

10-Day Great Migration, Culture & Acidic Lakes Safari

Overview Day by Day Rates Inclusions Getting There Offered By Eden
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Enjoy this Serengeti and fabled Ngorongoro Crater Safari Soles tour on this 10-day private lodge safari. The highlight of this adventurous safari is the off-the-beaten-track drive to Lake Natron along the Rift Valley Escarpment wall. The soda lake, Lake Natron, lies below the active volcano “Ol Doinyo Lengai”, translated from Maasai means “Mountain of God”. The lake with its hyper-alkaline water is one of East Africa’s primary nursing grounds for more than 2.5 million lesser flamingos.

Arrival (See Getting There for more details)

You'll be collected from the airport.

Accommodation before the tour starts can be arranged for an extra cost.

Day 1

Pick Up from The Airport

We will pick you up from the airport and transfer you to Tulia Spa & Boutique. A city sightseeing tour comes as part of the excursion for day 1. The city excursion will involve visiting the local markets, Maasai market, cultural heritage and Arusha city museum.

Main Destination: Arusha (City) Accommodation: Tulia Boutique Hotel & Spa

Mid-range hotel located in or near Arusha

Meals & Drinks:

Meals at own expense

Drinks not included

Day 2

Arusha to Lake Natron

After breakfast, we will pick you up from your lodge/hotel and continue off the beaten track to Lake Natron following the Rift Valley Escarpment northwards. Your drive passes through typical Maasai land and soon Ol’doinyo Lengai—the holy mountain of the Masai—will appear in the distance before reaching the small Maasai village of Ngare Sero. Enjoy a guided bush walk to Lake Natron, whose shores shimmer in pink as thousands of flamingos come to breed on the alkaline lake. Alternatively, you can choose to wander to the nearby waterfall to take a refreshing bath.

- Meals: Breakfast, Picnic-Lunch, Dinner
- Lodge: Lake Natron Tented Camp.

Main Destination:Lake NatronAccommodation:Lake Natron Tented Camp

Mid-range tented camp located in or near Lake Natron

Meals & Drinks:

Lunch & dinner (Breakfast not included)

Drinking water & beer and wine (Other drinks not included)

Day 3

Lake Natron -Serengeti National Park (Northern)

Start early and continue your journey further north while the vehicle slowly climbs along several serpentine turns. Enjoy the last view onto Lake Natron before leaving the Rift Valley behind and continue via the village of Wasso to Northern Serengeti. Enter Serengeti by midday at Kleins Gate and enjoy a first game drive in Lobo. Between October and December, large herds of wildebeests can be found as they cross back to the southern plains. Lobo supports a vast diversity of resident game, including leopards, lions, buffaloes, elephants, giraffes and zebras, thanks to permanent springs and a landscape marked by open grass plains scattered with kopjes. Proceed to your overnight accommodation.

- Meals: Breakfast, Picnic-Lunch, Dinner
- Lodge: Lobo Wildlife Lodge.

Main Destination:Serengeti National Park

Best Time To VisitJanuary to February and June to October (Different areas are best at different times)

High SeasonJuly to March (The Seronera area is crowded)

Best WeatherJune to October (Little to no rainfall)

Wildlife in Serengeti NP

ElephantCommon

LionCommon

CheetahCommon

BuffaloAbundant

ZebraAbundant

WildebeestAbundant

Show more

Accommodation:Lobo Wildlife Lodge

Mid-range lodge located inside Serengeti NP

Meals & Drinks:

All meals included

Drinking water & beer and wine (Other drinks not included)

Day 4

Serengeti National Park

Home to the enormous migratory herds during the dry season. The Northern Serengeti remains an unexplored wilderness packed with stunning landscapes and abundant wildlife. The most captivating highlight of this area is undoubtedly the massive herds of migratory wildebeest and zebra during the dry season. However, the North Serengeti also supports an abundance of resident wildlife including lions, elephants, hippos, giraffes, crocodiles and the rare oribi antelopes.

- Meals: Breakfast, Picnic-Lunch, Dinner
- Lodge: Lobo Wildlife Lodge.

Main Destination:Serengeti National ParkAccommodation:Lobo Wildlife Lodge

Mid-range lodge located inside Serengeti NP

Meals & Drinks:

All meals included

Drinking water (Other drinks not included)

Day 5

Serengeti National Park

After a relaxed morning, drive towards Central Serengeti and spend the day observing wildlife in the Seronera Valley. The Seronera Valley offers lots of wildlife throughout the year including carnivores like cheetahs, hyenas, leopards and lions. You'll also see ungulates including buffaloes, giraffes, hippos, impalas, topis, warthogs and zebras. Do you know how to distinguish a Grant gazelle from a Thomson gazelle? Both gazelles have a white rump. The rump of the Thomson gazelle, however, is bordered by a thin black horizontal stripe below the paler brown one. Furthermore, the tail of the Thomson gazelle is entirely black, while the Grant gazelle's white rump patch extends above the tail. Ask your guide about this and more as you continue to your accommodation.

- Meals: Breakfast, Picnic-Lunch, Dinner
- Lodge: Ang'ata Migration Tented Lodge.

Main Destination:Serengeti National ParkAccommodation:Central Serengeti Luxury Camp

Mid-range tented camp located inside Central Serengeti

Meals & Drinks:

All meals included
Drinking water (Other drinks not included)

Day 6

Serengeti National Park to Ngorongoro Crater

Enjoy another game drive in Serengeti National Park before continuing to the Ngorongoro Conservation Area, which was separated from Serengeti in 1959. The resident Maasai in Serengeti National Park were relocated to the Ngorongoro Conservation Area where they still live today in harmony with wildlife and nature. Did you know that the Ngorongoro Conservation Area combines a large variety of topographical features and that there are nine different craters within its boundaries? Your guide will happily explain more about this outstanding destination of 8,292sq km. Proceed to your accommodation on top of the crater rim and enjoy a splendid view of the caldera before the night breaks with a sky full of stars. Or you can continue driving to your accommodation in Karatu.

- Meals: Breakfast, Picnic-Lunch, Dinner
- Lodge: Ang'ata Ngorongoro Tented Lodge.

Main Destination:Ngorongoro Crater

Best Time To VisitJune to October (Wildlife viewing is best)

High SeasonMost of the year – July to March (Expect crowds)

Best WeatherJune to October (Rainfall is little to none)

Wildlife in Ngorongoro Crater

Black RhinoCommon

LionCommon

BuffaloAbundant

ZebraAbundant

WildebeestAbundant

HyenaAbundant

Show more

Accommodation:Ngorongoro Serena Safari Lodge

Luxury lodge located on the crater rim of Ngorongoro Crater

Meals & Drinks:

All meals included
Drinking water (Other drinks not included)

Day 7

Ngorongoro Crater to Lake Eyasi

After breakfast, drive along the crater rim to Seneto Gate on the western side and descends into the crater floor on an adventurous path—what an impressive view! The Ngorongoro Crater provides a home for a vast number of animals because of its reliable water availability. Animals frequently move in and out. The number of wildebeests and zebras increases during the dry season, whereas the numbers of elands, elephants and waterbucks increase during the wet season. Search for the 'Big Five' – buffalo, elephant, leopard, lion and the black rhinoceros. The crater is one of the only two places in Tanzania where you can still observe the highly-threatened black rhinoceros. After intensive game viewing, continue to Lake Eyasi for your overnight.

- Meals: Breakfast, Picnic-Lunch, Dinner
- Lodge: Lake Eyasi Safari Lodge.

Main Destination:Ngorongoro CraterAccommodation:Lake Eyasi Safari Lodge

Mid-range lodge located outside Ngorongoro Crater

Meals & Drinks:

All meals included

Drinking water (Other drinks not included)

Day 8

Lake Eyasi to Arusha

In the southwest corner of the Ngorongoro Conservation Area is the beautiful Lake Eyasi, a soda lake that is fed by the Sibiti and Baray Rivers. Visiting Eyasi Lake is a different type of safari experience from those that you may be familiar with from your other Tanzania wilderness excursions with African Mecca. The region around Eyasi is the home of the Hadzabe and Datoga communities who continue their ancient lifestyle of hunting-gathering and pastoralism respectively. Visits to the villages give you a personal, intimate look into the daily life of these people. You may be impromptu invited into their homes, learn about the family structures, participate in traditional dances and bead making with the women, join the traditional small game hunting and gathering by the Hadzabe tribesmen, make bows and arrows, and much more. Early in the evening, drive to Arusha for your overnight stay.

You can be dropped off at the airport right after the tour or a day after the tour.

Main Destination:Lake EyasiAccommodation:Tulia Boutique Hotel & Spa

Mid-range hotel located in or near Arusha

Meals & Drinks:

All meals included
Drinking water (Other drinks not included)

Day 9

Kilimanjaro Excursion

Be immersed in Tanzania's great outdoors on this full-day tour to Materuni and Kikuletwa. It is ideal for adventure, cultural and active travellers in the region. Start off on a hike to Materuni Waterfalls and enjoy a refreshing dip. Next, head to a local farm to learn more about Tanzania's coffee industry before finally unwinding in the Kikuletwa Hot Springs. After all that, you will be driven back to Arusha for dinner and your overnight stay.

Main Destination:Materuni Waterfalls (Highlight)Accommodation:Tulia Boutique Hotel & Spa

Mid-range hotel located in or near Arusha

Meals & Drinks:

All meals included
Drinking water (Other drinks not included)

Day 10

Drop Off at The Airport

This is your final day with us. We will drop you off at the airport at your preferred time.

Main Destination:Arusha (City)Accommodation:No accommodation (End of tour)Meals & Drinks:

Meals at own expense
Drinks not included

End of tour (See Getting There for more details)

Additional accommodation can be arranged for an extra cost.
You'll be dropped off at the airport.