

Marangu route 5days,4Nights

Day 1: Arusha to Marangu gate to Mandara Huts

After breakfast, a briefing about guided Mount Kilimanjaro climbing via Marangu route, leave Arusha to Moshi at 8am, drive for 4hours to the Marangu Gate on the eastern side of Kilimanjaro, register with the national park, and begin hiking at 1pm. In the rainforest, look for towering Eucalyptus trees, bird life, and Colubus monkeys. Stop halfway for lunch, and reach the Mandara Huts at 5pm. Unpack, rest, and have some tea or coffee. Dinner is served during the early evening at 7pm. Bathrooms with running water are available.

Day 2: Mandara Huts to Horombo Huts

Wakeup early in the morning about to a 12:30am and pack for your next trek. Breakfast follow around 7am-7:30am. as soon as the Breakfast is done hike for 1 hour through rainforest glades, then follow an ascending path through heath land where you can look for giant lobelias and groundsels. Continue up into open moorlands where small shrubs are the main vegetation. Stop halfway for lunch, where you can enjoy amazing views of Mawenzi. Arrive at the Horombo Huts by 3 pm, where you can see Kibo's summit. Rest, unpack, and prepare for dinner.

Day 3: Horombo Huts to Kibo Huts

Wake up to breakfast as usual, but if you wake early you can get some great photos of the sunrise. The first part of the day's hike climbs through the dwindling heathland that blends into a moonscape as you enter the sweeping saddle connecting Mawenzi and Kibo. When you stop for lunch, and later when you cross this surprisingly large saddle, you can examine the summit climb up Kibo that you will be starting in just a few hours. Dinner and overnight.

Day 4: Summit Day! Kibo Hut – Uhuru Peak (5,895 m) – Horombo Huts

Wake at midnight to a light breakfast, then prepare for your summit ascent. The goal is to climb and get to the very top slowly slowly (Pole Pole) so that you can reach Uhuru Peak shortly after sunrise. Leave at 12a.m, the trail will lead you to switchback up steep scree or possibly snow, and reach Gilman's Point on the crater rim at 5,685m/18,640ft between 5 and 7a.m. Here, views of the fabled crater and its ice-caps greet you. Another 2 hours of hiking along the crater rim near the celebrated snows takes you to Kilimanjaro's true summit, Uhuru Peak, by 9a.m. After your summit stay, descend back to the Kibo Huts, have lunch, rest, collect your things, and re cross the saddle to the Horombo Huts. Eat dinner and get some well-deserved sleep!

Day 5: Horombo Huts – Marangu Gate – Arusha

Wake as usual, pack, and descend through the moorland to the Mandara Huts. Have lunch there then continue your triumphant recession down through lush forest to the park gate, which you should reach around 2 or 3 pm. Remember to tip your guides, cooks, and porters, since you will be leaving them here. A vehicle will take you back to the hotel, where it is definitely time for celebration!

END OF THE CLIMB.