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Tanzania Country Guide

The adventure starts here...



Tanzania



Tanzania is a breathtaking safari destination, both for those new to safaris and for experienced safari enthusiasts alike!

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• Serengeti • Ngorongoro Crater • Tarangire • Zanzibar • Mount Kilimanjaro • Nyerere • Lake Manyara • Mahale & Katavi • Tanzania Coast •

Key Attributes

- The Serengeti is the home of the great migration for most of year
- Ngorongoro is largest intact volcanic caldera in the world
- Diverse terrain offers an interesting array of wildlife
- Elephant concentration in Tarangire is greatest in Africa at end of dry season
- Warm waters, white beaches & vibrant coral reefs in Zanzibar

Important Tips

- Peak Season: July to October
- Some camps closed in April to early May
- Choose between fly-in, road safaris or a mix





Africa – You can see a sunset and believe you have witnessed the hand of God. You watch the slow lope of a lioness and forget to breathe. You marvel at the tripod of a giraffe bent to water. In Africa, there are iridescent blues on the wings of birds that you do not see anywhere else in nature. In Africa, in the midday heat, you can see blisters in the atmosphere. When you are in Africa, you feel primordial, rocked in the cradle of the world.

Jodi Picoult



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Tanzania's USPs

Tanzania is a breathtaking safari destination with abundant wildlife in several world-famous reserves.

Over 25% of the country is either a reserve, national park or game management area.

Afterwards you can soak up the sun at one of the many beautiful beaches on Zanzibar, Pemba or Mafua Island.



Top Reasons to Visit



Top wildlife destination

Close enough to travel by road: Tarangire, Lake Manyara, Ngorongoro Crater and of course – the Serengeti

Take a walk with the Masai

Experience the wisdom of the Masai pastoralists who have lived on the Serengeti for hundreds of years

Experience the Serengeti

Experience the quintessential safari landscape, big cats & migrating herds

Hunt and forage with the Hadzi

One of Africa's few remaining hunter-gathering people

Iconic Kilimanjaro views

Game drives, walking, canoeing, boating, fishing

Diving from Mafia Island

Night drives & walking, allowed within national parks

See the elephants of Tarangire

Some of the highest concentration of elephants in the world Tarangire

Soak up the sun on Zanzibar beaches

Wide choice of beach resorts to suit couples, families and all budgets



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Varied Activities



Best Time to Visit

The best time to visit Tanzania is from July to October when the country is at its driest.

This coincides with the migration river crossings; however, all parks offer amazing wildlife sightings at this time as the grasses and bush are at their least dense.



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Best Time to Visit



December – March

Shoulder Season:

Great time to visit as fairly dry & fewer people

Return crossings can be seen in the north of the Serengeti (Nov), but unpredictable

Lots of newborn animals

Great for birding

Photographers dream

NOTE: short rains in November and lower prices

April – May

Long Rains:

This is the period of heavy rain, so we would advise against travel, except perhaps at end of May

Prices are keen!

Ruaha & Selous are effectively closed during this time

Late May to June is much less busy than July – September

Late May – Beach lodges in Zanzibar reopen

July – October

Peak Season:

Experience herds in their hundreds crossing Tanzania's rivers from now until September

Best wildlife viewing

Highest prices

Northern circuit can be very busy!

High numbers of elephants in Tarangire

Southern parks are particularly rewarding in October



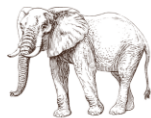
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TANZANIA WILDLIFE

WILDLIFE YOU CAN POSSIBLY SEE



Abundant



Elephant



Hippo



Cape Buffalo



Zebra



Giraffe



Various
Birdlife



Wildebeest



Crocodile



Baboon



Mongoose

Occasional



Honey Badger



Cheetah



Meerkat



Fish Eagle



Leopard



Aardvark

Rare



Lion



Flamingo



Ostrich



Gazelle



Marabou Stork



Jackal



Hyena



Onyx



Vulture



Eland



Impala



Warthog



Wild Dog



Rhino

Note that
wildlife sightings
are not
guaranteed.



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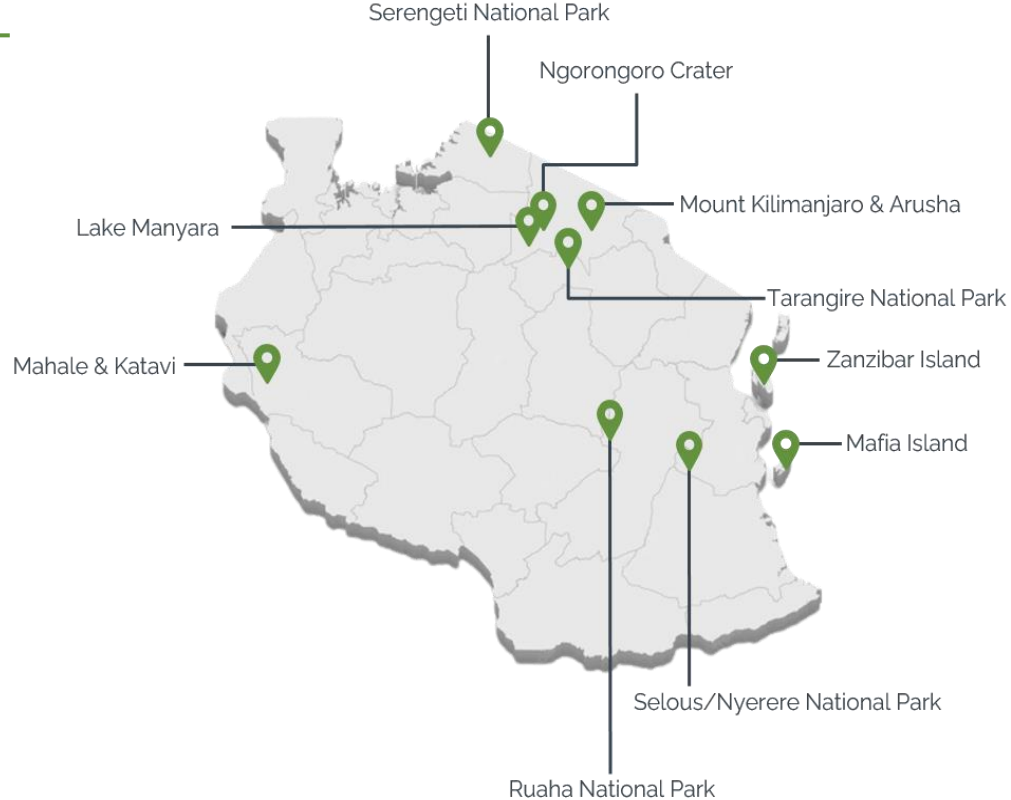
Destinations

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- Tanzania Coast



Key Parks in Tanzania

- Serengeti National Park
- Ngorongoro Crater
- Tarangire National Park
- Zanzibar Island
- Mount Kilimanjaro & Arusha
- Ruaha National Park
- Selous (Nyerere) National Park
- Lake Manyara
- Mahale & Katavi
- Lake Natron
- Mafia Island
- Tanzania Coast





Serengeti National Park

- Spanning over 1.5 million ha, the Serengeti is the home of the Great Migration for most of the year
- Over 2 million wildebeest make their annual journey across its plains in search of better grazing areas
- Vast open savannah plains allow wildlife to move with the seasonal rains
- Superb game-viewing offered all year round with Big 5 and high density lion & other big cat populations
- Home to one of the great fighting tribes of Africa, the Masai, with fascinating and truly unique culture
- Varied terrain from volcanic grasslands, open plains, rocky outcrops, rivers and even forests

Serengeti National Park



Singita Sasakwa

- The best that money can buy
- Colonial Style with modern design twists
- Private Grumeti Concession in heart of wildebeest migration
- Choose from 4 Singita Lodges

Top of Class



Namiri Plains

- Luxurious & Stylish
- Elegant, contemporary & blissful
- Views over the Namiri Plains
- Big Cat territory away from the crowds
- African texture, colours & spirit

Luxury Lodge



Asanja Moru Camp

- Luxury Bush camp in Moru Kopjes area of central Serengeti
- Charming & Intimate
- Breakfast in the bush
- Known for good lion sightings

Premier Lodge

Ngorongoro Crater

- Largest intact volcanic caldera in the world – creates a natural amphitheatre of 260 km²
- Mineral rich crater floor is host to an unbelievably high concentration of game
- Complete eco system comprising of nutritious grasslands, swamps, lakes, rivers, woodlands and forest
- Easily accessible airport in Arusha, only 2 hours away
- Great destination en route to Serengeti



Ngorongoro Crater



The Highlands

- Ultra-stylish & uniquely modern
- In Ngorongoro Highlands, on slopes of Olmoti crater, so away from the crowds
- Walking is also an option as well as cultural interaction

Top of Class



Gibbs Farm

- Luxurious rooms on a stylish colonial homestead
- Great mix of activities
- On a working coffee plantation
- Something different from the normal safari lodges!

Luxury



Neptune Luxury Lodge

- Closest hotel to the crater (but outside of the park)
- Family friendly accommodation in spacious suites
- Set in virgin Tanzanian forest

Premier/ Comfortable



Tarangire National Park

- Elephant concentration in Tarangire is the greatest in Africa at end of dry season
- Excellent game viewing as the Tarangire River is a vital life source for the wildlife
- The ‘land of the giants’ name is due to vast number of baobab trees dominating the landscape
- Incredible bird diversity over 490 bird species recorded

Tarangire National Park



Sanctuary Swala

- Luxury camp in secluded area away from the day visitors
- Access to the southern Tarangire so ideal for 2 nights
- Also Chem Chem Ldge

Luxury/ Top oof Class



Lemala Mpingo Ridge

- Fantastic escarpment views over Tarangire
- Stylish & large suites with outdoor bath & sunken sleep out option on deck
- In the heart of the park

Luxury/ Premier



Mbali Tarangire River

- Modest camp with stunning cliff top setting
- In the concession area only 15 mins from park gates
- Family friendly

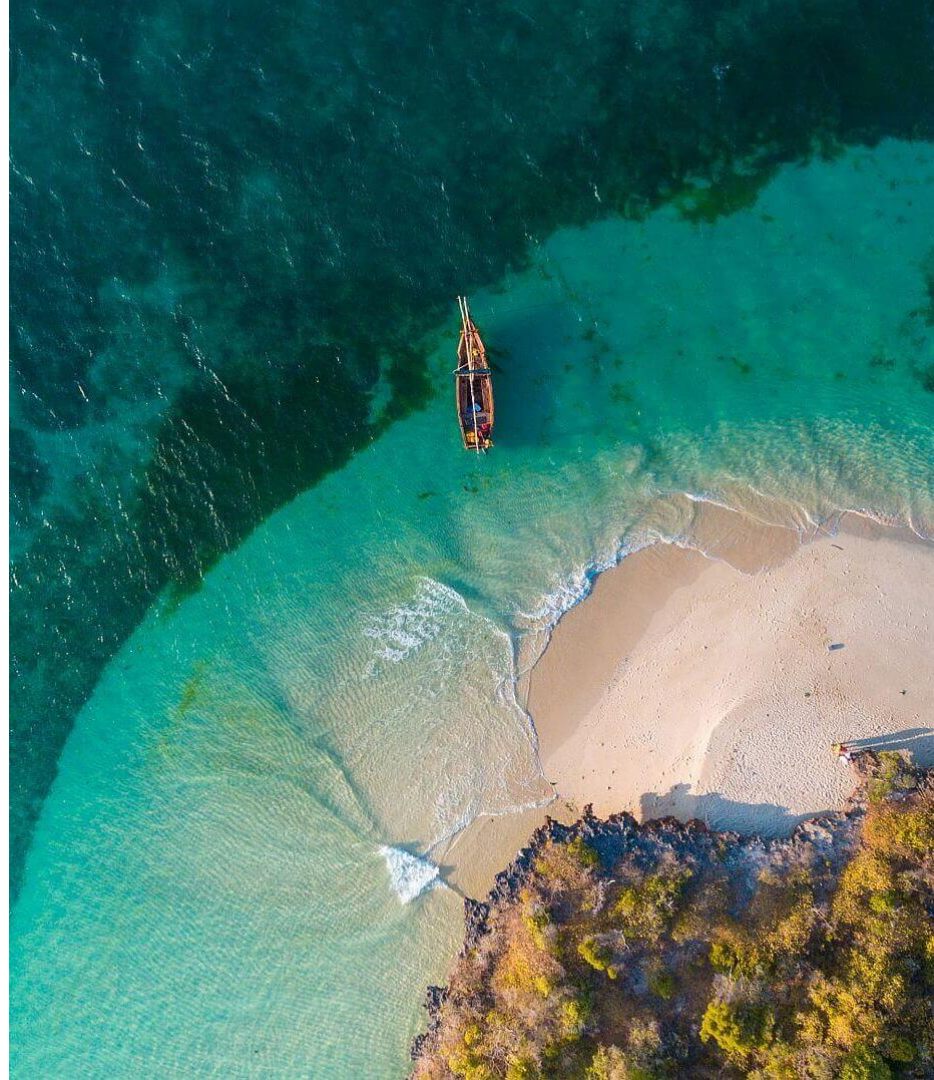
Comfortable



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Zanzibar Islands

- Perfect relaxing end to a Tanzania safari
- Warm waters, powder-white beaches & vibrant coral reefs
- Zanzibar Island, Pemba & Mafia Islands – each island offers something unique
- Snorkel & dive among coral reefs, sail on a traditional dhow and absorb the Swahili culture
- Historic & captivating Stone Town is a UNESCO World Heritage Site
- Atmospheric maze of narrow street, night markets and food vendors
- Easily accessible



Zanzibar Islands



Baraza Resort

- Ultra smart 5 star resort
- Eastern/Swahili influence
- Fantastic spa with own pool
- Each villa has its own pool & garden
- Choice of restaurants

5 Star/ Top of Class



White Sand Luxury Villas

- Boutique eco luxury lodge
- Romantic
- Each 2 bedroom villa has private pool & garden
- Intimate – only 14 villas & rooms

Luxury Resort



Pongwe Beach Hotel

- Small and comfortable family friendly lodge
- Great east coast location
- Choice of rooms & villas to suit all budgets
- Family friendly

Premier Resort



Mount Kilimanjaro & Arusha

- Iconic peak – highest mountain in Africa
- Range of hiking routes, duration and even comfort level on offer
- Summit Mount Kili, or enjoy hikes to natural waterfalls, wildlife tours, and game drives

Arusha

- Arusha is often needed for 1 or 2 nights at the start or end of a Tanzanian safari

Arusha City & Surrounds



Arusha Coffee Lodge

- Upmarket boutique lodge on own coffee plantation
- Spacious rooms in lush gardens
- Shanga craft workshop
- Well positioned for reaching Tarangire or Ngorongoro easily

Luxury



Onsea House

- Luxury guesthouse
- Machweo wellness retreat offers more upmarket option (9 rooms)
- Great restaurant

Premier



Rivertrees Country Inn

- Restful country retreat
- Excellent farm-style cuisine
- Combines old world ambience, country elegance and warm hospitality

Bushcamp/ Comfortable

Ruaha National Park

- Rewarding game viewing in less crowded southern Tanzania
- Rolling hills, baobabs and open bushveld border the Great Ruaha River
- Ecological transition zone = diversity of game
- Over 8 000 African elephants roam free
- Amazing floral diversity leading to over 570 bird species
- One of the wildebeest and least visited parks – seasoned safari enthusiasts will love Ruaha
- Many lodges offer excellent walking safaris



Ruaha & Selous Camps



Sand Rivers Selous

- Known for elegance & hospitality
- Beautiful area of the Selous with dense riverine forests, lakes and swamps laced with water channels
- Diverse game viewing by vehicle, foot and boat

Luxury



Kwihala Tented Camp

- Simple yet luxurious with only 6 tented suites
- High standard of guiding
- Area is terrific for big cats

Premier/ Luxury



Mdonya Old River Camp

- Tented camp in heart of Ruaha
- Only 12 Meru style tents
- Well priced for offering
- Situated in heart of big cat country

Comfortable

Other Destinations in Tanzania



Selous (Nyerere) Park

- Largest reserve in the world at 45 000 km²
- Far less 'busy' than the northern reserves
- Largely untouched – one of Africa's last remaining wilderness
- Abundant game in the reserve, with Africa's largest buffalo & lion populations

Lake Manyara

- A hauntingly beautiful soda lake – diverse landscape offers stunning views of the escarpment and lake surroundings
- Home to over 400 bird species
- See flamingos, pelicans and many other aquatic bird species
- Guided treetop walkway through the forest canopy for a bird's eye view of the forest fauna and birdlife
- Between Arusha and Ngorongoro so easy to visit for the day



Other Destinations in Tanzania

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Mahale & Katavi, Western

- Mahale Mountains are set on the shores of Lake Tanganyika (the oldest & largest of Rift Valley Lakes)
- One of the best chimpanzee-tracking experiences in the world in Mahale Mountains
- Katavi is an unspoiled, true wilderness – provides adventurous travellers a thrilling taste of ‘old’ Africa

Tanzania Coast

- This Swahili Coast is often overlooked, but those that go will discover a beautiful wilderness area
- Idyllic beaches of deserted sand, interspersed with sleepy Swahili towns and tiny fishing villages
- Interesting lodges have opened up in beautiful, quiet coastal spots
- Visit Saadani National Park for the ultimate bush & beach experience



Sample Safaris





First Time Visitors

Most people likes to see the following:

- Serengeti National Park
- Ngorongoro Crater
- Tarangire, if time permits
- Game drive in Lake Manyara, if time permits

You can easily add on Zanzibar for some R&R afterwards

Sample Itineraries – Zambia

Merely some starting ideas. Clients are all unique so each safari is tailored to your needs



Northern Highlights & Zanzibar

11 night fly-in safari which visits the key attraction of northern Tanzania before continuing to Zanzibar for a few nights on the coast

11 nights



Elewana Sky Safari

Visit 3 of the most popular national parks in northern Tanzania, and stay in 4 of the finest luxury lodges operated by Elewana Africa

9 nights



Tanzania Discovery

This is the classic northern Tanzania safari visiting the 4 main game reserves of Lake Manyara, Serengeti, Ngorongoro Crater and ending with Tarangire National Park

7 nights

Sample Itineraries – Tanzania

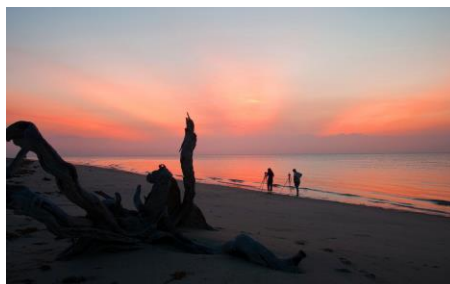
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Migration Paths and Crater

This is a luxury safari combining road and flights and using a mix of both permanent and tented lodges in the Tarangire, Ngorongoro and Serengeti. It ends with an optional beach stay on Zanzibar

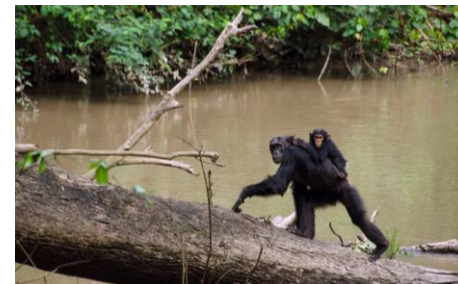
11+ nights



Southern Tanzania Adventure & Coast

12 nights combining small lodges – all in gorgeous and carefully chosen locations – for a safari honeymoon or bush and beach getaway. Includes intimate camps offering authentic atmosphere

12 nights



Western Tanzania Adventure

This 7 day Chimpanzee trek and Katavi safari is the perfect escape from the crowds. Take a week to explore the wild, remote but rewarding Tanzanian National Park of Katavi and Majale, staying at 2 beautiful Mbali Mbali camps

6 nights

Need to Know

Types of Accommodation

Safari Costs



Typical per night Safari Costs in Tanzania (per person sharing)

| | Shoulder January – March, June | Long/ Short Rains April – May, November | Peak June/ July – September |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|
| Moderate or Scheduled Safaris | \$475 - \$800 | \$450 - \$600 | \$550 - \$900 |
| Premier Private Safaris | \$925 - \$1 300 | \$850 - \$1 100 | \$950 - \$1 700 |
| Deluxe Camps & Fly-in Safaris | \$1 400 - \$2 550 | <i>Mostly Closed</i> | \$1 800 - \$2 950 |

NOTES:

This typical per night price includes flights or road transfers, park fees and safari activities

General Info

Population

61.5 Million

Capital

Dodoma
but Dar es Salaam is the largest
city and port

Safari Season

June/ July to October, and
also December to mid-March

Population Density

67 people per km²
USA is 35, UK is 280

Getting There

Direct and one-stop flights
from overseas to Dar es
Salaam, Kilimanjaro (near
Arusha) and Zanzibar Island

Official Language

Swahili & English



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Personal By Design*

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