



**THE NORTHERN CIRCUIT** (Lake Manyara, Ngorongoro and Serengeti) undoubtedly offers the most productive game viewing in Tanzania. Tanganyika Trekkers Photographic Safaris would like to invite you to explore the true beauty of nature untamed. This 7 day Safari takes you through the intimate Lake Manyara, which is home to the tree climbing lions, the endless plains of the Serengeti and Nature's grandiose amphitheatre "The Ngorongoro Crater." When conditions are right at the beginning of the main rainy season, the rivers in the region start to fill up, and the migration is back in the Serengeti where the sightings are outstanding. Although it can be tough to move around due to muddy roads we can assure you the rewards are great. We rate the northern circuit as one of the prime game viewing areas in Tanzania.

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As one of the leading hotel brands in Africa, Conscorp offers superb hideaways with the highest level of luxury. With lodges in some of the most beautiful and tranquil locations found in Tanzania, CC Africa offers guests a truly exceptional experience in each hotel or camp.



A representative of Tanganyika Trekkers will meet you upon arrival at Kilimanjaro International Airport. You will then be transported to a lodge nestled between the slopes of Mount Meru and Mount Kilimanjaro for dinner and overnight accommodation.

#### Day 1

At sunrise, after breakfast, we depart for Lake Manyara National Park. The drive will take us along the plains of Kilimanjaro, out of Arusha, along the Masai plain toward Lake Manyara. Lake Manyara National Park was once the famous hunting grounds for Ernest Hemingway. In his book, *Green Hills of Africa*, he gives an in-depth description of this magnificent national park.

We will spend the entire day exploring the beauty of this magnificent park and will enjoy a prepared lunch at one of the picnic sites.

As evening approaches we will proceed to Conscorp Lake Manyara Tree Lodge which is located on the



southern part of the park in the ancient mahogany forest. The lodge is comprised of ten tree house suites built on stilts with elegant rooms and contemporary furnishings. This camp is the perfect place to unwind and rejuvenate your soul.



### Day 2

After breakfast, your professional guide will accompany you for a morning game drive..

Morning game drives will generally be conducted along the lake shore. As temperatures start to increase, we will proceed to the northern part of the park where the hippo pool is located. Most animals will be found in that area drinking water and staying cool. In the afternoon we will ascend the steep ridge of the Rift Valley to Ngorongoro. This trip generally takes no more than 4 hours and the drive is mainly on a blacktop road. It is only at the last hour where we will be on a dirt road as we enter the conservation area. Upon arrival, guests will enjoy lunch at the Lodge.

Ngorongoro Crater Lodge is nestled in Montane Forest at the edges of the crater rim. Here you will be able to indulge yourself in a lifestyle of luxury and comfort at one of the most prestigious safari lodges. This lodge offers first class service with incomparable comfort. Each suite has a private deck, en suite bathroom and fireplace. This lodge is the recipient of the Conde Nast – Top New Hotel of the World (1998).

### Day 3

At around 8 am we will leave the lodge and spend the day on a game drive in the Ngorongoro Crater Conservation Area. The crater creates a beautiful and unique area, which teams with wildlife and ancient volcanoes.

The routes we will use in the crater will depend on the animal movement. Such locations include the Gorogor and Mandusi swamps and Ngoitokitok spring. Apart from the array of wildlife, you will also visit the

ruins of a German Colonial Farmhouse, which was built in the early 1900's.

Lunch will be enjoyed within the crater and as evening approaches we will ascend the crater rim returning to the lodge.

### Day 4

After a Continental or Classic English breakfast we leave the highlands of the Rift Valley and descend onto the endless plains of the Serengeti via Olduvai. Upon arrival you will visit the Olduvai Museum, which is accompanied by a detailed explanation of the sights you will view in order to achieve a better understanding of this site. Lunch will be enjoyed here followed by a 2 hour drive into the Serengeti.

You will be staying at Conscorp Serengeti, Under Canvas. These are nomadic camps which are constantly moving within the Serengeti depending on the wildlife migration. These camps offer the highest level of luxury combined with the safari experience offering delicious Pan African meals and traditional bush dinners, Bedouin style tents with full en suite facilities & outdoor bucket showers.

### Days 5-6

Within this enormity of space we will explore various areas within the Serengeti National Park. Braying zebras, lions lazing along the waters edge or thousands of wildebeest passing through the vast plains creates an eye to eye encounter of untamed nature.

We will be starting our game drives at different times depending on animal movement. If one desires a sunrise game drive we will leave the lodge at 6 am



and morning game drives will normally start at 8 am returning to the lodge at around noon to enjoy the fine cuisine and refreshing drinks. Afternoon drives will begin around 3 pm when the temperatures are cooler.

Some days will be spent exploring the Serengeti for the entire day where we will enjoy packed lunches at one of the many picnic sites returning to the lodge in the evening. The drives will mainly focus on the "Kopjes" which offer the best opportunity of sighting game.

You will also have the opportunity to visit the Moru Kopjes where the Masai, prior to leaving the Serengeti used to conduct tribal ceremonies. Here you will observe Masai rock paintings and the Ngong rocks.

The game drives are aimed at showing you the diversity of flora and fauna found within the Serengeti.

### Day 7

After breakfast, your Professional Guide will accompany you on the charter flight back to Arusha. Once in Arusha, you will be given the opportunity to visit Cultural Heritage where one can enjoy freshly squeezed juices while shopping for antiques, Tanzanite, authentic masks or hand made sculptures.

A 3 day trip to Zanzibar Island is a great way to conclude this memorable week. With luxury resort accommodations the islands off the coast are interesting for those seeking both cultural and sporting activities.

