3-Day Lake Eyasi, Ngorongoro & Tarangire

A morning with the Hadzabe, then the crater and the elephants

3 days · 2 nights · Ngorongoro, Tarangire



At a glance

DURATION	3 days, 2 nights
DESTINATIONS	Ngorongoro, Tarangire
STARTS	Arusha
ENDS	Arusha
GROUP TYPE	Private departure
ACCOMMODATION	Comfortable

VEHICLE	Private 4x4 Land Cruiser with pop-up roof
BEST TIME	Jan–Feb, Jun–Oct

Overview

Most short safaris are all animals. This one starts with people. You'll spend a morning at Lake Eyasi with the Hadzabe, who still hunt with bows, and then meet Datoga neighbours who work metal — arrowheads among other things.

After that it's the Ngorongoro Crater for a full day on the floor, and Tarangire on the way home for the elephants and the baobabs. Three days, three completely different things.

Is this trip for you?

Travellers who want more than a game drive, and anyone curious about how people actually live alongside this wildlife. It works at a gentle pace, so it suits a first trip.

> This is a starting point, not a fixed departure. You can change the route, the pace, the camps and the length, and most people do.

Highlights

- A morning hunt with the Hadzabe at Lake Eyasi
- Datoga blacksmiths working metal by hand
- A full day on the Ngorongoro Crater floor
- Picnic lunch inside the crater
- Tarangire's elephant herds and baobabs on the way back

Route

01 Lake Eyasi · 02 Karatu · 03 Arusha

Day by day

DAY 01

01 Arusha to Lake Eyasi

Arusha → Lake Eyasi

Out of Arusha after breakfast and down to Lake Eyasi, about four hours. You'll join the Hadzabe, one of the last communities in East Africa still hunting with bows and arrows, and if you're up early enough you can go out with them.

Afterwards you'll meet the Datoga, who are known for their blacksmithing and who make the arrowheads. Picnic lunch, a quiet afternoon, then dinner at the lodge.

Stay: Bougainvillea Safari Lodge · **Meals:** B · L · D · **Driving:** 4h

DAY 02

02 A full day in the Ngorongoro Crater

Lake Eyasi → Karatu

Early breakfast, then down onto the crater floor for the day. It's one of the few places in Africa where lion, elephant, buffalo, rhino and leopard all live in the same small bowl, although rhino are scarce and usually a long way off.

Picnic lunch inside the crater, then up and out to Karatu in the evening for a second night at the same lodge.

Stay: Bougainvillea Safari Lodge · **Meals:** B · L · D · **Driving:** 20m

DAY 03

03 Tarangire, then Arusha

Karatu → Arusha

An early breakfast and on to Tarangire for a morning game drive: big elephant herds, baobabs, and the tree-climbing lions the park is quietly known for.

Picnic lunch in the park, an afternoon drive, then back towards Arusha and the airport.

Meals: B · L · **Driving:** 2h

Pricing

From US$2,100 pp

That is per person, with two of you sharing, and it covers everything in the included list: park fees, your vehicle and guide, your rooms and your meals. A bigger group brings the per-person price down, and the time of year changes what the camps charge. Tell us your dates and how many of you there are and we will send a full, itemised quote.

GROUP SIZE	PER PERSON	GROUP TOTAL
2 travelling together	US$2,100	US$4,200
3 travelling together	US$1,900	US$5,700
4 travelling together	US$1,800	US$7,200
5 travelling together	US$1,700	US$8,500
6 travelling together	US$1,650 (best rate)	US$9,900

Per person, sharing, as published on our own Safarigo listing for 15 January 2026 to 31 December 2027. We confirm your exact figure in writing when we quote.

What's included

Included

• A 4x4 Land Cruiser with a pop-up roof for game viewing
• Lodge or tented-camp accommodation
• Full board: breakfast, lunch and dinner
• An English-speaking safari guide
• All park entry and conservation fees
• Bottled water throughout the safari

Not included

• Your Tanzanian visa
• Tips for your guide, porters and hotel staff
• International flights
• Travel insurance
• Personal spending and drinks

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