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### **Mount Kilimanjaro, 6 Day Machame Rout Climb**

#### **Day 1 Moshi – Machame Gate – Machame Hut**

You will be collected from your chosen hotel in Moshi and driven to Machame Gate (1800m). From the gate we commence a walk (6-8 hours) through thick mountain forest to Machame Hut (3000m). At Machame hut camp is set for dinner and over night stay.

#### **Day 2 Machame Hut – Shira Hut**

After breakfast the group slowly starts trekking (4-6 hours) through the moor land zone, enjoying superb views of Shira Plateau and Mount Meru, an extinct volcano. Dinner and overnight stay at Shira Hut (3840m)

#### **Day 3 Shira Hut – Barranco Hut**

Depart Shira Hut in the morning taking the path which rises up gradually towards the Kibo peak, after reaching the wedge, Buttress point, the path drops down to the Barranco Hut (6 hours walking). Dinner and overnight stay at Barranco Hut (3950m).

#### **Day 4 Barranco Hut – Barafu Hut**

Leave slowly crossing the floor of the great Barranco Valley and up the Barranco wall; continue the trek on the South Circuit path through the Karanga Valley. Then slowly trek (7 hours) to Barafu Hut (4600m) from Barafu you will have excellent views of Kibo and Mawenzi peaks. Barafu Hut is situated on an exposed and dangerous ridge, so it is necessary to familiarise yourself with the terrain before dark. Rest and prepare for summit night. Dinner and overnight stay at Barafu Hut.

#### **Day 5 Barafu Hut – Uhuru Peak – Mweka Hut**

A midnight start to conquer the highest point in Africa. This section of the route is considered one of the steepest on the non-technical paths of Kilimanjaro. It is a 6-7 hour hike to Stella Point (5735m) in order to see the sunrise. From Stella Point it is a 1 hour to Uhuru Peak (5895m) and the roof of Africa. We then descend down to Mweka Hut for dinner and overnight stay.

#### **Day 6 Mweka Hut – Mweka Gate - Moshi**

An easy day walking to Mweka Gate where a waiting vehicle will transfer you to your chosen hotel in Moshi.

#### **End of Climb**