



June-September 2017/18 - Custom Tanzania Safari featuring the Great Migration in the Northern Serengeti

We can offer the same for the JAN-MARCH Migration season which would shift your 3 nights to the Southern Serengeti.

CALL FOR SPECIFIC PRICING and array of Deluxe to Luxury accommodations.

Day 01 - Depart the USA for your overnight flight to Tanzania, East Africa. Your flight will depart from Dulles at 11:00AM. See your flight schedule I sent you for the details.

Day 02 - Welcome to Tanzania, East Africa! You will de-plane on the tarmac walk to the arrivals hall where you will need your Yellow Fever Vaccine booklet and then proceed to customs where you will pay \$100 for your Visa. After customs you will collect your luggage and exit the airport where my team will be there to welcome you to Tanzania. The drive will be around 70 minutes to Arusha Town where you will stay for the night. I will be on Kilimanjaro still but you may see my family at dinner!

Overnight: [Mount Meru Hotel](#)

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

Day 03 Arusha - Tarangire National Park

This morning you will have breakfast at the hotel before heading out to Tarangire for the next two nights. The drive is around 3 hours with most being tarmac highway. The drive is very scenic and builds as you go until you reach the gates of the National Park. You will stop and have a nice picnic lunch and game drive until late afternoon where you will make your way to the Lodge. Depending on the time you may drive straight to the Lodge in time for a hot lunch and then game drive the late afternoon until

dark. The beauty of going with Gerling Safaris is we have the flexibility to make our own schedule as we go.



Overnight: [Sopa Tarangire Lodge](#)

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

Day 04 - Tarangire National Park

This morning you will have breakfast at the Lodge and then head out for a full day game drive or you can come back to the lodge for a hot lunch and afternoon siesta.

Your guide can pack a picnic lunch so you can maximize your time in the bush looking for the wildlife if you choose. This National Park is a great place for Elephant, Lion, and Cheetah and we have seen many Leopards here as well. The area is simply gorgeous and you will travel quite a bit of ground so you can experience the diversity of Tarangire. Since the National Park's close at 6:00PM you will always begin heading towards the Lodge around that time so you will be back for showers and dinner at a decent hour. Life in the bush can be exhausting as your sensory receptors

are constantly being challenged by the diverse beauty of the flora and fauna and wildlife. A good nights rest is always in order!



Overnight: [Sopa Tarangire Lodge](#)

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

Day 05 - Tarangire - Lake Manyara - Ngorongoro Crater

Today you will have a full breakfast at the lodge before heading out to Lake Manyara for a day trip through this beautiful hidden gem. Your guide will have a picnic lunch box inside the Park at a designated picnic site. You will game drive for the day and in the late afternoon make your way up to Ngorongoro. This is one of my all time favorite destinations in Africa. The highlands are incredibly beautiful and you will ascend up to 8000 feet on the East Rim of the Crater. The Ngorongoro Crater is the largest intact caldera on Earth with the floor covering over a 100 square miles of space. Home to some 20,000 animals the "crater" is one of the seven natural wonders of Africa. You will have a brief stop at the Entracne gate where your driver will collect your permits for the 2 days you will spend inside the Conservation area. Once you reach the Rim you will stop for a picture

overlooking the floor of the crater at the brand new observatory deck and then proceed another 45 minutes to the Lodge. Upon arrival you will be greeted with a wet towel and a welcome smile by the amazing staff. Your guide will get your room keys and a Porter will escort you to your room. After taking a well deserved hot shower you can hang out in the bar for a drink or a few minutes of WIFI and then onto dinner in the dining room. My good friend Israel (if he is working) will be your waiter as he does for all Gerling Safari clients. A wonderful experience awaits you!!!

Overnight: [Sopa Ngorongoro](#)

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

Day 06 - Ngorongoro Crater

This morning you will start off very early as the gates open at 06:00 AM which is imperative you arrive at this time to get down to the floor before sunrise. There is a 2000 foot descent down to the floor where you will spend the entire day game driving. The Crater is home to more than 20000 resident game and has two distinct pride of lions and a several clans of the Spotted Hyena. Your guide will take a picnic breakfast and lunch with you to maximize your game viewing time. At the end of the day you will have



the option to visit a local Maasai Village which is back on the rim or you may do this on the way to the Serengeti the following day. Once again having the flexibility to make decisions day to day is wonderful. Dinner will be at the Lodge.

Overnight: [Sopa Ngorongoro](#)

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

Day 07 - Ngorongoro - Serengeti National Park

This morning you will say goodbye to this amazing destination and start your journey to the Serengeti National Park, home to the [World's largest mammal migration](#). You will game drive through the Ngorongoro Highlands, have a brief stop at the Oldupai Gorge, and a picnic lunch before arriving at the Naabi Hill gate of the Serengeti. At the gate you will

have a few minutes to hang out why your guide obtains the necessary park permits. As this can take up to an hour there is a nice walking path around the area and a few gift shops you can check out. When I stop here myself I always have my traditional Red Bull energy drink and a coconut chocolate bar and you are welcome to join me on this Gerling Safari tradition! You will game drive a few hours and begin learning about the Serengeti. You will make your way to camp for an arrival before dusk. This will be a stopover night as your ultimate destination is the far Northern Serengeti which is too far to drive to in one day. Dinner will be at the Camp. Your accommodation will be a rustic canvas bush tent which has a flush toilet and bush shower. This is a very traditional style of lodging for the Serengeti and preferred by most.

Overnight: [Wilderness Camp](#)

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

Days 08/09/10: [Seronera Serengeti - Kogatende Serengeti](#)

This morning you will have an early hot breakfast before making your way through the Serengeti which is a game drive in the making. You will head Northwest until you reach the imaginary border of the Serengeti where you will then exit the Park and drive through a few local villages. You will reach the northern border of the Park and have lunch before driving into the Park and ultimately arriving at your tented camp. This terrain will be vastly different than the Central (Seronera) region of the Serengeti and this is the highest plateau of the Serengeti. Up here you will be patrolling the banks of the Crocodile infested Mara River in search of the migration herds of Wildebeest crossing the river. Your camp will be the same set up as the previous night. The wildlife is truly awesome in this remote land. You will spend the next 3 nights here in search of the Great Migration herds of Wildebeest and predators that hunt them. You will huddle around the fire every night sharing stories and enjoying the sounds of the bush and star gazing the crystal clear African night. There is the slight chance of a African thunderstorm in this part of the Serengeti, usually at night. It is the rains that drive the Wildebeest movement towards the green plains of the Mara eco-system.

Overnight: [Wilderness Camp](#)

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

Day 11: Kogatende Serengeti - Arusha

This morning you will say your farewells to your amazing guide and now friend as He drops you off at the Airstrip for your short flight back to Arusha. You will be picked up and driven to the Cultural heritage Center where you can purchase any last minute curios, art or Tanzanite. Then have lunch at my partners home and then be transferred back to the Kilimanjaro International Airport in time for your return flight back home.

Safari Includes:

- **All Internal flights in Tanzania**
- **All your accommodations per itinerary**
- **All Meals per itinerary plus coffee and tea service in the mornings and afternoon**
- **All transfers to and from airports in Africa with private vehicles**
- **Private safari guide in a custom Land Cruiser**
- **All excursions, tours, cultural outings, Maasai visit per Itinerary where stated**
- **Unlimited Game drives per itinerary**
- **Bottled Waters, Sodas and Beer in your vehicle in TANZANIA**
- **Gerling Safari suggested packing list**
- **Lunch at my partners home with his family.**

EXCLUDES:

- **Travel Insurance is mandatory (Gerling Safaris can assist)**
- **International Airfare to and From Africa (Gerling Safaris can assist)**
- **Hot Air Balloon Ride in Serengeti (Add \$499 pp)**
- **Drinks at the lodges, camps, hotels are additional (Sodas, Beer, wine spirits)**
- **Any purchases at the lodges for gifts, spa services etc...**

Required Vaccines:

Yellow Fever - Can be obtained through the County Health Department.

Malaria Pills are highly recommended (doxycycline is my choice)

- **Any Cancellations made you forfeit the entire amount as we are within 45 days of your departure.. If you cancel after the 45 days there are no refunds but you can claim your loss through your Travel Insurance if your reason to cancel is a covered reason. I will provide you with the travel insurance policy and legal terms and conditions.**

A \$2000 non refundable deposit is due at time of booking. Your balance will be due 60 days prior to your start date. All payments are made by check payable to Gerling Safaris.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide you with this truly life changing experience in East Africa.