

# KILIMANJARO ITINERARY

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OF THE WORLD

8-day Lemosho Route



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## Climb Overview

With fewer than 10 percent of climbers on this trail and the potential to see a variety of wildlife through dense jungle, Lemosho is our favorite way to enter the mountain. At 72 km (almost 45 miles), the longer route allows for more thorough acclimatization and a higher success rate to the summit. The trail passes through five ecosystems, from dense forest and heather up through alpine desert and the glorious summit.

Explore the many variations in landscape and climate on the way up the mountain and spend time capturing breath-taking photos of your surroundings as you move from jungle, to high desert, to snowy terrain on one of the more exciting routes on the mountain, but still manageable by the average adventurer.





# 8 DAYS / 7 NIGHTS

## Schedule



**Location:** Kilimanjaro

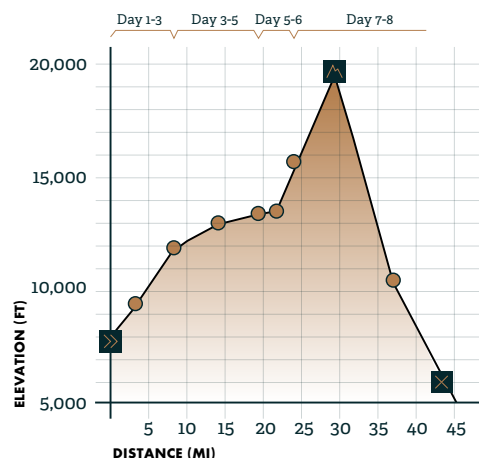
**Duration:** 8 days

**Group departures:** 1st and 3rd Friday  
of every month with minimum 2 passengers

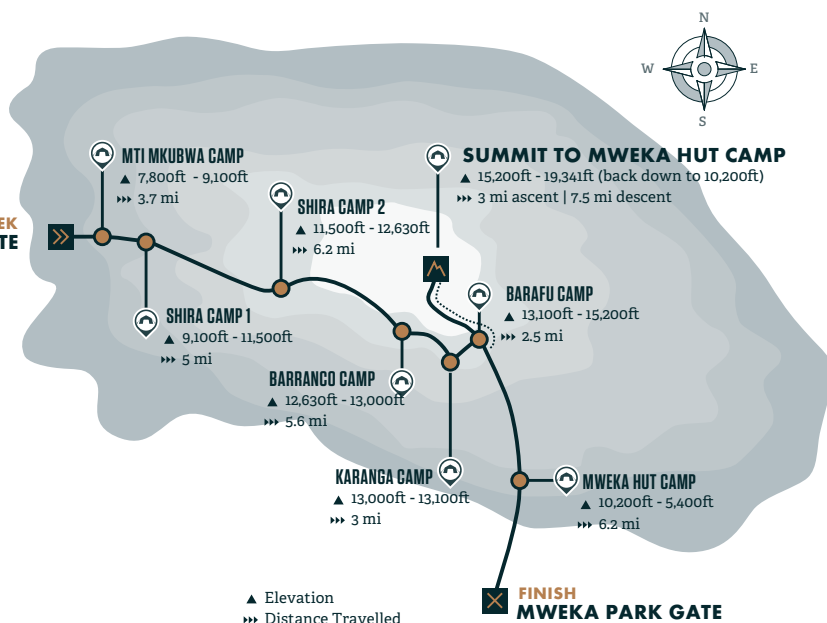
**Private departures:** On request

**Season:** From March to December

## KILIMANJARO MAP



**START OF TREK**  
**LONDOROSI GATE**



# DAY 1

21 February 2024

Arrive  
Moshi

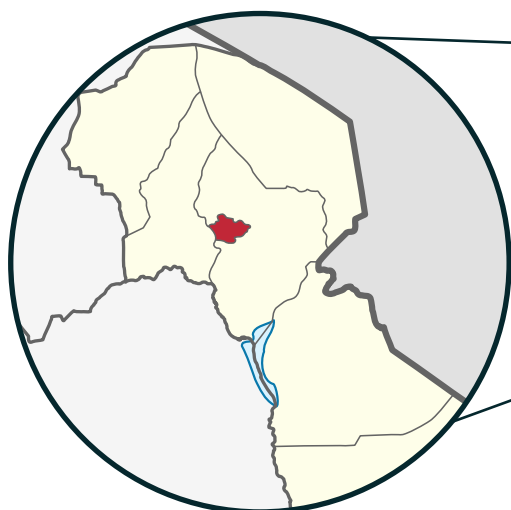
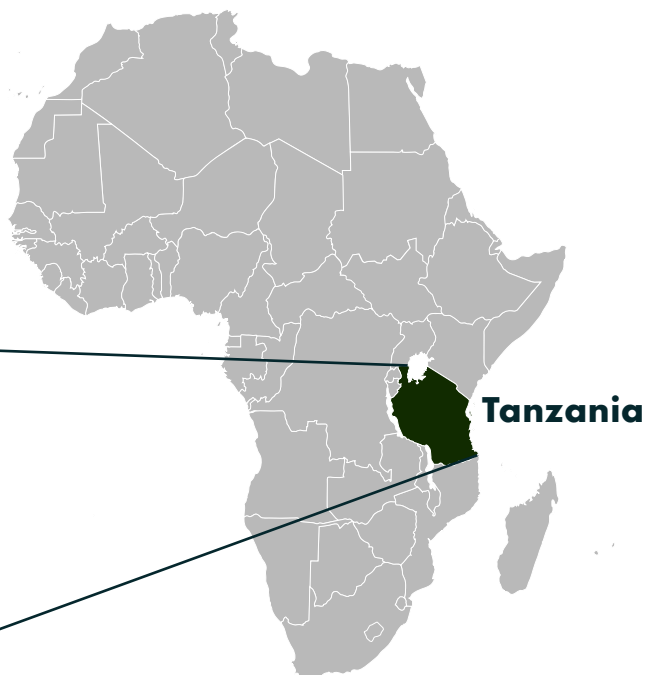


**Elevation:** 2,300 ft – 3,120 ft



Welcome to Moshi - the more quaint, laid-back of the small towns sitting at the base of the famed Mount Kilimanjaro! Upon arrival in Kilimanjaro International airport you will be met by our Embark representatives, who will provide transportation to your hotel.

No activities are planned for the day. You are free to explore picturesque downtown Moshi.



# DAY 2

22 February 2024

Free in Moshi.  
Overnight in hotel



**Elevation:** 2,300 ft – 3,120 ft

**Meals:** Breakfast



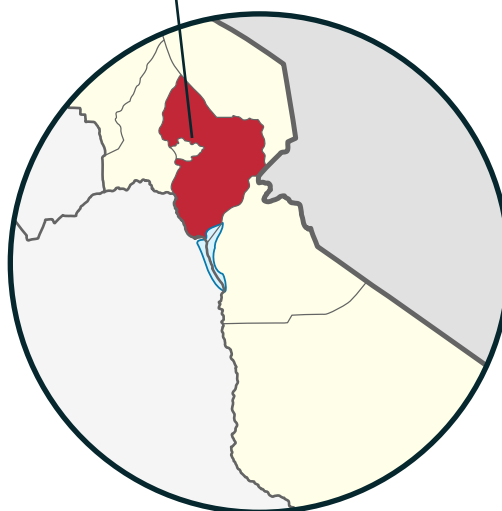
Group briefing and pre-trip discussion. You will be introduced to your trekking guide, have a comprehensive gear check.

You are free to explore some more, take part in informal group tour around town; visit the market or a local coffee shop for lunch.

Moshi is a relatively small, comfortable city that has a reputation for being somewhat laid-back compared to its sister city of Arusha so feel free to wander.

There will also be time to do last-minute shopping for the trek if needed.

## Moshi District





# DAY 3

23 February 2024

## Londorossi Gate to Mti Mkubwa



**Elevation:** 7,500 ft – 9,200 ft

**Distance:** 4 mi

**Meals:** B, L, D

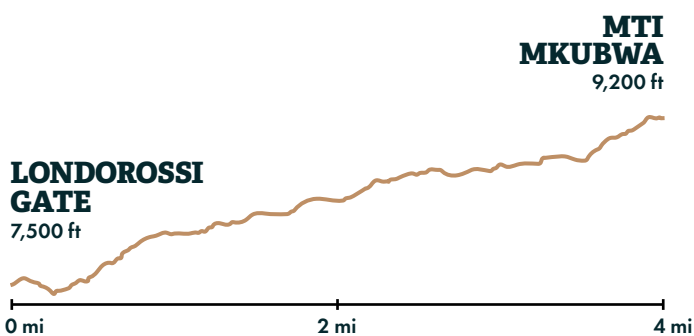


Depart Moshi for Londorossi Gate, which takes about 4 hours, where you will complete entry formalities. With flora and fauna heavier and richer here than on any other route through the thick rainforest, the Lemosho Route cuts through underbrush that is so untouched it at times grows right across the narrow trail.

After 3 to 4 hours, we'll reach our camp, Mti Mkubwa, which means "Big Tree" in Kiswahili.



**Trekking distance: 4 mi**



# DAY 4

24 February 2024

## Mti Mkubwa to Shira Camp 1



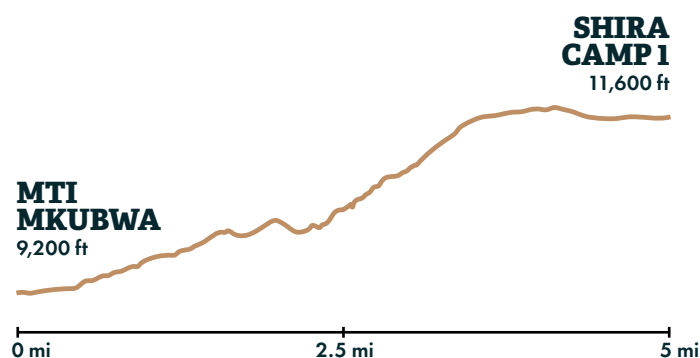
**Elevation:** 9,200 ft – 11,600 ft

**Distance:** 5 mi

**Meals:** B, L, D



### Trekking distance: 5 mi



We continue on the trail leading out of the forest and into a savannah of tall grasses, heather, volcanic rock draped with lichen beards. Ascending through the lush rolling hills and cross several streams, we reach the Shira Ridge before dropping gently down to Shira 1 camp.

The view of Kibo from across the plateau is amazing.



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# DAY 5

25 February 2024

## Shira Camp 1 to Shira Camp 2



**Elevation:** 11,600 ft – 12,700 ft

**Distance:** 5 mi

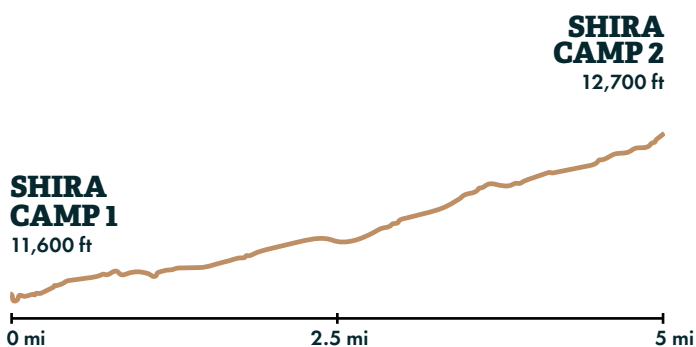
**Meals:** B, L, D



After breakfast we head east across the Shira Plateau and past the Shira Cathedral to Shira Camp. Shira is one of the highest plateaus on earth. It is about a four-hour hike to camp.

On the way we pass the first of many Giant Senecios, some of Kilimanjaro's otherworldly massive plants.

**Trekking distance: 5 mi**





# DAY 6

26 February 2024

## Shira Camp Two - Lava Tower- Barranco Camp



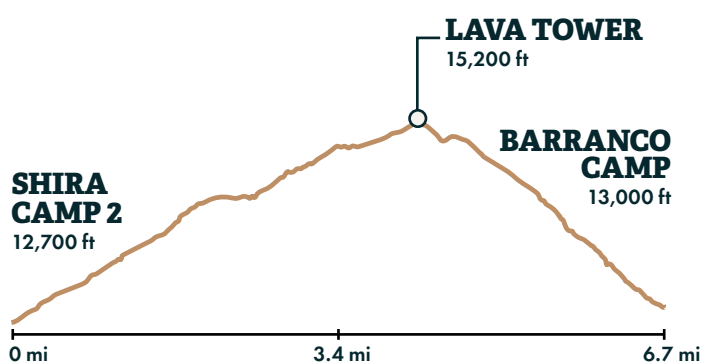
**Elevation:** 12,700 ft to 15,200 ft to 13,000 ft

**Distance:** 6.7 mi

**Meals:** B, L, D



**Trekking distance: 6.7 mi**



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 almost the same elevation as when you started, this day is very important for acclimatization and will help your body prepare for summit day.



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# DAY 7

27 February 2024

## Barranco Camp to Karanga Camp



**Elevation:** 13,000 ft – 13,280 ft

**Distance:** 3.5 mi

**Meals:** B, L, D



After breakfast, we leave Barranco and continue on a steep ridge passing the Barranco Wall, to the Karanga

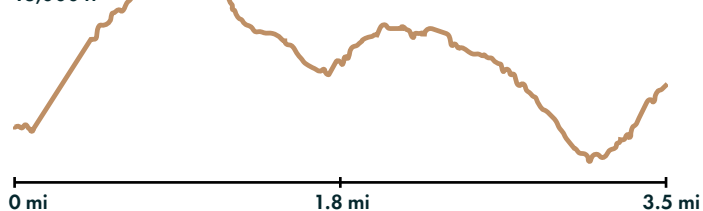
Valley campsite. This is a short day meant for Acclimatization.



**Trekking distance: 3.5 mi**

**BARRANCO  
CAMP**  
13,000 ft

**KARANGA  
CAMP**  
13,280 ft





# DAY 8

28 February 2024

## Karanga Camp to Barafu Camp



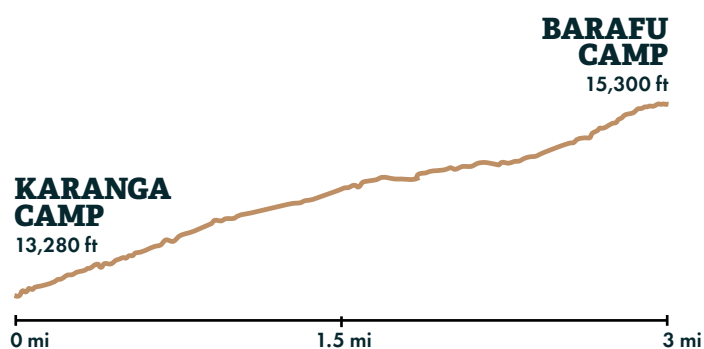
**Elevation:** 13,280 ft – 15,300 ft

**Distance:** 3 mi

**Meals:** B, L, D



### Trekking distance: 3 mi



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.



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# DAY 9

29 February 2024

## Barafu Camp to Summit to Mweka Hut



**Elevation:** 15,300 ft to 19,341 ft to 10,200 ft

**Distance:** 3 mi up, 7.5 mi down

**Meals:** B, L, D



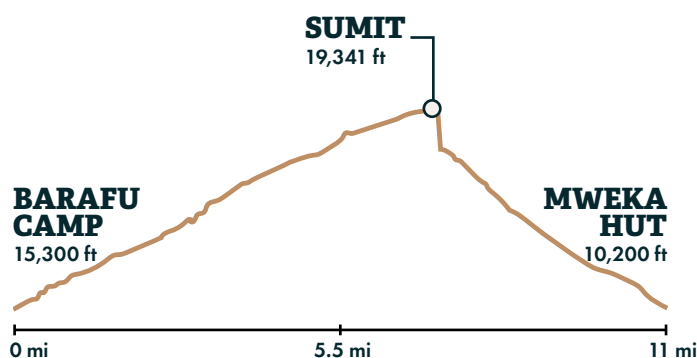
Very early in the morning (midnight to 2am), we continue our way to the summit between the Rebmann and Ratzel glaciers. You head in a northwesterly direction and ascend through heavy scree towards Stella Point on the crater rim. This is the most mentally and physically challenging portion of the trek.

At Stella Point (18,600 ft), you will stop for a short rest and will be rewarded with the most magnificent sunrise you are ever likely to see (weather permitting). From Stella Point, you may encounter snow all the way on your 1-hour ascent to the summit. At Uhuru Peak, you have reached the highest point on Mount Kilimanjaro and the continent of Africa. Faster hikers will see the sunrise from the summit.

From the summit, we now make our descent continuing straight down to the Mweka Hut camp site, stopping at Barafu for lunch. You will want gaiters and trekking poles for the loose gravel going down. 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.



**Trekking distance: 3 mi up, 7.5 mi down**





# DAY 10 Mweka Camp to Gate

1 March 2024



**Elevation:** 10,200 ft – 5,400 ft

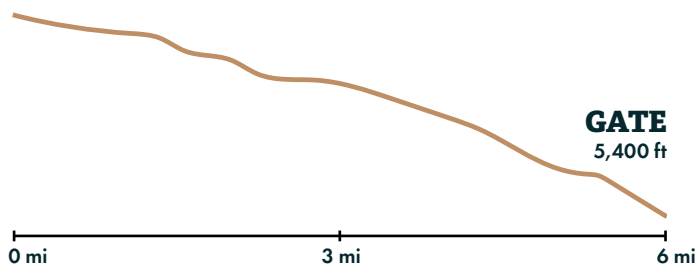
**Distance:** 6 mi

**Meals:** B, L



## Trekking distance: 6 mi

**MWEKA HUT**  
10,200 ft



After breakfast, we continue the descent down to the Mweka Park Gate to receive your summit certificates. At lower elevations, it can be wet and muddy.

Gaiters and trekking poles will help. Shorts and t-shirts will probably be plenty to wear (keep rain gear and warmer clothing handy).

# DAY 11

## Departure

2 March 2024



**Meals:** Breakfast



Departure for airport for international flight home or add-on safari (if participating in a safari; please make sure to book your international flight home in the evening).





# Pricing

## 8-day Lemosho Climb, 11 days in TZ



**\$ 3,995 USD**

per person double occupancy



**\$ 3,895 USD**

per person double occupancy



**\$ 3,595 USD**

per person double occupancy

\*Single Supplement \$595

### ADDITIONAL ESTIMATED COSTS TO PARTICIPANTS

**Airfare:** \$ 1.500 – \$ 2.000 per person.

**Supplemental medical insurance:** \$ 200 – \$ 700 per person (varies widely based on what you want to insure, base cost of just medical insurance is less than insuring the cost of your trip).

**Tips for support staff:** \$ 500 per person for groups of 4+, \$ 800 for groups of 2+.

**Gear:** \$500 (will vary based on personal needs and what you already have).

*This pricing is based on eight days on the mountain and 3 additional nights in hotels, double occupancy in hotels and tents. Extra nights in a hotel are approximately \$100 depending upon room type, availability and double-occupancy.*

### ABOVE COST INCLUDES

- ✓ All international & domestic airport transfers as per the program by private vehicle
- ✓ Moshi to Londorossi gate drive by private vehicle
- ✓ Londorossi gate to Moshi drive by private vehicle
- ✓ 3 nights Accommodation in Moshi & breakfasts while at the hotel
- ✓ All park fees
- ✓ All meals and accommodations while on climb
- ✓ Accommodation, meals, insurance, equipment, transportation and allowances of guide and porter
- ✓ All applicable government taxes

### COST DOES NOT INCLUDE

- ✗ Lunch & dinner in Moshi prior and post-climb.
- ✗ Any sightseeing tours in Moshi
- ✗ International and domestic airfare
- ✗ Bottled drinks (mineral water, any cold drinks, and alcoholic drinks).
- ✗ Travel insurance & overseas medical insurance coverage
- ✗ Expenses of personal nature (tips for guide, porter and driver, laundry, bar bill, telephone calls etc.)
- ✗ Liability for expenses against sickness, flight cancellation, road blockage, accidents and other occurrence beyond our control
- ✗ Tanzanian visa fee
- ✗ Any other expenses not mentioned above

*Disclaimer: Hiking times are approximations only and will differ based on individual fitness levels. The outlined itinerary is a guide that the Embark Exploration Co. will adhere to. The final itinerary may differ in the order that you visit areas and the places where you stay overnight. We reserve the right to make changes based on weather, road and/or operating conditions imposed by owners of accommodation facilities, etc.*



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