

Customized Safari Itinerary

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4-Day Budget Camping Safari Itinerary: Zanzibar - Serengeti - Ngorongoro

This 4-day budget camping safari provides a fantastic introduction to Tanzania's most iconic parks Serengeti and Ngorongoro Crater while keeping the costs affordable. With budget camping accommodations, shared safari vehicles, and expert guides, this safari offers the perfect balance of comfort, adventure, and affordability. Whether you're an experienced traveler or new to safaris, this trip will leave you with lasting memories of Tanzania's unparalleled wildlife and stunning landscapes.

Price: \$1,399 per person

Max Group Size: 7 people

Day 1: Arrival in Zanzibar & Transfer to Serengeti National Park

Arrival in Zanzibar:

Your exciting Tanzanian adventure begins when you arrive at Zanzibar International Airport. Depending on your flight time, you'll have the option to take a brief tour of the island before heading to your next destination. Zanzibar is known for its stunning beaches, vibrant culture, and historical significance, making it an ideal spot to start your African adventure.

Flight to Serengeti (Seronera):

After a short rest, take a domestic flight from Zanzibar to Seronera Airstrip in Serengeti National Park. This flight offers spectacular aerial views of the vast plains and rural landscapes, giving you a unique perspective of Tanzania. The flight is included in the price and helps you save time, ensuring that your safari experience begins as soon as possible.

Arrival in Serengeti:

Upon landing at Seronera Airstrip, you will be transferred to a budget-friendly campsite in the heart of Serengeti National Park. The campsite is strategically located for easy access to wildlife viewing areas. The accommodations are simple, comfortable, and designed to give you an authentic safari experience.

Evening Game Drive:

After settling in, head out for a late afternoon game drive in Serengeti, where you can start spotting the incredible wildlife the park is known for, including lions, giraffes, zebras, and elephants. The evening light creates a beautiful backdrop for wildlife photography.

Overnight:

You will spend the night at a budget campsite within Serengeti National Park or a nearby campsite of similar standard. These campsites are set in serene locations, offering an authentic camping experience amidst nature.

Meals: Lunch (on the flight), Dinner at the campsite

Accommodation: Budget Camping (Serengeti National Park)

Day 2: Full Day Game Drive in Serengeti National Park

Early Morning Game Drive:

Wake up early to embark on a full-day game drive through the Serengeti. Serengeti is renowned for its vast plains, and it's one of the best places in the world for wildlife viewing. During your game drive, you'll have the chance to spot the iconic Big Five (lion, leopard, elephant, buffalo, and rhino) as well as other animals like cheetahs, giraffes, zebras, and wildebeests. The Serengeti is also famous for the Great Migration, where millions of wildebeests and zebras move across the plains in search of grazing areas.

Lunch at Camp: Enjoy a packed lunch either in the park or back at camp, depending on the timing of your game drive. Your guide will find a scenic location for a break before heading out again.

Afternoon Game Drive:

In the afternoon, continue your exploration of the Serengeti. The park's vastness and variety of habitats make it an excellent place to observe wildlife in different settings, from open plains to riverine forests. The late afternoon light is ideal for photography, and the animals become more active as the day cools down.

Overnight: Return to the Serengeti budget campsite for another night under the African stars. The simple but comfortable facilities allow you to relax after an exciting day of wildlife viewing.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner at the campsite

Accommodation: Budget Camping (Serengeti National Park)

Day 3: Serengeti to Ngorongoro Crater

Morning Game Drive:

Start your day with another early morning game drive, maximizing your chances of spotting wildlife. This short morning drive will give you a final opportunity to witness the Serengeti's stunning wildlife before heading to your next destination.

Transfer to Ngorongoro Crater:

After breakfast, you will drive from Serengeti to Ngorongoro Crater (approximately 4-5 hours). This journey takes you through scenic landscapes, including the rolling hills of the Ngorongoro Highlands. Along the way, you'll have opportunities to enjoy panoramic views and spot wildlife in the surrounding areas.

Check-in at Ngorongoro Campsite:

Arrive at the Ngorongoro Crater campsite for the night. This campsite is situated on the rim of the crater, offering spectacular views over the caldera. You will be accommodated in simple yet comfortable tents that provide a cozy retreat after a day of travel.

Optional Maasai Village Visit:

If time allows, you can visit a Maasai village near Ngorongoro. The Maasai are a semi-nomadic tribe with a rich cultural heritage, and a visit to their village provides a fascinating insight into their traditional way of life.

Overnight: You'll spend the night at a budget campsite near the Ngorongoro Crater, offering an authentic experience in a stunning natural setting.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner at the campsite

Accommodation: Budget Camping (Ngorongoro Crater)

Day 4: Ngorongoro Crater & Transfer to Kilimanjaro International Airport

Early Morning Crater Tour:

After breakfast, you will descend into the Ngorongoro Crater floor for an unforgettable half-day game drive. Ngorongoro is home to a variety of wildlife, including the Big Five, and it's one of the best places in Tanzania for spotting animals. You will see herds of elephants, zebras, buffaloes, and wildebeests, and you may even spot rare black rhinos.

Lunch in the Crater:

Enjoy a picnic lunch in the crater before continuing your game drive. The picnic area offers incredible views of the crater floor, providing a perfect place to relax and take in the surroundings.

Drive to Kilimanjaro International Airport:

After your time in the crater, you will drive to Kilimanjaro International Airport (approximately 4-5 hours), where your safari journey comes to an end. You will arrive at the airport in time for your flight back home, filled with amazing memories of your Tanzanian adventure.

End of Safari

Meals: Breakfast and Lunch (on the move)

Accommodation: None (Flight back home)

Cost Breakdown: \$1,199 per person

Included in the Price:

Flights: Domestic flight from Zanzibar to Serengeti (Seronera Airstrip) is included in your package.

Accommodation: Budget camping accommodations in Serengeti and Ngorongoro Crater.

All camping fees are covered. These campsites are simple but comfortable, allowing you to experience the true essence of African wilderness while enjoying basic facilities.

Meals (3 meals per day): Breakfast, lunch (packed during game drives), and dinner are provided at the campsites or in scenic areas during drives.

Transport: Shared safari vehicle with a maximum of 7 people. This ensures a comfortable and spacious experience while allowing you to enjoy the game drives and transfers in a relaxed atmosphere.

All road transfers between Serengeti, Ngorongoro, and Kilimanjaro International Airport are included.

Game Drives: Full day game drives in Serengeti and Ngorongoro Crater, led by an experienced and professional safari guide who will provide insight into the park's wildlife and ecosystems.

Park Fees: All entry fees for Serengeti National Park and Ngorongoro Conservation Area are included in the package.

Guides: An experienced, English-speaking driver-guide will accompany you throughout your safari, ensuring you have a smooth and enjoyable experience.

Summary of Costs:

Flights: Zanzibar to Serengeti - Covered in the package

Safari Vehicle & Transportation: Covered in the package

Camping Fees: Covered in the package

Meals: All meals included (breakfast, lunch, and dinner)

Park Fees: Covered in the package

Total per person: \$1,399.00