3,080 m) - Mweka Gate (1,630 m) - Moshi**



The final leg of your amazing adventure begins after breakfast with a traditional farewell ceremony from the mountain crew. Then a gentle 2 to 3 hours' descent through the rainforest continues to Mweka Gate, where your driver will be waiting for you. He will take you back to Park View Hotel and after a warm shower, the rest of the day is free to relax, unwind at the pool or celebrate your achievement.

Breakfast; 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.

#### ***Facts***

#### ***Scheduled trekking:***

***Kilimanjaro via Machame Route***

***Tourcode: OWGTAS002***

***From: Kilimanjaro International Airport***

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

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

***Max number of participants: N/A***

***Departure day: every Friday***

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

***Single Supplement: 60 USD per night***

#### **Items included:**

Kilimanjaro trekking according to the itinerary

Professional, English-speaking guide

Mountain crew (cook & porters)

Overnight stays in hotels and mountain tents

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