



### AFRICA'S TAPESTRY

...weaving together abundant wildlife, scenic splendor & native culture... ...an epic journey with memories of a lifetime.

**SERENGETI, NDUTU & TARANGIRE** the names alone evoke powerful images of mystery, wonder and awe. In real life, they offer an experience beyond your wildest dreams.

Join nature photographer Dee Ann Pederson as she guides a group of photography and nature enthusiasts on a 16-day Photographic Safari through Tanzania's most renowned national parks. You'll experience the best of what East Africa has to offer, with time and space to fully experience the natural splendor and amazing wildlife of the Serengeti, Ndutu (Part of the Ngorongoro Conservation Area), and Tarangire, all designed to maximize your connection with the riches of the land and the staggering variety of its fauna and flora.

Dee Ann has traveled here for 15 years, and chooses only the best lodges and camps, the best local native guides, and of course, the best safari vehicles for photography. She has worked with her locally owned outfitter and guides for many years, who have an expert eye for the needs of serious photographers. Coupled with extensive knowledge of the land and its wildlife, our guides offer you the ultimate experience of this phenomenal land.

In addition to the primary focus of photographing wildlife and Tanzania's scenic splendor, you'll also spend a morning in a Maasai village, and experience a connection to these beautiful beings who have shared this land for hundreds of years. The Maasai children and their teacher under the shade of an acacia tree, their vibrant fabric, intricate bead work, dancing and singing, and mud huts are eye candy without calories. Beware, even if you are an avid wildlife photographer your urge to photograph will be irresistible and your experience with these special people will enrich this journey beyond your expectations.

If you're serious about photography, whether novice or advanced, and dreamed of experiencing the wonder of Africa, or you have previously experience Africa and the "Awe" is speaking to you to return, this is the trip for you. If you are traveling with a companion who is not a photographer, perhaps they'd like to capture yet another unique view of nature's experience using a video camera.

Join me in 2017 on this Epic Photographic Journey......



Like my other "home away from home" of Alaska, Tanzania brings me to the core of my being...Africa in my Soul. I've found no other place on earth where life holds together so visibly with the unity I experience here. The land, the vegetation, the wildlife, the weather, my Tanzania family of friends and of course, its beautiful native cultures - all woven together in a gorgeous tapestry of life, almost a showplace of "what's possible" for life on earth. I've been coming here each year for over a decade and although no two trips are the same, all of my experiences here are inextricably significant in my life as I embrace ever moment of the golden savannahs, lush woodlands, semi-arid plains and pastoral lifestyle and culture of the Maasai. The blessing that come with being able to return to a place like this again and again is the realization each time that I can be open to feel, sense and see so much more deeply and beyond the wildlife and culture, but how it all connect.

Serengeti, Ndutu, Arusha, Lake Manyara, Ngorongoro... the splendor always abound in these larger-than-life places, but seeing these places differently opens up boundless experiences and is one of the reasons I love sharing Tanzania with those who travel with me, with an even greater gratitude for those who have found their own passion and love for this land and have returned to travel with me on safari in Tanzania.

Dee Ann Pederson - Africa 2012 Journal

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## Arusha / Cultural Heritage Center / Kimemo Coffee Plantation

Opening Agenda - After a long journey, we will spend our first two nights in the comfort of Lake Duluti Serena Lodge. Nestled on the edge of Arusha at the foot of the wooded slopes of Mount Meru, The Lake Duluti Serena Lodge is also amidst surrounding coffee plantations on the shores of tranquil Lake Duluti.

Our first day has been designed to have a slow pace with breakfast and then an optional morning outing to the Cultural Heritage Center. Or, you may choose to relax while taking a walk through the lush gardens or just sipping your coffee while enjoying your first morning in Tanzania.

The Cultural Heritage Center (shops/museum) has so much to offer, guest have commented it is overwhelming to only have a brief time on the last day of the safari to see the museum, shop, and make decisions. This afternoon will give you a much more relaxed space of time; you will be able to make purchases you desire, they will package them and hold them for when we come back on the last day. Or you can, at the very least, get ideas about what you like and be able to compare as we see other shops along our safari.

We will return for lunch at Lake Duluti Serena Lodge and then a late afternoon orientation prior to dinner as a group. After the close of the orientation meeting our guides will depart to drive to the Serengeti where they will meet us at the air strip the next afternoon.

The next morning we will depart Lake Duluti Serena Lodge following breakfast for a warm and delightful welcome by the family who started, owns and operates Kimemo Coffee Plantation. You will have an introduction to coffee and personal history of coffee with this family. On our tour you will be guided through the many processes that takes the bean from the plant to the cup. And, if we are lucky, we may get the chance to watch local ladies hand picking only the perfectly ripe coffee beans during the harvest. After our tour we will have their "Master Brewers", entertain us as they brew and design the gourmet coffee drinks of your choice.

Before departing for the local Arusha airport for our charter flight to the Serengeti we will sit on the lawn of Kimemo Café for lunch while we take in the majestic views of Mt. Meru.

Lake Duluti Serena Lodge

June 11th

June 12th

Late Evening / Arrive into Kilimanjaro Airport / Transport to Lodge in Arusha for your first night in Tanzania.

Breakfast / Morning Tour Cultural Heritage Center / Lunch At Lodge / Late Afternoon Orientation / Dinner

Breakfast / Kimemo Coffee Plantation / Lunch Continues on next page>>>

June 13th

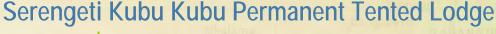
Cultural Heritage Center

Serengeti National Park

Serengeti National Park is Tanzania's largest, and probably the world's best known wildlife preserve. It's comprised of almost 15,000 square kilometers, an area larger than the state of Connecticut. The name Serengeti is a derivative of the Maasai word meaning "endless plain." In an area this large, it's no surprise to find many varied habitats: open grasslands, (interspersed as they are with rocky outcrops called kopjes and sprinkled with characteristic flat-topped acacia trees); open woodlands; and mosaics of grassland and woodland combined.

Big cats (lions, leopards, cheetahs), along with wildebeest, gazelle, zebra, and millions upon millions of birds and insects, leave even the most casual visitor with a profound sense of wonder with both the richness of life here as well as the spaciousness of the landscape. The Serengeti is the largest wildlife sanctuary in the world and the site of one of the most breathtaking events in the animal kingdom - the migration of more than a million wildebeest.

Agenda – With four days in the Serengeti, we'll have time to experience what makes this place so breathtaking and unique. Daily game drives give us time in the field in many of the varied habitats here, highlighted by "up close and personal" encounters with the Africa you may have long held only in your dreams. Kubu Kubu Permanent Tented Lodge is home for our time here; the wilderness just off your porch, a sense of relaxation and community greeting us each evening upon our return to the lodge where we will reflect on the day's memorable moments by the fire pit or over dinner – the perfect way to fully absorb the feeling of the Serengeti.



June 13th

Depart Kimemo Coffee Plantation after lunch / transfer to Arusha (local) airport for charter flight to Serengeti / Guides and Safari Vehicles will meet us at the airstrip in the Serengeti to pick us up and begin our safari in the Serengeti / Afternoon Game Drive / Dinner

June 14th June 15th

June 16th

Breakfast / Morning game drive / Lunch / Afternoon game drive / Dinner
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✓ Since the Serengeti is vast and we want to explore as many photographic opportunities as possible, we will be in-the-field all day with picnic boxes under the shade of an Acacia tree for lunch.























#### Ndutu (Ngorongoro Conservation Area)

A striking characteristic of this area is the stunning acacia woodland, which is immediately surrounded by the short grass plains. Within this wooded area is Lake Ndutu and Lake Masek - two of the Rift Valley's soda lakes. At the height of the wildebeest migration, and when heavy rains have fallen, lines of wildebeest can often be seen crossing these lakes accompanied by large numbers of zebra and Thomson gazelles.

Sights abound, so do sounds. Listen to the murmurs of a million doves greeting the sunrise, a cacophony of guinea fowl as they startle away, the swish of a tawny eagle through the clear air. Hyenas howling, zebras and jackals barking, the rich chorus of Ndutu rings round while millions of stars illuminate the sky.

Lake Masek Tented Camp is perfectly located on the banks of Lake Masek with an African décor appointed lounge and dining area a joining an expansive wood deck under the shade of acacia trees overlooking the lake. We will enjoy luxury tents with all en suite facilities you could want; wood floors, footed tubs and an exterior shower under the stars of East Africa's sky. The lodge is eco-friendly with solar power and one of my favorite elements of the camp is the personal touch of the Maasai staff...AND the gift shop.

Agenda – To take in all Ngorongoro Conservation Area has to offer and to experience yet another remarkable ecosystem of Tanzania, we will journey today from The Serengeti to Ndutu, where we will spend our next 3½ days. The wildlife and the habitat of this relatively small area will captivate you! Our second morning at Ndutu will offer an optional morning game drive or for those that would like to take this morning around the camp to rest, refresh and download your images you will have this option. We will then all enjoy lunch on the deck at the lodge and continue in the afternoon with our game drive in Ndutu. Ndutu area has been a favorite of professional wildlife photographers and film makers for several decades simply because it is one of the best places to see it all and unlike the other locations we will visit, we are permitted to go off road if we see a special subject to photograph!!

#### **Lake Masek Tented Camp**

June 17<sup>th</sup>

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Breakfast at Kubu Kubu / Full Day Game Drive in Route to Ndutu / Boxed Lunches / Arrive early evening for check-in to Lake Masek Tented Camp / Dinner at Lodge.

June 18<sup>th</sup>
June 19<sup>th</sup>
June 20<sup>th</sup>

Breakfast / Morning game drive / Lunch / Afternoon game drive / Dinner

Breakfast / Morning game drive (Optional) or relax & lunch at lodge / Afternoon game drive / Dinner

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# Ndutu / Maasai Village / Plantation Lodge

June 21st – There will be a rather early breakfast to facilitate an early departure since we have a long journey today and we want to arrive for our Maasai Village visit before the light gets to harsh.

We will depart Ndutu on our way to the Maasai Village then continuing towards the Crater Highlands and Plantation Lodge. Our drive will take us through Ngorongoro Conservation Area into Maasai land where we will see glimpses of Maasai life and villages. This is where we will stop to visit the village Dee Ann has been visiting for almost 10 years. Following the village we ascend onto the rim road traveling around Ngorongoro Crater

where we will make a scenic stop to view the crater floor from above. Continuing on the crater road we will officially leave Ngorongoro Conservations Area as we exit the gates of the crater on our way to the Crater Highlands.

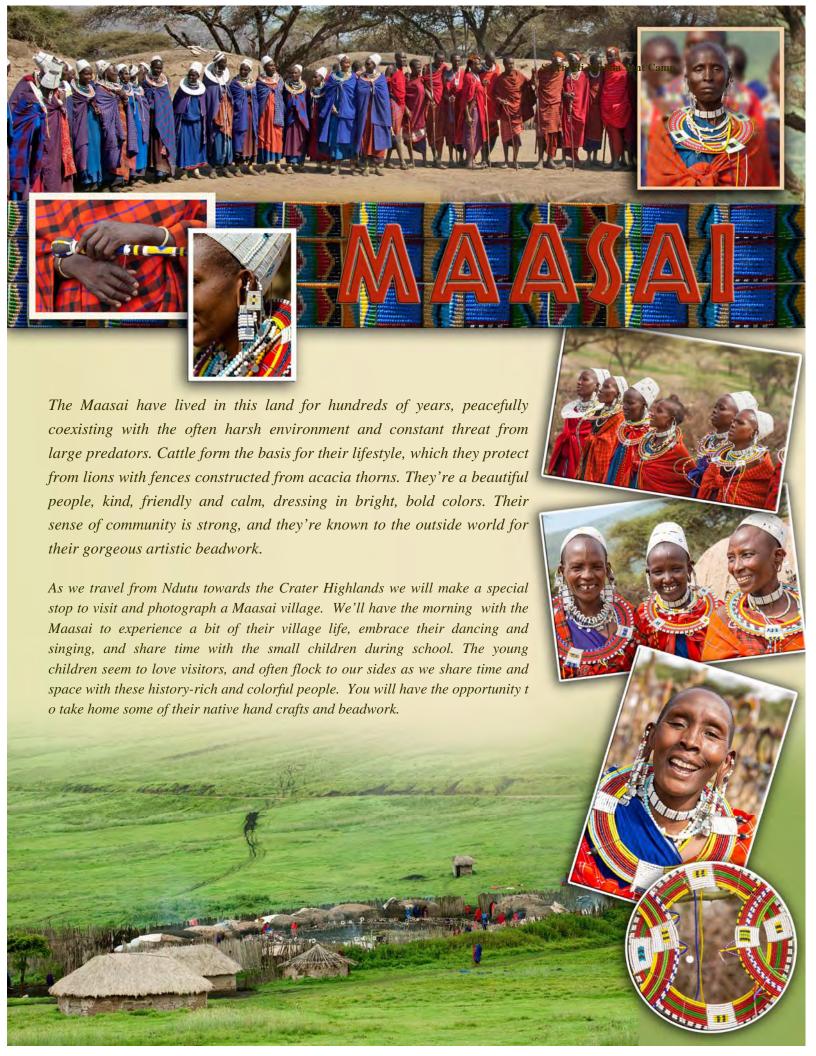
If time allows we will make a short top at a tiny market near Lake Manyara to visit one of my long time friends and "Tingatinga" artist Suleman which is always a popular spot for those wanting to take home one of the vibrant animal caricature paintings. Tingatinga painting style was developed in the second half of the 20th century in Dar es Salaam (Tanzania) by Edward Said Tingatinga.

We will have a late lunch upon arrival at Plantation Lodge and spend the remainder of our day/evening refreshing, relaxing and enjoying the lush grounds and gardens of Plantation Lodge.























Tarangire National Park is the most Southern of the accessible parks of Northern Tanzania. Named after River Tarangire, the park covers an area of 2,600 sq. kilometers. Much of the park is open grassy savannah, dotted with splendid specimens of Baobab trees, but there are also areas of swamp in the south. The park is spectacular in the dry season when many of the migratory wildlife species come back to the permanent waters of the river. With the onset of the rains they migrate again for better pastures. This animal phenomenon takes place from June to September. Tarangire possesses the second-highest concentration of wildlife during the dry season.

It is one of the few protected areas in Tanzania with a hydrological regime that ensures a year round water source for the park's most exceptional resource - the Tarangire River. The park is known for its river valley, wetlands, gently rolling hills, rocky out crops, acacia woodlands, and numerous baobab trees. It is the only National park in Tanzania's northern circuit where one can easily view a large concentration of elephant all year round.

Agenda – We'll close out our safari with four nights at the Tarangire Ndova Camp located in the heart of Tarangire near the Tarangire River. Location, location, location...As mentioned above, Tarangire Nat'l Pk covers a very large area and lodging inside the park is limited with few places near the river. The location of our camp is perfectly situated for navigating all different directions of the park to optimize our photographic moments. The enchantment and sounds of nature abound beyond our spacious tents inclusive of a bedroom area separate from the toilet/vanity area (flushing toilets) and even another separate shower/dressing area. We will unwind after our day's adventures with candle lit diners and sitting around the wood campfire with your favorite refreshing beverage.

#### **Tarangire Ndova Camp**

June 22<sup>nd</sup>

Breakfast at Plantation Lodge / Depart for Tanrangire Nat'l Park / Lunch / Game drive / Dinner

June 23th

Breakfast / Morning game drive / Lunch / Afternoon game drive / Dinner

June 24th

Breakfast / Morning game drive / Lunch / Afternoon game drive / Dinner

June 25th

Breakfast/ Morning game drive/ Lunch / Afternoon game drive.



## Kimemo Cottages - June 26

Today we end this amazing journey as we enjoy our drive back to Arusha. We will stop for shopping and lunch at the Cultural Heritage Center and then on to our day room at Kimemo Cottages to refresh before our evening transfer to the airport for our departure back home.

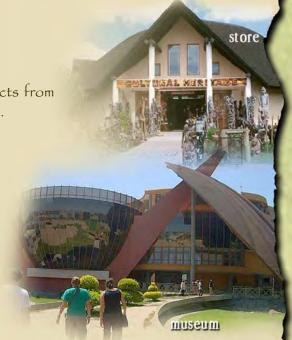
Kimemo Cottages is set on a mature coffee farm, five cottages are fully equipped and comfortably furnished. Each enjoys its own beautiful spacious garden, surrounded by stunning panoramic views. Just open the door and make yourself at home. This is a perfect little retreat for peace and privacy, an afternoon nap and repacking your luggage before departing for the airport. We will all enjoy English tea / coffee and hors d'oeuvres on the lawn before our departure to the airport at 4:45 PM.

## About the Cultural Heritage Center...

The Cultural Heritage Center presents crafts and artifacts from hundreds of tribes both local and from other parts of Africa.

The selection is amazing... so amazing it could be a museum. But of course it's a store, so you can buy anything you see here; masks, carvings, paintings, beadwork, baskets, books, t-shirts and tanzanite from one of the most reputable sources in Tanzania. They'll even ship your treasures anywhere in the world.

And now, there is a museum too! Exhibiting one-of-akind African Ebony carvings, sculptures and art of all media.



## We invite you to join us for this remarkable Journey!

One of our operating principles is to connect deeply with the communities in which we travel; we're guests in their land. We therefore work only with local providers, then choose the best among them, so that your experience will be all you dream of.





Dee Ann Pederson is a nature and wildlife photographer who enjoys sharing her passion through her images and leading photographic journeys across the globe. Her awareness and respect for nature began at a young age during family vacations to visit our national parks and natural wonders; and at the age of seventeen, Dee Ann began to cultivate her love for photography while working as a photographer's assistant. Her abundant energy and "wanderlust" have led her around the world in search of nature's splendor. She is at home in the frigid Arctic as she is in the heat of the Serengeti; nature offers her gifts independent of climate or location.



Dee Ann's images are sold as framed, limited-edition fine art prints through private/gallery shows and the Windows of Nature web store. They have been licensed for use on clothing and sold for editorial and commercial use, including National Geographic Traveler, National Geographic Expeditions, Yale University, Holland American Cruise Line, British Airways, as well as travel books and others. She has published her "Nature's Inspirations" calendar since 2004 and has also a collection of "Nature's Inspired" note cards available at her webstore. Over five separate years, she has had images on exhibit in the Smithsonian Museum of Natural History in Washington, D.C., in the collection of Nature's Best Photography Windland Smith Rice International Awards Exhibition. In 2010, she was recognized as one of Nature's Best Ambassadors. For 2014/2015 Dee Ann's image "Fox Trot" was one of 36 images selected from 5,000 to represent the 50th Anniversary "Wilderness Forever" exhibit in the Smithsonian.

In nature, life finds sustainable balance. Often, however, human activity threatens this balance, and in turn, the sustainability of ecosystems. Only through the effort of communities of support can we restore balance where it's been compromised. Through sales of her photographs, art cards and calendars, Dee Ann provides financial support to the following organizations/communities, each committed to protecting nature's delicate balance: Conservation International, The Cougar Fund, East Africa Wild Life Society (Kenya), The David Sheldrick Wildlife Trust (Kenya), Jane Goodall Institute, The Houston Zoo, The Nature Conservancy, National Audubon Society, The Sierra Club, National Wildlife Federation, African Wildlife Foundation & Polar Bears International. She is also a member of the North American Nature Photography Association (NANPA) and an active member of the NANPA Foundation Board.



#### Testimonials

I had the pleasure of participating in Dee Ann's 2014 Tanzania photo safari. This trip was terrific! Dee Ann is meticulously organized and a relentlessly thoughtful (!) host. The guides were knowledgeable, friendly and a pleasure to be with. And, of course, there were lots of excellent photographic opportunities. I was delighted to experience a quite different slice of Africa than in my August trip to Kenya trip a couple years ago; the landscape was quite different due to the time of year; in key areas, especially in the Ngorongoro Crater, the land formations helped to create captivating backgrounds. Another huge difference from my Kenya trip: thanks to committed focus from Dee Ann and (especially) one of the guides, I succeeded in capturing excellent leopard images, which I had failed to do on that earlier trip.

The organization of this trip and the itinerary were top notch; Dee Ann's many years of leading Tanzania trips and her strong commitment to sweating the details on our behalf was obvious and much appreciated. The advanced planning information and communication before trip were absolutely outstanding; the quality and volume of information provided in advance (with even more maps and brochures on our hotel beds during the trip!) was very welcome as well. Dee Ann was patient and thorough in responding to my pre-trip questions. Finally, I'll note that I had the opportunity to shake the hand of the President of Tanzania at one of the camps; this was an unexpected and welcome bonus, but I doubt that Dee Ann can arrange for it to happen routinely!!

- Mark O. (Tanzania 2014)

"They say the 'devil is in the details'. Not true. The 'angel is in the details'. Dee Ann was the angel and this was the trip from heaven. It was my graduation gift to my daughter, and what a gift it was! Everything was perfect beginning to end. I was never concerned for my, or my daughter's safety or well being. I have traveled a lot and have never experienced a trip as perfectly orchestrated as this one was. I will have a very hard time traveling with any other group after this experience. I will also have a hard time turning down any trip that Dee Ann sponsors. I learned more about photography on this trip than I have learned through many courses and over many years. Dee Ann was more than willing to help through every phase of photographic learning. Our guide, Nickson, had binocular eyes. It was amazing what he could spot, so we were able to see animals that most visitors never got to see. We experienced every animal we hoped to see and then some! He was also amazing in dealing with the local people, so we were able to photograph Maasai, local vendors and other people that most are shunned from photographing. My advice to anyone taking a journey with Windows of Nature: Bring everything on the packing list!"

- Debbie C. (Tanzania 2012)

"The trip was absolutely fantastic! The best trip I have ever taken in my life. Every day was a new adventure and every moment was magical. The trip was so well thought out and so well run that all we had to do was focus on the photography."

Nancy N. (Tanzania 2010 & 2012)

"Trip of a lifetime-an often used phrase. But I can attest that traveling with Dee Ann to Tanzania was the trip of a lifetime! We experienced multiple highlights everyday! The abundance of animals, the lush parks, fantastic guides that were happy to share their incredible knowledge and skills with us, Dee Ann's attention to detail and wonderful preparations allowed us to immerse ourselves in the magic of Tanzania. It was not only a trip of a lifetime-it was a gift! Thank you!"

Ginny C (Tanzania 2012)

"What a wonder-filled experience! Thank you Dee Ann and the 'fab four' guides for choreographing a truly magical dance, a dance rich in the beauty and wonder that is Tanzania. We reveled in the song of the earth with its landscapes and dance of light. We heard the symphony of the wildlife especially as we listened to their night melodies at the tent camp. Our hearts stirred with the music of Tanzania's people and culture.

Everything was so well organized from transportation, to lodging, to meals, to a fantastic tent-camp experience, to day-to-day itineraries, to the freedom to 'go with the flow', to providing opportunities to share laughter, song and fun. The guides too were awesome in getting us to the happy surprises that filled each and every day.

Thank you Dee Ann for sharing your knowledge and passion for wildlife photography, for the land, for its people, and for their culture. You made this an unbelievably enriching, rewarding, fun and absolutely awesome magical dance."

- Kris M. (Tanzania 2012)

"We had the pleasure of being part of Dee Ann Pederson's 2011 Tanzania Photo Safari. As our first trip to Africa, it was more than we ever expected and we know that this is because of Dee Ann's many years of experience. She set up an itinerary that maximized photo opportunities and organized a group of superb guides that astonished us daily with their spotting skills and knowledge. Dee Ann's attention to detail was extraordinary making sure each guest's needs were addressed. Her selection of lodges and tent camp was also excellent assuring that we were comfortable throughout the trip. Outstanding!"

Ninette & Don - Hilo, Hawaii (Tanzania 2011)

"Windows of Nature and Dee Ann Pederson supplied a magnificent photo tour of Northern Tanzania. In fact there are not enough superlative adjectives to adequately describe even a single aspect of this trip. Mary and I agree that the itinerary was outstanding as was the attention to trip details, from baggage and transportation, to handling the little quirks that pop up almost daily. The food was excellent and all accommodations were totally beyond our expectations, especially the Serengeti Tent Camp. (Our family thought we were "roughing it.) The calendar timing of the safari was perfect, which enabled us to see and photograph all the major mammals singly and in groups. A completely unexpected pleasure, from a photographic point of view, was the abundance and variety of colorful birds. They weren't always easy to photograph, but they were wonderful to see and observe. One of the great advantages of this type of safari was that we were with other photographers, which meant that everyone tolerated the waits for action. The unsung heroes of our group, our driver-naturalists, were able to see and locate animals and set us up for potential action. Then we waited and almost always were rewarded with excellent photo opportunities. Not only was this safari a series of terrific opportunities to photograph animals, but it was a very rich cultural experience too. We observed two very different African cultures, and spent time with each of them. One was largely Christian and centered around Arusha and some villages nearby. The other was the Maasai of the open savannah. This was a safari beyond our wildest expectations, and was more akin to a trip of a lifetime. We recommend this safari, and this trip organizer, Dee Ann Pederson, to anyone interested in experiencing the cultures and seeing the animals of Northern Tanzania. It is suitable for all levels of photographer, from point & shoot to professional. Wow, we want to do it again!'

Mary & Bill L.(Tanzania 2011)

"Tanzanians are filled with dignity and beauty, warmth and politeness. There is the obvious charm and allure of Elephants, Giraffes, Rhinos, Wildebeest, Zebra, Ostrich, Warthogs, Monkeys, Hippos, Cats, not to mention the over 1,100 species of colorful birds. But, for me, it was the Tanzanians that made this visit a lifechanging event. Despite the constant challenge to make ends meet, these beautiful people dance, sing, paint, carve, and live their lives in grace and appreciation. But, be forewarned "polepole" (poh-lay-poh-lay, "slowly, slowly") is the way to go. It is worth it to go polepole, as you don't want to miss its rich history, the textured tapestry of Tanzania's ethnic diversity, the Maasai's tenacious defense of their pastoral lifestyle and culture, the lush woodlands, the tawny savannas, the semi-arid desert or the land that often seems so biblical that you would not be surprised to see Moses appear in some thicket or Adam and Eve hanging out beside a Baobab Tree. I want to go back for more as it is now in my blood."

Nancy Rotenberg (Tanzania 2010)



## What is Included & More...

#### A Snapshot of How Our Days Will Flow

- Throughout our safari, breakfast will be in a group at 6:00 AM.
- Departure for morning game drives as well as travel days to our next destination will be at 6:30 AM.
- Lunches will rotate between boxed lunches in the field and lunch at the lodge. Lunch times will vary based on photographic activity in the field.
- Dinner times will vary at each lodge and destination.
- Groups are expected to have one seating as a group for all meals at the safari lodges and camp.



#### **Included**

- Airport transfer as a group upon arrival and departure
- All meals
- All gratuities for meal service at lodges are included
- Lodging for all nights of the program
- Day room on date of departure in Arusha
- Charter flight from Arusha to The Serengeti
- Exclusive 4x4 Safari Vehicle (3 photographer guests per vehicle)
- Expert Native Tanzania Driver/Guide with each vehicle
- Professional Photographer Leader with Hands-On Field Assistance
- All National Park Entry Fees
- Ngorongoro Crater Service Fee
- Campsite fees, camp staff, camp supply vehicle and all camp equipment
- Generators at Tent Camp for charging computer & laptop batteries
- Bottle Water and Sodas during game drives
- Tarangire Tent Camp & Lake Masek Tent Camp Bottle Water, juices, soft drinks, beer and wine (Other alcoholic beverages charged to guest)
- Other Lodges and Camps Bottle Water and Sodas with breakfast, lunch and dinner (Alcoholic beverages and specialty coffee beverages, guest responsibility)
- Gratuities for Safari Driver/Guides who will be with us throughout our entire photo safari
- Gratuities for Tent Camp Staff
- Gratuities for luggage transfer at each lodge

#### Not Included (At Guest Expense)

- International Air fare to and from Arusha, Tanzania (Kilimanjaro Airport)
- · Laundry services at lodges
- Alcoholic beverages and specialty coffee beverages (As noted above) will need to be ordered from the waiter and need to be billed to the guest's room or paid at the end of meal with T Schillings.
- Camera Equipment
- Computer Equipment or batteries
- Lodging/guides/transportation for pre or post extensions
- Cost for Tanzania Visa (Information and resource for obtaining Visa will be provided to guest in their comprehensive trip packet mailed approximately 4 to 5 months prior to trip)
- Additional expense for unscheduled airport vehicle transfer in Arusha/Kilimanjaro if delayed flight arrival or early arrival





**Guaranteed departure:** We guarantee departure on this tour if eight paying passengers book. (Potential exceptions: War, terrorism or rebel alert issued by the US government. We reserve the right to cancel/reschedule the trip because of good-faith concerns with respect to the safety, health or welfare of the participants)

**Accommodations:** The finest accommodations will be provided at hotels, lodges, and exclusive mobile tents camps as specified in your itinerary and are based on double occupancy with exclusive bath area.

Meals: All meals included while in Tanzania as specified in the "Included List."

**Beverages:** Bottled water and sodas are supplied in the safari vehicle; during breakfast, lunches, dinners at lodges. Additional bottled water to take to your room can be purchased at lodge bar or restaurant. Alcoholic and specialty coffee beverages are not included except as specified.

**Sightseeing and Game Viewing:** Safari sightseeing and game viewing will be by exclusive guide/chauffeured Toyota Land Cruiser/Land Rover with a guaranteed window seat and seat for camera backpack for each photographer. All passengers are escorted by an experienced naturalist, driver/guide.

**Health Requirements:** You must be in good physical and mental health. Any physical condition or treatment requiring special attention <u>must be reported at time of the reservation</u> for determination of participation in the trip without further impairment to yourself or detriment to other guests. Special dietary needs also need to disclosed on the Pre-departure Questionnaire.

Gratuities, Taxes and Entrance Fees: Tips for safari drivers/guides as well as lodging staff are included. Gratuities for baggage handling at lodges are included. Hotel taxes are included, as well as entrance fees to all parks, conservation areas and wildlife preserves.

**Payment schedule:** A 25% deposit, per person, is due at the time of registration. This deposit is not refundable since accommodations / lodging, safari vehicles, guides, park permits and the charter flight must be booked and secured with a deposit well in advance which have non-refundable penalties for changes. A second payment of 25% is required and will be processed to the same credit card provided for the initial deposit on January 3, 2017. The final payment of 50% must be made in full by March 3, 2017. Windows of Nature by Dee Ann LLC reserves the right to cancel a reservation if final payment has not been received by March 3, 2017. We accept Master Card and Visa for the initial 25% payment and second 25% payments; as well as check, cashiers check, or money order. Remaining 50% safari balance **can not** be paid with credit card.

Cancelations and Refunds: Notice of cancelation must be made in writing (e-mail acceptable) and refunds will be issued based on the following: Initial 25% Payment is non-refundable.

Second 25% Payment - 75% of the second payment due on January 3, 2017 is non-refundable; 25% will be refunded if cancelled between January 4, 2017 and March 2, 2017. 100% non-refundable if cancellation on or after March 3, 2017

Final 50% Payment - Cancelations from March 4 through April 3, 2017 – 50% of final payment non-refundable.

Cancelation after April 3, 2017 100% of final payment non-refundable.

**Tour rates:** Computed as of January 2016 for Lodge Rates and National Park Fees and do not include any airline flights (except for Charter Flight from Arusha to the Serengeti), departure taxes or custom fees. Park entrance fees for visitors as well as Safari vehicle access fees continue to increase each year, especially Ngorongoro Crater. Since the pricing of this trip is based on January 2016, projected for travel in 2017, we will let you know should there be an increase in park or vehicle access fees as soon as we are notified. We hope this will not be needed.

#### WE STRONGLY RECOMMEND TRIP CANCELATION, EMERGENCY MEDICAL EVACUATION INSURANCE.

Travel insured International 1.800.243.3174 <a href="http://www.travelinsured.com">http://www.travelinsured.com</a>

AIG Travel Guard 1.800.826.4919 <a href="http://aigtravel.com">http://aigtravel.com</a>

Or contact your local insurance, AAA and/or travel agent for other companies offering this coverage.

Typically it is required that you purchase this coverage within 14 days of paying your trip deposit to obtain the maximum benefits from your coverage.

**Not Included:** The tour prices do not include travel expenses/air fare from your home to the origination point of the trip or airport taxes in the USA or abroad. Tour prices do not include cost of passports, visas, service charges for obtaining visas, wines and liquors, laundry, excess baggage charges and items of a personal nature. Refer to: "What is Included & More" for more details on "Not Included" items.

Responsibility and Conditions: Windows of Nature by Dee Ann LLC as well as our local Safari Outfitter, Maasai Wanderings and/or their agents, act only as agents for the passenger in regard to their African portion of travel, whether by automobile, coach, local Tanzania charter airplane or train and assume no liability for injury, damage, loss, accident, delay, or irregularity which may be occasioned either by reason or defect in any vehicle, or for any reason whatsoever of the tour. They can accept no responsibility for losses or additional expenses due to delay or changes in air or other services. They can accept no responsibility for interruption, delay, schedule changes of trip or additional expenses as a result of sickness, weather, road conditions, strike, war, quarantine or other causes. All such losses or expenses will have to be borne by the passenger as indicated and to make any changes in the itinerary where deemed necessary or caused by changes in air schedules. Lodges are independent entities and independent operators with absolutely no affiliation to Windows of Nature by Dee Ann LLC. Every reasonable effort will be made to operate programs as planned, but the right is reserved to substitute lodges/hotels/accommodations of similar category for those originally indicated and to make any changes in the itinerary to ensure the quality, integrity and safely of the trip. The right is reserved to cancel any tour prior to departure, in which case full refund will constitute full settlement with the passenger. No refund will be made for any unused portion of the tour unless arranged prior to departure from the United States or country of origination. The prices of the tours are based on tariffs and hotel rates as of January 2016. The right is reserved to decline to accept any person as a member of the tour. Baggage is at owner's risk entirely.

