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# KILIMANJARO 8 DAYS LEMOSHO

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# OVERVIEW

Kilimanjaro Lemosho Route is considered the most scenic trail on various sides of the mountain. It is a good route for beginners and experienced climbers as it provides an authentic experience and has great opportunity to reach the summit at Uhuru Peak, the highest point on the African continent.

Climbing seven days on Lemosho Route gives you the best chance to summit the most beautiful and unique mountain in the world while being one with nature. Our professional guide and experienced crew will accompany you every step of the way while trekking as they ensure that you will have no fear or regrets.

Lemosho Route is ideal for acclimatization, allowing climbers to hike to higher altitudes during the day and then moving to lower altitudes for sleeping at night. Lemosho Route can be completed in 7-8 days. We recommend this 8-day trek to allow more time to acclimatize to the high altitude

## HIGHLIGHTS OF THE TOUR

- ✔ Most Scenic Route
- ✔ Mount Kilimanjaro Trek
- ✔ Trekking Lemosho Route
- ✔ Experience Panoramic Views
- ✔ High Quality Standards
- ✔ High Customer Safety
- ✔ Professional Guides
- ✔ High Success Rates





# ABOUT US

Maji Hope began in 2009 with a small group of people who wanted to do something to help others. When they learned that 80% of the illnesses in developing countries were caused by unclean drinking water and that a staggering 4000 children die everyday from lack of clean water, they decided to do something to change that. After becoming a 501c3 non profit, they began partnering with rural villages in Tanzania to create clean water projects. "Maji" (m-ah-j-ee) means water in Swahili, which is the main language in the areas they serve. The name is fitting because "water" brings "hope."



# DAY 1

## ARRIVAL IN TANZANIA AND TRANSFER TO MOSHI



On your arrival at Kilimanjaro International Airport (JRO) a member of our staff will be holding a placard of KLM Safaris. After welcome note, you will then be transferred to your hotel in Moshi where you will spend the first night.



# DAY 2

## LONDOROSI GATE - MTI MKUBWA CAMP



Londorossi Gate  
- Mti Mkubwa Camp



2100m  
-2750m



Trekking time  
3-4hours



Montane  
Forest



Distance  
6km



We begin our 8-day Lemosho Route itinerary by driving from the hotel in Moshi or Arusha to the Londorossi Park Gate, early in the morning after a hearty breakfast. Before we begin our trek up the woodland route to Mti Mkubwa (big tree) campsite at 2895m, our porters prepare and carry the food and luggage. We'll spend the night here.



# DAY 3

## MTI MKUBWA CAMP - SHIRA CAMP 1



Mti Mkubwa Camp  
- Shira Camp 1



2750m  
- 3505m



Trekking time  
5-6hours



Moorland



Distance  
8km



We proceed eastwards, passing via Shira Plateau and Shira Cathedral. We'll traverse a moorland meadow on our way to Shira 1 camp at 3810 meters for supper and overnight camping. By now, we'll be able to observe the Western Breach and its magnificent glaciers from an easterly direction. The temperature is expected to drop below freezing tonight, as it was the night before.



# DAY 4

## SHIRA CAMP 1 - SHIRA CAMP 2



Shira Camp 1  
- Shira Camp 2



3505m  
- 3840m



Trekking time  
3-4hours



Moorland



Distance  
7km



From the Shira Plateau, we continue to the east up a ridge, passing the junction towards the peak of Kibo. As we continue, our direction changes to the South East towards the Lava Tower, called the “Shark’s Tooth.” Shortly after the tower, we come to the second junction which brings us up to the Arrow Glacier at an altitude of 16,000ft. We now continue down to the Barranco Hut at an altitude of 13,000ft. Here we rest, enjoy dinner, and overnight. Although you end the day at the same elevation as when you started, this day is very important for acclimatization and will help your body prepare for summit day.



# DAY 5

## SHIRA CAMP 2 - BARRANCO CAMP VIA LAVA TOWER



Shira Camp 2  
- Barranco Camp  
via Lava Tower



3840m  
- 4630m



Trekking time  
6-7hours



Semi-  
Desert



Distance  
8km



After breakfast, we leave Karanga and hit the junction which connects with the Mweka Trail. We continue up to the Barafu Hut. At this point, you have completed the South Circuit, which offers views of the summit from many different angles. Here we make camp, rest, enjoy dinner, and prepare for the summit day. The two peaks of Mawenzi and Kibo are to be seen from this position.



# DAY 6

## BARRANCO CAMP - KARANGA CAMP



Barranco Camp  
- Karanga Camp



3976m  
- 3995m



Trekking time  
4-5hours



High Alpine  
Zone



Distance  
5km



After breakfast, we leave Barranco and continue on a steep ridge passing the Barranco Wall, to the Karanga Valley campsite. This is a short day meant for acclimatization.



# DAY 7

## KARANGA CAMP - BARAFU HUT



Karanga Camp  
- Barafu Hut



3959m  
- 4600m



Trekking time  
4-5 hours



Aphine  
Desert



Distance  
4km



After breakfast, you will begin your ascent. The trail intersects with the Mweka Route, which is the trail used to descend on the final two days. As you continue hiking for an hour, you will reach Barafu Hut. This is the last water stop for the porters because there is no accessible water at Barafu Camp (4550m). The word “barafu” in Swahili means, “ice” and this camp is located on a rocky, exposed ridge. Tents will be exposed to wind and rocks so it is important for hikers to familiarize themselves with the campsite before dark. An early dinner will be served so hikers can rest before attempting the summit the same night. Your guide will brief you in detail on how to prepare for summit night. Get to sleep by 19:00hrs.



# DAY 8

## SUMMIT ATTEMPT BARAFU CAMP - UHURU PEAK



Barafu Camp  
Summit - Mweka Gate



15,300ft - 19,345ft  
and down to 10,000ft



7-8hrs Ascent  
4-6hrs Descent



Ascent - 1295m  
Descent - 2795m



5km, Ascent  
12km, Descent



Very early in the morning (around midnight), we begin our push to the summit. This is the most mentally and physically challenging portion of the trek. The wind and cold at this elevation and time of day can be extreme. We ascend in the darkness for several hours while taking frequent, but short, breaks. Near Stella Point (18,900 ft.), you will be rewarded with the most magnificent

sunrise you are ever likely to see coming over Mawenzi Peak. Finally, we arrive at Uhuru Peak the highest point on Mount Kilimanjaro and the continent of Africa. From the summit, we now make our descent continuing straight down to the Mweka Hut camp site, stopping at Barafu for lunch. The trail is very rocky and can be quite hard on the knees; trekking poles are helpful. Mweka Camp is situated in the upper forest and mist, or rain can be expected in the late afternoon. Later in the evening, we enjoy our last dinner on the mountain and a well-earned sleep



# DAY 8

## MWEKA CAMP - MWEKA GATE



Mweka Camp  
- Mweka Gate



10,000ft  
- 5,400ft



Trekking Time  
3-4hrs



Descent  
1300m



Distance  
10km



On our last day, we continue the descent to Mweka Gate and collect the summit certificates. At lower elevations, it can be wet and muddy. From the gate, we continue another hour to Mweka Village. A vehicle will meet us at Mweka Village to drive us back to the hotel in Moshi. You will be picked up from the hotel and be transferred to the airport to catch up your flight back home



## PACKING LIST TO MAKE SURE YOU DON'T FORGET ANYTHING

- ☑ Travel Documents
- ☑ Travel Clothing
- ☑ Climbing Clothing
- ☑ Toiletries
- ☑ First Aid Kit
- ☑ Travel Equipment
- ☑ Climbing Equipment
- ☑ Personal Items
- ☑ Snacks





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