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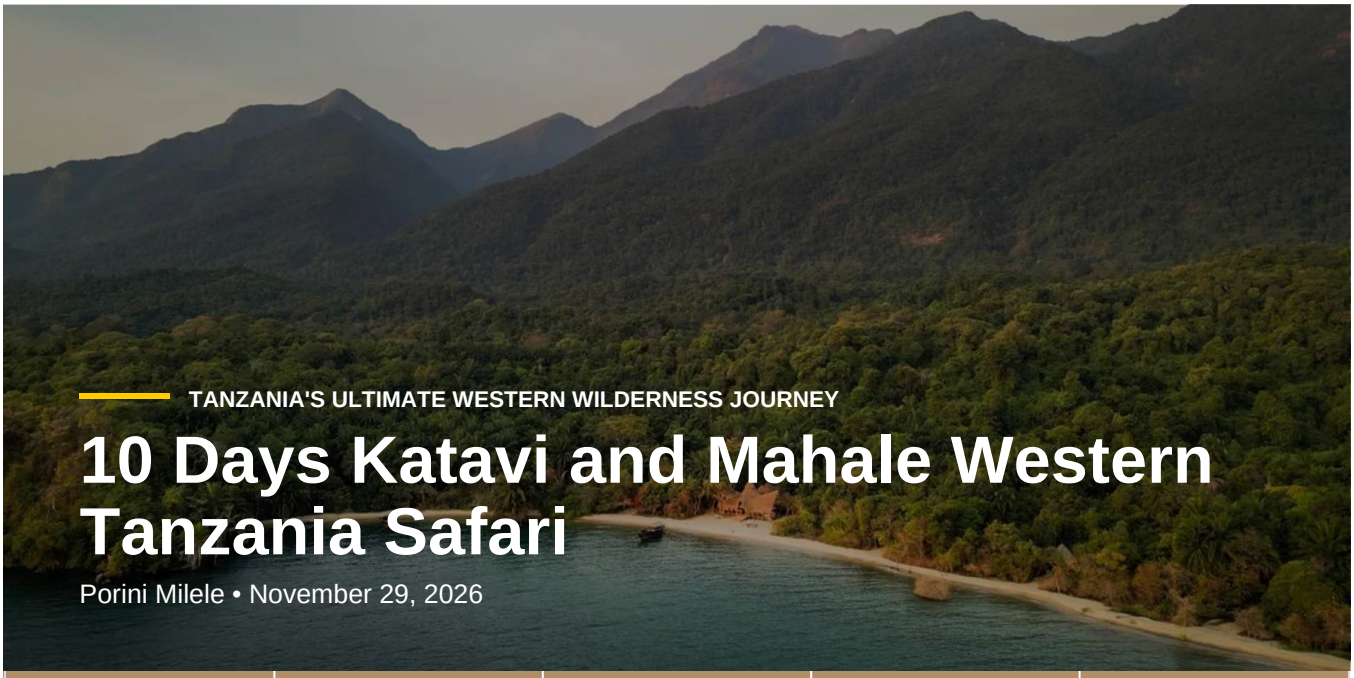

TANZANIA'S ULTIMATE WESTERN WILDERNESS JOURNEY

10 Days Katavi and Mahale Western Tanzania Safari

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FROM	DURATION	TRIP STYLE	KEY DESTINATIONS	BEST FOR
USD 8,500 Per person	**10 Days / 9 Nights**	**Private, remote, fly-in wildlife and chimpanzee safari**	**Arusha or Dar es Salaam, Katavi National Park, Mahale Mountains National Park, Lake Tanganyika** Arusha or Dar es Salaam, Katavi National Park, Mahale Mountains National Park, Lake Tanganyika	**Experienced safari travellers and wildlife photographers** Luxury adventure travellers and private groups

Overview

Embark on an unforgettable journey with the 10 Days Katavi and Mahale Western Tanzania safari, where adventure and luxury intertwine. Experience the remote floodplains and river systems of Katavi National Park, teeming with diverse wildlife and excellent game drive opportunities. From the wildlife-rich plains of Katavi to the tranquil shores of Lake Tanganyika and the chimpanzee forests of Mahale Mountains National Park, this journey requires meticulous planning, and all arrangements for flights and activities will be confirmed to ensure a seamless experience in these breathtaking landscapes.

Highlights

- Remote Katavi National Park game drives
- Floodplains, rivers and varied wildlife habitats
- Multiple days of wildlife observation
- Guided chimpanzee trekking in Mahale
- Lake Tanganyika scenery and relaxation
- Fly-in access between remote safari regions
- Luxury or premium wilderness accommodation
- Professional wildlife and primate guides
- Excellent photography opportunities
- Suitable for experienced safari travellers

Inclusions & Exclusions

INCLUSIONS

- All internal flights
- All accommodation during the safari
- Daily meals as specified
- Guided wildlife safaris in Katavi
- Guided chimpanzee trekking in Mahale
- Airport transfers in Arusha or Dar es Salaam

EXCLUSIONS

- International flights to Tanzania
- Travel insurance
- Gratuities and personal expenses
- Optional activities not included in the itinerary
- Park fees and conservation fees
- Any items not mentioned in the inclusions

Itinerary

Day 1

Arrival in Katavi National Park

Depart from Arusha or Dar es Salaam on a confirmed flight to Katavi National Park. Upon arrival, you will be welcomed and transferred to your lodge. After settling in, enjoy the stunning landscapes and prepare for an exciting safari adventure during your stay.

Day 2

Full-day Safari in Katavi National Park

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Spend the day exploring the vast expanses of Katavi National Park on a thrilling game drive. Marvel at the stunning floodplains and rivers, home to a variety of wildlife, and enhance your photography skills in this pristine environment. As the sun sets, you will return to your lodge for a relaxing evening.

Day 3

Exploring Katavi National Park

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Enjoy another full day dedicated to uncovering the hidden treasures of Katavi National Park. Your experienced guide will lead you on game drives, where you can observe the park's diverse wildlife and unique ecosystems. At the end of the day, unwind at your lodge, reminiscing about the day's adventures.

Day 4

Remote Wilderness Experience

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Take part in a morning game drive, immersing yourself in the remote beauty of Katavi's wilderness. Witness the unique habitats that support diverse wildlife and experience the solitude of this lesser-traveled destination. Return to your lodge for one last evening in Katavi and prepare for your flight to Mahale.

Day 5

Transfer to Mahale Mountains National Park

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Begin your journey to Mahale Mountains National Park with a confirmed flight or transfer from Katavi. Upon arrival, take in the breathtaking views of the mountains and the stunning waters of Lake Tanganyika. After settling into your accommodation, you can enjoy an afternoon at leisure, soaking in the serene surroundings.

Day 6

Chimpanzee Trekking in Mahale

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Your immersive adventure begins with a guided chimpanzee trekking experience in Mahale Mountains National Park. Accompanied by expert guides, you will venture into the lush forests to observe these incredible primates in their natural habitat. Return to your lodge for a well-deserved evening of relaxation and reflection.

Day 7

Second Chimpanzee Trek

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Embark on your second chimpanzee trekking excursion, deepening your understanding of these remarkable creatures. The guides will share insights about the chimpanzee families and their behaviors as you trek through the verdant forests. After a rewarding day, return to your lodge to unwind and enjoy the views of the lake.

Day 8

Nature Experience and Relaxation at Lake Tanganyika

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Take a break from trekking with a guided nature experience around Lake Tanganyika's pristine shores. Enjoy the tranquility of the lake as you relax and absorb the stunning scenery surrounding you. Your day winds down with a return to your accommodation for an evening of leisure.

Day 9

Additional Chimpanzee Trekking or Activity in Mahale

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Optionally partake in an additional day of chimpanzee trekking or engage in another planned activity based on your interests. Explore more of the breathtaking landscape and wildlife that Mahale has to offer, always accompanied by knowledgeable guides. After a fulfilling day, enjoy your last night in this enchanting region.

Day 10

Departure from Mahale to Arusha or Dar es Salaam

Meals: Breakfast

On your final day, enjoy breakfast before your return flight to Arusha or Dar es Salaam. Reflect on the unforgettable experiences and phenomenal wildlife you encountered throughout your journey. Arrive in Arusha or Dar es Salaam where your safari adventure concludes, filled with memories to cherish.

FAQs

What are the luggage limits for internal flights?

Luggage limits for internal flights typically range from 15 to 20kg per person, including hand luggage.

Is travel insurance necessary?

Yes, comprehensive travel insurance covering remote safari travel is highly recommended.

What is the fitness level required for chimpanzee trekking?

A moderate fitness level is recommended for chimpanzee trekking as it involves hiking in hilly terrain.

When is the best time to visit Katavi and Mahale?

The best time to visit is during the dry season from June to September for optimal wildlife viewing.

Are there communication facilities in remote areas?

Communication coverage can be limited in remote areas, and it's advisable to prepare accordingly.

What types of accommodation can be expected?

Expect luxury or premium wilderness accommodations, offering comfort and stunning views.

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