

TAKE KILIMANJARO'S EXTENDED NORTHERN CIRCUIT

9 Days Northern Circuit Kilimanjaro Climb

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FROM

USD 3,050

Per person

DURATION

**9 Days / 8
Nights**

TRIP STYLE

**Guided,
extended,
camping-
based
acclimatization
climb**

KEY DESTINATIONS

**Moshi,
Londorossi
Gate, Shira
Plateau, Moir
Hut, Buffalo
Camp, Third
Cave, School
Hut, Uhuru
Peak**

BEST FOR

**Travellers
seeking
longer
itineraries**Experienced
hikers,
photographers,
private groups

Overview

The 9 days Northern Circuit Kilimanjaro climb provides an extraordinary opportunity to experience the majestic mountain from its tranquil northern slopes. This extended climbing expedition begins from Londorossi Gate at a steady pace, allowing for gradual acclimatization while traversing through the lush Shira Plateau. Adventurers will appreciate the ever-changing ecosystems and remote camping sites, all while being supported by a professional mountain crew, though the extended duration does not guarantee summit success or eliminate high-altitude risks.

Highlights

- Extended nine-day climbing schedule
- Gradual acclimatization across the northern slopes
- Remote camps and varied mountain landscapes
- Shira Plateau exploration
- Additional preparation before summit night
- Guided summit attempt toward Uhuru Peak
- Professional mountain crew and camping support
- Suitable for private and photography groups

Inclusions & Exclusions

INCLUSIONS

- National
- Park fees
- Camping accommodation during the trek
- Professional mountain guides
- Porters and cook services
- Meals during the trek
- Emergency first-aid kit

EXCLUSIONS

- International flights
- Travel insurance
- Personal climbing gear
- Tips for guides and crew
- Safari extension options
- Any additional expenses not mentioned

Itinerary

Day 1

Arrival at Londorossi Gate

On the first day, you will arrive at Londorossi Gate for registration and permits. Then, embark on a trek to the first forest camp, where you will acclimatize to the new altitude. The lush forest environment will set the tone for the adventure ahead.

Day 2

Trek to Shira One Camp

The second day starts with a trek toward Shira One Camp, where the landscapes begin to unveil the beauty of the Shira Plateau. As you walk, you will experience gradual elevation gain while allowing your body to adapt. This day serves as a pivotal step in your acclimatization journey.

Day 3

Cross Shira Plateau to Moir Hut

On the third day, you will traverse the stunning Shira Plateau, taking in remarkable views as you make your way toward Moir Hut. The diverse flora and fauna will captivate you, providing scenic breaks along the trek. This day is essential for adjusting to the altitude while enhancing your trekking experience.

Day 4

Acclimatization Trek to Buffalo Camp

Day four focuses on acclimatization as you take a trek to Buffalo Camp, providing a chance to explore the surrounding terrain. This day's shorter journey is designed to help your body adjust effectively to the altitude. Enjoy the serenity of this remote camp as you prepare for the days ahead.

Day 5

Trek to Third Cave

The fifth day includes a trek across the northern slopes as you make your way to the Third Cave. The varied terrain presents a challenge while offering breathtaking landscapes to admire. This gradual ascent is vital for your acclimatization process before tackling the summit.

Day 6

Continue to School Hut

On day six, the journey continues to School Hut, which serves as a base camp for summit attempts. The trails may become steeper as you progress, emphasizing the need for acclimatization. This camp provides an excellent opportunity to rest before the final push to the summit.

Day 7

Acclimatization and Preparation Day

Day seven is dedicated to acclimatization and final preparations for the summit. You will spend the day resting and ensuring that equipment is ready for the ascent. This time is crucial for mental and physical conditioning as you gear up for summit night.

Day 8

Summit Attempt to Uhuru Peak

On the eighth day, prepare for the thrilling summit attempt to Uhuru Peak, the highest point in Africa. The effort will demand focus and determination, as you navigate the challenging terrain. After summiting, you will begin the descent to Mweka Camp to recover.

Day 9

Descent to Mweka Gate and Return to Moshi

Finally, on day nine, a descent to Mweka Gate concludes your adventure. The trek provides beautiful views as you trek through lower altitudes back to civilization. Upon reaching Mweka Gate, you'll return to Moshi, reflecting on your incredible journey on Kilimanjaro.

FAQs

How long does the Northern Circuit climb take?

The Northern Circuit Kilimanjaro climb takes approximately 9 days to complete.

What level of fitness is required for this trek?

Participants should maintain a regular fitness regimen as the trek is physically demanding.

What type of camps will we stay in during the climb?

You will stay in camping accommodations set up by the climbing crew along the route.

What is the weather like on Kilimanjaro?

Weather on Kilimanjaro can vary significantly, so it's important to prepare for various conditions.

How does acclimatization work on this climb?

The climb includes scheduled acclimatization days to help your body adapt to high altitudes.

Are guides provided for this trek?

Yes, professional mountain guides will accompany the trek, ensuring safety and support throughout the journey.

What gear should I bring for the climb?

Essential climbing gear includes warm clothing, sturdy boots, and personal items tailored to mountain trekking.

Is travel insurance required for this expedition?

Travel insurance is recommended to cover any unforeseen incidents during your journey.

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