



Local Moshi
adventures

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8 DAY MACHAME ITINERARY (6 days on the mountain)

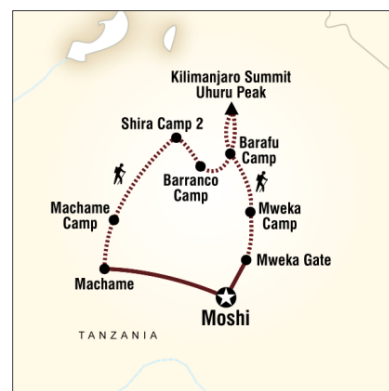
DAY 1 - ARRIVAL TO MOSHI

Arrive at Kilimanjaro Airport, where a Local Moshi representative will meet you and transfer you to your hotel in Moshi. Equipment check.

DAY 2 - FROM MACHAME GATE TO MACHAME HUT

After breakfast drive to Machame Gate. Meet porters and complete registration formalities at the ranger's office. The hike starts in lush rainforest leading upwards into the thinning forest, long grasses and giant heathers surrounding Machame Hut (3000m), the first campsite on the Machame Route. En route you will enjoy a picnic lunch.

- Trekking distance: 11 kilometers
- Trek time: 5 to 7 hours
- Environment: Montane forest
- Elevation: From 1800 meters to 3000 meters

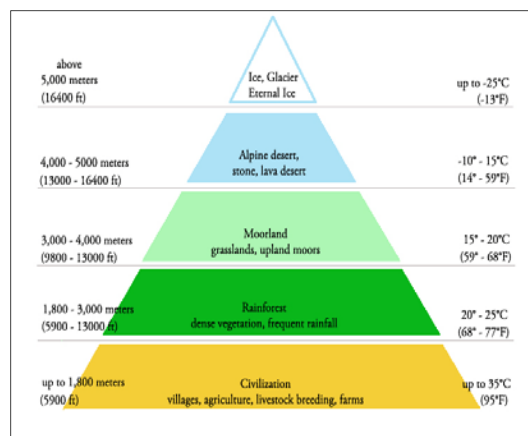


DAY 3 - FROM MACHAME HUT TO SHIRA HUT

Leaving Machame Hut, the last of the trees disappear as the trail continues upward on a rocky ridge of volcanic petrified lava, on top of which lunch awaits you. After lunch, a one hour hike, with ever decreasing vegetation along the way, Shira Hut (3850m), your camp for the night, surrounded by rocks and boulders, is within sight.

- Trekking distance: 9 kilometers
- Trek time: 4 to 6 hours
- Environment: Moorland
- Elevation: From 3000 meters to 3850 meters

Kilimanjaro Climate Zones



DAY 4 - FROM SHIRA HUT TO BARRANCO VALLEY CAMP

After waking up on the beautiful Shira Plateau, the hike starts east toward Kibo (the peak of Mt. Kilimanjaro) and gradually ascends to Lava Tower, the highest point of the day. After lunch at Lava Tower, we continue on the trail which slowly descends toward Barranco Valley Camp (3950m). "Climb high, sleep lower" is the best way to acclimatize to high altitude.

- Highest point: 4600 meters (at Lava Tower)
- Trekking distance: 12 kilometers
- Trek time: 6 to 7 hours
- Environment: Semi-desert
- Elevation: From 3850 meters to 3950 meters

DAY 5 – BARRANCO VALLEY CAMP TO BARAFU HUT

After breakfast we will ascent to the top of the Great Barranco Wall where we will be way above the clouds to see the land spread out before us. Following we will make our way to Karanga Valley Camp where we will stop for lunch. Leaving Karanga Valley Camp the trail continues to gain altitude until reaching Barafu Hut (4600m), which marks the end of the Southern Circuit, and from where the final ascent will start in the early morning hours of Day 7.

- Trekking distance: 9 kilometers
- Trek time: Around 8-10 hours
- Environment: Alpine desert
- Elevation: From 3950 meters to 4600 meters

DAY 6 - BARAFU HUT TO SUMMIT UHURU PEAK, DESCENT TO MWEKA CAMP

Today will be the most difficult day, both mentally and physically. The final ascent will start about 0100 in the morning. A slow and steady climb of 5-6 hours, the path zigzagging across the volcanic scree of the crater rim, leads to Stella Point (5752m) just in time for sunrise. From here a one hour climb, passing the stunning glaciers and ice cliffs alongside the crater rim, will lead to Uhuru Peak (5895m). From Uhuru Peak, descending back to Barafu Camp is much shorter. After refreshing briefly at Barafu, the trail continues steadily downward, to Mweka Camp (3100m) the final campsite on the mountain before returning to Moshi the following day.

- Highest point: 5895 meters (Uhuru Peak)
- Trekking distance: 20 kilometers (7 kilometers ascent / 13 kilometers descent)
- Trek time: 12 to 15 hours (6 to 8 hours ascent / 6 to 7 hours descent)
- Environment: Alpine desert/Volcanic scree/Ice-capped summit
- Elevation: From 4600 meters to 3100 meters

DAY 7 - DESCENT FROM MWEKA CAMP TO MWEKA GATE

After a good night's rest, a continued descent will lead back into the lovely rainforest on the lower slopes of the Mountain with the route winding down toward Mweka Gate (1800m). From there a short drive past coffee plantations and banana farms will take us back to Moshi.

- Trekking distance: 8 kilometers
- Trek time: 3 to 4 hours
- Environment: Montane forest
- Elevation: From 3100 meters to 1800 meters

DAY 8 - DEPARTURE

After a well-deserved rest in a comfortable bed in your hotel, we will drive you to Kilimanjaro Airport for your return flight.

PRICE INCLUDES:

- Transfers to and from Kilimanjaro Airport
- Hotel the night before and after the climb
- Adequate number of guides, porters, and cooks
- All park fees, camping fees, rescue fees and team fees
- Transfers to and from the route gate(s)
- Sleeping mattress pad, dining tent, sleeping tent
- Private toilet tent
- Crew equipment
- Adequate guides, porters, and cooks wages
- Food and purified water during the trek
- Emergency oxygen
- AMREF Flying Doctors helicopter rescue
- 18% VAT

PRICE EXCLUDES:

- Tips for guides, porters, and cooks
- Lunch and Dinner at the hotel
- Beverages at the hotel
- Medical insurance
- Tanzanian visa
- Medication
- Energy drinks & snacks, alcoholic and soft drinks.
- Personal gear including personal rain gear, trekking poles, sleeping bags, etc
- National/International flights
- Anything not mentioned under "Price Includes"

