



Nature Photography Adventures

Tanzania Mara Crossing Photography Safari – August 8-19, 2021

August 7	*Early Arrivals	Arusha Serena (extra cost)	
August 8	*Arrivals, private transfer to Arusha Serena Lodge Many photographic opportunities right on the grounds!	Arusha Serena	
August 9	*Early departure for Tarangire National Park *Stop at the Cultural Heritage Center in Arusha *Game drive inside Tarangire on the way to the lodge *Rest and around-the-grounds photography after lunch *Afternoon game drive	Tarangire Sopa Lodge	BLD
August 10	Game drives! Tarangire National Park is home to a huge elephant population! And this is the best place we know in Africa to photograph those legendary baobab trees! Lots of hoofed animals, predators, birds of prey, and other unique birds. Tarangire is named for the Tarangire River which runs through the park – and, especially in the dry season, is a magnet for animals needing access to water.	Tarangire Sopa Lodge	BLD
August 11	*Morning game drive in Tarangire National Park *Early lunch and departure for the Ngorongoro Crater *Arrive at the Ngorongoro Crater Sopa Lodge in time to get situated and enjoy the sunset over the crater before dinner	Ngorongoro Sopa Lodge	BLD
August 12	Full day game drive in the Ngorongoro Crater! The crater is a giant caldera from an extinct volcano – and is literally filled with animals. Lions, hyenas, gazelles, wildebeest, cape buffalo, many birds, hippos, the list is endless! Watch for rhinos!	Ngorongoro Sopa Lodge	BLD
August 13	We're off to the Serengeti. We'll game drive our way to the Kubu Kubu lodge in the Central Serengeti – and then enjoy an afternoon game drive there! We have had very productive times in the Central Serengeti – finding lions, cheetahs, klipspringers, herds of ungulates, hyenas, many raptors, and lots of interesting birds.	Kubu Kubu	BLD

August 14	Games drives in the Central Serengeti – the search for great moments with exciting wildlife!	Kubu Kubu	BLD
August 15	<p>*Morning departure for the Northern Serengeti, game drive along the way</p> <p>*Lunch at the Mara Mara Tented Lodge – set up your space in our Mara Crossing base camp!</p> <p>*Game drive – perhaps even our first opportunity for the crossing!</p> <p>The Northern Serengeti is adjacent to Kenya. The Mara River is sometimes right on the border and other times fully in Tanzania, giving us several perspectives on the crossing. The river draws in a wealth of year-round wildlife – and we’ll take full advantage of that when the migrating herds are not lined up ready to cross!</p> <p>Our time along the Mara River is extremely exciting. The great migration will be in the neighborhood – meaning that millions of animals will be seeking the best pasture, following the noses of the wildebeest. The Mara River presents an obstacle – both because of the difficulty of the crossing, and because of the Nile Crocodile population. These huge crocs are waiting for a splinter of the herd to come thrashing across the river (exciting photography on its own) to slip in and pull an animal under. Drama!</p> <p>And, many other predators are in position in the Northern Serengeti, even when the herds are not trying to cross. We’ll be filling cards like crazy!</p>	Mara Mara Tented Lodge	BLD
August 16	Game drives to photograph the crossing – or other great wildlife opportunities		BLD
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August 18	Game drives to photograph the crossing – or other great wildlife opportunities		BLD
August 19	<p>*Check out and morning flight to the Arusha Airport</p> <p>*Transfer to Arusha Serena for lunch and day room (reclaim your international travel bags and repack)</p> <p>Transfer to Kilimanjaro Airport in time to check in for your evening flight</p>		BL
Meals included: <i>Breakfast (B) Lunch (L) Dinner (D)</i>			