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CLASSIC RELAX & UNWIND — TOURS —

EASE INTO ARUSHA

Start your safari on a relaxing note with this arrival package at the beautiful Kilimanjaro Golf Course on the eastern side of Arusha. You'll be collected from Kilimanjaro International Airport and transferred to the clubhouse where breakfast and a stylish day room await. Catch up on a little sleep or freshen up with a shower and enjoy the peaceful surroundings with views of Mount Meru on a clear day.

Spa treatments can be arranged (at an additional cost) and keen golfers can enjoy a day out on the 18-hole championship golf course — club hire and green fees are included.

CREATE LASTING MEMORIES

If you have an afternoon of leisure between finishing your Tanzania safari and flying out in the evening, we have a peaceful retreat for you. Ten minutes' drive from Arusha Airport (where flights arrive from destinations such as the Serengeti), you will discover a charming boutique hotel with pretty gardens overlooking coffee plantations and Mount Meru.

Enjoy a delicious lunch on the terrace and spend the afternoon relaxing by the pool. There are shower facilities, so you can freshen up before you are driven to Kilimanjaro International Airport for your flight in the evening.

HIGHLIGHTS:

- High tea with panoramic views
- A relaxing round of golf
- Breakfast overlooking the golf course
- Indulgent spa treatments
- Delicious al fresco luncheon

- Rejuvenate prior to your flight home
- Sample local ingredients crafted into mouthwatering dishes by expert chefs
- Refresh in readiness for your evening departure

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ARUSHA ON HORSEBACK

Encountering giraffe, zebra, wildebeest, and various antelope species from horseback is an unforgettable experience and a wonderful way to start or end your safari. Accompanied by expert riding guides, the ride can be tailored to all levels of rider, from beginner to advanced. You'll be out for approximately two hours, exploring the dusty tracks and looking out for grazing wildlife. A particularly special sighting is the long-necked gerenuk antelope which is often seen on this ride. This activity is available to depart at 8 am or 2:30 pm and is shared with other riders. If you wish, you can visit the nearby Polo Club for brunch after the morning ride or sundowners after the afternoon ride (meals and drinks payable locally). Riding helmets are provided and must be worn, and long trousers and closed-toe shoes are essential.

HIKING MT. MERU'S FOOTHILLS

Enjoy a private, guided hike on the lower slopes of Mount Meru, in Arusha National Park, just north of Arusha town – a perfect opportunity to stretch your legs after long international flights. Depart Arusha at 8 am with your guide and 4x4 vehicle, reaching the national park after an hour and a half's drive. Game drive through the park to meet the park ranger and set off on foot through the moss-laden forest, looking out for dik-diks, black-and-white Colobus monkeys, and an array of beautiful flowers and birds. You will walk for around 4 hours with the guide and ranger, and drinking water and a picnic lunch will be provided. The exact route depends on your fitness levels, but options include the Miriakamba Hut's famous fig arch, and a side trip to the ash cone of Mount Meru. The maximum altitude reached will be 2,000 m/6,562 feet.

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Discover Africa from a whole new perspective on a horseback safari
- Brunch at the iconic Polo Club
- Spot the timid & elusive gerenuk
- Enjoy a game drive in Arusha National Park
- Hike the foothills & lower slopes of the magnificent Mount Meru
- Observe the dramatic ash cone of Mount Meru

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ARUSHA NATIONAL PARK PICNIC & DRIVE

Start your safari with a day in Arusha National Park, an hour and a half's drive north of Arusha town with the impressive Mount Meru forming a dramatic focal point in the heart of the park. This small park packs a punch in terms of scenery, with verdant swamps, ancient fig forests, open grassy plains and pretty crater lakes. Wildlife here includes giraffe, zebra, waterbuck, dik-dik, and more than 400 bird species, making it a birder's paradise. Your guide will tailor your game viewing to your interests. Lunch will be a delicious picnic in a scenic spot in the park, featuring local produce and ingredients and can be catered to your dietary needs. Return to Arusha in the late afternoon.

LAKE DULUTI PICNIC & CANOEING

On the eastern side of Arusha is a hidden gem, Lake Duluti, a small crater lake surrounded by lush forest. Combine a gourmet picnic lunch with a hour and a half canoeing on the peaceful waters, looking out for birdlife such as the African fish eagle, giant kingfisher, and hundreds of white cattle egrets. You will be accompanied by a canoeing guide, and use stable two-person, fiberglass canoes. Life jackets are provided for your safety. The activity is not strenuous and is a wonderful way to pass an afternoon enjoying the sights and sounds of nature to get you into safari mode. The bespoke picnic will take advantage of local produce and ingredients and be catered to your dietary needs.

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Experience the diversity of Arusha's landscapes
 - Spot a wide range of native herbivores & hundreds of bird species
 - Enjoy a gourmet lunch in the wilderness, observing the park from a private picnic spot
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- Unwind in the tranquility of Lake Duluti
 - Drift across the serene lake waters
 - View stunning birdlife including egrets, colorful giant kingfishers & the majestic African fish eagle
 - Dine on a home-crafted, gourmet picnic & chilled white wine

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CLASSIC FOODIE DELIGHTS — TOUR —

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TRADITIONAL NYAMA CHOMA LUNCH

Sample some traditional East African cuisine with a nyama choma lunch at a popular local restaurant in Arusha. This is a traditional feast enjoyed across East Africa for celebrations. Our guide will accompany you to show you the best choices and talk you through how best to enjoy this feast. 'Nyama choma' means roasted or barbecued meat, and you will usually choose from goat, chicken or beef, marinated to the chef's recipe and cooked on an open flame. Your guide will recommend suitable side dishes, which include ugali (a kind of thick maize porridge) and kachumbari (a tomato and onion salad). Bring your appetite and a sense of adventure and we will take care of the rest.

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Sample classically traditional cuisine, with fresh, local ingredients
- Enjoy a selection of tender meats barbecued to mouthwatering perfection by talented regional chefs
- Learn the history & techniques of 'nyama choma', or roasted meat

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CLASSIC CULTURAL TOURS

TENGERU VILLAGE & COFFEE FARM

Accompanied by a local guide from one of the small villages surrounding Arusha, you will set off on a walking tour of a small-scale coffee farm, learning how coffee is grown, planted, harvested, and processed in traditional ways, grinding beans by hand. There is plenty of opportunity to interact and get involved, making this a fun and interesting day out. The guides are part of a cultural tourism collective, providing employment and income to local communities with a chance to learn more about rural traditions in Tanzania. Lunch is included, and you can enjoy a walk to some nearby waterfalls in the afternoon. Suitable walking shoes are recommended. The tour lasts approximately 6 hours and transfers to and from your hotel in Arusha will be included.

TINGA TINGA ART CLASS

Put your artistic skills to the test, learning from a master Tinga Tinga artist about the traditions. Vibrant colours and dotted patterns depict wildlife and scenes of East Africa. Look around the studio at the various works for inspiration. You will then be given a canvas, paint, and brush to attempt to make your own Tinga Tinga painting under the guidance of the artist. This is a really fun and light-hearted activity for adults or families alike, and you will take your prized piece of artwork home with you as a memento of your time. The activity lasts between 2–3 hours.

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Learn how Tanzania's thriving coffee trade is supporting local communities
- Sample some of the freshest hand-ground coffee you will ever taste
- Wander the region at your leisure, taking in the farm & surrounds
- Discover the techniques of traditional Tinga Tinga art
- Talk to artists about their works & the inspiration behind them
- Paint your own artwork under the expert tutelage of local artists



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THE PLASTER HOUSE

Located 40 minutes outside central Arusha, the Plaster House is a home in Arusha that enables children from all over Tanzania to receive corrective, orthopaedic, plastic or neurosurgery for disabilities such as a cleft palate and club foot, as well as rehabilitative post-op care. Sadly many children with disfigurements are hidden from society by their families. By visiting and supporting The Plaster House, guests will actively promote a greater understanding and acceptance of disabilities such as these. All donations go directly to The Plaster House, ensuring that they can continue their incredible, life-changing work. On your visit, you will meet with the team at The Plaster House, discover the stories of many of its young and learn the remarkable impact this facility has upon the lives not only of its patients, but their entire families. Guests are welcome to stay from between 30 minutes up to a few hours.

SIDAI DESIGNS

Sidai Designs aims to provide economic opportunity for Maasai women and girls by training them to produce unique, high-quality beaded designs using the traditional techniques of their tribe. Their work aims to celebrate and preserve Maasai beading techniques while elevating the traditional methods, giving them a contemporary aesthetic appeal. Guests may simply visit the center or join a 2-hour immersive cultural class, allowing you to learn the traditional beading techniques of the Maasai tribe. To celebrate this unique experience, you will also have the opportunity to create your own beautiful piece of authentic Sidai handmade jewelry.

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Support & encourage vital medical services & social acceptance of disabilities
- Meet the incredible team who are changing lives every single day
- Hear the stories of the facility's radiant young guests & patients
- Observe the intricate art of Maasai beading
- Help to preserve the traditional Maasai ways
- Create your very own Maasai beadwork to take home

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CLASSIC RETAIL TOUR

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HALF-DAY SHOPPING TOUR

Arusha has a number of lovely shops where you can buy souvenirs and learn more about traditional crafts. Our guides can take you to any of the following shops that suit your interests: Sidai beadwork in the center of town showcases beautiful Maasai beadwork in modern designs, Schwari (at the Blue Heron café) has beautiful printed fabrics that are transformed into accessories and homewares, Shanga makes beautiful recycled glassware and provides employment to people with disabilities and a visit to the workshop can be included, The Tanzanite Experience showcases the history of this Tanzanian precious gemstone in their information center as well as stocking Tanzanite jewelry, and The Arusha Cultural Heritage Center is home to an array of smallholding shops and stalls selling everything from batik paintings to wood carvings and soapstone ornaments. If there is something in particular you wish to buy as a souvenir, please ask your guide for advice.

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Discover local arts & crafts
- Find completely unique, handcrafted souvenirs
- Learn about Tanzanite & how this precious gem is found nowhere else in the world
- See the ingenuity of local recycled artwork

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