


## TANZANIA RIVER-CROSSING MIGRATION - 8 DAYS

This document aims to provide the potential Safari Travellers with valuable and accurate information on Tanzania Safari. We have compiled this information over years of experience as well as from feedback from previous Clients of DONAK Safaris.

### TRIP DETAILS



Type	- Popular Routes
Code	- DS102LL
Duration	- 8 Days / 7 Nights
Start	- Arusha
Finish	- Arusha

### TRIP ITINERARY

#### DAY1: DRIVE TO LAKE MANYARA FOR AFTERNOON GAME DRIVE

Enjoy early morning breakfast then proceed to Lake Manyara for game viewing with your expert guide. This Park is a national park two hours west of Arusha. The majority of the land area of the park is a narrow strip running between the Gregory Rift wall to the west and Lake Manyara, an alkaline or soda-lake, to the east. It is famous for its population of flamingos.

Accommodation: Ngorongoro Farm House

Meals: Full board

#### DAY2: DRIVE TO SERENGETI, AFTERNOON GAME DRIVE

Breakfast at the lodge departs for Serengeti National Park (Central) game viewing and photographing with the picnic lunch. The oldest and most popular National Park, a World Heritage Site recently proclaimed as 7th world wonder of the World, Serengeti is famed for its Annual Wildebeests Migration and an uncountable number of predators.

Meals: Full board

Comfort Camping: Serengeti Kati Kati Tented Camp

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## **DAY3: SERENGETI NORTH, FULL DAY GAME DRIVE**

Wake up in the Serengeti with the deep sound of nature, is the great adventure ahead of you. We head on our way to Northern Serengeti, the known Mara River where millions and thousand wildebeests and zebras are crossing this river to the other side – Maasai Mara National Reserve. In a game, we drive towards the river to witness the so-called 'river-crossing' where hundreds of migrants are fallen to the biggest crocodile in the river. Game drive and photographing with the packed lunch.

Meals: Full board

Accommodation: Kenzan Mara Tented Camp

## **DAY4: SERENGETI NORTH, FULL DAY GAME DRIVE**

After a delicious breakfast at the camp, we proceed with the game drive in north to increase all the chances of witnessing the great river crossing of wildebeests and zebras

Meals: Full board

Accommodation: Kenzan Mara Tented Camp

## **DAY5: SERENGETI NORTH TO CENTRAL EN-ROUTE GAME DRIVE**

Today we proceed with the en-route game drive towards central Serengeti so as to shorten the distance to our next destination. Central Serengeti is the best for game drive all year round.

Meals: Full board

Accommodation: Serengeti Kati Kati Tented Camp

## **DAY6: SERENGETI CENTRAL TO NGORONGORO CONSERVATION AREA**

Today our journey takes us up to the famous Ngorongoro conservation area, en-route game drive in the Serengeti with the picnic lunch. Arrive at the lodge for leisure, hot dinner and overnight.

Meals: Full board

Accommodation: Ngorongoro Wildlife Lodge

## **DAY7: NGORONGORO CRATER GAME DRIVE**

Departs early for Ngorongoro crater tour, descending to the crater floor for a game drive and photographing with the picnic lunch. The largest collapsed unbroken caldera in the world with a high concen-

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tration of big game wildlife's. Ngorongoro is a special place which is a Conservation Area, not a National Park; this means that the whole area is managed for both the animals and the local Maasai people who graze their cattle alongside the indigenous wildlife. Proceed with your game drive in this so called "Man and Biosphere Reserve".

Meals: Full board

Accommodation: Maramboi Tented Camp

## **DAY8: TARANGIRE NATIONAL PARK – ARUSHA**

Breakfast at the camp, drive 45 minutes to Tarangire National Park for Game drive and Photographing in the park with the picnic lunch. Afternoon Game Viewing then later drive back to Arusha for your ongoing schedule.

Meals: Half board

## **Trip Includes**

### **MEALS**

8 Breakfasts, 8 Lunches & 8 Dinners

### **ACCOMMODATION**

Camp (6 nights) & Lodge (1 night)

### **ACTIVITIES**

All Activities

### **GUIDE**

Services of a Professional Guide

### **TRANSPORT**

4WD Luxury Safari Vehicle & All transfers to and from Airport

### **FEE**

Parks & Museum Entry Fees

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## Trip Exclusions

### FLIGHTS

International Flights

### INSURANCE

Travel and personal accident insurance

### DRINKS

Expenditure on alcoholic drinks, souvenirs and other personal items

### TRAVEL DOCS

Visa, Passport, Vaccinations & Medicines

### TIPS

Tips and Gratuities

### Extra

Expenditure on alcoholic drinks, souvenirs and other personal items

## BEFORE TRIP START

### Climate

Tanzania is a land without winter. The hilly Country in the North has a pleasant climate from June - September. The coast is generally hot and humid with an average temperature of 30 degrees Celsius. The main rainy season is from March to May, the hottest being from October - February. Temperatures at the Summit of Kilimanjaro, range from -20 to -25C.

### Language

Although Tanzania has many local dialects, Swahili is the official language. English is Tanzania's second official Language and its commercial Language. Most people you will come in contact with will be quite fluent in English. You may find it useful to buy a Swahili-English Phrase book on arrival.

### Passport & Visa

All visitors to Tanzania must have Passports valid for travel to Tanzania as well as Visas to enter Tanza-

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nia obtainable from our Diplomatic representatives abroad.

Currently, visas are available for most nationalities at TZ Airports & Border posts (if you intend purchasing a Visa on arrival, please check with the Tanzanian diplomatic representatives abroad or check with us prior, to make sure this option is available).

## Health

Tanzania has re-introduced health desks at all ports of entry at Mainland Tanzania & Zanzibar. Please ensure you bring yellow fever Vaccination certificates with you to show on entry, if requested.

Anti-malarial medication is recommended to be taken a few days prior to arrival, during your stay and a short period after returning. We would strongly recommend that you consult your Doctor.

## Electricity & Appliances

Most Hotels/Lodges in Cities in Tanzania run on electricity with many having standby Generators. However please note that many Tented Camps and Lodges when on safari in Tanzania run on Generators which are turned off after dinner and on again just before dawn. We recommend that you carry a Flashlight and extra Batteries.

## Money Matters

The currency in Tanzania is the Tanzania Shilling. The US Dollar, however, is most widely used. Foreign currency can be exchanged for local currency at the Banks and Bureau De Changes. Changing money on the streets is prohibited and dangerous.

**CREDIT CARDS:** Although some Hotels/Curio shops accept Credit Cards. Credit Cards are not so widely used. In places that they can be used, surcharges of between 5-15% or more should be expected.

**ATM's:** Many major cities in Tanzania have ATM's (that accept Master card and Visa). A pin code is required, and the cash withdrawal limit is about US\$300 per day which you receive in local Tanzanian Shillings.

## Dress

Safari attire is casual and comfortable. The emphasis at most Lodges & Camps is on informal but com-

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comfortable wear. However at some Lodges gentlemen are required to wear long trousers for the evening meals.

Topless sunbathing is not permitted and ladies should wear appropriate clothing in public places. A jacket will be found handy especially in the evenings & early mornings.

## Food

In Tanzania, food is of a very high standard. Avoid drinking Water from the tap. Bottled water may be purchased locally before embarking on Safari. It is also available at the game Lodges.

## Security

As in all Countries, security is basically a matter of common sense. Crime is not rare in big cities in Tanzania, though, precautions must be taken. We recommend you avoid walking in the streets after dark; avoid leaving valuables or large amounts of money in your Hotel room or Vehicle or carrying it with you.

## Tipping

Tipping is customary on a Tanzanian Safari/Trek. Most of our Safaris & Treks at DONAK Safaris are private, i.e. Small Groups, Combo safaris, Day Tours or Trekking.

\*Below is a recommended guideline for tipping

**Safari Driver/Guide:** US\$10 to \$15 per vehicle per day

**Safari Cook:** US\$10 to \$15 per vehicle per day

**Mountain Guide:** US\$10 per day per guide from group

**Mountain Cook:** US\$10-\$12 per day per cook from group

**Assistant Mt. Guide:** US\$8 per day per asst guide from group

**Porters on Mountain:** US\$15-\$20 per porter for duration from group

**Porters at Lodge:** US\$1-2

## Gratuities Box

These are found at most Lodges. We recommend these as your tip is then distributed fairly amongst all the staff. DONAK Safaris recommends that tipping is usually done at the end of the trip and given directly to the person it is meant for.

## What to bring-Packaging List

### Clothing

Khaki and green colored clothes are much recommended on safari. Bright colors should be avoided because they tend to scare animals; camouflage clothes are illegal because they are worn by local soldiers.

- Long sleeved lightweight shirt for protection from the sun
- Sweater / jacket and pants for cold temperatures experienced at night
- Hat
- Sandals to put on during safari
- One nice pair of shoes
- Short pants
- Sunglasses
- Bathing suit (those staying in lodge/hotel with a swimming pool & would want to swim)
- Socks
- Belt

We advise to bring enough clothing for the entire safari as you may not have them washed (though most lodges do offer laundry service)

### Toiletries & Medicine

- Malaria prophylaxis
- Prescription drugs (also bring the generic names for these drugs, good idea to pack 2 separate lots)

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- › Motion sickness pills
- › Deodorant
- › Toothpaste / Toothbrush
- › Dental Floss
- › Hair Brush / Comb
- › Electric / Hand Razor
- › Emery Boards
- › Tweezers
- › Hand Lotion
- › Fem. Hygiene Supplies
- › Insect repellent (containing DEET for mosquito's)
- › Sun Screen (SPF 15 or higher)
- › Lip Balm
- › Shampoo/Conditioner

## Documents

- › Passports and Entry Visa
- › Cash
- › Health cards (vaccination certificate)
- › Airline tickets
- › Credit Cards (VISA, MasterCard and/or American Express)
- › Photo copy of passport/visas/Insurance papers

## Other Items

- › Camera (Bring camera with enough memory)
- › Extra camera batteries
- › Flash bright
- › Binoculars
- › Locks for baggage



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- › Video camera
- › Wildlife guides
- › Small backpack for car
- › Money belt
- › Snacks



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