



MOUNT KILIMANJARO **BRIEF DESCRIPTION AND 2010 PRICE LIST**

The summit of Mount Kilimanjaro at 5,895m (19,340 feet) above sea level, is the highest point in Africa. Fortunately it is possible for most healthy hikers to reach this point, and so could be described as one of the highest non-technical climbs in the world. The two most important factors affecting the success rate of a high altitude climb are the amount of time spent on the mountain (rate of ascent) which affects acclimatisation, and your guide. All of our routes are some of the least travelled and take the most time (at least 8 days) to hike.

Our Shira Route ascends via the Western Breach and can include camping in the Crater

This route can either be hiked in 8 or 9 days. We recommend a 9 day climb for most people, including fit teenagers wishing to spend a night in the Crater at 5800m (18,500 feet) asl. Climbers not wishing to camp in the Crater, and leaving Arrow Glacier camp at around 2 am and people normally living above 2,000m (6,000 feet) asl who are also very strong could attempt our shorter 8 day climb. The sense of freedom one feels walking on one of the quieter, camping-only routes of the mountain is well worth the effort - to say nothing of the fabulous views and fascinating changes in vegetation as one ascends.

For both of these climbs we begin in the western forest, and traverse through the heath zone and then into the Shira Plateau. From here we gradually ascend to Lava Tower in preparation for our hike up the Western Breach. We enjoy the views from the summit and then descend steeply via the south-eastern Barafu route to Mweka camp.

Climb leaders and guides

All of our climbs are led by Justin Bell, Marc Baker or Squack Evans. They are assisted by other highly experienced Tanzanian climbing guides and assistant climbing guides, enabling each guest to walk at their own pace.

Mountain camps

Each two guests are accommodated in a three-man mountain tent. We also supply a dining tent, lightweight tables and stools. Porters carry nearly everything, from food, stoves, tents, and climbers' equipment. You are only expected to carry a light day pack. We carry emergency oxygen, an AED heart saving device, pulse oximeter and a gamow bag. For the Western Breach ascent a separate Kilimanjaro National Park indemnity form must be signed and we supply helmets, and use carry-out dry waste toilet systems which are compulsory.

Best times of year - Good times to attempt a climb: January to mid-March; mid-June to October.



2010 Shira Route rates

All the rates below include two nights in a lodge or hotel and acclimatisation hike prior to the climb, and one night and day rooms in a luxury lodge after the climb. This makes a total of 11 nights / 12 days for the 9 day climb and 10 nights / 11 days for the 8 day climb.

Group size No of Climbers	Shira - Crater camp 9 days on the mountain	Shira – No Crater camp 8 days on the mountain
12	\$5,450	\$4,950
11	\$5,550	\$5,100
10	\$5,650	\$5,250
9	\$5,790	\$5,400
8	\$6,200	\$5,700
7	\$6,700	\$6,100
6	\$7,200	\$6,600
5	\$7,640	\$7,050
4	\$7,930	\$7,345
3	\$8,820	\$8,180
2	\$10,300	\$9,760

Included in the climb price: Squack Evans or Marc Baker as lead guide plus a team of assistant mountain guides and porters (Justin Bell, who is busy marketing for much of the year) may be assigned to your climb if you pay for a group of 10 or more, or for a surcharge for smaller groups; acclimatisation hike on Mount Meru before the climb; accommodation in Arusha two nights before and one night after the climb; mountain climbing orientation the afternoon before the climb; transport from Arusha to the trailhead and back to Arusha; all park entry and camping fees; Medical emergency evacuation insurance (covers air evacuation from Moshi or Kilimanjaro airport to Nairobi Hospital in event of an emergency). All staff and group equipment.

Not included in the climb price: Personal equipment; travel or any other insurance; other personal costs such as soft/alcoholic drinks or laundry costs once off the mountain (not available on the mountain); any extra costs incurred if leaving the mountain early, such as vehicle hire or extra accommodation costs. Nor are gratuities included. There is a supplement charged if Justin Bell is lead guide unless there are more than 9 paying climbers, to be quoted separately.

Single supplement: Specially requested single accommodation will be charged at a supplement of US\$500 per person for the trip.

WILDERNESS AFRICA TERMS AND CONDITIONS

General: Quotations for groups of more than 12 people can be supplied on request. We reserve the right to substitute campsites, hotels and/or lodges and to alter the itinerary should this be considered necessary or advisable. Should exceptional circumstances arise (e.g. sudden unexpected increases in park fees or fuel prices), we reserve the right to alter the above prices. Park fees are subject to change without notice.

Deposits:

To confirm a booking - 30% of full safari cost required.
60 days prior to safari - Full safari cost required

Cancellations:

No of days prior to safari start date

	Terms
> 120	Full refund less US\$1,200 per person
60-120	Deposit is forfeited
30-59	50% of full safari cost forfeited
<30	Full safari cost forfeit

Insurance: While on safari or climb with us you are not covered by any insurance (such as personal, travel, accident or baggage loss). We suggest that you make arrangements so that you and your property are fully insured for the duration of your safari or climb and also for travel in light aircraft. Similarly, you are advised to arrange adequate insurance in the unforeseen event of postponement or cancellation of your safari.

Liability: Although every possible care is taken to safeguard you and your property, we accept no liability for any accidents, injuries, or illnesses arising during the safari, nor thereafter, nor the loss or damage to your property and persons. **By booking and paying a deposit for a safari or climb, you are deemed to have accepted the liability and insurance clauses above.**