



*Mt. Kenya Trekking
Adventure
9 Days \$2500
21-29 Dec 2009
Custom dates & group rates
available*



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Our Mt. Kenya Trekking Adventure is no experience necessary as Mt Kenya and its surrounding peaks can be climbed by any fit person with an adventurous spirit, a love for the mountains and desire to experience Africa in a way most tourism only dream of. Our trip includes two days in and around Nairobi seeing the most interested points in the area. This adventure is a demanding trek through the rain forest and other fascinating geological phenomenon located at the base of the mountain. Mt. Kenya is made up of several peaks and we will trek to the top of several while spending six days on the mountain. Three days out of six present long challenging hiking to earn pristine views of the region below and Mt. Kilimanjaro.

Trip highlights & fun facts:



- *African Fund for Endangered Wildlife Giraffe Centre where we can feed the resident giraffe from an elevated feeding platform and participate in an educational program.*
- *Stunning views of Mt. Kilimanjaro, Africa's highest peak standing at 15,100ft is visible from our trekking route.*
- *Mt. Kenya is Africa's second highest mountain offering moderate routes to the top.*
- *Nairobi National Park. Nairobi is known as the safari capital of Africa with herds of zebra, giraffe, wildebeest and loin living wild just 20 min outside the city centre.*
- *Reggae artist Burning Spear chose his stage name from the nickname of Jomo Kenyatta the first prime minister of Kenya.*
- *Poured or draining water spirals in a different direction depending on which side of the equator you are standing.*

The Itinerary

Day 1: Meet and greet in Nairobi

We'll meet and pick you up at Nairobi Airport. Depending on what time we all arrive we will spend time getting to know each other and time learning a little about our host city. Accommodation will be one of Nairobi's western hotels.

Day 2: Area tour

We'll spend a full day exploring either the giraffe centre and/or Nairobi National Park. We'll also prepare for the start of our trek the next day so we'll expect to get a good nights rest. Accommodation this evening will be the same as the first night.

Day 3: Nairobi to Marania camp

We'll get picked up by our Kenyan head guide Evans. We'll transfer to our trailhead to meet our porters and begin our trek. From here it is a 3-4 hour hike to our first camp.

Day 4: Marania to Major's camp

After breakfast we continue with the climb heading for Major's Camp (4000m). Your path will be surrounded by plenty of Senecio and Lobelia. This is the start of our long hiking days. Hiking time is about 6 hours, stopping for lunch on the trail. The hiking terrain is fairly moderate and wholly interesting.

Day 5: Major's - Shipton's camp.

After breakfast, we proceed with our trek, passing the scenic Terere and Sendeo peaks. This is another 6 hours hiking day to reach the alpine desert. The night will be spent at the Shipton's Hut where the Mackinders Valley starts.

Day 6: Shipton - Point Lenana Shipton's.

This is our big summit day that starts with an early 2:30 am start for an attempt to reach point Lenana in time for sunrise. The climb takes 4 hrs and to add to the exhilaration, Kilimanjaro is also visible from the horizon. We'll have the option to trek around a bit to see most of the glaciers, peaks and other breathtaking vistas around the mountain or we can descend immediately back to the Shipton's camp.

Day 7: Shipton- Meru Bandas Lodge.

After breakfast ascend Simba Col and descend leisurely along the spectacular Gorges valley to the Mt. Kenya Bandas lodge for dinner, a campfire, hot showers and a bed for the night.

Day 8: Meru Banda Lodge - Chogoria town- Nairobi.

After breakfast we descend on a well used trail through bamboo and virgin rain forest to meet our transport to Chogoria town and then on to Nairobi late in the evening. We'll check back into our hotel and it is here we say goodbye by to our Kenyan team.

Day 9: Departure day- Our adventure ends and we'll arrange transportation to the airport for your return flight.

Price stated is for double occupy accommodations

Trip fee covers:

- All ground transportation
- Meals from breakfast on day 2 through dinner on day 8
- All park, museum and/ or entrance fees for city tours and trekking portion of trip
- All shared trekking gear to include tents.

Trip fee does not cover:

- International Airfare
- Visa cost. (it's best to apply for your visa before departure)
- Travel Insurance (highly recommended)
- Gratuity and tips for guides, porters and other service personnel
- Alcohol beverages
- Meals day 1 and day 8.
- Personal trekking gear to include rain gear