

# Maasai Wanderings



## **EMPAKAI & OLDONYO LENGAI EXPERIENCE**

**- 7 Day Culture & Hiking -**

(Arusha \* Empakai \* Oldonyo Lengai)

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### DAY 1 ARUSHA

Clients are met at their arrival point in Arusha and transferred to their accommodation for pre-adventure briefing and overnight. Town exploration if time allows.

KARAMA LODGE (Dinner)

### DAY 2 EMPAKAI

After breakfast, we begin the drive to the Ngorongoro Conservation and the Crater of Empakai, where we camp on the Crater rim (2700m).

EMPAKAI CAMP (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

### DAY 3 NAIYOBI

We amble along the rim of the crater today and have a magnificent view across the Crater and also the Great Rift Valley in the distance towards Lake Natron and Oldonyo Lengai. We take a picnic lunch en-route and meet Maasai warriors along the attending to cattle. (15km – 7.5 hrs)

NAIYOBI CAMP (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

### DAY 4 ACACIA FOREST

Hiking from Naiyobi village, we meet with an array of blanketed men, women and children who escort us with curiosity part of the way. We enter the Acacia woodland and then find a clear view across the Rift Valley Escarpment, enjoying the observation of many species of birds and trees (10km – 6 hrs).

ACACIA CAMP (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

### DAY 5 OLDONYO LENGAI

We leave the forest behind and find ourselves amongst the ancient cattle trails of the Maasai, winding our way down to the base of the active volcano of Oldonyo Lengai. We arrive mid-afternoon and proceed to rest in preparation for the midnight ascent up the Crater wall (20km–10hrs).

OLDONYO BASE CAMP (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

### DAY 6 ARUSHA

We arrive to the Crater rim to enjoy a sunrise across the Rift Valley and to explore the lunar-like Crater of Oldonyo Lengai with its sulphur smells and hot air vents. After descending, we enjoy a well deserved brunch and our car arrives to transfer us back to Arusha.

KARAMA LODGE (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

### DAY 7 BEYOND

Today we depart for our homes with memories of truly walking amongst the Maasai. We are transferred to our Arusha departure point for our journey beyond.

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## Terms & Conditions

### Pre-trip information & Accommodations

All payments are to be made, including the initial deposit, by direct deposit into the company bank account. Upon confirmation of funds being received, you will be issued updated itinerary invoice indicating monies paid. We will also send through all the pre-departure information including kit lists, contact information, etc.

All hotels, lodges and luxury camps are all of 3-5 star quality, based on what is the best available at the time of booking that suits the purpose of the itinerary. In smaller villages, we use the best accommodation available. All accommodations have private amenities, swimming pools and restaurants/bars; among other facilities.

The campsites indicated in the Mt Kilimanjaro itineraries are subject to change based on, at times, unpredictable mountain weather conditions.

### Inclusions/Exclusions

Inclusions:

- All excursions, transfers, entrance fees, camping fees and meals as indicated in the itinerary
- Experienced English-speaking professional guides/drivers
- Good quality accommodations

Exclusions:

- All meals not specified in the itineraries
- Items of a personal nature
- Tips and gratuities
- Optional activities not previously reserved with prior payment

### Booking Information & Conditions

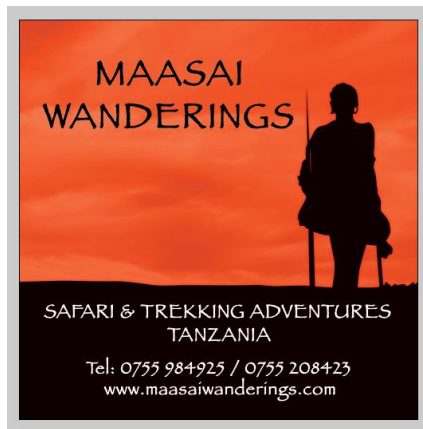
For a reservation to be held on any itinerary, a deposit of US\$500 per person per itinerary is required. **The balances of payments are due 42 days (6 weeks) prior to arrival in Tanzania.**

All travelers receive pre-trip information, complete itinerary and on-demand pre-travel advice, via email directly with our offices for any last minute or personal queries.

All information included in this brochure was correct at the time of printing and in the event of a particular accommodation being unavailable upon booking, accommodation of a similar or higher standard will be substituted.

### Why travel with Maasai Wanderings?

Maasai Wanderings is a family-run company of safari and mountain professionals based in Arusha, Tanzania. We offer standard itineraries as well as tailor made tours to provide our clients with a unique experience that ensures each adventure is individually complete. By joining Maasai Wanderings, you are personally delivered into the heart of Tanzania for your adventure of a lifetime.



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