

16 days Kigali - Zanzibar Island Rainforests & Reefs



what you pay

PLUS local payment
£400 **\$380**
paid in \$US in Africa

Visiting: Rwanda, Tanzania



Game drives, Ngorongoro Crater

Price includes Serengeti & Ngorongoro Crater

what's included

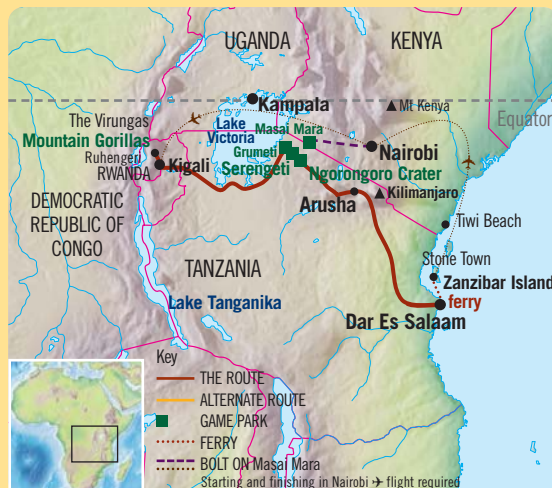
Highlights 4 days in total in game parks and reserves incl: Game drives in Serengeti National Park and Ngorongoro Crater - The Grumeti Reserve - Lake Victoria
Accommodation and meals 11 nights accommodation (8 camping & 3 dorm beds), 11 breakfasts, 11 dinners incl. pre-prepared bbqs and a local meal
As well as two experienced English speaking crew, specialist local guides en route, transport in a custom-built overland truck including all camping and cooking gear - fridge, gas cooker, tents, sleep mats etc. Advice and back up of the Absolute team. Road tolls and taxes paid.

Trek deep in the mountain gorillas' forest habitat, Parc National des Volcans, to sit with a gorilla family led by a dominant adult male, the silverback, during our first days in Rwanda. View golden monkeys and Dian Fossey's grave. Reflect at the Genocide Memorial and enjoy time in local markets and a children's orphanage and Batwa village.

Leaving the land of "a thousand hills" for Tanzania we travel below Lake Victoria. The scenery changes as we head on to the endless plains of the Serengeti via the Grumeti. Quite simply Serengeti offers some of the best wildlife viewing on the planet, the rich volcanic soils being the base from which the migration is nurtured. Large herds of wildebeest, zebra and Thomson's gazelle follow seasonal rains each year heading south in order to settle on the nourishing grasslands. Large predators including lion, cheetah and hyena are drawn by the abundance of prey. The famous Ngorongoro Conservation Area is found beside the Serengeti. Four days are allocated for game drives and overnight camps under the African stars. We also stop over in a Maasai village and school.

Our safari finishes on the barefoot paradise of Zanzibar Island. Wander the

winding passageways of Stone Town and browse the Swahili bazaars, sip fruit cocktails as dhows sail into the harbour at sunset and enjoy the evening food markets. Snorkelling and dive excursions to Mnemba Atoll and other sites to enjoy a wide variety of corals, tropical fish, and other larger species such as turtles and dolphins. Visit Prison Island with its Aldabra tortoise. Swim with turtle, sunset cruises, visit Jozani Forest, home to Zanzibar's rare red colobus monkeys. Four dazzling days in the sun to relax on the beach and swim. The spice island of Zanzibar is a tropical paradise of white sand palm-fringed beaches, azure waters and colourful coral reefs, a perfect place to finish your overland safari.



Dhows at sunset, Zanzibar

optional excursions

Approx. guide for the most popular excursions as at Feb 12. Usually paid in USD. The rate used is 1.55 USD.

- Mountain gorilla trek from £380
- Golden monkey trek from £86
- Trek to Dian Fossey's grave from £86
- Grumeti night game drive £19
- Zanzibar incl one way ferry, 4 nights accommodation & a spice tour £135
- Add the return ferry £20
- Scuba diving from £45
- Snorkelling from £26
- Day excursion Jozani Forest red colobos monkey visit £48

Also to consider with your safari:

- Balloon safari in the Serengeti £340
- Open water diving course on Zanzibar from £326

spending money

You will also need spending money to cover lunch, drinks and incidentals throughout including cheap excursions under £10 eg snorkel hire and entry to the Genocide Memorial, and your evening meals whilst on Zanzibar Island. We recommend £180 to £230 for this trip. For our standard Zanzibar B&B accommodation and transfer package costs see above. Upgrades are available.

visas

Between £39 and £84

Remember to also budget for flights, insurance, vaccinations, any pre and post safari costs such as taxis, add on excursions etc, as well as for any equipment you might need to purchase.

safari dates

Depart Kigali	Finish Dar es Salaam
1 Mar 12	16 Mar 12
15 Apr 12	30 Apr 12
5 May 12	20 May 12
7 Jun 12	22 Jun 12
28 Jun 12	13 Jul 12
9 Aug 12	24 Aug 12
11 Sep 12	26 Sep 12
5 Oct 12	20 Oct 12
5 Nov 12	20 Nov 12
30 Nov 12	15 Dec 12
17 Dec 12	2 Jan 13
23 Dec 12	7 Jan 13
10 Feb 13	25 Feb 13
15 Mar 13	30 Mar 13
4 Apr 13	19 Apr 13
13 May 13	28 May 13
7 Jun 13	22 Jun 13

Special departure details

- 17 Dec 12 - Christmas on leaving the Tanzanian parks and New Years on Zanzibar Island.
- 23 Dec 12 - Christmas with the gorillas

Red colobus, Jozani Forest

