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ITINERARY DETAILS FOR MACHAME / WISKY ROUTE 6 DAYS.

Itinerary Overview

- **Length:** 6 Days
- **Category:** Trekking
- **Destination:** Kilimanjaro via Machame/Whisky 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 south via Machame gate. The trail passes through tropical rainforest to alpine desert which finally leads to the summit.
- **Additional info:** We provide guides, porters and cooks to accompany you while on the mountain.

Itinerary Details

Day 1: Machame Gate (1800M) To Machame Hut(2835M)

Departing from Moshi a 45-minute drive will take you through the Village of Machame 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.

- **Distance:** 10 Kilometers.
- **Time:** 5 Hours walking.
- **Zone:** Moorland.



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Day 2: Machame Hut (2835M) To Shira Cave (3750M).

After a night's sleep and a hearty breakfast, we emerge from the rain forest and continue on an ascending path, crossing the valley along a steep rocky ridge. The route now turns west onto a river gorge until we arrive at the Shira campsite. Temperatures begin to drop.

- **Distance: 5 Kilometers.**
- **Time: 4 Hours walking.**
- **Zone: Moorland.**

Day 3: Shira Cave (3750M) To Lava Tower (4600M) Baranco Hut (3900M)

Although you end the day around the same elevation as when you began, this day is very important for acclimatization. From Shira Plateau we continue east up a ridge, passing the junction towards the Kibo peak before we then continue, South East towards the Lava Tower, called the "Shark's Tooth" (elev. 4650m/15,250ft). Shortly after the tower, we come to a second junction, which leads to the Arrow Glacier. We then continue to descend to overnight at Barranco Camp.

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

Day 4: Baranco Hut (3900M) To Barafu Hut (4673M).

After breakfast, we continue on a steep ridge up to the adventurous Barranco Wall to the Karanga Valley and the junction, which connects, with the Mweka Trail. This is one of the most impressive days to see the power, agility, and strength of your crew zip over this wall with what appears such ease. We continue up toward Barafu Camp, and once reached you have now completed the South Circuit, which offers a variety of breathtaking views of



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the summit from many different angles. An early dinner and rest as we prepare for summit night. Overnight at Barafu Camp.

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

Day 5: Ascend To the Summit of Uhuru Peak (5895M amsl).

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.

We continue our way to the summit between the Rebmann and Ratzel glaciers trying to stay warm and focused on the amazing sense of accomplishment that lies ahead. With a switchback motion in a northwesterly direction and ascend through heavy scree towards Stella Point on the crater rim. 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.

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 Mweka Camp, stopping at Barafu 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. Overnight Mweka Camp.

- **Distance:5 Kilometers.**
- **Time:6/7Hours walking.**



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- **Zone:Alpine/Glacialzone.**

Day 6: Mweka Hut (3100M amsl) To Mweka Gate (1640M amsl)

After breakfast and a heartfelt ceremony of appreciation and team bonding with your crew, it's time to say goodbye. We continue the descent down to the Mweka Park Gate to 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.

From the gate, a vehicle will meet you at Mweka village to drive you back to your hotel in Moshi (about 30 minutes). Enjoy a long overdue hot shower, dinner and celebrations!!

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

PRICE INCLUDE & EXCLUDE

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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.



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- 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

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.



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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.

