

# TANZANIA



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Join me on an Adventure!!



Dear Zoo Friends,

Join me for a spectacular African Safari!

Tanzania is renowned for its wildlife and this safari is arranged to experience some of the best Tanzania has to offer. We've timed it for the peak wildlife-viewing season when the vast herds of the great migration have followed new growth to the Southern Serengeti. At Ngorongoro Crater and the Serengeti, we have arranged for small, intimate luxury camps to avoid the crowds that flock to these wildlife havens.

Please look over the brochure and if you have questions, feel free to call me at (316) 266-8202, or email me at [jmarlett@scz.org](mailto:jmarlett@scz.org).

I'd love to have you along.

Jim Marlett  
Assistant Zoo Director  
Sedgwick County Zoo



# *It's Safari Time!*

*In order to give you the opportunity to use your Frequent Flyer or other privileges to obtain your international air transportation, this trip starts in Arusha, Tanzania. If you need assistance or would like us to arrange your international air reservations for you, please call Maria at 1-815-685-4354.*

*Day 1, February 18th, 2010*

**USA / EUROPE**

*\*\* Please note that you have a choice of air carriers, but you must leave the USA in time to arrive in Arusha, Tanzania by Friday, February 19th. International Air is NOT included in the price of this program.*

*Day 2, February 19*

**EUROPE / KILIMANJORO**

Upon arrival in Arusha and you are met and taken immediately to **Mountain Serena Lodge** for overnight. This Lodge is on a working coffee plantation at the foot of Mt. Meru and accommodation is in comfortable "rondavel-style" thatched huts overlooking Lake Duluti. (meals on board)

*Day 3, February 20*

**KILIMANJARO/TARANGIRE NATIONAL PARK**

After a good night's rest and a hearty breakfast, you will enjoy a short orientation with your hosts and then board your mini-vans for the morning journey to the Tarangire National Park. This beautiful park is named after the river that runs through it and is the lifeline to thousands of plains game animals that come to its banks to drink. **Kikoti Tented Camp** is situated in a private sanctuary of 10,000 acres, just outside the borders of Tarangire. It is built amongst the most dramatic of landscapes – ancient boulders, which command views of epic proportions over baobab, fig and mopane forests. Fully fitted tents are pretty, comfortable and spacious with bathrooms en suite and private balconies, and are spread out through this stunning landscape. You will arrive in time for lunch and to rest before the first of your game drives in this spectacular wilderness. B/L/D

*Day 4, February 21*

**TARANGIRE NATIONAL PARK**

Here you experience no crowds, no long drives and no haste whatsoever. The emphasis is on relaxing and enjoying all that this property has to offer. Activities included exploration on foot, if you wish, accompanied by an experienced and qualified guide, or by vehicle. You may seek out rock paintings, walk along the elephant paths to water holes, climb rocky outcrops for magnificent sunsets and sunrise and even do night drives in search of the nocturnal species. Here you may experience the ethnic culture of the Masai people and meet them as well as enjoy the passion and professionalism of the family who are your hosts. This is a truly special place.

## **TARANGIRE**

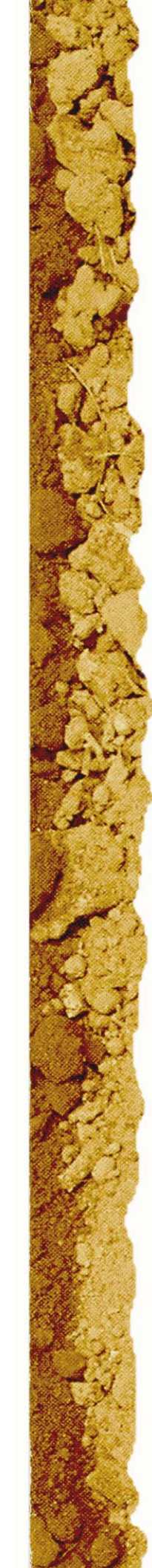
Home of the Upside Down Tree

*"Such adventures form natural conversation-fodder round thorn-log campfire under the Tarangire stars, the grunt of lions never far away." — Elspeth Huxley*

The Park is known for its fantastic baobabs which are hundreds of years old. It is a rare privilege to touch the bark of such magnificent trees and feel the power and life of these silent giants. (Or even climb inside one.)

Game drives in Tarangire are varied with circuits following the river and swamps through rocky plains and woodland. The Tarangire River never dries up — it flows year round which means there are always animals in the Park. In all, there are nine different vegetation areas.

Tarangire is known for its elephant population, and only once on our visits have we not seen large family groups (as many as 300). This is the Park where we spotted (and photographed) a white giraffe. It has not been sighted on any subsequent trips, but reportedly it is still around. We should see impala, common waterbuck, Coke's hartebeest, Grant's gazelle, buffalo, baboon, cheetah, leopard, lion, and maybe Cape eland, the largest species of African antelope. If luck is with us we might have a distant sighting of the fringe-eared oryx.



Tarangire National Park is famous for its huge herds of elephant that have been extensively studied. Also to be found here are buffalo, wildebeest, giraffe, warthog and many species of antelope. All of the predators may be observed as lion, leopard, cheetah and hyena, call this area home. All meals and overnight at the Lodge. B/L/D

Day 5, February 22

#### TARANGIRE / LAKE MANYARA NATIONAL PARK

After breakfast this morning depart for Lake Manyara, one of the Great Rift Valley's numerous alkaline lakes which, apart from its abundant birdlife, is famous for its "tree-climbing lions". You will arrive in time for lunch at the *Lake Manyara Serena Lodge* and then relax before your afternoon game drive into this fascinating park. This is a newly refurbished lodge nestled within an ancient Mahogany forest located overlooking Lake Manyara. Elegantly furnished bomas with ensuite bathrooms, offer guests intimacy and privacy in secluded woodland where wildlife wanders freely. A private deck is provided for you to relax after lunch before departing on your game drive. B/L/D

Lake Manyara National Park boasts elephant, buffalo, crocodile, hippo, impala, giraffe, warthog and much more. It is, of course, famous for its abundant birdlife. There are at least 340 species, including the flamingoes for which it is famous. Afro-Alpine flora will fascinate the botanist.

#### LAKE MANYARA NATIONAL PARK

*A Groundwater Forest in the Great Rift Valley*

*"To find elephants, we stopped and listened. Elephants are never silent, whether resting or feeding. A rumble from any member who is separated from the herd, a squeal from a calf shoved forcibly away from whatever his mother is eating, or some youngsters trumpeting in mock fury as their budding tusks clonk against each other; these sounds betray their direction. "*

— Iain Douglas-Hamilton

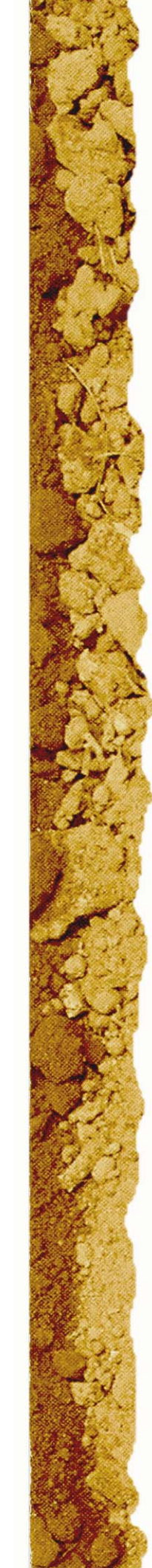
The one main road through the Park goes through rapidly changing habitats, starting with a dense ground water forest formed by seepage from the escarpment wall. This is a good place to look for Sykes monkey, and olive baboon are always seen here. Also, the silvery cheeked hornbill, a spectacular bird whether perched or in flight. Further along is a stand of acacia trees, favored by giraffes. We often note how dark the pattern is on many of the giraffe in this Park. Date palms, wild mango trees (a favorite of buffalo), and yellow fever trees are readily identified as well as the manyara plant, from which the Park received its name. It is a Maasai word for a Euphorbia species used for livestock stockade fences.

The Park is one of the smallest in Tanzania and about 70% of it is water. The Lake was formed by water running down the escarpment wall and depositing into a depression. A portion of the Lake is alkaline and flamingo are found here. The Simba River forms the Hippo Pool, where we are allowed out of the vehicles. Amongst the many hippo are a variety of birds, including knob-billed duck, fish eagle, saddle billed stork, spoonbill, cormorant, hammerkop and pratincole. Frequently at Manyara we have sightings of the ground hornbill and the monitor lizard. One side of the Park is the western escarpment of the Great Rift Valley. There is no escarpment wall on the east as there is in Kenya.

Day 6, February 23

#### LAKE MANYARA / NGORONGORO CRATER

After a leisurely breakfast this morning, proceed to the Ngorongoro Crater conservation area and the largest intact caldera in the world. The enduring charm of this area stems not only from the overwhelming physical beauty of the crater itself, but from the great abundance of wildlife permanently resident on the



crater floor. Arrival this afternoon in time for a late lunch at the *Lemala Crater Camp*. Your afternoon is at leisure to enjoy this awesome scene in front of you and the beauty of the area. Your camp is perched on the rim of the crater with exquisite views all around. It is a private tented camp and blends harmoniously into its surroundings. Roaring log fires, large safari tents and excellent cuisine is just part of this special experience. Enjoy a fine dinner and overnight. B/L/D

*Day 7, February 24*

## NGORONGORO CRATER

After an early breakfast descend the walls of the Crater by special four-wheel drive vehicles for game viewing in this – one of the most life-filled places on earth. Here dainty Thompson's gazelle are in abundance as well as the white bearded gnu (wildebeest) and herds of buffalo and zebra. Giraffe are often observed in the forested areas where you will find also some of the old "tuskers" – elephants with impressive tusks. Here you might see a leopard draped over the branch of a tree and glimpse vervet

## NGORONGORO CRATER

*A Microcosm of Africa*

*"It is impossible to give a fair description of the size and beauty of the Crater, for there is nothing with which one can compare it. It is one of the Wonders of the World."*

— Prof. Bernhard Grzimek

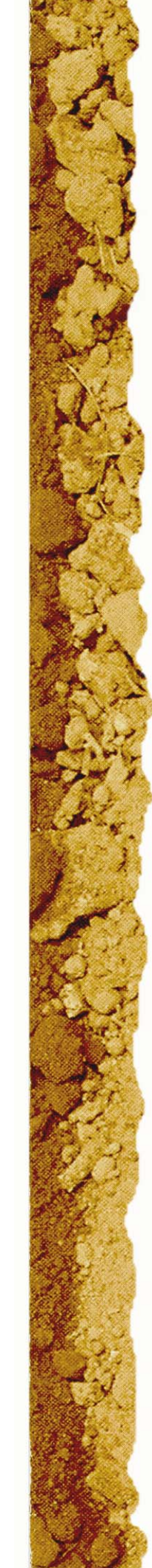
A World Heritage Site, the Ngorongoro Crater is truly one of the wonders of the world. To be accurate it should be called a caldera, not a crater, as it is a volcano whose crust collapsed on itself. It is 10 miles by 12 miles in area and contains the Leraï Forest (yellow fever trees), swamps, Lake Magadi (alkaline), grasslands, small rivers, and woodlands.

The Crater has an ecosystem all its own, with its own weather pattern. Often the rim is ringed with mist, yet the sun shines on the Crater floor. It's a great place for photographing cloud formations. Try shooting vertically with the Crater floor in the lower portion of the frame with the sky showing above the top of the rim.

The Crater supports up to 25,000 large mammals, most of whom live their entire lifetime in the Crater; only a few migrate. This is one of the few places in the world where one can still see free roaming black rhino. There are between 15 and 20 rhino still there, some with young. Only bull elephant inhabit the Crater and are quite spectacular. The females and young stay on top of the rim or the outer slopes. The Crater is also known for its handsome black maned lions. The lion population has been studied for years. It is unique in that it remains fairly constant (except during disease outbreaks), and little new blood has been introduced to the line. Despite the high incidence of inbreeding, the Crater lions feed and breed well, with large numbers of cubs.

Birding in the Crater is good, especially this time of year when the migrants are here. Greater and lesser flamingo fly in to feed and are found on Lake Magadi along with black-headed heron, Egyptian geese, saddle-billed stork, ibis, yellow-billed stork, and various species of duck. If the grass is short you often see the wing snapping cisticola and the territorial display of the Kori bustard. The crowned crane is another of the large birds here, as well as the ostrich.

The Mandusi Swamp is a favorite spot of ours. Hippos are sometimes seen rolling over with their pink bellies exposed to the sky. It's a comical interlude and the hippos seem to enjoy what they're doing. For a small swamp it's one of the loveliest areas in the Crater, and a good example of one of the habitat microcosms found here.



monkeys and baboons. The rare and endangered black rhino may be seen as they have been protected from poachers and are now increasing in numbers. Lion are abundant and, in the open areas, you may see the graceful cheetah. The golden jackal, which is endemic, hunts here too. A picnic lunch may be enjoyed at one of the hippo pools where again you will also enjoy the marvelous birdlife of the area as colorful weavers, pretty bee eaters and a multitude of shorebirds may be observed.

In the Great Rift Valley, that great schism in the earth's crust, lies the Ngorongoro Crater, one of the wonders of the natural world. It is an extinct volcano that collapsed in on itself around 25 million years ago, thus forming a vast superbowl where the largest permanent concentration of African game is on display. The sides are roughly 1950ft high with beautiful vegetation and at the bottom a lovely Fever tree forest. A soda lake, fed by the Munge river attracts water birds. It is not surprising that this magnificent crater has been called the Garden of Eden. Return in the early afternoon to your private camp for dinner and overnight.  
B/L/D

Day 8, February 25

#### NGORONGORO CRATER / SERENGETI NATIONAL PARK

After breakfast drive north and enter the fabelled the Serengeti National Park – undoubtedly the most famous wildlife sanctuary in the world, unequalled for its natural beauty and huge concentration of plains game.

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### **SERENGETI**

#### **Savannah, Woodlands, Rivers, Kopjes**

*“There are few who are not profoundly moved by a visit to the Serengeti. For some it is a crossroads in their lives, an emotional rebirth, a lightening of the spirit at the sign of so many animals, such space.”*

*-Jonathan Scott*

The Serengeti may very well be the most famous National Park in the world. The name comes from the Maasai ‘Siringet’ meaning “an extended place”. Certainly the image of the Serengeti is open grass savannah as far as the eye can see. But other ecological features include acacia savannah, densely wooded sections, perennial and seasonal rivers, and dramatic kopje rocks.

Kopje is an Afrikaans word meaning small head. These smooth granite domes serve as an island of life in a sea of grass. They support distinct populations of animals that live in them or drink from their rock pools. Look for hyrax, mongoose, baboon, dik-dik, agama lizard and even lion.

On the plains one of the more dominant animal silhouettes is that of the topi antelope. It often stands on a mound and is unmistakable with its sloping profile. It has deep blue on its haunches, otherwise it is mostly reddish-brown with thick horns.

#### ***The Myth of the Migration***

Don't be misled by the Discovery Channel. Those who have seen the migration only on film are repeatedly fed the dramatic image of the wildebeest crashing into the Mara River frantically swimming to the other side, with crocodiles lurking. Yes, this happens, but only for a day or two, twice a year. It's like watching a professional baseball game that was a brilliant duel between both pitchers, and with two outs in the last of the ninth inning the batter hits a home run. That will be shown again and again on sportscasts, but the point of the game will be missed. So it is with the migration. The movement of the mass herds is triggered by the rains. When you truly see the migration, it's a bunch of wildebeest and zebra standing in the rain eating fresh green grass. It's not very dramatic, has no background music, but it is true unedited nature. T.A.B.

The Serengeti National Park covers a vast area of short and long-grass plains interspersed with rocky outcroppings and meandering watercourses. The Great Migration follows an historic route through this fabulous wilderness which hosts over two million wildebeest, 700,000 zebra and gazelles, and the accompanying predators. Resident herds of impala, buffalo, topi and hartebeest are always observed as well as giraffe, warthog, monkeys and baboons. You will view game along the route and arrive for a late lunch at **Lemala Serengeti Camp** in the Serengeti National Park, afternoon is free to relax. This camp is intimate with only 8 spacious and stylishly decorated tents each with a wooden platform. Each tent has either 2 large single beds or a king-size double bed and a private bathroom that contains a dressing area, flush loo, shower and basin with running water. B/L/D

*Days 9/10, February 26/27*

#### SERENGETI NATIONAL PARK

Two full days will be enjoyed in this vibrant and exciting wildlife wonderland, seeking and photographing the magnificent mammals and birds. You may take an early morning drive and return to the camp for an exquisite brunch with time to relax and enjoy your large shaded verandah with the awesome views of the surrounding area. Or enjoy a relaxed breakfast and go out on the game trails for the morning, returning in time for lunch and a restful afternoon before the late drive. Afternoon tea is served in the main camp area, and this is also the place for sundowner cocktails. Your time here will be a never-to-be-forgotten experience. B/L/D

*Day 11, February 28*

#### SERENGETI / ARUSHA / EUROPE

After breakfast this morning travel to the Seronera airstrip for your flight to Arusha where dayrooms are reserved for you at **Mountain Village Lodge** once again. Lunch will be enjoyed at the lodge and the remainder of this afternoon is at leisure. You may wish to do a little shopping and so just ask your hosts for transport. Then repack and relax before your flight home. You will be transferred to the airport in time for check in for your flight home. B/L/(D)



*Your safari into the marvelous wilderness areas of Tanzania will be over but your memories will linger in this lovely land forever!*



## ZANZIBAR EXTENSION

The name alone evokes images of days of yore – Arab dhows, Sinbad, wealthy sultans, exotic spices and slaves! And indeed Zanzibar has had a long and checkered history. The original people were Bantu, but the island was settled by the Omani Arabs who introduced the cloves and other exotic spices to the world.

Today, the Island Zanzibar, just off the coast of Tanzania, is a beautiful jewel in the Indian Ocean. It measures just 24 miles by 53 miles and can easily be traversed in a day. But a visit here nowadays is for relaxing on the coast, exploring historic Old Town and visiting the beautiful Jozani Forest.

We are providing you with the opportunity to do all of this during this extension.

*Day 11, February 28*

### SERENGETI/ARUSHA

After breakfast you return by air to Arusha and check in again at *Mountain Village Lodge*. Join your companions on a shopping expedition and then bid them farewell as they transfer to the airport for the flight home. Dinner and overnight at the Lodge. B/D

*Day 12, March 1*

### ARUSHA/ZANZIBAR

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for the flight out over the great expanse of the Indian Ocean and land on the spice Island of Zanzibar. Here your hosts are on hand to greet you and whisk you along the east coast to the *Matemwe Bungalows* which will be your home for the next three nights. Fourteen en suite bungalows overlook the Ocean. All rooms have private verandahs from which you may view the comings and goings of the local fishermen. Seafood is the specialty of the house and you will delight in the delicious mix of African and European flavors. The afternoon is yours to relax and explore on your own. B/L/D

*Day 13, March 2*

### ZANZIBAR – STONE TOWN TOUR

After a sumptuous breakfast depart for a half day tour of historic Stone Town which will include visits to the Palace Museum, the Slave Market, Old Fort, the House of Wonders and the Hamamni Baths. Stone Town breathes history and is alive with activity – the cobbled twisting streets seem like nothing more than endless passages, but upon closer inspection, you will find beautiful white-washed buildings with massive arches, elaborately carved wooden doors, balconies with intricate latticework, graceful mosques, churches, palaces and ruins. Return in the early afternoon to your bungalows. The endless beaches here are among the world's finest with mile after mile of powdery shores and warm and inviting waters. You may choose to swim, snorkel or even consider fishing and boating. Return to the lodge for another fine dinner and overnight. B/L/D

*Day 14, March 3*

### ZANZIBAR – SPICE TOUR

Breakfast and, for those who wish, a half day “Spice” tour is available. Zanzibar's fame as a seaport was established primarily because of the export of spices and slaves. For centuries this island was the center of clove production, however, the fertile soil of Zanzibar now produces much more than the spices for which it became famous. Crops of maize, millet, cassava and yams as well as delicious fruit are now grown and exported. For those who would prefer to visit the famous Jozini Forest, this can also be arranged for it is here that the rare red colobus monkey can be found as well as a number of other endemic species. Once more return to your bungalows for the remainder of the afternoon and overnight. B/L/D



*Day 15, March 4*

### ZANZIBAR/TANZANIA/HOME

After breakfast this morning, you return to the airport for your flight to the African mainland and Tanzania. Here you will connect onto your international flight to your European gateway city en route for home. Please note, once again, that the international air is not included in the cost of this program to allow you to make choices of carrier and/or use your frequent flyer miles or other privileges.

# SAFARI TERMS AND CONDITIONS

**RESERVATIONS:** Are assured on the acceptance by **Adventure Boutique, Inc.** of a \$1000.00 deposit per person, refundable up to 121 days before departure, less a \$600.00 management fee.

*\*Ref. Single willing to share. If roommate is not available, single supplement charges apply.*

**INFORMATION:** On receipt of deposit, you will receive complete information regarding passport, visa, health requirements, seating requests, suggested reading matter and clothing as well as informative literature.

**TAXES and GRATUITIES:** Hotel taxes as imposed by governments are included, as are entrance fees to places of interest, tipping for portorage, and group meals per this itinerary, (while in Africa).

**NOT INCLUDED:** Costs of obtaining passports, visas, excess baggage charges, items of purely personal nature, such as drinks, laundry and telephone. Trip insurance is not included. Tipping for your driver/guides is **not** included, as well as any foreign departure taxes (if required).

**BAGGAGE:** Two pieces of luggage not to exceed 44 lbs. per person are permitted on international flights. While on safari, 33 pounds per person of soft-sided luggage, plus one carry-on bag and camera bag are allowed. Excess baggage fees apply and may be charged by the airlines, at airport check-in.

**CANCELLATION:**

- 121 days or more prior to the safari departure date is subject to a \$600 administration fee per person.
- 120 to 91 days prior to safari departure date, full deposit is forfeited.
- 90 to 61 days prior to safari departure date, 65% of total safari cost is forfeited.
- 60 days prior to safari departure date, total safari cost is forfeited.

**We highly recommend Trip Cancellation Insurance: Application forms will be mailed with your deposit acknowledgement letter.**

**RESPONSIBILITY: Adventure Boutique, Inc.** and cooperating individuals, agencies and suppliers, act only as agents for the passenger in regard to transportation by any means, accommodations and other services and assume no liability either by defect in any vehicle or for any reason whatsoever or through the act or default of any company or person engaged in conveying the passenger or in carrying out the arrangements of this tour. They can accept no responsibility for losses or additional expenses due to delay or changes in air or other services, sickness, weather, strike, war, act of terrorism, or civil disturbance or other causes. All such losses must be borne by the passenger as tour rates provide for arrangements only for the time stated. **Adventure Boutique, Inc.** reserves the right to refuse to accept or retain any person as a member of the tour at any time or make changes in the published itinerary whenever in their sole judgment conditions warrant or if they deem it necessary for the comfort, safety and convenience of this tour. The right is reserved to substitute hotels of similar category for those indicated. The right is reserved to cancel the tour prior to departure, in which case, full refund will constitute full settlement to the passenger. No refunds will be made for any unused portion of the tour. All prices are based on the current tariffs as of April 23, 2009 and foreign exchange rates in effect at this time and are subject to change. The sole function of **Adventure Boutique, Inc.** in connection with this tour is to act as a conduit between tour participants and African tour operators. **Adventure Boutique, Inc.** has no other responsibility, contractual or otherwise, to anyone in connection with this tour. The airlines concerned are not to be held responsible for any acts or omissions or events during the time passengers are not on board their conveyances. The payment of the required deposit or any partial or full payment for a reservation on this tour shall constitute consent to all provisions listed within this Safari Terms and Conditions. The passage contract in use by the carriers concerned, when issued, shall constitute sole contract between the Transportation Companies and the purchaser.

## RESERVATION FORM

Please reserve space for me/us on your

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commencing February 19, 2010 in Kilimanjaro. Enclosed is my/our deposit of \$\_\_\_\_\_ (\$1000 per person is required) made payable to **Adventure Boutique, Inc.** I understand that the total **land cost** is \$6775 per person, double occupancy. All monies are refundable up to 121 days prior to departure, less an administration fee of \$600

Single occupancy (when & where available) is \$1,925

Please send further information to the following address:

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

*(As it appears or will appear on your passport)*

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City: \_\_\_\_\_ St \_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone:(Home): \_\_\_\_\_ (Work): \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

**All participants must sign that they have read and accept the Safari Terms and Conditions.**

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- Zanzibar Extension - \$2865 per person
- Single Supplement, when available \$1925
- Travel Insurance
- Please quote business class airfare
- Please quote airfare from my city home \_\_\_\_\_

#### Deposit Information

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