

# TRAVEL ITINERARY

## Photo tour Tanzania February 23 to March 5th, 2025

(Departure February 23, arrival at home March 5th)

(Legende: B= Breakfast, L= Lunch, D= Dinner)

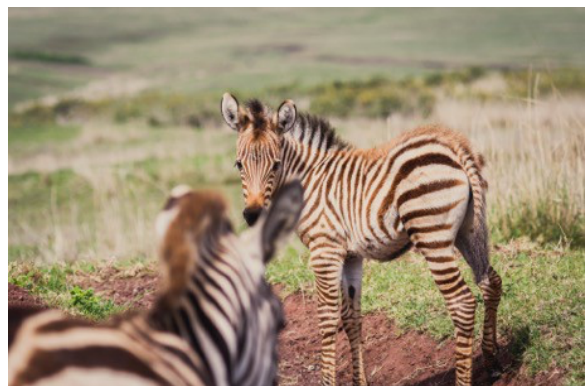
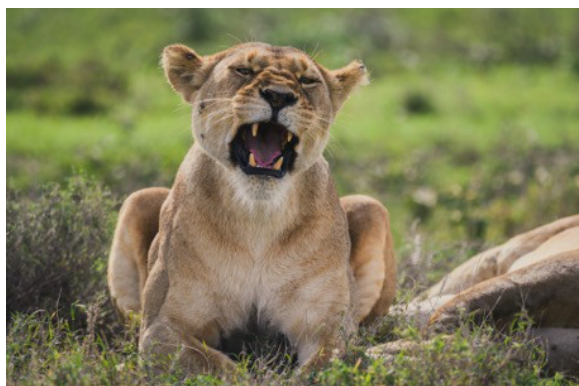
**Day 0 (February 23, 2025):** Departure from your home country

**Day 1 (February 24, 2025):** Transfer from the airport to the lodge - make yourself comfortable in the bungalows - leisure time at the pool - Lecture "Introduction to safari photography" and travel briefing with the local partner. Welcome and champagne reception with snacks & barbecue in the garden in the evening. (D)



**Day 2 (February 25, 2025):** We have breakfast early and then drive towards Ngorongoro Conservation Area and on to the Serengeti. It is a long drive, but the many animals that line the road make the time fly by. We arrive in the Serengeti just in time to take advantage of the warm afternoon light for photos and enjoy this first safari drive in one of the world's most famous national parks.

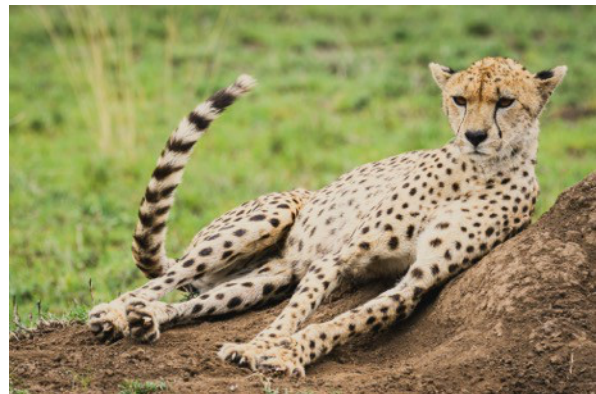
In the evening we drive to our camp, where we round off the eventful day with a sundowner and discuss the first photos. (B, L, D)



**Day 3 (February 26, 2025):** Today we head out on another safari in the Serengeti. Our camp is located in the heart of the Central Serengeti and so we can start our game drive right at sunrise. We spend the whole day in the endless expanses of the Serengeti and roam it in search of the best motifs and most exciting animal encounters.

The density of predators in the Serengeti is high and so the chances of seeing lions, leopards, cheetahs and, with a bit of luck, even the shy serval cat during our game drive are excellent.

We return to our camp at sunset and enjoy a 3-course dinner. *(B, L, D)*



**Day 4 (February 27, 2025):** In the morning we venture out on another game drive in the Serengeti. As always, we set off early to photograph the sunrise and profit from the warm morning light for our photos. We enjoy our lunch with a view of the beautiful Serengeti landscape, which at this time of year shines in lush shades of green.

We then drive south to the Ndutu Safari Area. On the way, we repeatedly encounter huge herds of wildebeest and zebras. They are part of the great

migration that roams the plains of the southern Serengeti, where their young are born, during this season.



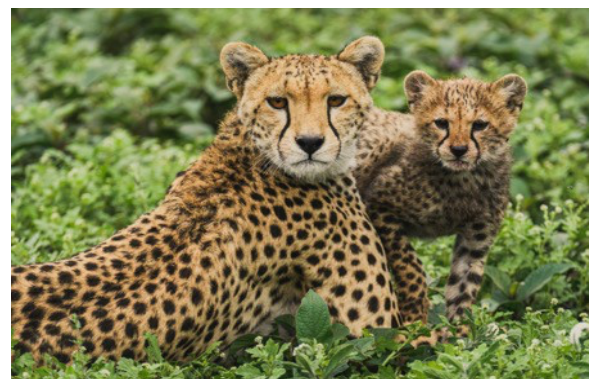
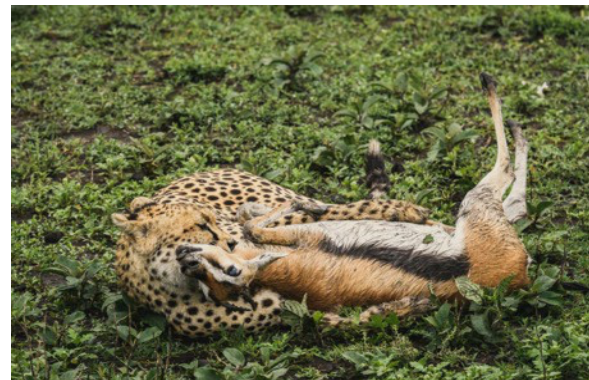
In addition to the high density of animals at this time of year, the Ndutu Conservation Area has a particular advantage for photographers: off-road driving is permitted. This results in particularly good perspectives and interesting photo opportunities.

After a day full of game viewing and many exciting animal encounters, we arrive at our beautiful, tented lodge, where we move into our spacious tents and enjoy a delicious dinner. *(B, L, D)*



**Day 5 & 6 (February 28 to March 1, 2025):** We spend two full days in the Ndotu Safari Area and go on extensive game drives through the vast plains. We are on the lookout for the large herds of wildebeest and zebra that are in Ndotu between January and March during the great migration. With a bit of luck, we can capture hunting scenes or even photograph the birth of a wildebeest.

The birth of the young animals attracts the big cats of prey, which ensures that the density of large predators such as lions, leopards and cheetahs is very high in Ndotu. There is a good chance of getting them all up close and personal. (2x B, L, D)



**Day 8 (March 2, 2025):** It's one day after another. We get up early and leave the camp. We use the morning for another extended game drive in Ndotu.

Maybe we'll be lucky and even spot a rare caracal in the early hours of the morning?

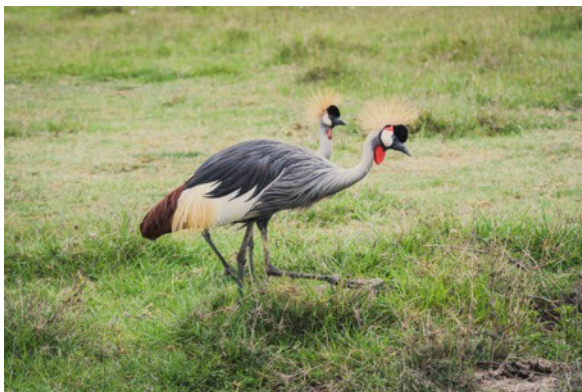


After lunch, we continue towards the Ngorongoro Conservation Area. We spend the night in a cozy lodge at 2,300 m above sea level, right on the crater rim. (B, L, D)

**Day 9 (March 3, 2025):** After a quick breakfast, we drive to the entrance of the Ngorongoro Crater, where our permits are checked. Via a steep winding road, we finally descend into the caldera, which is home to a unique ecosystem. The Ngorongoro Crater is considered one of the most fascinating habitats in the world. A kind of "Garden of Eden" in the middle of Africa.

This crater of a non-active volcano is home to one of the densest wildlife populations in the world. Elephants, rhinos, lions and leopards all live here in a very small space, which is why the crater is known as the "most beautiful zoo in the world".

With a bit of luck, we might spot the critically endangered and very rare black rhino in the crater.





The huge number of animals and the fascinating landscape at the foot of the impressive crater walls make this safari a special experience that we will remember for the rest of our lives. In the late afternoon, we leave this paradise on earth with a heavy heart and make our way to our accommodation for the night. *(B, L, D)*

**Day 10 (March 4, 2025):** Transfer to the airport and departure to your home country or extension to Zanzibar. *(B)*

**Day 11 (March 5, 2025):** Arrival in your home country

## What is included in the Tanzania photo tour?

- Transfer from Kilimanjaro Airport (JRO) to the accommodation
- 1 overnight stay at **Ilboru Safari Lodge** (or equivalent accommodation), half board
- Fully equipped private safari vehicles for 7 days (2)
- Trained, private drivers/guides (2) for 7 days (English speaking)
- Picnic lunch for day 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 & 7
- Entrance fees for the Serengeti National Park
- 2 half-day & one full-day safari drive in Serengeti National Park
- 2 nights at **Hippo Trails Camp** (or equivalent accommodation), full board
- Entrance fees for the Ndutu Safari Area
- 2 full day & 2 half day game drives in the Ndutu Safari Area
- 3 nights at **Tanzania Bush Camp Ndutu** (or equivalent accommodation), full board
- 1 night at **Ang'ata Ngorongoro Camp**, full board
- Entrance fees & permits for the Ngorongoro Crater
- 1 full day game drive in Ngorongoro Crater
- 1 overnight stay at **Marera Valley Lodge** (or equivalent accommodation), full board
- Transfer from Marera Valley Lodge to Kilimanjaro Airport
- Water tank in the car, unlimited drinking water per person per day
- Introductory lecture on safari photography on the day of arrival, photographic guidance and technical support throughout the trip, tips on image processing and management as well as image reviews and feedback sessions on request in the evenings.



What is not included in the Tanzania trip?

- Flight (e.g. with Ethiopian Airlines or Qatar)
- Travel Insurance (I recommend international health insurance, e.g. with Hanse Merkur, approx. € 29, and tourist insurance with AMREF FYLING DOCTORS, approx. \$ 16. Travel cancellation insurance is also recommended)
- Costs for the visa for Tanzania (\$ 50, -)
- Any necessary vaccinations
- All drinks except water (price examples: 1.5 L mineral water 2 \$, wine/beer 4-6 \$, cocktail/ long drink 8 \$)
- Tips (for the guides we recommend \$ 30 per day and car)
- Extras and other personal expenses (souvenirs etc.)

An individual extension to Zanzibar afterwards is possible. We will be happy to prepare a non-binding offer for you!



## Further important travel information

### Money & credit cards

The currency in Tanzania is called Tanzania Shilling (TZS). There are coins in denominations of 50, 100, 200 and 500 TZS and bills in denominations of 500, 100, 2,000, 5,000 and 10,000 TZS. 1 \$ corresponds to around 2,700 TZS (as of August 2025).

In tourism, i.e. in the lodges and some souvenir stores, all prices are quoted in US dollars. It is therefore advisable to exchange € into \$ before your trip. Sometimes you can also pay in €, but the exchange rate on site is 1:1 compared to the dollar. You only need TZS if you want to buy something in very small stores. There is actually no opportunity to do this on the safari, so it is sufficient to take enough dollars with you.

How much extra you will need, depends on your consumption. The trip is full board and water is included. You will need money for the visa (\$ 50, unless you apply for the visa online and pay by card), the tip for the guide (\$ 30 per day and car, i.e. approx. \$ 70 per person in total), alcoholic drinks or soft drinks and possibly souvenirs.

Please bear in mind that Tanzania only accepts dollar notes not older than 2006, as there was a major fraud scandal back then. Take small bills with you, as dollars cannot always be given as change.

Major credit cards are accepted in all lodges, but the operators charge a 4-7% surcharge per payment.

Cash machines (ATMs) can be found at the airport and in larger towns. If necessary, we stop during the drive to the Serengeti. However, experience has shown that US dollars are sufficient.

### Luggage:

We have no special baggage allowance on this trip. The weight depends on the

airline. Normally 1 piece of 23 kg, with Qatar and Emirates it is considerably more. Please note that there is a limit of 20 kg on domestic flights. For safaris, duffle bags or backpacks are recommended for storage in the jeep.

### Tipping

Tipping is appreciated in Tanzania. We follow the recommendations of the Tanzania Tourism Board and recommend 30 \$ per car and day for the guide. In the lodges there are "tip boxes" where you can leave tips for waiters and cleaning staff.

### Mosquito nets

All accommodations are equipped with mosquito nets, so you do not need to bring your own.

### Towels

Towels are provided in all accommodations. Where there is a swimming pool, pool towels are also provided.

### Visa

The visa for Tanzania costs \$50 per person and can either be applied for online in advance or "on arrival" upon arrival. I have already tried both and waited 2 hours both times, so no recommendation. However, there are often problems with payment for the online visa.

Link to the online visa: <https://eservices.immigration.go.tz/visa/>

### Plastic bags:

Plastic bags are prohibited in Tanzania. (Exception: 1 liter zip bags for liquids in hand luggage) Therefore, please take jute bags or similar for dirty laundry and shoes.

## About the tour leader:

Lisa has been working intensively with digital photography since 2008. In recent years, she has attended countless courses and workshops and has also expanded her knowledge through self-study on numerous trips around the world. She also completed a diploma course in digital photography at Robert Pichler's Lightbox Academy.



In 2014, she started a travel blog together with her brother Philipp, initially with the idea of having a platform to share her travel photos with friends and family.

Over time, however, the part-time blog [imprintmytravel.com](http://imprintmytravel.com) developed into one of the most successful Austrian travel blogs, with up to 50,000 views per month. Lisa currently offers **photography trips** to her favorite places, **photography workshops** in Vienna and the surrounding area as well as an **online photography course** and runs a **co-working space** in the heart of Vienna.

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