



CRA-T 05: 7 Days Tarangire - Ngorongoro - Seronera Serengeti - Lake Manyara

Highlights: Game Drive, Game and Bird Watching, Lodge Safari, Scenery, Culture, Ethnic, Photography,

Day 1: Arusha - Tarangire

Departing Arusha Town in the early morning, we proceed to the Tarangire National Park for a morning game drive. Lunch at the Lodge followed by a full afternoon game drive returning later for dinner and an overnight stay at the lodge

Tarangire National Park becomes most active during the dry season between July and November, when large herds of game attracted to the everlasting waters of the Tarangire River make this reserve every bit as appealing as the Serengeti. It is still a good place to view game all year round. Tarangire National Park is more densely vegetated than the Serengeti, covered primarily in acacia and mixed woodland including baobab trees and supports similar large mammals to the Serengeti. It is also home to a variety of bird species.

Day 2: Ngorongoro Highlands

After breakfast under the cool African sunrise, we spend the morning in the Tarangire Park viewing game, returning to the lodge for lunch. We then proceed to Gibb's farm; a beautiful Lodge in the Ngorongoro highlands near the Crater for dinner and overnight stay.

The Ngorongoro crater is the world's biggest whole volcanic caldera at 8300 sq km and is arguably the most stunning arena. It is frequently described as one of the wonders of the world, not only because of its geological magnificence, but also because it serves as an extraordinary natural sanctuary for some of Africa's largest populations of large mammals.

Day 3: Ngorongoro Crater

We depart for Ngorongoro crater after breakfast with packed lunches for a full day's crater tour returning for dinner and overnight at the Crater lodge. Within the walls of Ngorongoro are a variety of animals and vegetation (ranging from grasslands to swamps, forests, salt pans and a fresh water lake). You are likely to see lion, elephant, rhino, buffalo, and many of the plains herbivores such as wildebeest, Thomson's gazelle, zebra, reedbuck, as well as thousands of flamingos wading in the shallows of Lake Magadi – the soda lake at the craters base.

Day 4: Ngorongoro – Serengeti

After breakfast, exit the Ngorongoro Conservation area we drive off to the Serengeti National Park viewing game en-route as we drive North to the northern boarder of the Serengeti and the Masai Mara. We stop for lunch at the Lobo Lodge on the Wildebeest migration route followed by a full afternoon game drive returning in the evening.

Serengeti is Africa's most famous and Tanzania's largest park covering 14,736 sq km and is adjoining with the Masai Mara National reserve in Kenya. With a wildebeest population of over 2 million and several other hoofed species (which include: zebra, Thomson's gazelle, impala, topi, Grants gazelle, Kongoni, Eland, Kirk's dik dik, klipspringer, roan, Oryx, oribi, waterbuck, buffalo, giraffe and warthog) the park attracts a variety of predators such as lion, leopard, cheetah, hyena, golden jackals

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and bat eared foxes. Elephants are relatively scarce and the few remaining black rhinoceros are restricted to the Moru Koppies area.

Day 5: Serengeti Seronera area

Leaving Lobo after breakfast, we drive south to Seronera viewing wildlife en-route. We break for lunch at a lodge and continue our game drive into the afternoon. We return to the lodge in time for a sundowner and a restful night.

Serengeti also offers rewarding bird viewing with ostrich and kori bustard being common, a variety of larks, finches, and raptors can be seen but the most distinctive small bird is the lilac breasted roller. Others include the Fischer's lovebird, grey rumped spur fowl, and the rufous tailed weaver. You can visit the Serengeti National Park all year round but there is less game in the park during the dry season – July / October, where they migrate to the Maasai Mara in Kenya. During March to May the herds move in search of grazing to the southern section and in May to June, they move towards the western corridor of the park.

Day 6: Serengeti - Lake Manyara

Enjoy an early morning game drive in the Seronera area returning for lunch at the lodge after which we exit the park for Lake Manyara National Park arriving in time for sunset. Dinner and overnight stay at Lake Manyara Lodge

The Lake Manyara National park is serene and beautiful with main attractions of a rich bird life, tree-climbing lions, its elephants, and hippos that you can see at closer range than most other places. Lake Manyara is an alkaline lake and at certain times of the year hosts thousands of flamingos and a diversity of other bird life. It is also a fine place to see blue monkeys and hippo pools where many hippos can be seen soaking and yawning along with countless water birds. The hot springs are an excellent place to see buffaloes and elephants and the huge flocks of flamingoes that regularly visit Lake Manyara itself.

Day 7: L. Manyara - Arusha

After breakfast, we depart as we enjoy a game drive in the park stopping along the way for a picnic lunch. Later we head off for Arusha town arriving by late in the afternoon and drop you off at your hotel in Arusha

Price includes:

- Return transport as per the itinerary
- Meals as per the itinerary
- Park entry fees
- Game drives as per the itinerary
- Accommodation on full board basis as per the itinerary
- Services of a professional driver guide

Price excludes:

- Air fares into E.A
- Visa and any related fees

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- Medical & travel insurance covers
- Any deviation from the itinerary
- Any other item not mentioned in the inclusive itinerary above

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