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Mount Kilimanjaro, 6 Day Marangu Rout Climb

Day 1 Moshi – Marangu Gate – Mandara Hut

You will be collected from your chosen hotel in Moshi and driven to Marangu Gate (1800m) to start walking through a thick rain forest which takes four hours to Mandara Hut (2727m). The Mandara Hut is situated on the forest belt border just below the Maundi Crater. Here you will have dinner and overnight.

Day 2 Mandara Hut – Horombo Hut

After breakfast proceed walking slowly following a path through the forest and then through the heather and moor land zone from where you can view Kilimanjaro's two peaks and Moshi town. Arrive Horombo Hut (3,720m) for dinner and overnight stay.

Day 3 Horombo Hut

Day spent preparing your body on high altitudes! After breakfast, walk to Zebra Rocks or to Kilimanjaro's second peak Mawenzi for extra acclimatization. Return to Horombo Hut (3,720m) for dinner and overnight.

Day 4 Horombo Hut – Kibo Hut

A hard day climb to Kibo Hut (4703 m), 6 – 7 hours crossing the barren sub – Alpine terrain of the saddle between Mawenzi and Kibo peaks. We relax on arrival to prepare for the next stage which begins shortly after midnight.

Day 5 Kibo Hut – Uhuru Peak – Mandara Hut

Making a very early start at around 1:00, follow the zigzag path up the scree slope, stopping frequently to catch breath in the starlit air. This is the steepest and most demanding section for the climb, taking five hours to Gillman's Point (5685m). Gillman's Point offers great views of the Eastern Ice fields. See sunrise behind Mawenzi Peak illuminating the plain. Then walk a further 45 minutes around the crater and up to the highest point Uhuru Peak (5,895m), the roof of Africa where you will be rewarded with stunning views of the spectacular glaciers illuminated by the sunrise. Thereafter it is a 7 hour descent to Horombo Hut (3720m) with a rest at Kibo Hut on route. Dinner and overnight stay at Horombo Hut.

Day 6 Mandara Hut – Marangu Gate – Moshi

This is a much easier day as you have the luxury of walking downhill on the way to the waiting vehicle at Marangu gate for transfer to your chosen hotel in Moshi.

End of Climb