

Itinerary for Climbing Mount Kilimanjaro Shira route

Shira Route 7 Days / 6 Nights

Day1: depart for the Londorossi gate taking about three and half hours. After all park registration formalities we driving to the nearby morrum barrier. After lunch we start trekking through heather and moorland to the first camp (about 1-2 hrs) to Shira 1 camp (3505 m) for dinner and spending the night in tents.

DAY2: Shira1 Camp–Shira2 Camp(12,470ft/3800m)

After Breakfast, hike across the high desert to Shira II camp (3800m) This day's trek is a gentle one across the plateau to Shira Hut camp on moorland meadows zone. The afternoon can be used for walks on the plateau which helps climbers to acclimatize.

Day3:ShiraIICamp–BarancoHut(12,960ft/3950m)

After breakfast, we leave Shira II for Baranco hut(3950m). Head eastward to a junction where we continue to LavaTower Campsite (15000ft/4600m), then descend to Barranco camp thus allowing your body to adjust to altitude change. Take the day's rest here. there is a spectacular view on the way to Lava tower. this is the day for acclimatization which normally some clients starts to feel the altitude. as soon as you arrive at Barranco camp, your body will start to feel normal because you will be down coming from the high altitude

Day 4: Barranco Hut (3950 m) to Karanga Valley Camp (4000 m) The morning starts with a scramble up the almost vertical Barranco Wall to an altitude of about 4000m. After lunch we encourage you to take a rest at this point. Dinner and camp overnight.

Day5: Karanga Valley (4200 m) to Barafu Hut (4600 m). From here there is no water, so we take care to stock up as there is no water at Barafu Hut. We recommended that all climbers familiarize themselves with the camp before dark because the camp is situated on an exposed and dangerous ridge. Dinner will be early then go to sleep ready for the summiting.

DAY6:BarafuHut–StellPoint–UhuruPeak–MwekaHut(19,340ft/5895m)

Wake up at midnight, and after a small snack, start ascending to Uhuru Peak through the Stella point (18,640ft), then after reaching the summit at sunrise, Descend back to Barafu campsite for few minutes rest and then have lunch and thereafter we will head down to Mweka hut(3200m) for dinner and overnight

Day7:MwekaHut-Mweka gate [3200m-1800m].

Following a well-deserved breakfast, your staff will have a big celebration full of dancing and singing. It is here on the mountain that you will present your tips to the guide, assistant guides, chef(s), and porters. After celebrating, you will descend for three hours back to Mweka Gate. The National Park requires all hikers to sign their names to receive certificates of completion. Hikers who

reached Stella Point (5685m) receive the certificates for Stella point and hikers who reached Uhuru Peak (5895m) receive Uhuru point certificates. After receiving certificates, hikers will get in the car and drive into the Mweka village. there is a curio shop for souvenirs while you wait for the lunch preparations. You will be served a hot lunch then you will drive back to Arusha for long overdue showers and more celebrations.

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