

15 – DAY STUDENT BIODIVERSITY SAFARI TO TANZANIA

This participation camping safari is designed for students or other groups interested in a lower cost but highly interactive wildlife and cultural safari experience. Participants must bring their own sleeping bags and ground pads, set up and take down their tents and help with the cooking and dish washing.

DAY 1 – U.S. / AMSTERDAM

International air from the U. S. is additional to the safari cost.

DAY 2 – AMSTERDAM / KILIMANJARO AIRPORT / ARUSHA

Following your arrival at the Kilimanjaro International Airport you are met and transferred to the **Arusha Hotel**.

DAY 3 – ARUSHA / LAKE MANYARA NATIONAL PARK / KARATU ADVENTURE CAMP

In the morning you depart for Lake Manyara National Park, famous for its tree-climbing Lions, great herds of African Buffalo, and a thriving population of Elephant. In the afternoon you travel to your accommodations for the next 3 nights are at the **Karutu Adventure Camp**. B/PL/D

DAY 4 – KARUTU ADVENTURE CAMP

In the morning you drive to a primary school. Maintaining the balance between wildlife needs and the needs of the human population is a fundamental aspect of the long-range goals of every successful conservation effort. Community service projects, such as the one you will be involved with here, are designed to provide an opportunity to interact with Tanzanians on a one to one basis, establish a genuine cross cultural interaction and help you understand their life style. A traditional African meal prepared and eaten following the local customs further acquaints you with the African way of life. In the afternoon you visit the Akwesio Iraqw Cultural Center. Here you are introduced to the ancient culture of these Cushitic people before you return to the Karatu Adventure Camp. B/PL/D

DAY 5 – KARATU ADVENTURE CAMP & LAKE EYASI

In the morning you drive to Lake Eyasi to visit the Hadzabe and WaToga tribal groups. The Hadzabe are one of the few remaining tribes of bushman in Tanzania. There are fewer than 600 individual members and they speak one of Africa's oldest "click" languages. During our visit you will learn how the men prepare their bows & arrows and hunt and have an opportunity to forage with the women for the seeds, berries, roots and other plants. Later in the day you will visit the pastoral WaToga tribe. Late this afternoon you return to the Karatu Adventure Camp. B/PL/D

DAY 6 – KARATU / OLDUVAI GORGE / SERENGETI NATIONAL PARK

After breakfast you drive to **Olduvai Gorge**, one of the world's most important prehistoric archaeological sites. In the afternoon you drive across the great Serengeti plains, game viewing on the way to your **Serengeti Adventure Camp**. B/PL/D

DAYS 7 & 8 – SERENGETI NATIONAL PARK

Morning and afternoon game drives allow you time to explore this vast wildlife area. In the evening you relax around a campfire, recount the events of the day and listen to the nocturnal voices of the African bush. B/ PL/D

DAY 9 - SERENGETI NATIONAL PARK / SANJIAN AREA

In the morning you bid a fond *kwahari* to the Serengeti Adventure Camp staff and drive south through the Olkelion Gorge to the **Sanjian Camp** site. B/PL/D

DAY 10 – SANJIAN AREA

Following breakfast you visit to a Maasai village. The traditional lifestyle of these pastoralists has changed very little since the arrival of Europeans. The life of the Maasai revolves around their livestock. Their diet consists of milk, meat and blood. Hides provide clothing, containers, mattresses for their bedding and sandals for their feet. Cow dung is used

to plaster the walls of their loaf shaped homes and cattle are used to pay fines, establish marriage bonds and as sacrifices to their god Enkai. While in the village you visit their school and medical clinic, see inside their homes and try your hand at milking a cow or at some traditional bead work before returning to your camp for dinner. B/L/D

DAY 11 - SANJIAN AREA / NGORONGORO CRATER

In the morning you drive to the Ngorongoro Crater, one of the most spectacular and beautiful wildlife areas in the world. The year-round grazing and fresh water available here provides a permanent home for approximately 23,000 large mammals. Following your arrival at the **Ngorongoro Adventure Camp** you have lunch and then depart for the crater floor. Your accommodations for these two nights are at the **Ngorongoro Adventure Camp**. B/L/D

DAY 12 – NGORONGORO CRATER

Following breakfast you return to the crater floor for a 2nd game drive in this spectacular wildlife sanctuary. Our evening discussions around the campfire provide the opportunity of practicing your Swahili and learning about the natural history of some of the wildlife you have seen. Dinner is served under the star-studded African sky and as the evening temperature falls, you appreciate the warmth of the campfire. Your meals and overnight accommodations are at Ngorongoro Adventure Camp. B/L/D

DAY 14 – NGORONGORO CRATER / ARUSHA / AMSTERDAM

In the morning you drive back to Arusha and check into dayrooms at the Impala Hotel. In the afternoon you have an opportunity to shop or rest in preparation for the return to the U.S. In the evening you gather for a farewell dinner before departing for the Kilimanjaro Airport. B/L/D

DAY 15 – AMSTERDAM / ATLANTA

Following your arrival in Amsterdam this morning you have a couple of hours in the airport before boarding our flight to the U.S. We arrive home this afternoon with many fond memories of our wildlife safari in Tanzania. (B/L)

B = Breakfast; L = Lunch; PL = Picnic Lunch; D = Dinner; () = In-flight meal

- Opportunities for walking, visiting with local people and game drives.
- Customized safari vehicles, guaranteed window seat & access to the roof hatch.
- Professional English speaking naturalist driver/guides
- All meals, park entrance fees, transfers and portage
- Membership in the Flying Doctors Program
- Complete pre-departure information including a check list of what to bring, bird & mammal check lists, luggage tags and passport wallets.

2009 PROJECTED SAFARI COST: \$3350 PER PERSON DOUBLE OCCUPANCY

Included:

All Park fees
Accommodations based on double occupancy
Meals as per the above itinerary
Services of World Discovery and Safari Legacy guides/ and camp staff throughout
Land transportation in 4x4 Land Cruisers
Airport transfers
Village and cultural visits