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## Kilimanjaro Trek and Safari

**DEPARTS:**  
**SEPT 22, 2012**

**COST PER PERSON:**  
**\$7995\***

### INCLUDES:

- Return airfare from Australia to Nairobi (ex-Brisbane, Sydney or Melbourne), all transfers and land transport
- Most meals
- Australian host
- Local guides, and porters to carry your backpack or duffel bag
- Kilimanjaro climbing fees, porter tips, safari camp staff tips
- Wildlife/national park fees
- All accommodation (minimum of three and a half star hotels. Tents provided for the trek and the safari)

\*Note - price is subject to change due to currency fluctuations or increases in flight or other costs.

In Swahili Kilimanjaro means “the mountain that glitters”. Kili, as it is affectionately known, is the highest mountain on the African continent and soars 5895 metres from the equatorial plains of Tanzania.

We will climb it using the Machame route. The climb is not technical but it is physically demanding and at altitude. So we will allow seven days to climb this African icon to ensure everybody has the best chance to reach the summit.

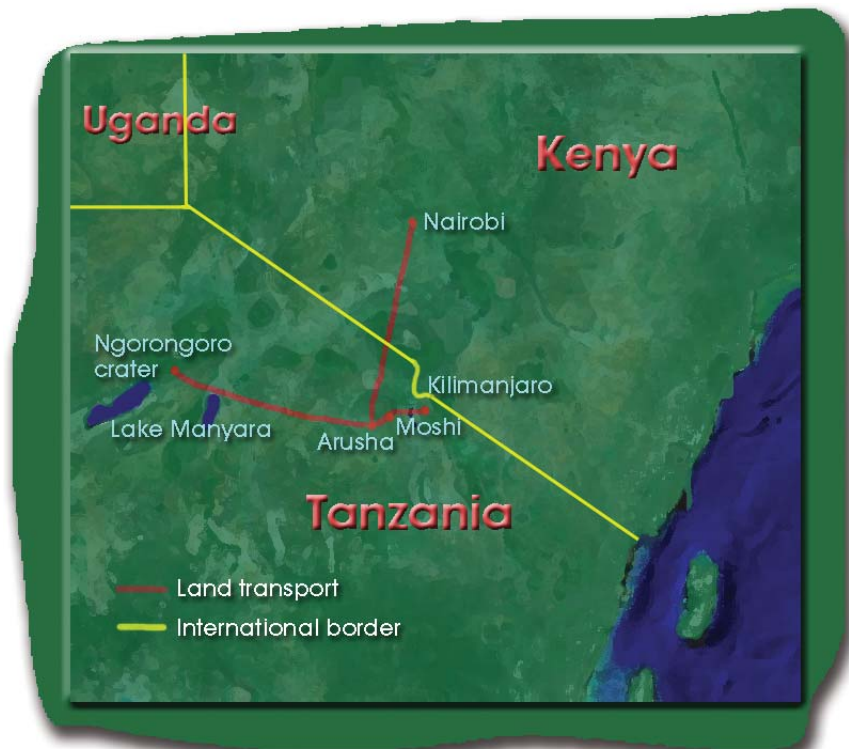
The trek passes through five spectacular ecological zones: rainforest, open forest, heath and moorland, desolate alpine desert and finally the celebration of reaching the glacial summit.

After all this strenuous activity we will settle into a safari, visiting such world-renowned areas as Ngorongoro Crater and Lake Manyara. These places are spectacular because of their incredible wildlife diversity and habitats. Here we'll try to spot the big five: lion, rhino, elephant, cape buffalo and leopard. But there will be so much more to see including abundant birdlife, smaller animals and reptiles.

To complete our trip we will spend some time at the school of St Jude. This school was established and is run by an inspirational Australian, Gemma Sisia, to provide a high quality education for the poorest children of the Arusha area, Tanzania.

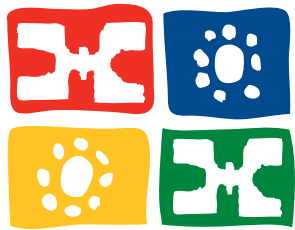
Join us on this amazing African adventure for an insight into Tanzania and Kenya, their wildlife and their people. The tour departs on September 22, 2012, so get in early with your \$1500 deposit to secure your place. Limited numbers – don't miss out.

**Don't hesitate to call Chris Ramsey on 0439 208 303 if you have any specific questions about the itinerary or any other aspect of the trip.**



# Itinerary

Date	Activity	Overnight
<b>SAT Sept 22: DAY 1</b>	Evening flights from Australian airports	<b>On plane</b>
<b>SUN Sept 23: DAY 2</b>	Arrive in Nairobi in the afternoon. The rest of the day is at leisure	<b>Jacaranda Hotel, Nairobi</b>
<b>MON Sept 24 DAY 3 (B)</b>	Travel by bus to Moshi, Tanzania. This trip will take approximately five hours. Arrive at the Keys Hotel where we will have a briefing and finalise our equipment requirements.	<b>Keys Hotel, Moshi</b>
<b>TUES Sept 25 DAY 4 (B,L,D)</b> 7 hours: 18 km 1000 metre ascent.	We begin our journey to the top of Kilimanjaro via the Machame route. After breakfast we drive to the Machame Gate (1980 metres). After registering we will commence the climb through amazing tropical forest to Machame Camp (2980 metres) arriving late afternoon.	<b>Machame Camp, Kilimanjaro</b>
<b>WED Sept 26 DAY 5 (B,L,D)</b> 6 hours: 9 km 860 metre ascent	Continue the climb to Shira Camp at 3840 metres. After about an hour the trek breaks out of the rainforest into a band of giant heather with an understory of tussock grass. Then the vegetation changes again to Afro-alpine dominated by tussock grasses and the giant lobelia. This campsite is more exposed with temperatures often dropping below freezing.	<b>Shira Camp, Kilimanjaro</b>
<b>THUR Sept 27 DAY 6 (B,L,D)</b> Acclimatisation day	A slightly more leisurely start to today as this is our day to acclimatise. It includes views of the Great Barranco Wall and a leisurely walk to Karanga camp through the Karanga Valley. We reach the Camp for lunch and have a relaxed afternoon with opportunities for walks or just relaxing. We consider this day vital in giving you the maximum chance of summiting.	<b>Karanga Camp, Kilimanjaro</b>
<b>FRI Sept 28 DAY 7 (B,L,D)</b> 6 hours: 15 km 110 metre ascent	Today's trek starts by crossing Bastains stream the descends to Barranco Camp (3950 metres) along the immense Grand Barranco canyon. Along the way you'll see many waterfalls converging to form the Umbwe River.	<b>Barranco Camp, Kilimanjaro</b>
<b>SAT Sept 29 DAY 8 (B,L,D)</b> 7 hours, 13 km 600 metre ascent	The route then heads through the Karanga Valley (last water) and joins up with the Mweka route. We head up a moraine ridge before reaching Barafu Hut (4550 metres). Barafu is the Swahili word for 'ice'. The campsite is bleak and cold but we are only here for a few hours. Try to get some sleep because we get up before midnight to start the ascent of the summit.	<b>Barafu Hut, Kilimanjaro</b>
<b>SUN Sept 30 DAY 9 (B,L,D)</b> 13-15 hours, 30 km 1345 metre ascent, 2795 metre descent	Starting around 11.30 pm we ascend a long scree slope to Stella Point on the crater rim. This 6-hour walk to Stella Point (5685 metres) is mentally and physically the most challenging on the route. After watching the magnificent sunrise, we continue around the rim and ascend for about another one to two hours to Uhuru Peak (5895 metres), the very top of Kilimanjaro. The walk back to Barafu Hut from the summit takes about three hours. Here we'll rest then continue down back to overnight at Mweka Camp (3100 metres) on the edge of the forest arriving in the late afternoon. This is a long and strenuous day but the rewards are unmistakable.	<b>Mweka Camp, Kilimanjaro</b>
<b>MON Oct 1 DAY 10 (B,L)</b> 3 hours, 15 km 1120 metre decent	The last day on the mountain. We walk for around three hours through the forest to the park gate at Mweka where we sign out before being transferred back to the Keys Hotel in Moshi for the night.	<b>Keys Hotel, Moshi</b>
<b>TUES Oct 2 DAY 11 (B,L,D)</b>	A completely different pace of life as we start our African safari. Our transport will pick us up and we will travel to Tarangire National Park which covers 2850 square kilometres and is one of the least visited of the Tanzanian game parks. As such Tarangire retains an air of undiscovered Africa yet contains the greatest concentration of wildlife outside of the Serengeti. We finish the day with a cool drink and relaxing meal.	<b>Campground, Mto wa Mbu</b>
<b>WED Oct 3 DAY 12 (B,LD)</b>	Wildlife viewing in the Ngorongoro Crater, which covers more than 250 square kilometres of pristine African wilderness. The crater has a population of about 25,000 large animals and the highest density of mammalian predators in Africa. There are elephants, black rhinos, wildebeest, zebra, eland and gazelles. Predators include lions, leopards, spotted hyenas and jackals.	<b>Campground, Mto wa Mbu</b>
<b>THUR Oct 4 DAY 13 (B,L,D)</b>	The next stop on our safari is Lake Manyara National Park. The park has many baboons and herbivores such as hippos, impalas, elephants, wildebeest, buffalo, warthogs and giraffes. Lake Manyara is also excellent for birdwatching, including flamingos, the long-crested eagle and the grey-headed kingfisher.	<b>School of St Jude, Arusha</b>
<b>FRI Oct 5 DAY 14 (B,L)</b>	Today we will meet with an amazing Australian and her team of dedicated staff at the school of St Jude. The school was founded in 2002 for the education of very poor children of Arusha. This will be a moving experience that will no doubt inspire you.	<b>School of St Jude, Arusha</b>
<b>SAT Oct 6 DAY 15 (B)</b>	Transfer to Kilimanjaro International Airport for morning flight home.	<b>In transit</b>
<b>SUN Oct 7 DAY 16</b>	In transit and arrive back in Australia on October 8.	<b>Home</b>



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## Live to travel: travel to give

### Our philosophy

At Icon Adventures we are serious about responsible travel. We aim to respect the culture of the communities we visit and protect the unique environments in which they live. Above all, we want to ensure that your travel experience is unforgettable for all the right reasons.

Our team receives ongoing training to ensure high levels of environmental care. From off-setting carbon emissions to packing-out rubbish, our aim is to minimise the environmental impact of your visit.

We recognise that we have an opportunity to make a positive economic impact on the communities we visit. We always choose locally owned operators/suppliers who employ local people and offer reasonable working conditions and payment to local staff.

Icon Adventures supports a number of outstanding local community projects which promote environmental conservation, education and sustainable economic development.

### The Tanzanian community project we support

The School of St Jude is a sponsor-supported School in Tanzania that provides a high-quality, free education for the poorest children of Arusha, Tanzania.

The school was founded by inspirational Australian Gemma Sisia and now has more than 1500 children, employs 340 local staff and consistently ranks among the highest achieving schools in Tanzania.

Icon Adventures supports the school through sponsorship. See the school's website: [www.schoolofstjude.co.tz](http://www.schoolofstjude.co.tz) for more information.

**We donate a percentage of profits from this tour to the School of St Jude**



## Extra information

**Fitness:** A good level of fitness is required for the trek to the top of Kilimanjaro. There is no technical climbing involved but the walk is strenuous and at altitude (maximum height of 5895 metres above sea level). It is highly recommended that you visit your doctor for a medical check before attempting this trek. Also consult your GP or travel doctor for the latest information on vaccinations and medication recommended when visiting Kenya and Tanzania.

Add-ons to this itinerary can be arranged, such as an extra safari in the Serengeti/Masai Mara regions or a trip to Zanzibar in Tanzania. Call Laura Ramsey on 0403 418 263 for more information.

**Essential items to bring:** Sleeping bag rated below zero degrees Celsius • sleeping mat • duffel bag (these will be carried by a porter) • daypack for personal items, camera, water bottle etc • warm clothes including thermal underwear, jacket, fleece, gloves, beanie • comfortable walking boots • broad-brimmed hat • 30 plus sunscreen • insect repellent • security/travel wallet • head torch

Visas are required for Australians for entry into Kenya and Tanzania. Please ensure your passport has at least six month validity remaining from the last date of the trip.

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# Booking form

To secure your spot on the Kilimanjaro Trek and Safari, please complete this form and fax it to: **07 3103 4606**

Or post to: **Icon Adventures, PO Box 1121, Toowoomba QLD, 4350**

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- Kilimanjaro Trek and Safari (departs Sept 22, 2012) @ \$7995\* per person (twin share)**
- Please advise me of single supplement or business class options**

PASSENGER 1

PASSENGER 2

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SIGNED: PASSENGER 1 ..... PASSENGER 2 .....

DATE .....

**Please send your deposit of \$1500 per person to secure your booking**

Payment options (please tick preferred option):

- Cheque:** Please make cheques payable to Discover Africa (postal address is at the top of this form).
- Direct deposit:** Discover Africa Icon, BSB: 013 533, account number: 480 560 778 (ANZ, Bendigo). Please use your surname and the code KTS0912 as the reference when making a direct deposit.
- Credit card:** We accept credit card payments over the phone. Please call 0403 418 263 (a small fee applies).

\* Price may be subject to change due to increased flight or other costs or variations in exchange rates.

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