

# ITINERARY DETAILS FOR NORTHERN CIRCUIT ROUTE 9 DAYS.

**DESTINATION:** Kilimanjaro via Lemosho/Londorosi Route

Major Attractions: Kilimanjaro, Africa's highest mountain.

Tour Guide's Language: English

**Starting Point:** Moshi

**Ending Point:** Moshi

**Route Accessibility:** This route approaches the mountain from the west south via Lemosho gate. The trail passes through tropical rainforest to Shira plateau which finally leads to the summit.

**Additional Info:** We provide porters and cooks for guidance and assistance while on the mountain.

#### Day1: Lemosho / Londorosi Gate (2250M) to Mti Mkubwa Hut (2650M).

Transfer from Moshi or Arusha to arrive at Lemosho Gate for registration formalities. Get transferred by vehicle at the starting point which is located 10kms further from the gate. Have lunch before initiating the hike. Climb steadily through the rain forest while spotting Colobus (Black and White Monkeys) and Blue Monkeys. The path leads to Mti Mkubwa hut for dinner and overnight at the campsite.

**Distance: 7 Kilometers** 

**Time: 3 Hours walking** 

**Zone: Rain forest** 

# Day2: Mti Mkubwa Hut (2650M) to Shira Hut 1 (3610M).

Trek out of the rainforest into the moorland zone to reach Shira ridge. Have some lunch at Shira hut and get a long rest while enjoying the mountain. Dinner and overnight stay at the camp.

**Distance: 7 Kilometers** 

Time: 4 Hours walking

**Zone: Moorland** 

## Day3: Shira Hut 1 (3610M) to Shira Hut 2 (3850M).

Climb through the trail leads to shira hut 2 for some lunch and a long rest for day just to have a good digestion. Take some time and enjoy your day for sunset while at the campsite. Dinner and overnight stay at the campsite.

**Distance: 10 Kilometers** 

Time: 5 Hours walking

**Zone: Moorland** 

## Day4: Shira Hut 2 (3850M) to Moir Hut Camp (4150M).

Lead to the left side towards to Moir hut for a long rest "pole pole". Drink enough water while on the way and arrive at mid-day for the lunch. The day provides chance to acclimatize to the little lent hill which founding very close to the campsite and it is 4350M and back to the campsite before dark for the dinner and overnight at the campsite.

**Distance: 4 Kilometers** 

Time: 3 Hours walking

**Zone: Moorland** 

# Day5: Moir Hut (4150M) to Buffalo Hut (4000M).

Trek out from Moir hut while clicking the "slabs" of the little lent hill and joining to northern circuit trail. Explore the landscape which offers stunning view across the plains which lies the north of Kilimanjaro and stretch out to the Kenyans' / Tanzanians' border. Proceed with the trail to reach Buffalo hut for lunch. Dinner and overnight stay at the campsite.

**Distance: 12 Kilometers** 

Time: 6 Hours walking

**Zone: Moorland** 

#### Day6: Buffalo Hut (4000M) to Third Cave (3800M).

Climb up the Buffalo Ridges which provides beautiful view sand a remote wilderness feeling. The path leads to Third cave for lunch. Dinner and overnight at the campsite.

**Distance: 5 Kilometers** 

Time: 4 Hours walking

**Zone: Alpine desert** 

# Day7: Third Cave (3800M) to School Hut (4800M)

Trek steadily over the "Saddle," which lies between peaks of Kibo and Mawenzi. The path leads to school hut where you will arrive in the afternoon for lunch. Take a long rest waiting for the dinner and get prepared for the summit.

**Distance: 10 Kilometers** 

Time: 5 Hours walking

**Zone: Alpine desert** 

# Day8: Ascend to Uhuru Peak

Wake up around 23:00 for adding more warm clothes and headlamp. Leave the campsite and start summiting by midnight into the glacial zone. The path leads to Gilman's point 5681M and then to Stella point 5756M. Have time for pictures while looking the sun rise and a little rest for the water or hot tea. For climbers who have experienced AMS are advised to start descending down, however for those interested can take a round trip along the crater rim to reach Uhuru peak 5895M. Proceed by descending from the summit to arrive at High campsite 3950M. From school hut to the summit is 6 kilometers and 7 hours walking. Have some lunch and overnight at the campsite.

**Distance: 7 Kilometers** 

Time: 6/7Hours walking

**Zone:** Alpine/Glacial zone

# Day9: High Camp (3950M) to Mweka Gate (1640M).

After the hot breakfast, continue hiking through the beautiful rain forest to arrive at Mweka gate. Get awarded with certificates whereby golden certificates are given to hikers who reached at Uhuru peak and green certificates for Stella point hikers. Back to Mweka village for a drive to Moshi town for resting or airport for a flight back at home. "Normally tipping ceremony can be done to the last campsite or at the certain gate".

#### PRICE INCLUDES

- Private transport to & from Kilimanjaro International Airport to your accommodation in Moshi
- 2 nights of accommodation in Moshi
- Transportation to & from the Kilimanjaro gate
- Park entry fees, Camping fees
- Team Kilimanjaro Rescue fees
- 18% VAT on tour fees & services
- 4 Season mountain tents

- Double layered Sleeping Mats
- Friendly and professional mountain guides, cook and porters
- 3 hot meals daily while on the mountain
- Enough treated & filtered drinking water throughout the trek
- Hot water for washing
- Fair wages for the mountain crew as approved by the Kilimanjaro National Park Authority (KINAPA), Kilimanjaro Association of Tour Operators (KIATO)
- Government taxes
- Portable oxygen tanks & ox meter
- Emergency first-aid kit

#### PRICE EXCLUDES

- Lunches, dinners and drinks at your hotel before and after climb
- Travel insurance
- Portable flush toilet with a toilet tent is available for extra charges \$ 70 for the entire trek
- Flights
- Laundry (Available at hotel)
- Personal items and toiletries
- Tips for guides, porters and cook (this is a guide to tipping on the mountain)

## **GROUP SIZE AND PRICE PER PERSON**

## 1 PERSON \$1900 / 2-4 PEOPLE \$1850 / 5-7 PEOPLE \$1800 / 8-10 PEOPLE \$1750

Tips on Mountain Kilimanjaro are recommended for group sharing as follows:

- Guide \$20/guide/day
- Cook \$15/day
- Porters \$10/porter/day

**Note:** Tipping is not included in the quoted price.

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