

5 Days Tanzania Midrange Safari 2026-2027

Experience Tarangire, Lake Manyara, Ngorongoro Crater, and Maasai culture in a carefully curated 5-day journey blending adventure, wildlife, and culture.

Overview

This 5-day safari offers a perfect mix of wildlife encounters and cultural experiences in Northern Tanzania. Starting with a relaxing arrival day in Arusha, you'll then explore the wildlife-rich Tarangire National Park, famous for its ancient baobab trees and large elephant herds. The adventure continues with a day in Lake Manyara National Park, home to tree-climbing lions and flocks of flamingos.

On day four, you'll descend into the majestic Ngorongoro Crater, a UNESCO World Heritage Site teeming with wildlife including the rare black rhino. The final day includes a cultural visit to a Maasai village and a peaceful nature walk through the lush Rau Forest. This safari offers comfortable midrange lodges, well-balanced meals, and seamless logistics for an unforgettable Tanzanian experience.

Itinerary

Day 1: Arrival in Arusha

Upon arrival at Kilimanjaro International Airport (JRO) or Arusha Airport, you will be met by your safari representative and transferred to your hotel in Arusha. Depending on your arrival time, you can relax at the lodge or explore the town at your leisure. This is a great time to rest and prepare for your safari adventure starting the next day.

- **Meals:** Not included
- **Accommodation:** Midrange lodge in Arusha

Day 2: Arusha to Tarangire National Park

After breakfast, depart Arusha and drive to Tarangire National Park, known for its large elephant population, ancient baobab trees, and diverse wildlife. Enjoy a full-day game drive through the park, spotting lions, zebras, giraffes, and many bird species. You'll stop for a picnic lunch inside the park. Later in the afternoon, transfer to your lodge near Karatu for dinner and overnight.

- **Meals:** Lunch and Dinner
- **Accommodation:** Midrange lodge near Karatu

Day 3: Karatu to Lake Manyara National Park

After breakfast, drive to nearby Lake Manyara National Park for a day of game viewing. The park is known for its lush forests, soda lake filled with flamingos, and the chance to see tree-climbing lions. You'll also spot hippos, baboons, elephants, and a wide variety of birdlife. Return to your lodge in Karatu in the late afternoon for dinner and overnight stay.

- **Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
- **Accommodation:** Midrange lodge near Karatu

Day 4: Ngorongoro Crater Safari

Start the day early with breakfast, then head to the Ngorongoro Conservation Area. Descend into the crater for a half-day safari in one of the world's most unique ecosystems. Here, you may spot the Big Five, including black rhinos, lions, and buffaloes. After a scenic picnic lunch in the crater, ascend and return to Karatu for dinner and overnight.

- **Meals:** Breakfast, Picnic Lunch, Dinner
- **Accommodation:** Midrange lodge near Karatu

Day 5: Maasai Village Visit and Rau Forest Walk – Return to Arusha

On your final day, visit a traditional Maasai village for a cultural exchange and to learn about their lifestyle and traditions. Afterwards, enjoy a nature walk in Rau Forest, where you may see monkeys, forest birds, and rice paddies. After lunch, you will be transferred back to Arusha, marking the end of your safari.

- **Meals:** Breakfast and Lunch
- **Accommodation:** Not included (End of tour)

Includes:

- Pick-up and drop-off from Arusha accommodation or airport
- 1 night in a midrange lodge in Arusha
- 3 nights midrange lodge accommodation near Karatu
- Private 4x4 safari vehicle with experienced English-speaking driver-guide
- Park entrance fees for Tarangire, Lake Manyara, and Ngorongoro Crater
- Cultural visit to Maasai village and Rau Forest Walk
- Game drives and activities as outlined
- Meals as specified (4 breakfasts, 4 lunches, 3 dinners)
- Bottled water during game drives

Not included:

- International and domestic flights

- Visa and travel insurance
- Tips and gratuities
- Personal expenses and drinks
- Additional activities or safari extensions
- Accommodation after the tour ends