



Marangu Route

Known as the "Coca-Cola" route, the Marangu route is a classic trek on Mount Kilimanjaro. It is the oldest, most well-established route. Many favor the Marangu route because it is considered to be the easiest path on the mountain, given its gradual slope. It is also the only route which offers sleeping huts in dormitory style accommodations.

The minimum days required for this route is five, although the probability of successfully reaching the top in that time period is quite low. Spending an extra acclimatization day on the mountain is highly recommended when climbing Kilimanjaro using the Marangu route.



Distance covered: 8.3km / 5.2mi **Approx. time taken:** 5 hours

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner Included

After breakfast, you will be collected from your lodge in Moshi and taken to the Marangu gate. Once the necessary paperwork has been completed, your trek can begin and you will soon be hiking through the dense rainforest.

Alongside the impressive vegetation, you will have the chance to catch a glimpse of some primates as you head to the Mandara Hut. After a well-earned rest, your guide can take you to the Maundi Crater where you can enjoy the wonderful view of the Kenyan interior.









Distance covered: 12.5km / 7.8mi

Approx. time taken: 9 hours

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner Included

The day begins with an early breakfast. Shortly after you have left Mandara Hut, you will reach the timberline and then enter the heath and moor zone.

Approximately 4 – 6 hours later, the Horombo Hut will come into sight, standing at an altitude of 3700m. From the hut, you will have fantastic views overlooking Mawenzi, Kibo and the wide plain of the Masai steppe.









Distance covered: 5km / 3.1mi **Approx. time taken**: 4 hours

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner Included

Today serves as an acclimatization day. This should not be underestimated and greatly improves your chance of success in reaching the summit. After a relaxing breakfast, a 4-hour trek follows to the Zebra Rocks (4020m). The distinctive black and white stripes give the rock formation its name.

On your return to Horombo Hut, a warm lunch will be waiting for you. You can relax in the afternoon and regain your strength for the hike the following day.







DAY 4 HOROMBO HUT (3,700M)







Distance covered: 9.5km / 5.9mi **Approx. time taken:** 7 hours

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner Included

Today's stage is long and tough. The well-built trail passes the "Last Water point" which is followed by the so-called "saddle". This nearly vegetation less plateau joins the main summit Kibo with Mawenzi.

Today's destination is the Kibo Hut that is usually reached in about 5 – 6 hours. Here, you will enjoy an early evening meal followed by an early night, as the night will be short.







DAY 5 KIBO HUT (4,700M) TO UHURU PEAK (5,895M)





Distance covered: 22km / 13.7mi **Approx. time taken:** 12 - 15 hours

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner Included

Today is "The Big Day" the summit stage. You will begin your final ascent around midnight which will be long and strenuous. Passing the Hans Meyer Cave at 5,220m, the climb slowly but surely goes upwards. At sunrise, you will reach Gillman's Point (5681m) the crater rim of Kilimanjaro where the sun will slowly start to warm up the land. You will have soon forgotten the cold of the night and after a further hike of 1 – 2 hours, you will reach Uhuru Peak at 5895m.

On your return to Kibo Hut, a warm meal awaits you followed by a 1 – 2 hour break before proceeding back down to Horombo Hut.









Distance covered: 20.8km / 12.9mi

Approx. time taken: 8 hours

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner Included

The last stage passes through the heath and moor zone to the Mandara Hut (2700m) where a warm lunch is waiting for you. Soon, you will once again pass the tropical rainforest and after a total time of 6 hours trekking, you will be back at the Kilimanjaro National Park Gate (1860m).

After saying goodbye to your mountain guides, a short transfer follows to take you back to your hotel in Moshi. Once there, you can take a warm and relaxing shower and celebrate your success in reaching the summit of the Kilimanjaro.









Inclusives

The following items are included in prices:

- Public transport to & from Nairobi Moshi.
- 2 nights of accommodation in Moshi (before and after the climb bed and breakfast).
- Return transportation from Moshi/from the starting/finishing point on the mountain.
- Qualified guides with mountain crew.
- All national park fees.
- Hut/camping fees.
- Mess tent (for dining) Mini camping chairs/Tables/Candles.
- First aid kit.
- 3 hot meals daily while on the mountain.
- Enough treated & filtered drinking water throughout the trek.
- Government taxes.
- Guides, porters, waiter, cook accommodation and entry fees on the mountain.

Exclusives

Not included are:

- Items of personal nature.
- Additional nights in hotel.
- Visas.
- Portable flush toilet with a toilet tent is.
 available for extra charge \$70\$ for entire trek.
- Flights.
- Rescue fees (Helicopter / 4X4 Ambulance.
- Tipping porters/guides/chefs from the group.

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Equipment check list:

- Headlamp/torch
- Sleeping bag- 3 or 4 season plus fleece sleeping bag liner.
- Hiking boots: (This is the most important item on the list. You'll need a comfortable/waterproof pair of hiking boots which offer plenty of support. Make sure they are broken in before you get to MT.Kenya.)
- 2 pcs of 1 Litre water bottle or camel back (2litres)
- 2 set of thermal underwear/inners (top & bottom)
- 1 warm jersey/sweater (wool)
- 2 pair of track suit top & bottom
- 1 Light towel
- 1 Waterproof summit jacket (with a hood) & pants
- 3 Long sleeves T-shirts cotton/wool
- 3 Trecking t-shirts
- 6 Pairs of thermal hiking socks
- 1 Cap / Sunhat
- 3 Track pants
- 1 Pair of warm gloves
- 1 Pair of waterproof gloves

- 1 Pair of sunglasses
- 1 Balaclava/ monkey cap
- 1 Warm scarf
- Rain poncho
- Sunscreen
- Personal toiletries
- Spare batteries & bulb
- 1 pocket swiss army knife (optional)
- 2-3 packets of moist towelettes.
- 1 Travel pillow (optional)
- Personal medications
- Snacks (chocolate, nuts, dates, glucose & dextrose ETC.)
- 1 pc Day pack + waterproof cover (Capacity 25 – 30 liters)
- 1 pc Bag pack for Potters to carry (This will carry your personal belongings — Capacity should be 80 — 100 liters, should have a waterproof cover)

PRO-TIP

Always make sure while packing your main bag pack to pack each day separately in a garbage bag to keep your belongings safe from rain while on the hike, you don't want to wear wet clothes on the mountain.





