



DAY TRIP

Lake Chala Day Trip

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FROM

USD 130

Per person — Price depends on group size and pick-up location.

DURATION

1 Day

Scenic lake experience

TRIP STYLE

Private Day Trip

Nature, walking, and photography

DESTINATIONS

Lake Chala

Near Moshi and Kilimanjaro

BEST FOR

Year Round

Best on clear weather days

Overview

The Lake Chala Day Trip is a peaceful nature experience from Moshi, ideal for travelers who want scenic landscapes, photography, walking, and relaxation near Mount Kilimanjaro. Lake Chala is a beautiful crater lake located close to the Tanzania and Kenya border, known for its striking blue-green water, steep crater walls, and quiet natural atmosphere.

With Serengeti Wild Tours, this private Lake Chala Day Trip gives you comfortable transport, a local guide, and flexible time to enjoy viewpoints, nature walks, photos, and relaxation. It is a strong choice for travelers with a free day in Moshi, guests preparing for Kilimanjaro, or visitors who want a calm outdoor experience after safari or mountain trekking.

Highlights

- Visit Lake Chala, a beautiful crater lake near Moshi.
- Enjoy scenic views of blue-green lake water and volcanic landscapes.
- Walk around viewpoints and nature trails with a local guide.
- Relax in a peaceful setting away from busy safari routes.
- Take beautiful photos of the lake, cliffs, and surrounding nature.
- Ideal before or after a Kilimanjaro climb or Tanzania safari.
- Travel with private transport and a professional local guide.

Inclusions & Exclusions

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- Pick-up and drop-off from Moshi
- Private transport
- Professional local guide or driver-guide
- Lake Chala entry fee
- Guided nature walk or viewpoint visit
- Drinking water
- Government taxes and levies

EXCLUSIONS

- International flights
- Visa fees
- Travel insurance
- Tips for guide or driver
- Personal items
- Lunch unless arranged
- Alcoholic and soft drinks unless specified
- Pick-up and drop-off from Arusha unless arranged
- Optional activities not mentioned in the itinerary

Itinerary

Day 1

Stop 1: Pick-up from Moshi

Accommodation: No accommodation included

Your guide or driver-guide will pick you up from your hotel in Moshi and begin the drive toward Lake Chala. The route passes through local villages, farms, and dry countryside landscapes near the lower slopes of Mount Kilimanjaro. Your guide will brief you about the lake, the area, and the activities planned for the day.

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Day 2 **Stop 2: Lake Chala Viewpoints**

Accommodation: No accommodation included

Arrive at Lake Chala and enjoy the first views of the crater lake. The lake is known for its beautiful blue-green color, steep crater walls, and peaceful natural setting. You will have time for photos, short walks, and quiet moments around the viewpoints. On clear days, the surrounding landscapes make this one of the most scenic day trips from Moshi.

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Day 3 **Stop 3: Guided Nature Walk and Optional Lunch**

Meals: Lunch | Accommodation: No accommodation included

Continue with a guided nature walk around selected trails and viewpoints near Lake Chala. Your guide will explain the local environment, plants, birds, and landscape features. Depending on your arrangement, you may enjoy a packed lunch or simple local lunch while relaxing near the lake area. This stop is ideal for travelers who enjoy photography, nature, and a slower pace.

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Day 4 **Stop 4: Return to Moshi**

Accommodation: No accommodation included

After enjoying the lake views and nature experience, your guide will drive you back to Moshi. You will be dropped off at your hotel or agreed location. This marks the end of your Lake Chala Day Trip with Serengeti Wild Tours.

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Frequently Asked Questions

Where is Lake Chala located?

Lake Chala is located near Moshi, close to the Tanzania and Kenya border, on the eastern side of Mount Kilimanjaro.

Can Lake Chala be visited as a day trip from Moshi?

Yes. Lake Chala is a good day trip from Moshi and is suitable for travelers looking for scenery, nature walks, photography, and relaxation.

Can this trip start from Arusha?

Yes. The Lake Chala Day Trip can start from Arusha, but the drive is longer and the price may be higher than a departure from Moshi.

Is swimming allowed at Lake Chala?

Swimming conditions and local rules can vary, so your guide will advise you on the day. The tour is mainly focused on viewpoints, walking, scenery, and relaxation.

Is Lake Chala good before or after Kilimanjaro climbing?

Yes. Lake Chala is a good day trip before or after Kilimanjaro climbing because it is scenic, calm, and not too intense compared to a mountain trek.

What should I bring for the Lake Chala Day Trip?

Bring comfortable walking shoes, sunscreen, a hat, camera, light jacket, personal items, and cash for tips or extra purchases.
