



BIG FIVE

5 Days Big Five Safari Tanzania

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FROM

**USD
1,850**

Per
person

DURATION

**5 Days / 4
Nights**

5 days

TRIP STYLE

**5 Days Big Five
Safari Tanzania**

Serengeti and
Ngorongoro
Wildlife Safari

DESTINATIONS

**Tarangire,
Serengeti,
Ngorongoro Crater**

Northern Tanzania
Safari

BEST FOR

Year Round

Best June to
October and
January to
March

Overview

5 Days Big Five Safari Tanzania is designed for travelers who want a focused Northern Tanzania wildlife safari with strong chances to see lion, leopard, elephant, buffalo, and black rhino. With Serengeti Wild Tours, this itinerary combines Tarangire National Park, Serengeti National Park, and Ngorongoro Crater in a compact but rewarding route. It is ideal for first-time safari travelers, couples, families, photographers, and wildlife lovers who want Serengeti big cats, Tarangire elephants, and the famous Ngorongoro Crater in one well-planned Tanzania safari.

Highlights

- 5 Days Big Five Safari Tanzania focused on Tarangire, Serengeti, and Ngorongoro Crater
- Search for lion, leopard, elephant, buffalo, and black rhino in famous Northern Tanzania parks
- Explore Tarangire National Park for elephants, baobabs, and seasonal wildlife concentrations
- Spend quality time in Serengeti National Park for big cats, plains game, kopjes, and classic savannah scenery
- Descend into Ngorongoro Crater for one of Tanzania's best chances to see the Big Five
- Ideal for first-time safari travelers, couples, families, photographers, and wildlife lovers

Inclusions & Exclusions

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- All park and conservation fees as per the itinerary
- Ngorongoro Crater service fee
- Professional English-speaking safari guide and driver
- Private 4x4 safari vehicle with pop-up roof for game viewing
- Accommodation according to the selected category
- Meals during the safari as listed in the itinerary
- Drinking water during game drives
- Game drives and transfers mentioned in the itinerary
- Pickup and drop-off in Arusha

EXCLUSIONS

- International and domestic flights unless stated
- Tanzania visa
- Travel insurance
- Tips and gratuities for guide, driver, and lodge staff
- Personal expenses such as laundry, drinks, and souvenirs
- Meals and accommodation not listed in the itinerary
- Optional activities not mentioned in the package

Itinerary

5 Days Big Five Safari Tanzania: Arusha to Tarangire National Park

Day 1

Meals: Lunch, Dinner | Accommodation: Safari lodge or tented camp according to the selected budget, mid-range, or luxury category.

Begin the 5 Days Big Five Safari Tanzania with pickup in Arusha and a drive to Tarangire National Park. Tarangire is known for large elephant herds, ancient baobab trees, seasonal river scenery, giraffes, zebras, buffalo, antelopes, lions, and rich birdlife.

After arrival, enjoy a game drive across open plains, woodland, and river areas where wildlife often gathers. This first day gives the safari a strong start and introduces you to the landscapes of Northern Tanzania before dinner and overnight near Tarangire or Karatu.

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Safari lodge or tented camp according to the selected budget, mid-range, or luxury category.	—

Tarangire to Serengeti National Park

Day 2

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner | Accommodation: Serengeti lodge, tented camp, or public campsite according to the selected category.

After breakfast, continue the 5 Days Big Five Safari Tanzania toward Serengeti National Park. The route passes through scenic highlands and open landscapes before reaching the endless plains of the Serengeti, one of Africa's most famous wildlife destinations.

Enter the park and begin an afternoon game drive. Your guide will search for lions, leopards, cheetahs, elephants, buffalo, giraffes, hyenas, wildebeest, zebras, gazelles, and other plains game. The Serengeti section is one of the major highlights of this Big Five safari.

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Serengeti lodge, tented camp, or public campsite according to the selected category.	—

Full Day Serengeti Big Five Safari

Day 3

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner | Accommodation: Serengeti lodge, tented camp, or public campsite according to the selected category.

Spend a full day exploring Serengeti National Park during the 5 Days Big Five Safari Tanzania. Early morning and afternoon game drives give good chances for predator activity, especially lions, cheetahs, and leopards around kopjes, river areas, and open plains.

The Serengeti also supports large numbers of elephants, buffalo, giraffes, hippos, hyenas, jackals, wildebeest, zebras, impalas, and gazelles. Your guide will adjust the route according to wildlife movement, weather, and recent sightings to make the day productive for photography and game viewing.

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Serengeti to Ngorongoro Conservation Area

Day 4

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner | Accommodation: Ngorongoro or Karatu lodge, tented camp, or campsite according to the selected category.

After breakfast, enjoy a final Serengeti game drive as the 5 Days Big Five Safari Tanzania continues toward the Ngorongoro Conservation Area. This transfer day still offers excellent wildlife viewing, with chances to see big cats, elephants, buffalo, giraffes, zebras, wildebeest, and birds along the way.

Arrive near the Ngorongoro Crater rim or Karatu area for dinner and overnight. This position prepares you for an early descent into the crater the following morning, one of the best wildlife experiences in Tanzania.

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Ngorongoro or Karatu lodge, tented camp, or campsite according to the selected category.	—

Ngorongoro Crater Safari and Return to Arusha

Day 5

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch | Accommodation: No overnight accommodation.
Departure day.

Start early and descend into Ngorongoro Crater for the final wildlife experience of the 5 Days Big Five Safari Tanzania. The crater is one of the most productive safari areas in East Africa and offers strong chances to see elephants, buffalo, lions, hyenas, hippos, zebras, wildebeest, and possibly the endangered black rhino.

Enjoy a game drive on the crater floor with a picnic lunch before ascending back to the rim and driving to Arusha. The safari ends with drop-off at your hotel, airport, or preferred location in Arusha.

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No overnight accommodation. Departure day.	—

Frequently Asked Questions

What is the 5 Days Big Five Safari Tanzania?

The 5 Days Big Five Safari Tanzania is a Northern Tanzania safari visiting Tarangire, Serengeti, and Ngorongoro Crater with a focus on lion, leopard, elephant, buffalo, and black rhino sightings.

Which parks are included in the 5 Days Big Five Safari Tanzania?

This safari includes Tarangire National Park, Serengeti National Park, and Ngorongoro Crater. These destinations provide strong wildlife diversity and classic Tanzania safari scenery.

Can I see all Big Five animals on this safari?

The 5 Days Big Five Safari Tanzania gives good chances to see lion, leopard, elephant, buffalo, and black rhino, especially with the combination of Serengeti and Ngorongoro Crater. Wildlife sightings are natural and cannot be guaranteed.

Who is this safari best for?

This safari is best for first-time safari travelers, couples, families, photographers, and wildlife lovers who want a compact Tanzania itinerary with Serengeti and Ngorongoro highlights.

What is the best time for the 5 Days Big Five Safari Tanzania?

The safari can be booked year-round. The dry season from June to October is excellent for wildlife visibility, while January to March can also be rewarding for predator sightings and green-season scenery.

Can the safari be arranged as budget, mid-range, or luxury?

Yes. Serengeti Wild Tours can arrange the 5 Days Big Five Safari Tanzania with budget camping, mid-range lodges and tented camps, or luxury safari accommodation depending on your travel style.
