MT. KILIMANJARO CLIMB MARANGU ROUTE 6 DAYS

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The 6 days Marangu Route itinerary with its longer acclimatization is preferable if this is to be your first climb. Those who climb Kilimanjaro on Marangu can look forward to comfortable conditions resulting in a 92% success rate for the longer programme.

IN A NUTSHELL:

Day 0: Arrive Moshi

Day 1: Marangu Gate – Mandara Hut Day 2: Mandara Hut – Horombo Hut

Day 3: Acclimatization at Horombo Hut (Zebra Rock)

Day 4: Horombo Hut - Kibo Hut

Day 5: Kibo Hut - Gilmans Point - Uhuru Peak - Mandara Hut

Day 6: Mandara Hut - Marangu Gate

DAY 0: ARRIVE IN MOSHI Moshi Elevation: 855m

Transfer to Moshi. Arrive at your hotel for overnight. Briefing will be done at the hotel to make sure you have all the supplies needed for the climb; as well as answer all your final queries and questions. Get a goodnights rest for the big day tomorrow.

DAY 1: MARANGU GATE TO MANDARA HUT

Elevation: 1879m to 2720m

Distance: 8 km

Hiking Time: 4-5 hours



Head to the Marangu Gate for the necessary formalities before beginning our trek. The trail climbs through a tropical rain forest near the upper edge of the forest line, where you sometimes see playful blue monkeys. The trail then widens to expose beautiful hillsides until you reach Mandara Hut. Dinner and overnight at Mandara Hut.



DAY 2: MANDARA HUT TO HOROMBO HUT

Elevation: 2720m to 3720m

Distance: 12 km

Hiking Time: 6-8 hours



The second day of the trail begins with a steep ascent through the forest and opens into high moorland. If the sky is clear, you may get your first views of Kibo and Mawenzi peaks, two of the three volcanic peaks that make up the summit of Kilimanjaro. Dinner and overnight at Horombo Hut.

DAY 3: ACCIMATIZATION HOROMBO HUT

Elevation: 3720m - Zebra Rocks 4200m - back to Horombo Hut 3720m

Hiking Time: Depends per group.



This extra day is used for acclimatization. You hike towards Zebra Rock which is at 4200m and back to Horombo for dinner and overnight.



DAY 4: HOROMBO HUTTO KIBO HUT

Elevation: 3720m to 4700m

Distance: 10 km

Hiking Time: 6-8 hours



Today you climb gradually, then cross the lunar desert of the "Saddle" between Mawenzi and Kibo to reach your campsite which sits at the bottom of the Kibo crater wall. Once at camp you rest, enjoy an early dinner and prepare for summit day. Dinner and overnight at Kibo Hut.

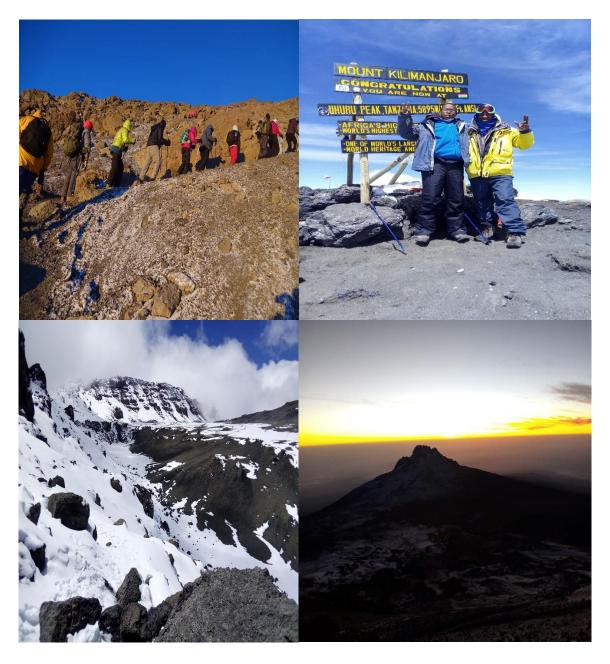


DAY 5: KIBO HUT TO UHURU POINT TO HOROMBO HUT

Elevation: 4700m to 5895m to 3720m

Distance: 22 km

Hiking Time: 10-13 hours



You wake in the middle of the night and begin the final push to reach the Roof of Africa. The trail to Gilman's Point is rather steep and the ascent will be slow and steady as we say in Swahili "Pole Pole". From Gilman's, it is a traverse along the crater rim to Uhuru Peak. You will then stay at the summit for a short time, to take photos and enjoy the views, before retracing your steps to all the way back to Horombo Hut.



DAY 6: HOROMBO HUT TO MARANGU GATE

Elevation: 3720m to 1879m

Distance: 20 km

Hiking Time: 5-7 hours



A long trek is in store for today, however it is mostly downhill. Once at the park headquarters at Marangu Gate you pick up your certificate that proves your achievement and catch your vehicle transfer to hotel in Moshi/Arusha.

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