

Tanzania is an astounding African country of natural splendor, astounding wildlife, seductive beaches, charming ancient towns, archaeological sites and geological wonders.

Few destinations in Africa can rival Tanzania's diversity of wildlife and landscapes, 25% of Tanzania is protected by national parks that are estimated to support about 20% of Africa's mammal population, a safari in Tanzania is a must for every traveler.

The ideal bush and beach destination, visitors can witness the mighty herds of the **Great Migration** thundering across the **Serengeti National Park** plains and end their unforgettable safari with a serene beach holiday on **Zanzibar**, the intoxicatingly beautiful and exotic Spice Island.

To better understand how to travel in Tanzania we have to consider five different zone:

- 1. **Northern Circuit**: Serengeti National Park, Tarangire National Park, Ngorongoro Conservation Area and Lake Manyara National Park
- 2. **Southern Circuit:** Ruaha National Park, Mikumi National Park and Nyerere National Park, carved out of Selous Game Reserve
- 3. **Western Park and Primates tracking**: Katavi National Park, Mahale National Park, Gombe National Park and Rubondo Island National Park
- 4. Islands: Zanzibar, Pemba and Mafia
- 5. **Kilimanjaro**: five trekking route to reach the top

Northern Circuit

The **Serengeti National Park** offers the ultimate African safari experience, this vast iconic conservation area is home to the Great Migration and a large range of animal species.

<u>The Great Migration</u> is considered the most thrilling spectacle in the animal kingdom, the annual mass migration of wildebeests and other herbivores, with their ever-attendant entourage of predators is a breathtaking experience, the perfect choice for a safari.

In this year-round cycle across the Serengeti-Mara ecosystem, over 1.5 million wildebeests, 400.000 zebrsa, 300.000 Grant's and Thomson's gazelles and 12 000 elands throng the landscape, following the rain, in search of fresh pastures.





Tanzania, Serengeti National Park.

The **Tarangire National Park** known as the "the park of the giants" because of the large herds of elephants and forests of enigmatic giant baobab trees.

Tarangire's landscape is incredibly diverse and stands out from any other park on the traditional Northern safari circuit.

The Ngorongoro Conservation Area, South of the Serengeti National Park, jealously guards enormous calderas and one of the richest wildlife viewing experience on the African continent.

The **Ngorongoro Crater** is a sparkling jewel, it's a UNESCO World Heritage Site characterized by the world's largest intact volcanic caldera constituting a natural enclosure for a thousands of animals, the ultimate Big5 destination.



The **Lake Manyara National Park**, that lies between the Tarangire National Park and the Ngorongoro Conservation Area, offers plenty of opportunities to see much diverse wildlife, including the famous <u>tree-climbing lions</u>, and an outstanding birdwatching.

The **Katavi National Park**, off the beaten track, is isolated and undiscovered, it is one of the most untouched areas of the entire country.

The park offers unspoiled wildlife viewing in the country's fourth-largest national park.

Southern Circuit

In the South Ruaha National Park, Mikumi National Park and Nyerere National Park represent relatively unknown destinations.

The new **Nyerere National Park**, the largest national park in Africa, could easily be described as the "Serengeti of Southern Tanzania", presents a diverse range of wildlife giving the wildlife enthusiast an unprecedented up close and personal view of wildlife in action.

The open horizons and abundant wildlife of the Mkata Floodplain, the center piece of the **Mikumi National Park** is perhaps the most reliable place in Tanzania for sightings of the powerful eland, the world's largest antelope.

The **Ruaha National Park** is a pristine location, the park, the second largest national park in Tanzania, is famous for its huge herds of elephants, and it is also a birdwatchers' paradise with over 530 species.

The Ruaha National Park is home to abundant game, around 10% of the world's lions and offers exceptional walking safaris surrounded by beautiful, unique scenery.

In Tanzania it is possible to enjoy the Chimpanzee tracking, the **Gombe National Park** and the **Mahale Mountains National Park** both offer exciting activities.

Africa's highest mountain, **Mount Kilimanjaro**, rises from lush, grassy plains and towers over the land. Its snow-capped peak is a sight to behold. Climbing Kilimanjaro is surprisingly easy and standing on the roof of Africa is a life-changing experience.



