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Safari Kijani - Green Season 14 Nights Premium Tour and Beachfront Lodge on Zanzibar

December to April per person

Safari Kijani, meaning "green" in Swahili, is the ultimate safari experience that allows you to connect with nature and escape the chaos of modern life. This unique adventure offers a chance to live in style and comfort under canvas, surrounded by the breathtaking beauty of the natural world. Throughout the day, you will embark on game drives through some of the world's most spectacular wildlife areas, getting up close and personal with magnificent creatures and taking in stunning views of distant horizons. As the sun sets, you will settle into camp, surrounded by the sounds of nature, and gather around a campfire to share stories with friends. With a focus on escaping civilization, Safari Kijani offers an unforgettable and life-changing adventure that will leave you with a fresh perspective and appreciation of our fragile world. Join us on Safari Kijani for an adventure of a lifetime!

After the exhilaration of your safari adventure, we will whisk you away to your beach resort on the white sands of Zanzibar at Nungwi to relax.

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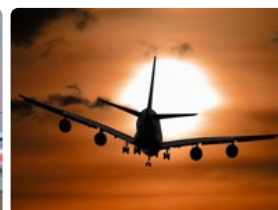
Depart from Zanzibar International Airport - Abeid Amani Karume International Airport (ZNZ)

DAY 1: Arrival Day and Tumbili Lodge



Collection from Kilimanjaro Airport and Transfer to Tumbili Lodge

Your guides and two of our jeeps will be eagerly waiting for you just at the arrivals doors and take you the 1 1/2 hour transfer to Tumbili Lodge for a welcome drink and briefing.



Tumbili Lodge, Arusha

Tumbili Lodge is a small boutique hotel situated in a beautiful lush garden with a stunning view on Mount Meru. All rooms and bandas are individually furnished and designed to offer great comfort and relaxation to its guests. The lodge is the perfect place to recover from a long journey and prepare for the adventure ahead.



DAY 2: Tarangire National Park and Tarangire Safari Lodge



Tarangire National Park

Tarangire is one of my favourite parks and is the sixth largest park in the country with 2,850 square kilometres of wilderness.

Elephants, and other animals, are always confident of finding water in Tarangire and in the driest of seasons they will dig the river bed or visit the swamp, a sort of water tank for the region. In desperate times, the elephants will strip the bark from the Baobab trees that define Tarangire and squeeze out the water.



Tarangire Safari Lodge

Since 1985, this family-owned & managed Tarangire Safari Lodge has been well known for its location and panoramic views. It caters for wildlife enthusiasts and those seeking rest and relaxation among one of Tanzania's most popular national parks.

Quintessential safari tents, with thatched roofs and large, mesh-screened windows, provide the perfect opportunity to connect with the sights and sounds of nature. Each tent has a comfortable verandah, ideal for bird and game viewing or reading your favourite book after a dusty safari.

With a choice of twin, double tents, or triple bungalows; all are equipped with en-suite bathrooms with solar-heated showers, ample cupboard space for your gear, and a cultural touch of local textiles.



DAY 3: Mto Wa Mbu and Baghayo Garden Suites



Explore Mto Wa Mbu

As we leave Tarangire we will pass by the bustling town of Mto Wa Mbu which is a little micro hub for safari supplies and street food. We will take a break to amble around this fascinating town which is a hive of activity with safari-goers, guides and camp workers as they prepare for the adventure.

There is so much to explore in Mto Wa Mbu: youth art projects; the makonde wood carvers; you have the option of a banana plantation walk where you can enjoy a traditional family lunch and drink mbege, banana beer!

Your tour will finish in the bustling local market, where you can wander around stalls selling fruit and vegetables stalls, spices and meat. Your guide will stop and explain points of interest, and give you the opportunity to try and smell a variety of foods. A real treat for the senses!



Baghayo Gardens

Each room is a suite, constructed from earthy brick and wood throughout and consists of a separate living room as well as a bedroom with en-suite bathroom. The living area is comfortably furnished with upholstered chairs in front of the working fireplace for cozy relaxing.



DAY 4: Transit via Ngorongoro Crater and Intimate Places Camp, Ndutu



Ngorongoro Crater View

The Ngorongoro Crater is the gateway to the Serengeti and we will stop at the view point to see the entire crater some 600 metres below. It is the world's largest caldera and hosts the highest concentration of wildlife in Africa.



Intimate Places Zebra Camp, Ndutu

Intimate Camp Zebra is the perfect place for visitors wishing to experience the miracle of the Great Wildebeest Migration, which is reputed to be the largest mass movement of animals on our planet.

With spacious and comfortable accommodation, Intimate Camp Zebra is a seasonal camp which has been especially designed to closely follow the migrating animals as they make their way around the Serengeti National Park.

This camp offers an authentic safari experience in comfort and style with outstanding food. For medium sized groups there is the option of an exclusive mobile camp.



DAY 5: Ndotu Southern Serengeti and Intimate Places Camp, Ndotu



Ndotu, Southern Serengeti

While Ndotu is an excellent game viewing area throughout the year, the best time to visit the Ndotu plains is from the end of December, when the Great Migration herds begin to arrive from the north, until April, when millions of wildebeest, gazelles, and zebras begin their journey northwards again. Due to the seasonal rains, massive herds of wildebeest and zebra can be seen all over these plains at this time of year.

Thousands of calves are born within Ndotu during the calving season, making Ndotu a home for new creatures on Earth. Giraffe, impala, elephant, dik dik, lion, cheetah, leopard, hyena, bat-eared fox, genet, jackal, wildcat, and many other animals end up living in Ndotu. The plains, marshes, and lakes to woodland attract an abundance of bird species.



Intimate Places Zebra Camp, Ndotu

You will return to the friendly welcome awaiting you at camp ready for sundowners, charmed by the sounds of nature in the wilderness.

A freshen up and then dinner followed by nightcaps by the campfire under a starlit African sky with a comfy bed waiting for you for a great night's sleep.

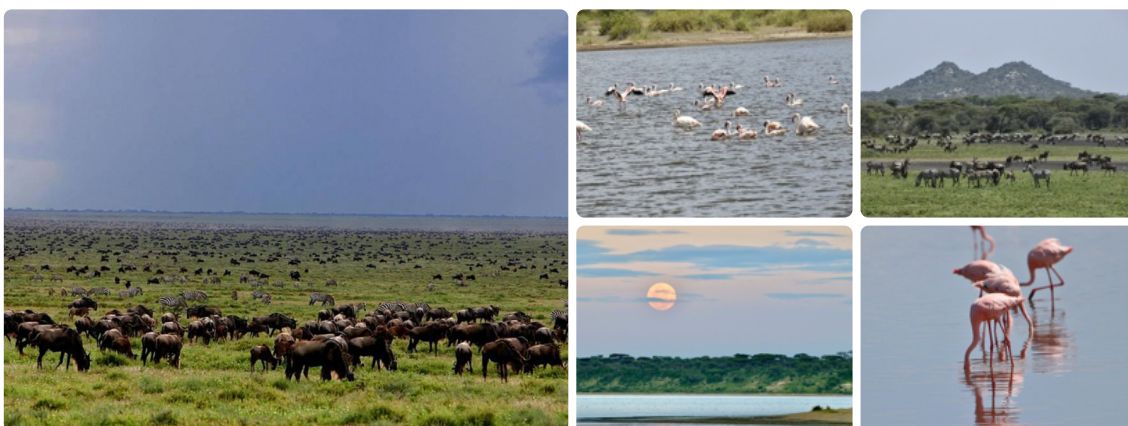


DAY 6: Ndotu and Central Serengeti Game Drive and Zawadi Camp, Serengeti



Ndotu, Southern Serengeti

The Ndotu plains is located in the Ngorongoro Conservation Area, on the outskirts of the Southern Serengeti plains. These plains are enriched with tremendous acacia trees, providing a panoramic view across Lake Ndotu and Masek at the other end. It is one of the best places in the Ngorongoro Conservation Area to spot predators and enjoy the stunning landscapes. Standing here means you're in the midst of a calving ground for migratory wild animals, specifically the wildebeest migration. It is typically composed of vast swaths of short grassland, soda-lake Masek, marshes, and woodland vegetation that support both residents and migratory animals.



Serengeti Central Game Drive

The big 5 are on everyone's list, and you're sure to see most if not all, but we might stumble upon an armadillo or the elusive leopard or even a serval or caracal cat. The beauty of the Serengeti is that you never know what you will find. there is always a surprise!



Zawadi Serengeti Camp, Central Serengeti

Enjoy an unforgettable stay at an intimate family-run boutique camp in the Serengeti wilderness. See magnificent wild animals on the Great Migration from your tent. Sustainable eco-camp that protects our environment and employs and trains local communities. Offering a wide variety of delicious, multi-cuisine food prepared daily by our chef with fresh local ingredients.



DAY 7: Central Serengeti and Zawadi Camp, Serengeti



Serengeti Central Game Drive

Meaning 'endless plains' in the Maasai language, the Serengeti is undoubtedly one of the world's most celebrated wilderness areas.

The Central Serengeti also has high-density game-viewing at all times and is well-known for its large concentration of cats, so much so that until recently this area was set aside for scientific research into predators, especially cheetah.



Zawadi Serengeti Camp, Central Serengeti

Returning to Zawadi Camp for a warm welcome to refresh and relax around the campfire ready for dinner.

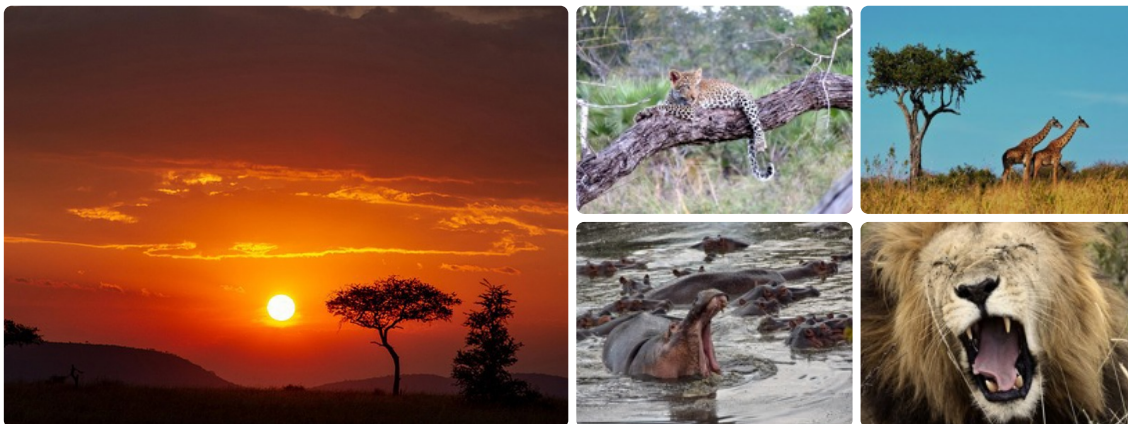


DAY 8: Central Serengeti and Ngorongoro and Enbalakai Camp



Serengeti Central Game Drive

We will have a morning game drive and then transit to our camp in Ngorongoro Crater in time for sunset.



Embalakai Authentic Camp, Ngorongoro

Embalakia Authentic Camp is an excellent place to stay in the Ngorongoro Conservation Area, this camp offers an authentic safari experience.

The camp provides comfortable tents and luxurious suites with modern amenities. Guests can enjoy the diverse wildlife of the area, including lions, elephants, and rhinos, through thrilling game drives led by experienced guides.

The camp has views over the local acacia trees and out to the far-off hills. It is close to the Elerai River and the Maasai bomas. The dining area, where you will eat breakfast and dinner, is located in the main tent. The deck is the ideal location for watching the sun set over the far-off hills while sipping a cool sundowner. In the evening after dinner you can unwind at the fire pit area, where you can share all your safari tales and experiences or perhaps hear from some of the team.



DAY 9: Ngorongoro Crater Game Drive and Baghayo Garden Suites



Ngorongoro Crater Tour

The Ngorongoro Crater is the world's largest intact and unfilled volcanic caldera and the Ngorongoro Conservation Area's main tourists' attraction. It is the largest and most scenic crater in the Ngorongoro Conservation Area, with a large concentration of wildlife. It is also one of Africa's Seven Natural Wonders due to its breathtaking natural features. The Ngorongoro Crater is known as a home to over 25,000 animals, including the big five; elephants, buffaloes, rhinos, lions and leopards.

Other animals found in this crater include hippos, hyenas, warthogs, zebras, elands, gazelles, wildebeests, just to name a few. This makes Ngorongoro Crater probably the best site in Tanzania to spot and watch the big five as well as other wild species more easily.



Baghayo Gardens

Each room has beautiful views over the valleys, farms and coffee plantations to the Ngorongoro Forest and distant hills. Amenities include large walk-in shower, separate WC, personal products in pump jars, hairdryers and room safes for your valuables.



DAY 11: Sightseeing in Arusha and Flight to Zanzibar, Flame Tree Cottages



Lunch at Coffee Lodge and visit Shanga Centre

If time permits on departure day (subject to flight times), we will drive to Arusha Coffee Lodge for lunch and visit the Shanga Centre. On the outskirts of this town, hidden amongst one of Tanzania's largest coffee plantations, you will find Arusha Coffee Lodge, a perfect haven for relaxation either before or after any East African safari.

Shanga is a social enterprise, which employs people with disabilities to create unique and high-quality handmade jewellery, glassware and homewares incorporating recycled materials. These products are sold in the Shanga shop in Tanzania, as well as around the world, with profits being reinvested back into developing opportunities to employ more people with disabilities. <https://www.shanga.org/>



Flight to Zanzibar



After a morning of visiting Arusha for some shopping and having lunch at Coffee Lodge, we will take an afternoon flight to Zanzibar.



Collection from Zanzibar Airport and Transfer

We will be eagerly awaiting you just outside the arrivals hall with your private SUV and whisk you away to your beach residence, taking in the sights and sounds of the streets and lanes of Zanzibar.



Flame Tree Cottages, Nungwi Beach, Zanzibar

This accommodation is located in Nungwi, right on the beach.

This small independent hotel has been welcoming guests to experience the simplicity and serenity of the Zanzibari lifestyle, since 2004. A beachfront haven of tranquility situated on the northern tip of Zanzibar, overlooking the beautiful turquoise coastline of Nungwi.



DAY 10: Dolphins, SCUBA or Explore Nungwi and Flame Tree Cottages



Explore Nungwi Village

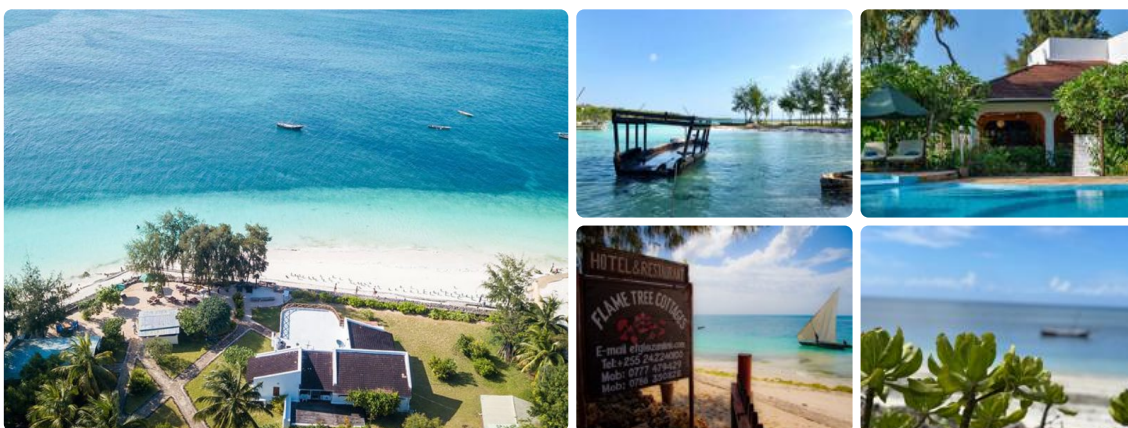
In the morning, you can familiarise yourselves with the area and take a stroll to Nungwi, a village at the northern end of the Tanzanian island of Unguja, familiarly called Zanzibar. It's known for the wide, palm-lined Nungwi Beach and a nearby boat-building yard for the production of traditional dhows. The Mnarani Marine Turtle Conservation Pond shelters green and hawksbill sea turtles in a tidal lagoon. Off the coast, coral reefs teeming with colorful fish include Hunga and Leven Bank.

Today is also a good day to arrange an optional SCUBA excursion or a swim with dolphins.



Flame Tree Cottages, Nungwi Beach, Zanzibar

Individually styled cottages are set in lush tropical African gardens, surrounded by coconut palms, frangipani flowers, avocado and banana trees, aloe vera and of course flame trees. Each room has a spacious veranda and is individually decorated with a blend of locally made Swahili wood furniture, traditional Zanzibari beds and antique pieces.



DAY 11: Safari Blue Sea Adventure and Flame Tree Cottages



Safari Blue Sea Adventure

The Safari Blue Experience is an unmissable day excursion exploring the protected waters of Zanzibar. You will be transferred to the beach where the mahogany traditional Dhow boats will be waiting and fitted with snorkels, masks and flippers. Snorkelling is of course optional, but the sailing alone is a wonderful experience and complimentary drinks are onboard.

At midday, you will land at a private beach for the most extraordinary seafood barbecue and relax on the white sands before returning to Zanzibar where your driver will be waiting to return you to the resort.



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Flame Tree Cottages, Nungwi Beach, Zanzibar

Flame Tree has a deep commitment to the local community. The majority of staff are from the local fishing village of Nungwi. The owners are passionate about using local suppliers and local labour was used for the construction of the hotel.



DAY 12: Stone Town and Spice Tour and Flame Tree Cottages

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Zanzibar - Stone Town and Spice Tour

The lush tropical forests and pristine beaches spread across what is officially called the semi-autonomous region of Zanzibar, made up of Unguja and Pemba islands. Latham Island, also called Fungu Kizimkazi, is very small and uninhabited. Mafia Island is home to about 46 thousand people and countless species of wild animals. Each island is surrounded by many smaller islands, most of them unsettled.

Like mainland Tanzania, Zanzibar is an important centre of Swahili culture, and at the same time the meeting point of several ethnic influences. Following the Portuguese who arrived here in 1498, the island was heavily shaped by the Arabs during the Omani rule until the 18th century. The British empire, another addition to this eclectic mix of cultures, was also an important turning point that brought relief with the abolition of slavery.

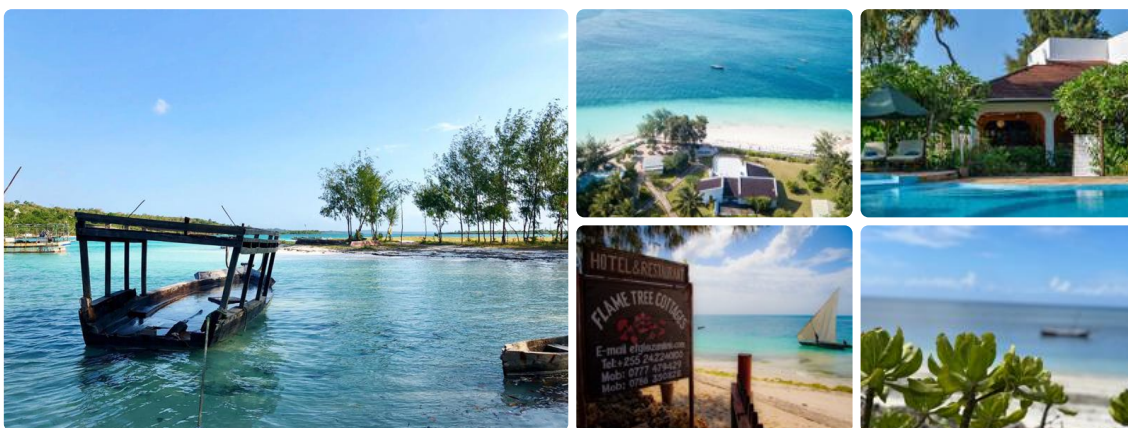
Besides slave trade, the island's strategic position also gave way to the rise of relevant commercial activity, and while the new era has brought the end of colonial conflicts (the region was granted independence in 1963), Zanzibar remains an important market for cloves, seaweed, and spices, all sold around the coral stone landmarks of Stone Town. For this reason, the Zanzibar Archipelago is also known as the Spice Islands.



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Flame Tree Cottages, Nungwi Beach, Zanzibar

Take a dip in our garden pool, laze on your veranda or hammock before ambling through the garden gate to explore the beach, snorkel or swim or enjoy a dhow sail. It's like living in a lush tropical garden on the beach.



DAY 13: Relax at Flame Tree Cottages

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Flame Tree Cottages, Nungwi Beach, Zanzibar

Relax at your beautiful and cosy beachfront lodge and enjoy the friendly service.

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DAY 14: Relax at Flame Tree Cottages

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Flame Tree Cottages, Nungwi Beach, Zanzibar

Today will be the last day of your holiday and for you to enjoy the beach and a sunset dinner to relax and reminisce on what will surely have been a wonderful adventure.



DAY 15: Check Out and Transfer to Zanzibar Airport



Check Out and Departure

We hope you will have had wonderful time and at check out you will be presented with a bill for any extras at the hotel e.g. lunches or drinks etc.

Please be aware that the Government of Zanzibar charges an Infrastructure Tax of USD 4 per person per night from 1 July 2023. All guests including children staying at our hotel in Zanzibar will be obliged to pay USD 4 per person per night.

We really apologise for this inconvenience, but we cannot pay this for you in advance, the Infrastructure Tax is a government tax and not a hotel tax and must be paid directly to the government by each tourist.



Transfer to Zanzibar Airport

Sadly it is time to say goodbye and we hope that although you came as strangers, you will leave as dear friends of Tanzania and its marvellous people and we welcome you back again soon.

We will schedule a VIP transfer from your residence to the airport for your onward journey or flight home (approx 1 hour).

Safari njema!



Depart from Zanzibar International Airport



Abeid Amani Karume International Airport (ZNZ)

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