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## Tanzania Safari Photography Workshop May 10 – 17, 2011

### *Tanzania Photography Safari Snapshot*

<b>DATE</b>	<b>DESTINATION</b>	<b># OF NIGHTS</b>	<b>ACCOMMODATION</b>
Tue, May 10	Arrive Arusha		
Tue, May 10	Arusha	1	Moivaro Coffee Lodge
Wed, May 11 – Fri, May 13	Serengeti National Park	3	Serengeti Serena lodge
Sat, May 14 & Sun, May 15	Gol Mountains	2	Nasera Rock
Mon, May 16	Ngorongoro Crater	1	Ngorongoro Serena lodge
Tue, May 17	Arusha/Depart		

*East Africa is one of the most photographed destinations in the world. From the wildlife to the exotic cultures to the breathtaking scenery, this destination has it all for photographers. Through one-on-one and group instruction from travel photographer Andy Richter, you are guaranteed to take your photography to the next level over the course of this fantastic photography workshop.*

*This safari is a completely unique take on the traditional Tanzania photographic safari. Combined lodges and mobile safari camps are provided to ensure you are in the best locations at the right times and have secured special access to drive off road in the Serengeti, bringing you even closer to Africa's big game, and into more remote, less photographed terrain. Every decision in planning the itinerary maximizes opportunities for photography when the light is the optimal and the game is abundant, resulting in dramatic and unique images.*

*Andy Richter inspires photographers of all levels through his passion for photography, clear and accessible instruction, and insightful candid feedback. He will critique your work, offer suggestions and new techniques, and encourage development of your skills allowing you to take that next step as a photographer. By the end of this safari you be seeing things you weren't seeing before and thinking about light in whole a new way, resulting in a spectacular portfolio of images.*

*Participants will share some of their work with the group and discuss their goals and aspirations for the journey, helping Andy tailor his teaching to the specific needs of individuals on the trip. Instruction during the initial part of the trip will focus on more technical details about how to best capture Africa and will move on to group critiques and discussion about our work as we experience Tanzania's amazing landscape, wildlife and culture.*

## **Tuesday, May 10:**

**Arrive Arusha**

Arrive in the early evening as the sun is setting over Mt. Kilimanjaro. At the airport in Arusha secure a visa upon arrival (bring \$100 in US Dollars, cash, bills printed no earlier than 2006, in good condition, visa fee is subject to change without notice). After collecting your luggage you will be met and transferred for your 40 minute drive to Moivaro Coffee Lodge.

Moivaro Coffee Plantation Lodge & Estate offers a charming atmosphere together with every comfort: an ideal spot to enjoy the impressive flora and fauna of East Africa. Moivaro Lodge is situated right in the heart of beautiful, natural scenery and yet is only 7 km from the town of Arusha. Relax and enjoy the beautiful vista of Mount Meru from the comfortable veranda, or perhaps to laze at the pool nestling in the midst of tropical trees and coffee plants.

Enjoy a nice evening dinner before turning in for the night.

*Overnight: Moivaro Lodge*

## **Wednesday, May 11:**

**Serengeti National Park**

After an early breakfast at the lodge, you will take a 30 minute transfer to the regional airport in Arusha for your 8:00 am scheduled flight to the Serengeti's Seronera Airstrip arriving at 10:10 am where you will be met by your safari guides, who will then guide and accompany you throughout the remainder of your safari. Located only a few minutes from the airstrip, you will arrive at the lodge, just in time for lunch.

Set high in the saddle of a tree-clad ridge, commanding panoramic views across the Serengeti, the Serengeti Serena lodge is the ultimate fusion of traditional African architecture and world-class style. Centrally located

adjacent to the famous Western Corridor and Grumeti River, the lodge has been designed to blend completely into the living landscape. A series of traditional domed 'rondavels' are widely spaced throughout the grounds, which are cooled by groves of acacia trees and watered by sparkling streams. On the very edge of the ridge is a 'vanishing horizon' pool, which looks out over the endless plains after which the Serengeti is named.

After check-in and getting settled in your rooms, meet in a conference room at the lodge for an introduction and the first instructional session of the trip. After a late lunch, you will set off around 4:00 pm for an afternoon game drive in the famous Serengeti National Park.

In this region of the Serengeti, you will make game drives in all directions, including towards the Western corridor and Grumeti River where the wildebeest migration can be found at this time of year.

Return to the lodge after sun set in time for dinner. Edit photos individually on personal computers to share for following day.

*Overnight: Serena Lodge*

**Thursday, May 12:**

**Serengeti National Park**

This morning, you will wake before dawn for what is sure to be one of the most amazing experiences of your life, a hot air balloon ride over the Serengeti. Only a few short minutes drive from the lodge to the launch point, you will meet your pilot as he or she inflates the balloon and you will take off just as the sun crests the horizon.

This is a great opportunity to photograph the African bush from above, truly a unique and expansive perspective relative to our ground-level safari vehicles from which we will typically be shooting. After about an hour floating silently in the air, you land on the tall grass plains and enjoy champagne and a full English breakfast in the middle of the Serengeti.

Return to the lodge with time to download and edit photographs. Participants will share their work from the previous afternoon and the morning's balloon safari (20 images or so) during a group critique and discussion. After this afternoon session, you will head out for an afternoon game drive around 4:00 pm and again, return to camp after dark for dinner at the lodge.

*Overnight: Serena Lodge*

**Friday, May 13:**

**Serengeti National Park**

Today you will enjoy a full day out in the bush, leaving early and returning at sunset. You will carry a picnic lunch and snack for a journey to find the Wildebeest migration.

*Overnight: Serena Lodge*

**Saturday, May 14:**

**Gol Mountains**

Rise early for one final morning game drive in the Serengeti, returning to the lodge for breakfast and check out. Drive about four hours across the Serengeti towards the Gol Mountains, into the heart of Maasai country. Here you will also be on the look out for some rare species including the Honey Badger, bat-eared fox and Wild Dog.

Arrive at your private mobile safari camp, Nasera Rock. In the early afternoon, you will walk around the area, meeting Maasai tribesmen and learning about the area's flora and fauna along the way. Your guides will be local Maasai who will share their unique perspective and intimate knowledge of the land they call home. Here you will find stunning landscapes and enjoy a brilliant sunset.

Return to camp in time for sundowners and dinner. After dinner you will set up a viewing room under canvas to showcase and edit photos from the last two days.

**Sunday, May 15:**

**Gol Mountains**

Rise early this morning and walk to a nearby Maasai village, where you will spend the morning slowing down to a new pace of life. You will break into small groups, each accompanied by an interpreter, and spend time getting to know families as they go about their morning routines. There will be flexibility to go with the flow and photograph in huts, in the fields, while collecting water, and tending animals.

You will head back to the camp in time for a late lunch and debrief. In the late afternoon you will head back to the village and participate in a grilled goat festival (there will be a goat to grill this evening in exchange for your participation in the day's activities). Evening edit, critique and discussion under canvas.

Enjoy a nice evening dinner before turning in.

*Overnight: Nasera Rock*

**Monday, May 16:**

**Ngorongoro Crater**

After breakfast, drive about four hours to the rim of the Ngorongoro Crater. After a picnic lunch, descend into the crater and enjoy time photographing wildlife and the scenic beauty of this world wonder until the gates close at 6:00 pm.

The Ngorongoro Crater is large, unbroken, unflooded volcanic caldera. The Crater, which formed when a giant volcano exploded and collapsed on itself some two to three million years ago, is 2,000 deep and its floor covers about 100 sq mi. Estimates of the height of the original volcano range from fifteen to nineteen thousand feet high. In addition to a variety of Africa's big game, it is currently home to the densest population of lion on earth.

At 6:00 pm you will head to the Ngorongoro Serena lodge in time for an early dinner. Spend time tonight doing final photo editing and selecting your best work for tomorrow's show.

*Overnight: Serena Lodge*

**Tuesday, May 17:**

**Depart**

This morning after an early breakfast, you will meet at 9:00 am in a conference room at the lodge for a final showcase of each participant's best work over the course of the safari. Here you will conclude the workshop with a final discussion and further insights, before departing for the four hour drive to Arusha. You will stop for a picnic lunch along the way, before heading to the international airport in Arusha for departure.

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<b>Price Per Person</b> (based on 10 people in a group)	\$6,330
<b>Single Supplement (additional charge)</b>	\$460

**Note: This safari is limited to 10 people to maximize photographic instruction opportunities. Safari is priced on 10 people traveling and subject to change should the numbers change.**

#### **Price Includes:**

- Full board double accommodation (except Arusha Bed & Breakfast only)
- Park entrance fees (but subject to change) including off road feed in Serengeti
- Hot air balloon ride
- All game drives in custom 4x4 and sightseeing
- Transfers and flights as stated in the itinerary
- Government taxes and levies

#### **Price Excludes:**

- International air
- Visas and travel insurance
- Gratuities to your guide, hotel staff or porters
- Any items of a personal nature such as drinks, laundry, telephone and postage
- Meals in Arusha and dinner on the last night

*Note: Prices assume payment by check or cash. Credit Card payments will incur additional fee of 5% of the total trip price.*