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Wildebeest Calving Season in Tanzania, January to March, 8-Day Travel Plan





Day 1

MOSHI | SPRINGLANDS HOTEL

Arrive at Kilimanjaro Airport, Tanzania. After clearing customs, look for your driver. They will be waiting for you, holding a sign with your name. Your driver will transport you to Springlands Hotel on the outskirts of Moshi.

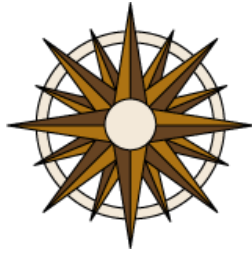
Overnight Springlands Hotel (with breakfast) or Similar

Day 2

LAKE MANYARA | HIGHVIEW HOTEL

Drive to Lake Manyara National Park in the morning. Set against the steep escarpment of the Rift Valley, you'll find Lake Manyara National Park with its evergreen groundwater forest and various ecosystems, including acacia woodland, grassy plains, a swampy fan delta, and – of course – the expansive lake. This diversity attracts a wide variety of mammal, bird, and wildlife species. Manyara is also home to rare tree-climbing lions. The park offers excellent game viewing with buffalo, impala, giraffe, bushbuck, waterbuck, hippos, and many elephants roaming near the lake. You can also be on the lookout for blue monkeys, velvet monkeys, and the very active olive baboon.

Overnight Highview Hotel (with lunch, dinner & breakfast) or Similar



Day 3

SERENGETI | WILDCAMP

Head out after breakfast for the drive to Serengeti National Park. The word “Serengeti” is derived from the Maasai language, meaning “endless plain.” En route to the Serengeti, you can visit a Masai Village, a perfect place to explore the Maasai culture and even participate in some tribal activities. Why not choose to visit Olduvai Gorge, known as the Cradle of Humanity; the Museum is a testament to the long journey that humanity has made from its humble roots in East Africa to its current state as the dominant species on earth.

Overnight at one of our Wild Camps* (with lunch, dinner & breakfast)

* Ikoma Wild Camp, Serengeti Wild Camp, or Serengeti Wildebeest Camp

Day 4

SERENGETI | WILDCAMP

Relax for a full day in the Serengeti unequalled for its beauty and home to the Great Wildebeest Migration. The huge herds of plains game, such as wildebeest, zebra, and antelope, dominate the park, while the attendant predators, such as lion and cheetah, are to be found amongst the many kopjes scattered across the plain. Its landscape varies from open grass plains in the south, savanna with scattered acacia trees in the center, hilly, wooded grassland in the north, to extensive woodland and black clay plains to the west.

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Day 5

NGORONGORO | NGORONGORO WILDCAMP

Enjoy a morning game drive in the Serengeti before your transfer to the Ngorongoro Conservation Area, part of the southern Serengeti eco-system. Most wildebeest migration can normally be found on the short-grass plains from December to April. The area is usually heavily populated with elephants, birds, and resident game. Check-in at the lodge with an afternoon game drive.

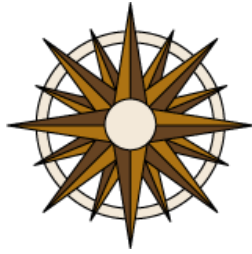
Overnight Ngorongoro Wild Camp (with lunch, dinner & breakfast) or Similar

Day 6

NGORONGORO CONSERVATION AREA | NGORONGORO WILDCAMP

Enjoy a full-day game drive in the Ndutu area. Explore the range of habitats, including swamps, woodland, soda lakes, and the world-famous Serengeti short grass plains. See great herds of wildebeest and zebra roam. This time of year allows you to witness calves running minutes after birth. This is also the time of year with the best predator action! The marshes and lakes support various bird life, and the resident lion prides. Cheetahs are abundant in the plains, and the wooded ridges are always worth a look.

Overnight Ngorongoro Wild Camp (with lunch, dinner & breakfast) or Similar



Day 7

NGORONGORO CRATER | SPRINGLANDS HOTEL

This morning, you descend into the Ngorongoro Crater for game driving and exploration. The crater is 600m deep, 16km across, and 265 sq km in area. Enjoy the spectacular scenery and game viewing in what has been described as the world's eighth wonder. Many of Tanzania's last remaining black rhinos can be seen grazing on the open grassland of the crater floor, surrounded by some of the 20,000 large animals that occupy the crater, including lion, cheetah, eland, zebra, and gazelle. Flamingos, among other bird species, can often be seen feeding at Makat Soda Lake. Afternoon drive to Moshi for your overnight stay at Springlands Hotel.

Overnight Springlands Hotel (with lunch, dinner & breakfast) or Similar

Day 8

KILIMANJARO AIRPORT | DEPARTURE

Enjoy a leisurely morning before your transfer to Kilimanjaro airport for your flight home. If your flight departs during the evening, why not check out our "Add on" day trip activities – speak to us to arrange this.



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Included in the price:

- Full board (breakfast, lunch & dinner) accommodation while on safari
- Bed and breakfast accommodation in Moshi
- Sundowner drink at Highview Hotel
- Bush lunch in the Serengeti
- Transfers to and from the airport
- All game drives viewing in a custom built 4x4 Safari Land Cruiser
- All park and entrance fees
- Transportation with 4x4 vehicles with viewing roofs
- A professional English speaking driver/guide during the safari
- Bottled water in the safari vehicles
- Ngorongoro Crater car supplement fee
- Current Government taxes and levies
- 24-Hour support during the safari from our office in Moshi

Excluded from the price:

- Domestic or International flights
- Balloon excursion in Tanzania
- Entry visa to Tanzania
- Travel and health insurance
- Gratuities to your guide, hotel staff, and porters
- Meals, drinks, and excursions not described in the itinerary
- Any other items of a personal nature, laundry, telephone, and postage
- Masaai village tour & Olduvai Gorge tour