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ITINERARY DETAILS FOR LEMOSHO ROUTE 7 DAYS.

Itinerary Overview

Length: 7 Days

Category: Trekking

Destination: Kilimanjaro via Lemosho Route

Major Attractions: Kilimanjaro mountain, Africa's highest mountain

Tour Guides Language: English

Starting Point: Moshi

Ending Point: Moshi

Route Accessibility: It approaches the mountain from the west side via Lemosho Gate. The trail passes through tropical rainforest to alpine desert zone which finally leads to the summit.

Additional Info: We provide guides, porters and cooks for guidance and assistance while on the mountain.

Itinerary Details

Day1: Lemosho/ Londorosi Gate (2250M) To Mti Mkubwa Hut (2650M)

Drive from Moshi or Arusha to the Londorossi Park Gate. From here follow a forest track in a 4WD vehicle for about 11 km/7 mi (45 minutes) to Lemosho Glades and a possible campsite. From the Glades, walk for 3 hours along beautiful forest trails to the Mti Mkubwa (big tree) campsite.

- **Distance: 7 Kilometers.**
- **Time: 3 Hours walking.**
- **Zone: Rain forest.**



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Day2: Mti Mkubwa Hut (2650M) To Shira Hut 2 (3850M)

Climb through the trail leads to shira hut 1 for a lunch break and a short rest for 10 to 15 minutes after lunch just to have a good digestion. The trail continues to shira hut 2 to have some rest for the day off resting and regain the energy. Dinner and overnight stay at the campsite.

- **Distance:17 Kilometers.**
- **Time:11 Hours walking.**
- **Zone:Moorland.**

Day3: Shira Hut 2 (3850M) To Lava Tower (460M) To Baranco Hut (3900M).

Start by ascending up a ridge towards lava tower which provides an extra day for acclimatization. Have some rest and enough time for lunch while at the lava tower. Descend down and proceed with the trail to reach at baranco hut for an evening arrival. Dinner and overnight stay at the campsite.

- **Distance:10 Kilometers.**
- **Time:7 Hours walking.**
- **Zone:Moorland.**

Day4: Baranco Hut (3900M) To Karanga Hut (3995M).

After breakfast, you will hike east up a steepening path above the highest vegetation toward Kilimanjaro's looming mass. After several hours, you walk through a rocky landscape to reach the prominent landmark called Lava Tower at 4,630 m/15,190 ft. This chunky remnant of Kilimanjaro's earlier volcanic activity is several hundred feet high, and the trail passes right below it.

For extra credit, the sure-footed can scramble to the top of the tower. After a lunch stop near Lava Tower, descend for 2 hours below the lower cliffs of the Western Breach and Breach Wall to Barranco Camp at 3,950 m/12,960 ft.



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There are numerous photo opportunities on this hike, especially if the walls are festooned with ice. Barranco Camp is in a valley below the Breach and Great Barranco Walls, which should provide you with a memorable sunset while you wait for your dinner. On this day, be careful to notice any signs of altitude sickness.

- **Distance:6 Kilometers.**
- **Time:4 Hours walking.**
- **Zone:Alpine desert.**

Day5: Karanga Hut (3995M) To Barafu Hut (4673).

Leave slowly crossing the floor of the great Barranco Valley and up the Barranco wall; continue the trek on the South Circuit path through the Karanga Valley. Then slowly trek (7 hours) to Barafu Hut (4600m). From Barafu you will have excellent views of Kibo and Mawenzi peaks. Barafu Hut is situated on an exposed and dangerous ridge, so it is necessary to familiarise yourself with the terrain before dark. We will have our dinner, rest and prepare for summit night.

- **Distance:6 Kilometers.**
- **Time:4 Hours walking.**
- **Zone:Alpine Desert.**

Day6:Ascend To Uhuru Peak (5895M)

You will rise around 11:30 PM, and after some steaming tea and biscuits, you shuffle off into the night. Your 6-hour climb northwest up through heavy scree between the Rebmann and Ratzel glaciers to Stella Point on the crater rim is the most challenging part of the route for most climbers. At Stella Point (5,685 m/18,650 ft) you stop for a short rest and a chance to see a supremely sanguine sunrise. At Stella Point you join the top part of the



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Marangu Route, but do not stop here too long, as it will be extremely difficult to start again due to cold and fatigue.

Depending on the season and recent storms, you may encounter snow on your remaining hike along the rim to Uhuru Peak. On the summit, you can enjoy your accomplishment and know that you are creating a day that you will remember for the rest of your life. After your 3-hour descent from the summit back to Barafu Camp, you will have a well-earned but short rest, collect your gear, and hike down a rock and scree path into the moorland and eventually into the forest to Mweka Camp (3,100 m/10,170 ft).

- **Distance:5 Kilometers.**
- **Time:6/7 Hours walking.**
- **Zone:Alpine/Glacial zone.**

Day 7: Mweka Hut (3100M) To Mweka Gate (1640M)

After a well-deserved breakfast, it is a short, scenic, 3-hour hike back to the park gate. At Mweka Gate, you can sign your name and add details in a register. This is also where successful climbers receive their summit certificates. Climbers who reached Stella Point are issued green certificates and those who reached Uhuru Peak receive gold certificates. From the Mweka Gate you will be driven back to Moshi for an overdue hot shower and comfortable night.

- **Distance:10 Kilometers.**
- **Time:3 Hours walking.**
- **Zone:Rain forest.**



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- Private transport to & from Kilimanjaro International Airport to your accommodation in Moshi
- Kilimanjaro Park rescue team fees.
- Government taxes.
- 3 freshly-prepared delicious meals daily on the mountain prepared by professional cooks who are happy to accommodate your dietary needs.
- 3-4 liters of mineral/treated water per person per day.
- Hot drinks on the mountain and hot water for washing.
- Private transport to and from the hotel to the Kilimanjaro Park Gate.
- National Park entry fees and hut fees.
- Portable oxygen tanks, ox meter and emergency first-aid kit.
- Porter's Cook's and Guide's Salary.
- 2 nights of accommodation at Hotel Moshi.
- Friendly and highly qualified mountain guides, assistant guides and professional cooks.
- Enough Porters to carry camping gear and additional baggage.
- Accommodation in Huts/camping.
- Private transport to & from Kilimanjaro International Airport to your accommodation in Moshi
- 4 Season mountain tents
- Double layered Sleeping Mats
- Fair wages for the mountain crew as approved by the Kilimanjaro National Park Authority
- (KINAPA), Kilimanjaro Association of Tour Operators (KIATO)
- Emergency first-aid kit



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EXCLUDE

- Flights
- Laundry Services
- A doctor for the group
- Lunches, dinners and drinks at your hotel in Moshi before climb and after climb.
- Personal items and toiletries.
- Tips for guides, porters and cook (this is a guide to tipping on the mountain)
- Tips on Mountain Kilimanjaro are recommended for group sharing as follows:
 - Guides: US \$20/day/guide.
 - Cook : US \$15/day.
 - Porter: US \$10/day/porter.

Note: Tipping is not included in the quoted price.

NOTE: Our Guides, cooks and Porters are always satisfied with your thanks giving (tip) you have and not beyond your ability.

