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Kilimanjaro Climbing Itinerary Marangu Route: 5 Days & 4 Nights



Day	Destination	Description	Accommodation
1	Mandara Hut	Distance: 8Km. Time: 4-5 HRS Rainforest.	Mandara Hut
	2740m	Departing from Mai Kilimanjaro Home Stay 15-20 minutes' walk through the nature or Village of Marangu to the Kilimanjaro National Park Gate.	
		We will patiently wait for our permits to be issued while watching the hustle and bustle of operations as many crews prepare for the journey ahead. Enjoy the beautiful rainforest scenery and windy trails while your guide tells you about the local flora and fauna and natural wildlife. At these lower elevations, the trail can be muddy and quite slippery.	
		We highly recommend gaiters and trekking poles here.	
2	Horombo Huts	Distance: 11 km Time: 6-8 hours Mooreland	Horombo Huts
	3690m	After a good night's sleep and a hearty breakfast, we emerge from the rainforest and continue on an ascending path, through heath land, looking for giant lobelias and groundsels. Continueup into open moorlands where small shrubs are the main vegetation. Stop halfway for lunch, to enjoy amazing views of Mawenzi.	
		Arrive at the Horombo Huts late afternoon beneath the spectacular Kibo Summit viewpoint. Temperatures begin to drop.	
3	Kibo Huts	Distance: 9 km Time: 5-6 hours Alpine desert.	Kibo Huts
	4695m	After breakfast, we continue on through the dwindling heath land that blends into a moonscape as you enter the sweeping saddle connecting Mawenzi and Kibo. Here while westop for lunch, and later when you cross this surprisingly large saddle, you can examine the summit climb up Kibo that you will be starting in just a few hours after the rest.	



4	Summit	Distance: 4 km until the summit and 14 Km for descent.	Horombo
	5895m	Time: 10-12 hours Glaciers, summit zone.	Huts
	&	Excitement is building as morning comes with an early start between midnight and 2 a.m. This is the most mentally and physically challenging portion of the	
	Horombo Huts	trek.	
	(Descent to 3690m)	We continue our way to the summit in a switchback formation through trying to stay warm and focused on the amazing sense of accomplishment that lies ahead. With a switchback motion, we ascend through heavy screed and possibly snow towards Gillman's Point on the crater rim.	$\mathbf{O}_{\mathbf{S}}$
		You will be rewarded with the most magnificent sunrise duringyour short rest here. Faster hikers may view the sunrise from the summit. From here on your remaining 1-hour ascent to Uhuru Peak, you are likely to encounter snow all the way.	
		Congratulations, one step at a time you have now reached Uhuru Peak , the highest point on Mount Kilimanjaro and the entire continent of Africa! After photos, celebrations and maybe a few tears of joy we take a few moments to enjoy this incredible accomplishment.	
		We begin our steep descent down to the camp, stopping at Kibo hut for lunch and a very brief rest.	
		We strongly recommend gaiters and trekking poles for uncooperative loose gravel and volcano ash terrain. Well- deserved rest awaits you to enjoy your last evening on the mountain. Dinner and Overnight at Horombo hut.	
5	Marangu	Distance: 18 km	Mai
	Gate	Time: 6-7 hours Rainforest.	<u>Kilimanjaro</u>
	1830m	After breakfast and a heartfelt ceremony of appreciation and team bonding	Home Stay
	10001	with your crew, it's time to say goodbye. We continue the descent down stopping at the Mandara Huts for lunch. You return back to the Marangu Park Gate and receive your summit certificates. As the weather is drastically warmer, the terrain is wet, muddy and steep and we highly recommend Gaiters and trekking poles.Remember to tip your guides, cooks, and porters at the farm house since you will be leaving them here after arriving home.	
		From the gate you will meet you to farm Team and havean extra 15 minutes' walk back to the house for lunch and theovernight before your next destination.	
		Enjoy a long overdue, hot shower, dinner, and celebrations in Chagga house!!	
Inclusive		Transfers, 2 nights before and after the climb at Mai Kilimanjaro Home Stay, climbing g fees, park fees, rescue fees, all meals on the mountain, and salaries for guides and crew.	10
Not included		Tips, alcohol and beverages, flights, visas and PCR test, meals at Mai Kilimanjaro Home Stay.	