

14 Days Tanzania Photography Safari

📍 Southern Serengeti, Ngorongoro



Embark on a **14-day photography safari across Tanzania**, designed for wildlife and landscape enthusiasts. This journey offers the ultimate African experience. From the vast Serengeti plains to the iconic Ngorongoro Crater, you will capture Africa's most iconic wildlife moments in breathtaking settings.

Your adventure begins in **Arusha**, where you receive a warm welcome and safari briefing. Here, you prepare your gear for the days ahead. Then, explore **Tarangire National Park**, famous for majestic elephants, ancient baobab trees, and rich wildlife. Early mornings and golden hours provide ideal lighting for both landscapes and animal photography. Optional night photography is available depending on your lodge.

Next, visit the **Ngorongoro Crater**, one of Africa's densest wildlife havens. Here, you can photograph black rhinos, lions, and diverse herbivores. Sunrise and sunset from the crater rim create awe-inspiring landscape shots.

In the **Ndutu Plains** (Southern Serengeti, Dec-Mar), witness thrilling predator-prey interactions. Capture cheetah hunts and wildebeest calving in dramatic golden-hour light. The open plains provide excellent opportunities for both action shots and sweeping landscapes.

The journey continues through **Seronera Valley**, home to leopards and thriving lion prides. Then, explore the remote **Namiri Plains**, where predators roam freely. Optional hot air balloon rides offer panoramic aerial perspectives of the Serengeti.

Finally, visit the **Northern Serengeti**, including Lamai and Mara River. Witness dramatic migration crossings, predator action, and crocodile encounters.

Throughout the safari, expert guides ensure you are in the right place at the right time. They also provide insights into wildlife behavior and photography techniques. Luxury lodges and tented camps offer comfort between thrilling photo sessions. Altogether, this safari combines adventure, wildlife, and artistry into an unforgettable Tanzanian experience.

Tour Facts

Group Size:
2-6

Duration:
14

Language:
English, France, Germany, Spain

Tour Type:
continuous

Tour Itinerary

Day 1 : Arrival - Arusha



Upon arrival at **Kilimanjaro International Airport**, you will be warmly welcomed by your guide and transferred to your lodge in Arusha. This is your first chance to settle in and prepare your camera gear for the days ahead. Later, enjoy a detailed **safari briefing**, where your guide will outline the itinerary, share photography tips, and discuss the wildlife and landscapes you can expect to encounter. Spend the evening relaxing at your lodge, soaking in the peaceful surroundings

and reviewing your equipment in anticipation of the adventure ahead.

Stay: Arusha Coffee Lodge / Legendary Lodge

Meals Included
DINNER,

Duration
6 Hours

Day 2 : Tarangire National Park



After an early breakfast, depart for **Tarangire National Park**, famous for its vast herds of elephants, ancient baobab trees, and diverse wildlife. Your day begins with a **morning game drive**, where the soft golden light is perfect for capturing wildlife in their natural habitat. Watch elephants meandering through baobab-studded landscapes, zebras grazing, and impalas bounding across the plains.

During mid-day, enjoy a **lunch break at a scenic picnic spot or lodge**, giving you time to review your photos and adjust camera settings for the afternoon session. In the afternoon, embark on a second game drive, focusing on predator sightings such as lions lounging under trees or stalking prey. The changing light offers opportunities for dramatic landscape and silhouette shots.

If staying at a lodge with night photography options, you may have the chance to capture **nocturnal wildlife** under the stars, including bush babies, hyenas, or leopards.

Photography Tips:

- Use early morning and late afternoon light for soft, warm images.
- Capture elephants with baobabs for iconic African landscape shots.
- Keep a long lens ready for distant predators and birds.

Stay: Nimali Tarangire / Tarangire Treetops

Meals Included
LUNCH, DINNER, BREAKFAST,

Duration
7 Hours

Day 3 : Tarangire National Park



Wake up early for a **sunrise game drive**, when the park comes alive with wildlife activity. The soft morning light enhances the beauty of Tarangire's iconic **baobab-studded landscapes**, perfect for wide-angle shots. Capture herds of elephants moving across the plains, giraffes nibbling treetops, and herds of zebras and wildebeests creating dynamic compositions.

After a **mid-morning break**, continue exploring less-visited areas of the park. Focus on close-up shots of wildlife behavior, such as birds feeding, lions resting in the shade, or elephants interacting socially. Your guide will take you to locations that maximize photographic opportunities while maintaining safety.

During **lunch at your lodge or picnic spot**, review your morning captures and plan for the afternoon drive. The late afternoon offers stunning **golden-hour light**, ideal for silhouette shots of animals against dramatic skies and baobabs. Look out for predators, including lions or leopards, preparing for evening hunts.

Optional **night photography** may be possible if your lodge allows, giving you the chance to capture nocturnal wildlife with long-exposure techniques.

Photography Tips:

- Experiment with silhouettes of baobabs against sunrise or sunset skies.
- Use telephoto lenses for intimate wildlife behavior shots.
- Try low-angle shots to add drama and depth to your wildlife photos.

Stay: Nimali Tarangire / Tarangire Treetops

Meals Included
LUNCH, DINNER, BREAKFAST,

Duration
8 Hours

Day 4 : Ngorongoro Crater



After an early breakfast, depart Tarangire and drive toward the **Ngorongoro Conservation Area**. En route, enjoy scenic landscapes and rolling hills that transition into the dramatic crater highlands. Upon arrival, check in at your lodge and prepare for an afternoon adventure.

Begin your first **Ngorongoro game drive** in the late afternoon, descending into the **crater floor**, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The compact ecosystem supports high wildlife density, making it ideal for photography. Capture **black rhinos grazing**, lions stalking prey, elephants wandering, and vast herds of zebras and wildebeests. The crater's backdrop of steep walls and acacia-dotted plains adds natural drama to your compositions.

The soft afternoon light is perfect for **golden-hour shots**, emphasizing textures, colors, and wildlife silhouettes. Focus on capturing **animal behavior**, social interactions, and the stunning contrast between predators and prey.

Photography Tips:

- Use a telephoto lens for rhinos and distant predators.
- Capture wide-angle shots that include the crater walls for scale and depth.
- Afternoon light enhances landscape and animal portraits alike.

Return to your lodge for dinner, evening relaxation, and optional night photography if available. Prepare your camera gear for a **full day inside the crater** tomorrow, when sunrise offers the best light for early morning shots.

Stay: Ngorongoro Serena Lodge / Sanctuary Ngorongoro Crater Camp

Meals Included
LUNCH, DINNER, BREAKFAST,

Duration
8 Hours

Day 5 : Ngorongoro Crater - Full Day Exploration



Wake up early for a **sunrise game drive** along the crater rim, where the first light casts dramatic shadows over the landscape. Capture sweeping views of the crater floor below, dotted with wildlife. Descend into the **Ngorongoro Crater**, one of Africa's densest wildlife habitats, for a full day of photography.

Spend the morning photographing **black rhinos**, lions, elephants, and large herds of herbivores in their natural environment. The crater's compact size allows for intimate wildlife encounters, ideal for both

close-up portraits and wide-angle shots. Pay attention to animal behavior, social interactions, and the subtle lighting that changes throughout the day.

Break for **lunch at a scenic picnic site** within the crater. Use this time to review your shots and prepare for the afternoon session. In the late afternoon, continue exploring less-traveled areas of the crater. Golden-hour light enhances your images, offering opportunities for dramatic silhouettes and rich colors. Look out for predators hunting, birds in flight, and interactions among elephants and buffalo herds.

Return to your lodge in the evening for dinner and optional night photography. This is a perfect time to capture **long-exposure shots of the starry sky** over the Ngorongoro highlands.

Photography Tips:

- Use wide-angle lenses to capture the full scale of the crater and its wildlife.
- Telephoto lenses are essential for rhinos and predators at a safe distance.
- Early morning and late afternoon light create the most dynamic and vibrant images.

Stay: Ngorongoro Serena Lodge / Sanctuary Ngorongoro Crater Camp

Meals Included
LUNCH, DINNER, BREAKFAST,

Duration
8 Hours

Day 6 : Ndutu Plains (Southern Serengeti)



After breakfast, depart Ngorongoro and drive toward the **Ndutu region** in the southern Serengeti. This area is famous for its open plains, dramatic predator-prey interactions, and, during February–March, the **wildebeest calving season**, providing extraordinary photographic opportunities.

Begin your afternoon with a **game drive across the plains**, capturing cheetahs in pursuit, lions resting or hunting, and herds of wildebeest and zebras grazing or moving across the savanna. The wide, open landscapes allow for stunning **golden-hour shots**, where animals are silhouetted against the glowing skies. Photographers can experiment with both action sequences and sweeping panoramic images.

Take breaks at scenic spots for **lunch and camera prep**, reviewing morning shots and planning for the afternoon session. Focus on capturing the interaction between predators and prey, and look for unique wildlife behaviors that tell a story in your images. The flat plains also offer excellent opportunities for aerial-style compositions if you choose to use drones or hot-air balloon photography (optional).

Photography Tips:

- Use continuous shooting mode for cheetah and predator action sequences.
- Wide-angle lenses work well for dramatic landscapes with wildlife in the frame.

- Morning and late afternoon light creates depth and highlights textures in the grasslands.

Return to your lodge or tented camp for dinner, evening relaxation, and optional **night photography**, capturing nocturnal animals and starry skies.

Stay: Ndotu Safari Lodge / Lake Masek Tented Camp

Meals Included
LUNCH, DINNER, BREAKFAST,

Duration
8 Hours

Day 7 : Ndotu Plains – Full Day Photography



Start your day with an **early morning game drive** across the Ndotu Plains. The soft morning light illuminates the open savannah, perfect for capturing cheetahs on the hunt, lions stalking prey, and herds of wildebeest and zebras. February–March visitors may witness the dramatic **wildebeest calving season**, offering incredible action and wildlife behavior photography.

Mid-morning, take a short break at a scenic spot to **review your shots** and adjust camera settings. Continue exploring the plains, focusing on intimate wildlife portraits and the interactions between predators and herbivores. The expansive landscapes allow for both wide-angle compositions and telephoto shots of distant action.

After lunch at your lodge or picnic site, enjoy an **afternoon game drive**. The golden-hour light transforms the plains, creating stunning silhouettes and highlighting textures in the grasslands. Look for cheetahs chasing prey, lions lounging on kopjes, and elephants moving across the plains. The changing light adds depth and drama to every photograph.

Photography Tips:

- Use burst mode to capture fast-moving predators in action.
- Experiment with low angles for dynamic wildlife and landscape compositions.
- Take advantage of backlighting during sunrise and sunset for striking silhouettes.

Return to your lodge or camp for dinner, evening relaxation, and optional **night photography** to capture nocturnal wildlife under the stars. This full day in Ndotu ensures a portfolio filled with action, landscapes, and unforgettable wildlife moments.

Stay: Ndotu Safari Lodge / Lake Masek Tented Camp

Meals Included
LUNCH, DINNER, BREAKFAST,

Duration
8 Hours

Day 8 : Serengeti Central – Seronera Valley



After breakfast, depart Ndotu and drive north into **Seronera Valley**, the heart of the Serengeti. This region is renowned for its high concentration of **leopards**, thriving lion prides, and dramatic kopjes that create iconic photographic compositions.

Begin with a **morning game drive**, taking advantage of soft morning light to capture predators lounging, stalking, or hunting. The mix of open plains and rocky outcrops allows for both wide-angle landscape shots and intimate wildlife portraits. Look for leopards resting in trees, lions surveying their territory, and elephants moving through the savannah.

Enjoy a **midday break at your lodge**, where you can review photos, adjust camera gear, and prepare for the afternoon session. In the late afternoon, embark on another game drive, focusing on **golden-hour lighting**. Capture wildlife silhouettes against glowing skies and experiment with dynamic compositions featuring animals on kopjes or moving across the plains.

Optional: Take a **sunrise hot air balloon ride** over Seronera for a unique aerial perspective of the Serengeti. This is ideal for panoramic shots of the vast plains dotted with wildlife and kopjes, providing unforgettable photography opportunities.

Photography Tips:

- Telephoto lenses are essential for leopards and distant predators.
- Wide-angle lenses work well for dramatic landscapes with wildlife in the frame.
- Use burst mode for action shots and take advantage of early morning and late afternoon light.

Return to your lodge in the evening for dinner, relaxation, and optional night photography under the stars.

Stay: Kubu Kubu Tented Lodge / Ole Serai Luxury Camp

Meals Included
LUNCH, DINNER, BREAKFAST,

Duration
8 Hours

Day 9 : Serengeti Central – Seronera Valley



Start your day with an **early morning game drive** to capture the Serengeti in soft, golden light. Seronera Valley is home to **leopards, lions, and hyenas**, offering abundant action for wildlife photographers. The rocky kopjes provide perfect vantage points to frame predators against dramatic skies.

During the morning, focus on **predator behavior and wildlife interactions**. Capture leopards resting in trees, lions surveying their territory, or playful cubs with their pride. The interplay of shadows and sunlight enhances textures and adds depth to your images.

Take a **midday break at your lodge** to review your photos and plan for the afternoon. In the **late afternoon**, embark on another game drive. This is an ideal time to capture **golden-hour landscapes**, silhouettes of elephants, and dramatic skies over the plains. Look for hunting activity and dynamic wildlife behavior as the day winds down.

Optional: If you haven't already, consider a **sunrise hot air balloon ride** over the central Serengeti for panoramic aerial shots of the plains and scattered wildlife below.

Photography Tips:

- Use telephoto lenses for intimate predator shots.
- Wide-angle lenses work well for capturing wildlife in vast landscapes.
- Experiment with silhouettes during sunrise and sunset for dramatic effects.

Return to your lodge in the evening for dinner, photo review, and optional **night photography**, capturing nocturnal wildlife and the starry Serengeti sky.

Stay: Kubu Kubu Tented Lodge / Ole Serai Luxury Camp

Meals Included
LUNCH, DINNER, BREAKFAST,

Duration
8 Hours

Day 10 : Eastern Serengeti – Namiri Plains



After breakfast, depart Seronera and head east to the **Namiri Plains**, a remote and predator-rich area of the Serengeti. This region is renowned for its **cheetahs, lions, and hyenas**, offering photographers exceptional wildlife action against wide-open landscapes.

Begin with a **morning game drive**, capturing predators in their natural habitat. Look for cheetahs stalking or sprinting after prey, lions resting on kopjes, and hyenas interacting in packs. The plains' vastness allows you to compose **dramatic wide-angle shots**, showcasing animals in their environment.

Take a **midday break at your camp** to review your shots, rest, and prepare for the afternoon session. In the **late afternoon**, continue exploring the plains. The golden-hour light creates stunning silhouettes and rich colors across the savannah. Capture dynamic wildlife behavior, landscapes, and the interaction between animals and their environment.

Optional: For a unique perspective, consider **using a drone or elevated vantage points** to photograph cheetahs and lions moving across the plains. Namiri Plains' remote location also reduces tourist traffic, allowing for undisturbed and authentic wildlife photography.

Photography Tips:

- Use burst mode and telephoto lenses for fast-moving predators like cheetahs.
- Wide-angle lenses are ideal for capturing expansive landscapes with animals.
- Afternoon light enhances textures and adds warmth to your images.

Return to your camp for dinner, relaxation, and optional **night photography**, capturing nocturnal animals or long-exposure starry skies.

Stay: Asilia Namiri Plains Camp

Meals Included
LUNCH, DINNER, BREAKFAST,

Duration
10 Hours

Day 11 : Eastern Serengeti – Namiri Plains



Begin the day with an **early morning game drive** across the remote Namiri Plains. The soft morning light enhances wildlife and landscape shots, providing ideal conditions for photography. Focus on **cheetahs in action**, lions on lookout kopjes, and hyenas interacting within their territory.

During the morning, capture intimate moments of wildlife behavior, such as predators stalking prey or herds of herbivores grazing in the expansive plains. The lack of tourist congestion in this region allows for unobstructed views and authentic wildlife interactions.

Take a **midday break at your camp** to review your morning captures and prepare for the afternoon session. The **late afternoon golden hour** offers dramatic lighting for silhouettes and panoramic compositions. Photograph predators against the glowing savannah, as well as distant landscapes dotted with acacia trees and kopjes.

Optional: For unique perspectives, use elevated viewpoints or drones to capture sweeping scenes of the plains and predators in motion. The Namiri Plains' remote location provides unparalleled opportunities for **action photography** and cinematic wildlife shots.

Photography Tips:

- Telephoto lenses are essential for capturing distant cheetahs, lions, and hyenas in action.
- Wide-angle lenses work well for dramatic landscape shots with wildlife.
- Take advantage of backlighting during sunrise and sunset to create silhouettes.

Return to your camp for dinner, evening relaxation, and optional **night photography**, capturing nocturnal wildlife and the star-filled Serengeti sky.

Stay: Asilia Namiri Plains Camp

Meals Included
LUNCH, DINNER, BREAKFAST,

Duration
8 Hours

Day 12 : Northern Serengeti – Lamai & Mara River



After breakfast, depart Namiri Plains and drive north to the **Northern Serengeti**, including the Lamai area and Mara River region. This area is famous for **wildebeest migration crossings**, crocodile encounters, and large predator activity, offering incredible opportunities for action photography.

Begin with a **morning game drive**, capturing dramatic scenes of wildlife along the riverbanks. Look for wildebeest and zebra herds preparing to cross the Mara River, often closely followed by lurking crocodiles. Lions and leopards frequent the kopjes nearby, creating dynamic compositions for your wildlife portfolio.

Take a **midday break at your camp** to review your photos, adjust camera settings, and prepare for the afternoon session. In the **late afternoon**, continue exploring the Northern Serengeti. The golden-hour light transforms the landscape, highlighting predators, river crossings, and the vastness of the plains. Capture sweeping panoramic shots, silhouettes, and intimate animal behavior.

Optional: For migration season (July–October), spend extra time along riverbanks to **photograph the dramatic crossings**, one of Africa’s most iconic wildlife spectacles. Elevated viewpoints and long lenses are ideal for safe and impactful compositions.

Photography Tips:

- Use a telephoto lens for crocodile encounters and predator-prey action.
- Wide-angle lenses work for capturing large herds and sweeping river landscapes.
- Early morning and late afternoon light create dramatic shadows and textures.

Return to your lodge or camp in the evening for dinner, relaxation, and optional **night photography**, capturing nocturnal wildlife and starry skies.

Stay: Nomad Lamai Serengeti / Asilia Sayari Camp

Meals Included
LUNCH, DINNER, BREAKFAST,

Duration
8 Hours

Day 13 : Northern Serengeti – Lamai & Mara River



Wake up early for a **sunrise game drive**, capturing the Northern Serengeti in soft, golden light. Focus on the **dramatic wildebeest migration**, predator-prey interactions, and the iconic river landscapes. Lions, leopards, and hyenas often roam the kopjes, offering excellent opportunities for intimate wildlife photography.

Spend the **morning photographing migration crossings** (seasonal, July–October), crocodile activity, and the dynamic movements of zebras and wildebeest. Use the wide-open plains to create sweeping landscape shots that include animals in their natural environment.

After a **midday break at your camp**, continue exploring the plains during the **late afternoon golden hour**. Capture predators in action, silhouettes against the sky, and panoramic vistas that showcase the drama of the Serengeti. The remote location provides a sense of wilderness, minimizing distractions and maximizing photographic opportunities.

Optional: Take elevated viewpoints or use telephoto lenses for close-ups of migration crossings and predator encounters. The Northern Serengeti offers some of the most **epic wildlife photography experiences** in Africa.

Photography Tips:

- Burst mode and telephoto lenses are essential for fast-moving predators and river crossings.
- Wide-angle lenses capture dramatic landscapes and large herds.
- Backlighting and golden-hour light enhance textures and create stunning silhouettes.

Return to your lodge or camp in the evening for dinner, reflection on your safari, and optional **night photography**. Prepare your camera gear for departure the next day.

Stay: Nomad Lamai Serengeti / Asilia Sayari Camp

Meals Included
LUNCH, DINNER, BREAKFAST,

Duration
8 Hours

Day 14 : Departure – Northern Serengeti / Serengeti Airstrip to Arusha



Wake up early for a **final morning game drive** (time permitting) to capture any last wildlife or landscape shots. This is your opportunity for one last sunrise photography session, framing animals against the golden light of the Serengeti or Lamai plains.

After the game drive, return to your lodge for breakfast and check-out. You will then be transferred to **Kogatende or Seronera airstrip** for your flight back to Arusha or Kilimanjaro International Airport. During the transfer, reflect on your safari and review your portfolio of incredible wildlife and landscape images captured over the past two weeks.

Upon arrival in Arusha or at the airport, you will be assisted with your departure formalities. This marks the end of your **14-day Pure Tanzania Photography Safari**, leaving you with unforgettable memories and a camera full of extraordinary images from one of Africa's most iconic wildlife destinations.

Photography Tips:

- Use the soft morning light for final silhouette or landscape shots.
- Capture last-minute wildlife encounters to complete your photo collection.
- Ensure all camera gear is packed and backups are stored safely for travel.

End of Safari

Meals Included
LUNCH, BREAKFAST,

Duration
8 Hours