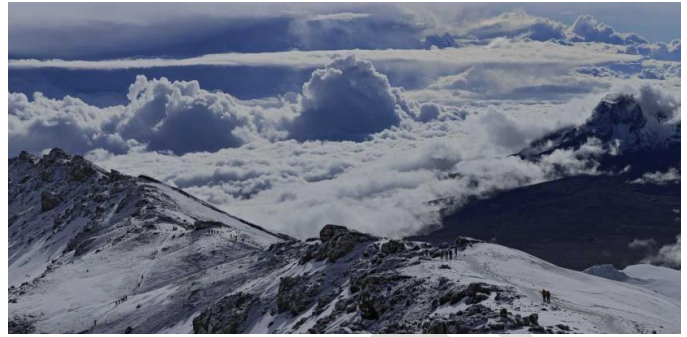


## Kilimanjaro Climbing Itinerary

### Marangu Route:

### 6 Days & 5 Nights



Day	Destination	Description	Accommodation
1	<b>Mandara Hut</b> 2740m	<p><b>Distance:</b> 8Km.  <b>Time:</b> 4-5 HRS   Rainforest.</p> <p>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.</p>	<b>Mandara Hut</b>
2	<b>Horombo Huts</b> 3690m	<p><b>Distance:</b> 11 km  <b>Time:</b> 6-8 hours   Mooreland</p> <p>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. Continue up 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.</p>	<b>Horombo Huts</b>
3	<b>Horombo Huts 3690m</b>	<p>You can spend a full day and a second night at Horombo. On this day, you can rest at the huts or take a stroll up to the Mawenzi base camp then return to the Horombo Huts. This extra day will help your acclimatization, and further your understanding of the mountain's weather and altitude. After your pause, you will continue up to the Kibo Huts on your fourth day for your midnight start to the summit.</p>	<b>Horombo Huts</b>
4	<b>Kibo Huts</b> 4695m	<p><b>Distance:</b> 9 km  <b>Time:</b> 5-6 hours   Alpine desert.</p> <p>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.</p>	<b>Kibo Huts</b>

<p>5</p>	<p><b>Summit 5895m &amp; Horombo Huts (Descent to 3690m)</b></p>	<p><b>Distance:</b> 4 km until the summit and 14 Km for descent.  <b>Time:</b> 10-12 hours   Glaciers, summit zone.</p> <p>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 trek.</p> <p>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 scree and possibly snow towards Gillman's Point on the crater rim.</p> <p>You will be rewarded with the most magnificent sunrise during your 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.</p> <p><b>Congratulations, one step at a time you have now reached Uhuru Peak, the highest point on Mount Kilimanjaro and the entire continent of Africa!</b></p> <p>After photos, celebrations and maybe a few tears of joy we take a few moments to enjoy this incredible accomplishment.</p> <p>We begin our steep descent down to the camp, stopping at Kibo hut for lunch and a very brief rest.</p> <p>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.</p>	<p><b>Horombo Huts</b></p>
<p>6</p>	<p><b>Marangu Gate 1830m</b></p>	<p><b>Distance:</b> 18 km  <b>Time:</b> 6-7 hours   Rainforest.</p> <p>After breakfast and a heartfelt ceremony of appreciation and team bonding with your crew, it's time to say goodbye. <b>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.</b> As the weather is drastically warmer, the terrain is wet, muddy and steep and we highly recommend Gaiters and trekking poles.</p> <p>Remember to tip your guides, cooks, and porters at the farm house since you will be leaving them here after arriving home.</p> <p>From the gate you will meet you to farm Team and have an extra 15 minutes' walk back to the house for lunch and the overnight before your next destination.</p> <p>Enjoy a long overdue, hot shower, <b>dinner, and celebrations in Chagga house!!</b></p>	<p><a href="#"><u>Mai Kilimanjaro Home Stay</u></a></p>
<p><b>Inclusive</b></p>		<p>Transfers, 2 nights before and after the climb at Mai Kilimanjaro Home Stay, climbing gears, hut and camping fees, park fees, rescue fees, all meals on the mountain, and salaries for guides and crew.</p>	
<p><b>Not included</b></p>		<p>Tips, alcohol and beverages, flights, visas and PCR test, meals at Mai Kilimanjaro Home Stay.</p>	