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KILIMANJARO – 6 DAYS MACHAME ROUTE

Overview Description of the tour

Machame route is also named as 'whiskey' route because seems to be tough and difficult compared to Marangu the 'Coca-Cola route'. Machame route is a popular trail for experienced climbers as well as beginners where by it provide good acclimatization hence higher probability to reach the summit. This route starts at the south hence it approaches summit at the southwest. During on trekking it provide spectacular view of Barraco wall, while passing through Shira plateau and lava tower. Machame route can be done in a minimum of six day (five nights) on the Mountain. However, it is most often preferred to do seven days (six nights), for a better altitude acclimatization. Hence the success rate is higher when using seven days itinerary.

Highlights of the tour

- Most popular and scenic route
- Mount Kilimanjaro hiking
- Trekking Machame route
- Trekking in Rainforest vegetation zone
- Spectacular experience
- High Quality Standards
- Professional Guides
- High Customer Safety
- High successful rates

Day 1: Arrive in Moshi and transfer to Hotel

On your arrival at Kilimanjaro International Airport (JRO) a member of our staff will be holding a placard of KLM Safaris with your names. After welcome note, you will then be transferred to your hotel in Moshi where you will spend the first night. After breathtaking in the hotel, later in the evening you will get a briefing information about Kilimanjaro and the whole plan. Our professional guide will checkup your equipment's and everything required for trekking including medical coverage and travel insurance during pre-trek briefing session. The information from the briefing session will give you a chance to understand the whole plan and everything required before climbing. This will avoid unnecessary risks and difficulties during the trekking. After briefing you will have a time to make your own preparation and getting your body ready for trekking

Destination	Kilimanjaro International Airport
Activities	Airport transfer
Meals	Dinner
Accommodation options	Parkview Inn Hotel

Day 2: Hiking from Machame Gate (1640m) meters to Machame Camp (2850m)

After hot breakfast in the morning, you will be picked up by our professional team and drive almost 40 minutes to Machame Gate 1,640 meters or 5,380 ft. on arrival your leader guide will start with park formalities and all registrations in order to get climbing permits. The park wardens will check crew team, packages, emergency issues and other requirements. after finishing park formalities, you will commence hiking to Machame Camp/Machame hut at an altitude of 2,850 meters or 9,350 ft. You will pass in the tropical rainforest that accompanied with favorite birdsongs. Point to note in the tropical rainforest you will be probably surprised with showering hence get attention to muddy and slippery but also you keep near with your raincoat.

- Distance: 11 km / 7 miles
- Time: 5-6 hours
- Elevation: 1640m / 5380 ft to 2850m / 9350 ft
- Zone: Rainforest

Destination	Machame gate to Machame Camp
Activities	Hiking
Meals	Breakfast, lunch and dinner
Accommodation options	Machame camp

Day 3: Climbing from Machame Camp (2850m) to Shira Camp(3810m)

After having hot breakfast in the morning, you will commence hiking from Machame Camp to Shira Camp (3,810 meters or 12,500 feet). After breakfast, a short day will be beginning by leaving the rain forest and entering the heathland moorland vegetation. Emerging in the tropical rainforest with great stunning view of Shira plateau that stand in front of you. It involves climbing in the rock hills with best panoramic view of mount Meru that stand above the arusha city. You will be climbing up a steep ridge to reach a small semi-circular cliff known as picnic rock. There are excellent views of Kibo and the jagged rim of Shira Plateau from here and it is a good resting point too. You will cross many streams and walk over a rocky ridge onto Shira plateau that leads to Shira Camp (3840 M). Our tent crew will set up your tents before arriving at the camp and they will prepare drinking and washing water for you. You will enjoy evening snacks then dinner prepared by our experienced mountain chef. After dinner, you will be free to rest.

- Distance: 5km / 3 miles
- Time: 5-6 hours
- Elevation: 2850m / 9350 ft to 3,810m / 12,500 ft
- Zone: Low Alpine zone

Destination	Machame Camp to Shira Camp 2
Activities	Hiking
Meals	Breakfast, lunch and dinner
Accommodation options	Chira camp two

Day 4: Hiking from Shira Camp (3810m) 2 to Barranco Camp (3976)

Early in the morning after having hot and strong breakfast you will take the trail in the moorland passing underneath the lava tower. It's the difficult day for climbers because of rising in the semi-desert and rocky landscapes surrounding the lava tower until reaching the altitude of 4630 meters above the see level.

In this day you will get the lunch at the special prepared point in the lava tower then after successful getting your lunch you will continue climbing in the rock scree path to lava tower where it's challenging to climbers and most feel breathless, irritability and headache for the first time whereby, climbers encouraged to drink more water almost 4 liters per day and taking high altitude pills in order to avoid discomfort.

You will continue climbing until reaching the most famous barranco camp and see the magic of barranco wall in its massive and steepness with great scenic view. Climbing from Shira Camp to Barranco Camp Hiking (3,976 meters or 13,044 feet).

- Distance: 10km / 6 miles
- Time: 8-9 hours
- Elevation: 3,810m / 12,500 ft to 3,976m / 13,044 ft
- Zone: High Alpine zone

Destination	Shira Camp 2 to barranco Camp
Activities	Hiking
Meals	Breakfast, lunch 7 dinner
Accommodation options	Barranco camp

Day 5: Hiking from Barranco camp (3976m) to Barafu camp (4600)

Early in the morning after having hot breakfast you will start Climbing from Barranco Camp to Karanga Valley Camp (3,995 meters 13,106 feet) where by you will take the trail early in order to avoid crowds of ascending and descending people on the same point but our professional guide, they know to choose the best pace for you. having such spectacular view in the barranco wall that gives opportunity to climb over rock and passing underneath the Kersten glaciers towards the Karanga valley. After reaching Karanga valley our professional team will be already prepared the hot lunch where you will spend time over there before continue to climb to Barafu camp for hot dinner and overnight stay. After reaching the Barafu camp 4,600 meters or 15,100 feet you are recommended to have enough time to rest before taking tough day to summit. During the evening our professional guide will provide necessary information about summiting day in order to get attention for any challenges and risks while on trekking

- Distance: 9km / 5miles
- Time: 8-10 hours
- Elevation: 3,976m / 13,044ft to 4,600m / 15,100ft
- Zone: Glaciers zone

Destination	Barranco Camp to Barafu camp
Activities	Hiking
Meals	Breakfast, lunch and dinner
Accommodation options	Barafu camp

Day 6: Hiking to Uhuru Peak (5895m) and descent to Mweka camp (2850m)

At the midnight around 1:00 am you will start Climbing through walking 'pole-pole' to the glaciers of Uhuru Peak (5,895 meters or 19,341 feet) one of the tough days with higher morale. Steep climbing over the loose volcanic scree that has some well graded switchbacks which take us to stella point for rest and having short time to eye upon the spectacular sunrise view that makes feel strong for round trip to uhuru peak 5895 meters close to spectacular glaciers that occupy most of the summits. Each pair will be guided and recommended to stay close for the whole time.

After finishing summiting and putting the mark of successful accomplishment you will commence descending to Barafu camp for hot meals. Hiking hours 7-8 hours and a distance of 5 Km or 3 miles, later on you will descend to Mweka Camp for hot dinner and overnight stay (3,060 meters or 10,065 feet) 4-5 hours with distance 12 Km or 7 miles.

- Distance: 17km / 10miles
- Time: 12-13 hours
- Elevation: 4,600m / 15,100ft to 5,895m / 19,341ft to 2850m / 10,065ft
- Zone: Glacier zone then descent to Low Alpine zone

Destination	Kibo Hut to Uhuru Peak to Mweka camp
Activities	Hiking
Meals	Breakfast, lunch and dinner
Accommodation options	Mweka camp

Day 7: Descend from Mweka Camp (2850m) to Mweka Gate (1640)

Exit Kilimanjaro national park through descend from Mweka Camp to Mweka Gate (1,640 meters or 5,340 feet) for a walk of 3 – 4 hours with a distance of 10 Km or 6 Miles. Following a well-deserved breakfast, your staff will have a big celebration full of dancing and singing. It is here on the mountain that you will present your tips to the guide, assistant guides, chef(s), and porters. After celebrating, you will descend for three hours back to Mweka Gate. The National Park requires all hikers to sign their names to receive certificates of completion. Hikers who reached Stella Point (5685m) receive green certificates and hikers who reached Uhuru Peak (5895m) receive gold certificates. After receiving certificates, hikers will descend into the Mweka village for 1 hour (3kilometers). And you will drive back to your hotel in Moshi. End of Climb.

- Distance: 10km / 6miles
- Time: 3-4 hours
- Elevation: 2850m / 10,065ft to 1,640m / 5,340ft
- Zone: Rainforest

Destination	Mweka Camp to Moshi
Activities	Descent
Meals	Breakfast, lunch and dinner
Accommodation options	Hotel in Moshi

Price of the tour

PAX	PRICE	PAX	PRICE
1	\$2,200 Per person	6	\$1,700 Per person
2	\$1,845 Per person	7	\$1,695 Per person
3	\$1,800 Per person	8	\$1,686 Per person
4	\$1,750 Per person	9	\$1,670 Per person
5	\$1,725 Per person	10	\$1,650 Per person

Dress Code Casual

Comfortable athletic clothing, hiking shoes, hat, cold weather jacket, gloves, pants, spare clothing.

What's included

Kilimanjaro – 6 Days Machame Route;

- Airport transfers as per itinerary
- Quality, Waterproof, four-season private mountain sleeping tent for camp route
- Accommodation 2 nights before and after climb
- Certified, experienced, English speaking mountain guides
- All Kilimanjaro National Park Fees
- Government Climbing Taxes
- Climbing permits
- All hot Meals prepared by our cook while on Mountain
- Guides, Porters and Cook Salaries
- Fair and ethical treatment of Porters
- Enough porters to carry your luggage
- Personal Summit Certificate signed by the National Park and your Guide

What's excluded

- Visa and International flight tickets fees.
- Personal items and toiletries
- Personal trekking equipment such as sleepings bags, hiking boots, clothes, etc (available for renting)
- Tips for guides, porters and cook
- International airfares and departure taxes
- All items of person nature such as telephone call, fax, email e.t.c
- Alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks