

Day	IMG KILIMANJARO CLIMB AND SAFARI ITINERARY-- 2012	DECEMBER 2011	1 JANUARY 2012	2 JANUARY 2012	3 FEBRUARY 2012	4 JUNE 2012	5 JULY 2012	6 JULY 2012	7 AUGUST 2012	8 SEPTEMBER 2012	9 SEPTEMBER 2012	10 DECEMBER 2012
1	Depart USA on DELTA/KLM to Amsterdam. Arrive in Amsterdam early on the morning of Day 2 in Amsterdam. (Some team members may choose to depart a day or two earlier than the group in order to explore Amsterdam and to avoid jet lag.)	Mon 19-Dec	Sun 15-Jan	Fri 27-Jan	Fri 10-Feb	Sun 24-Jun	Fri 6-Jul	Sun 22-Jul	Fri 3-Aug	Sun 9-Sep	Fri 21-Sep	Wed 19-Dec
2	Transfer in Amsterdam to flight to Kilimanjaro International Airport (JRO). Flight arrives JRO in the evening. We will meet in the arrival area at JRO and arrange group pickup at the airport and vehicle transfer to hotel in Moshi. Overnight at hotel.	Tue 20-Dec	Mon 16-Jan	Sat 28-Jan	Sat 11-Feb	Mon 25-Jun	Sat 7-Jul	Mon 23-Jul	Sat 4-Aug	Mon 10-Sep	Sat 22-Sep	Thu 20-Dec
3	Free morning to relax, stroll around Moshi and explore a bit. Group meeting in afternoon. Pack personal gear into duffel bag for porters (up to 30 pounds or so). Leave one bag with travel and safari clothes, etc. at the hotel in storage. Dinner / overnight at hotel.	Wed 21-Dec	Tue 17-Jan	Sun 29-Jan	Sun 12-Feb	Tue 26-Jun	Sun 8-Jul	Tue 24-Jul	Sun 5-Aug	Tue 11-Sep	Sun 23-Sep	Fri 21-Dec
4	After breakfast, we'll drive by 4WD vehicles to the Machame Gate, where the climb begins. The first day is a nice hike through the rain forest to Machame Camp (10,000').	Thu 22-Dec	Wed 18-Jan	Mon 30-Jan	Mon 13-Feb	Wed 27-Jun	Mon 9-Jul	Wed 25-Jul	Mon 6-Aug	Wed 12-Sep	Mon 24-Sep	Sat 22-Dec
5	We climb out of the forest to the Shira Plateau (12,000'), in the zone of "weird plants" native to high mountains of Africa, ie. Lobelia and Groundsel. Wild!	Fri 23-Dec	Thu 19-Jan	Tue 31-Jan	Tue 14-Feb	Thu 28-Jun	Tue 10-Jul	Thu 26-Jul	Tue 7-Aug	Thu 13-Sep	Tue 25-Sep	Sun 23-Dec
6	We climb to over 14,500' and then drop back to 13,000', which is great acclimatization. We'll camp at Baranco (13,000'). This is really neat hiking.	Sat 24-Dec	Fri 20-Jan	Wed 1-Feb	Wed 15-Feb	Fri 29-Jun	Wed 11-Jul	Fri 27-Jul	Wed 8-Aug	Fri 14-Sep	Wed 26-Sep	Mon 24-Dec
7	Cross the Breach Wall (a bit of pretty steep scrambling in a few places, sporty!) and traverse below the Southern Glaciers. This is our favorite day on the approach, with great scenery and rugged hiking. Overnight at Karanga Valley (13,000').	Sun 25-Dec	Sat 21-Jan	Thu 2-Feb	Thu 16-Feb	Sat 30-Jun	Thu 12-Jul	Sat 28-Jul	Thu 9-Aug	Sat 15-Sep	Thu 27-Sep	Tue 25-Dec
8	By now we're well acclimatized and we move up to High Camp at Barafu (15,000').	Mon 26-Dec	Sun 22-Jan	Fri 3-Feb	Fri 17-Feb	Sun 1-Jul	Fri 13-Jul	Sun 29-Jul	Fri 10-Aug	Sun 16-Sep	Fri 28-Sep	Wed 26-Dec
9	Summit Day! Start climbing around Midnight with about 8 hours to the true summit (Uhuru Peak at 19,340'). Descend to Mweka Camp in the forest. A long and rewarding day.	Tue 27-Dec	Mon 23-Jan	Sat 4-Feb	Sat 18-Feb	Mon 2-Jul	Sat 14-Jul	Mon 30-Jul	Sat 11-Aug	Mon 17-Sep	Sat 29-Sep	Thu 27-Dec
10	Continue descent via the Mweka route to Mweka Gate. 4WD vehicle pickup and transfer to hotel. Shower and celebrate our climb! Overnight at hotel.	Wed 28-Dec	Tue 24-Jan	Sun 5-Feb	Sun 19-Feb	Tue 3-Jul	Sun 15-Jul	Tue 31-Jul	Sun 12-Aug	Tue 18-Sep	Sun 30-Sep	Fri 28-Dec
11	Drive to Arusha for lunch. In afternoon, fly to Serengeti, game drive, transfer to private camp.*	Thu 29-Dec	Wed 25-Jan * transfer to Serengeti Wildlife Camp.	Mon 6-Feb	Mon 20-Feb * transfer to Serengeti Wildlife Camp.	Wed 4-Jul	Mon 16-Jul	Wed 1-Aug	Mon 13-Aug	Wed 19-Sep	Mon 1-Oct	Sat 29-Dec * transfer to Serengeti Wildlife
12	Full day Serengeti game drive with a picnic lunch. Overnight in private camp, Ndutu Area near Ngorongoro Crater.*	Fri 30-Dec	Thu 26-Jan *Overnight at Ndutu Lodge.	Tue 7-Feb	Tue 21-Feb *Overnight at Ndutu Lodge.	Thu 5-Jul	Tue 17-Jul	Thu 2-Aug	Tue 14-Aug	Thu 20-Sep	Tue 2-Oct	Sun 30-Dec *Overnight at Ndutu Lodge.
13	Morning Game drive, visit Olduvai Gorge, *transfer to Ngorogoro Area. Overnight in private camp.*	Sat 31-Dec	Fri 27-Jan *transfer to Ngorogoro Sopa Lodge.	Wed 8-Feb	Wed 22-Feb *transfer to Ngorogoro Sopa Lodge.	Fri 6-Jul	Wed 18-Jul	Fri 3-Aug	Wed 15-Aug	Fri 21-Sep	Wed 3-Oct	Mon 31-Dec *transfer to Ngorogoro Sopa Lodge.
14	Morning game drive and then drive back to Arusha. Transfer to JRO airport in the evening in time for the KLM flight.	Sun 1-Jan-12	Sat 28-Jan	Thu 9-Feb	Thu 23-Feb	Sat 7-Jul	Thu 19-Jul	Sat 4-Aug	Thu 16-Aug	Sat 22-Sep	Thu 4-Oct	Tue 1-Jan-13
15	Connect in Amsterdam for flights back to USA.	Mon 2-Jan-12	Sun 29-Jan	Fri 10-Feb	Fri 24-Feb	Sun 8-Jul	Fri 20-Jul	Sun 5-Aug	Fri 17-Aug	Sun 23-Sep	Fri 5-Oct	Wed 2-Jan-13