



Mount Kilimanjaro Climb -Lemosho Route Good 8 Days

Free cancellation up to 61 day(s) prior departure, after which the tour cancellation policy applies.

- **Activities:**
 - Backpacking
 - Camping and Stargazing
 - Trekking and Hiking
- **Travel Style:** Budget
- **Guiding Type:** Live Guide/Instructor
- **Activities:**
 - English
 - German
- **Tour Vibe:** Active
- **Guiding Type:** Live Guide/Instructor
- **Recommended For:**
 - Couple
 - Family/Kids
 - Senior
 - Solo
 - Women
 - Youth
- **Country:**
 - Africa
 - Tanzania
- **Routes:**
 - Londorossi Gate
 - Mti Mkubwa Camp
 - Shira Camp One

- Shira II - Shira Hut
- Barranco Camp
- Karanga Camp
- Barafu Camp
- Mweka Camp
- Mweka gate
- **Pickup:** Kilimanjaro Airport;

From:12:00 AM

To:12:00 AM

- **Drop-off:** Kilimanjaro Airport;

From:12:00 AM

To:12:00 AM

- **Age Range:** 12 - 99 (Years Old)
- **Tour Highlights:**

Lemosho is preferred by reputable operators due to **its beauty, remoteness and success rate**. In short, it maximizes the chances that a climber will reach the summit, and enjoy the experience overall. The Lemosho route can also be done in as little as seven days (six nights) on the mountain.

A nine day variation that includes an overnight at Crater Camp is available as a private climb by special request.

- **Tour Introduction:**

The Lemosho route is considered the most scenic trail on Kilimanjaro, granting panoramic vistas on various sides of the mountain. As one of the newer routes, Lemosho is a superb choice for your climb. It is our preferred route due to its ideal balance of low crowds, beautiful scenery and a high summit success rate. Tanzania Horizon Safaris specializes in guiding on the Lemosho route. Most of our clients climb Kilimanjaro using this route and they consistently report that they loved it. Thus, Lemosho is highly recommended.

The route approaches Mount Kilimanjaro from the west, beginning with a long drive from Moshi to Londorossi Gate. From there, the first two days are spent trekking through the rain forest to Shira Ridge. The Lemosho route crosses the entire Shira Plateau from west to east in a pleasant, relatively flat hike. Crowds are low until the route joins the Machame route near Lava Tower. Then the route traverses underneath Kilimanjaro's Southern Ice Field on a path known as the Southern Circuit before summiting from Barafu. Descent is made via the Mweka route.

Brianah Adventure and Safaris offers Lemosho as an eight day group climb or as a seven to eight day private climb. The seven day variation combines days five and six, going from Barranco Camp to Barafu Camp without staying at Karanga.

- **Itinerary:**

- **Day 1: Londorosi Gate To Mti Mkubwa Camp**

Londorossi Gate to Mti Mkubwa Elevation: 7,742 ft to 9,498 ft Distance: 6 km/4 miles
Hiking Time: 3-4 hours Habitat: Rain Forest We depart Moshi for Londorossi Gate, which takes about 4 hours, where you will complete entry formalities. Then drive to the Lemosho trailhead. Upon arrival at trailhead, we begin hiking through undisturbed forest which winds to the first camp site.

- **Day 2: Mti Mkubwa Camp to Shira One Camp**

Mti Mkubwa to Shira 1 Camp Elevation: 9,498 ft to 11,500 ft Distance: 8 km/ 5miles
Hiking Time 5-6 hours Habitat: Heath We continue on the trail leading out of the rain forest and into a savannah of tall grasses, heather and volcanic rock draped with lichen beards. As we ascend through the lush rolling hills and cross several streams, we reach the Shira Ridge before dropping gently down to Shira 1 Camp. Here we catch our first glimpse of Kibo across the plateau.

- **Day 3: Shira One Camp to Shira two Camp**

Shira 1 Camp to Moir Hut Elevation: 11,500 ft to 13,800 ft Distance: 11 km/ 7 miles
Hiking Time: 5-7 hours Habitat: Heath We explore the Shira Plateau for a full day. It is a gentle walk east on moorland meadows towards Shira 2 Camp. Then we divert from the main trail to Moir Hut, a little used site on the base of Lent Hills. A variety of walks are available on Lent Hills making this an excellent acclimatization opportunity. Shira Plateau is one of the highest plateaus on earth.

- **Day 4: Shira Two Camp to Barranco Camp**

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Hiking Time: 5-7 hours Habitat: Heath We explore the Shira Plateau for a full day. It is a gentle walk east on moorland meadows towards Shira 2 Camp. Then we divert from the main trail to Moir Hut, a little used site on the base of Lent Hills. A variety of walks are available on Lent Hills making this an excellent acclimatization opportunity. Shira Plateau is one of the highest plateaus on earth.

- **Day 5: Barranco To Karanga camp**

Barranco Camp to Karanga Camp Elevation: 13,044 ft to 13,106 ft Distance: 5 km/3 miles
Hiking Time: 4-5 hours Habitat: Alpine Desert We begin the day by descending into a ravine to the base of the Great Barranco Wall. Then we climb the non-technical but steep, nearly 900 ft cliff. From the top of the Barranco Wall we cross a series of hills and valleys until we descend sharply into Karanga Valley. One more steep climb up leads us to Karanga Camp. This is a shorter day meant for acclimatization. Barranco Camp to Barafu Camp Distance: 8 km/5.3 miles Hiking Time: 7-8 hours Habitat: Arctic Our day starts by descending into the Great Barranco, a huge ravine. We then exit steeply, up the Great Barranco Wall, which divides us from the southeastern slopes of Kibo. It's a climb over rock, not technical, but long and tiring. Passing underneath the Heim and Kersten glaciers, we head towards the Karanga valley, which is our last stop for fresh water before the summit. Scree now forms the terrain as we walk through arid and desolate land towards Barafu camp.

- Day 6: **Karanga Camp To Barafu Camp**

Karanga Camp to Barafu Camp Elevation: 13,106 ft to 15,331 ft Distance: 4 km/2 miles Hiking Time: 4-5 hours Habitat: Alpine Desert We leave Karanga and hit the junction which connects with the Mweka Trail. We continue up to the rocky section to Barafu Hut. At this point, you have completed the Southern Circuit, which offers views of the summit from many different angles. Here we make camp, rest and enjoy an early dinner to prepare for the summit day. The two peaks of Mawenzi and Kibo are viewable from this position.

- Day 7: **Barafu Camp To Uhuru To Mweka Camp**

Barafu Camp to Uhuru Peak Elevation: 15,331 ft to 19,341 ft Distance: 5 km/3 miles Hiking Time: 7-8 hours Habitat: Arctic Uhuru Peak to Mweka Camp Elevation: 19,341 ft to 10,065 ft Distance: 12 km/7 miles Hiking Time: 4-6 hours Habitat: Rain Forest Very early in the morning (around midnight), we begin our push to the summit. This is the most mentally and physically challenging portion of the trek. The wind and cold at this elevation and time of day can be extreme. We ascend in the darkness for several hours while taking frequent, but short, breaks. Near Stella Point (18,900 ft), you will be rewarded with the most magnificent sunrise you are ever likely to see coming over Mawenzi Peak. Finally, we arrive at Uhuru Peak- the highest point on Mount Kilimanjaro and the continent of Africa. From the summit, we now make our descent continuing straight down to the Mweka Hut camp site, stopping at Barafu for lunch. The trail is very rocky and can be quite hard on the knees; trekking poles are helpful. Mweka Camp is situated in the upper forest and mist or rain can be expected in the late afternoon. Later in the evening, we enjoy our last dinner on the mountain and a well-earned sleep.

- Day 8: **Mweka Camp To Mweka Gate**

Mweka Camp to Mweka Gate Elevation: 10,065 ft to 5,380 ft Distance: 10 km/6 miles Hiking Time: 3-4 hours Habitat: Rain Forest On our last day, we continue the descent to Mweka Gate and collect the summit certificates. At lower elevations, it can be wet and muddy. From the gate, we continue another hour to Mweka Village. A vehicle will meet us at Mweka Village to drive us back to the hotel in Moshi.

WHAT'S INCLUDED

Location	Nights	Type	Property Name	Rating	Occupancy
Moshi	2	Hotel	Chanya	3	Private
Moshi	2	Hotel	Chanya	3	Shared

- **Pickup & Drop-Off**

- Airport Transfer

We provide airport transfers from Kilimanjaro International Airport (JRO) to your pre-climb

hotel in Arusha. You will be met as you come out of Arrivals by a Claris Tours and Travel representative holding a board saying “Claris Tours and Travel” with your name on it as well. Your transfer from Kilimanjaro airport to Arusha will take about an hour. When you arrive at your hotel you can agree the time for your pre-trek briefing that evening, when your guide will carry out a gear check and also review the route with you.

We will also drop you back at Kilimanjaro International Airport in time for you to catch your flight home

- **Guide**

- Our guides Licensed by the National Park and are certified Wilderness First Responders (WFR)
- Our guides conduct health checks twice daily using pulse oximeters to measure pulse and oxygen saturation,
- Also guides carry emergency oxygen cylinder, a portable stretcher and a medical kit on all our Mt Kilimanjaro climbs

- **Meals**

- Halal
- Kosher
- Meat
- Vegan
- Vegetarian

Our chefs will serve large, healthy meals to keep you happy and well-fed on your Kilimanjaro climb. Our menus are designed to be nutritionally-dense, with plenty of variety to cater to the energy demands of the trek.

Breakfast is usually porridge followed by sausage and eggs, toast and marmalade or jams and hot drinks such as tea, coffee or chocolate. Climbers are asked to communicate with the guide as regards their appetites or we will tend to err on the side of caution in providing much more food than necessary.

Lunch is usually a packed lunch that you will carry in your daypack. It normally consists of a boiled egg, some sandwiches, a chicken portion, fresh fruit and a cold drink. At the end of the day's walking, afternoon tea is served with biscuits, peanuts and, best of all, salted popcorn and plenty of hot drinks.

Dinner begins with soup, followed by a main course including chicken or meat, a vegetable sauce, some cabbage, and rice, pasta or potatoes, with fresh fruit for dessert .

- **Transport**

- Van

Before booking transportation to Tanzania and ultimately to the starting point of your climb you need to decide if you are just climbing Kilimanjaro, or are you planning to enjoy other adventures in the Northern Circuit. If you are going to Tanzania just climb Kilimanjaro, the best option is to fly directly to Kilimanjaro International. Although after arrival at Airport a Claris Tours and Travel Representative will pick you and drive to the hotel in Moshi

WHAT'S EXCLUDED

- Flights
- Insurance
- Transport
- **Other Excluded:**

Covid Safety

All Claris and Tours and Travel Staffs have got the COVID19 vaccine. Despite the vaccine they also wash hands frequently with alcohol-based hand rub or soap and water.

Tour Cancellation Policy

Free cancellation up to 61 day(s) prior departure, Or traveler will pay 20 % of the tour amount

If you're obligated to cancel or postpone your tour due to a Corona-virus-related travel ban for travel out of your country of residence or into Tanzania, either by the government of your country of residence or by Tanzanian government, we will adapt our cancellation policy. If you wish to postpone your trip to a later date, the conditions written in article 9 of these Terms and Conditions apply as usual. If you're forced to cancel your trip, we will reimburse you the full price of your booking minus all expenses that have already been made by Claris Tours and Travel at the time of cancellation and that cannot be recovered. We'll charge a service fee of 100 USD per group to cover costs related to your booking, such as but not limited to salaries and office costs.

Good To Know

Lemosho route hikers descend through Mweka route, enabling them to see southern face of the Mountain as well.

FAQs

Why Lemosho Route is Expensive than other routes?

It takes around 3-4 hours to get to the trailhead from Moshi . That is why the **prices for Kilimanjaro trips through Lemosho route are usually slightly higher.**

Also Because its a long route the number of crew also increased.