Climb Kilimanjaro: Summing the Machame Route

9 days from $5,695
Limited to 12 guests
Visiting Arusha and Mount Kilimanjaro

Tanzania Safari Extension | 5 days from $2,695

A&K ADVANTAGES

› Climb in confidence with A&K, the company with a successful Kilimanjaro summit rate of 97% – far above the industry average of 60-70%
› Trust in A&K’s deep experience, which spans more than 50 years in Tanzania and 30 years trekking Mount Kilimanjaro
› A&K ensures the quality of every trek by directly employing all of our chefs, porters and guides, the last of which are certified Wilderness First Responders
› Benefit from more time to acclimatize – a key component to a successful summit – with three more days on the itinerary than most other companies provide
› Utilize top-of-the-line camping gear and safety equipment, owned and maintained by A&K
› Stay in the largest and most comfortable sleeping tents on the mountain, while also enjoying private toilet facilities
› Carry only a daypack, as porters transport your luggage and equipment throughout the climb and descent

DAY 1: Arrive Arusha, Tanzania
Arrive in Arusha and transfer to your hotel. Enjoy a good night’s rest as one of only 12 guests on this epic journey.
Mount Meru Hotel

DAY 2: Arusha | Scenic Parkland
In preparation for the climb ahead, acclimatize as you walk through Arusha National Park. Situated between the peaks of Mount Kilimanjaro and Mount Meru, this scenic park houses a wide range of habitats, from its string of crater lakes populated by waterfowl, to its highland montane forest and imposing summit views. The forest harbors a wealth of wildlife, including frolicking black-and-white colobus monkeys and regal bushbucks. This evening, sit down to a welcome dinner with fellow guests. Mount Meru Hotel | Meals: B L D

DAY 3: Mount Kilimanjaro | 10,000 Feet
Drive from Arusha to the Machame village on the slopes of Mount Kilimanjaro to begin your climb along the challenging and scenic Machame Route. Hike for about six hours through dense rubber-tree and giant fig forests to your camp, set up near huts once used for shelter. As you make your way up through the forested terrain, keep an eye out for elephants. Settle into your first camp, poised at an altitude of 10,000 feet.
Machame Camp | Meals: B L D

DAY 4: Mount Kilimanjaro | 12,500 Feet
Awake early to a piping-hot cup of coffee or tea. As you leave camp, absorb the commanding view of Uhuru Peak. Trek out of the forest up to the Hagenia zone, through a savanna of tall grasses and haunting volcanic lava landscapes. After a six-hour hike, arrive at the Shira Plateau and your camp. At 12,500 feet, it boasts sweeping views across the Masai Steppe to distant Mount Meru and the Shira Needles. Shira Camp | Meals: B L D

DAY 5: Mount Kilimanjaro | 13,000 Feet
During a six-hour hike, skirt the Shira Plateau toward the Kibo Massif, continuing upward to the pass at Lava Tower (15,000 feet). Descend toward Barranco Camp through the immense, waterfall-punctuated Grand Barranco canyon, which is fed by streams from the Umbwe River. Today’s camp is situated at an elevation of 13,000 feet. Barranco Camp | Meals: B L D
DAY 6: Mount Kilimanjaro | Acclimatization Day
Hike for about six hours along the Barranco Cliff with no increase in elevation. This allows you time to rest and adjust to the increasingly higher altitudes. In the afternoon, you may hike in the Karanga Valley set beneath the icefalls of the Heim, Decken and Kersten glaciers. Karanga Camp | Meals: B L D

“A&K runs the best operation I have seen in my 43 years of experience on Kilimanjaro. The mountain is still a big challenge, but I felt our A&K team put us in the best position to summit — and we all did in style.”
— Richard Wiese, Host, “Born to Explore with Richard Wiese”

DAY 7: Mount Kilimanjaro | Preparing for the Summit
Take another short, four- to five-hour trek and a day of acclimatization as you near the mountain’s peak, stopping at Barafu Camp (15,200 feet) on a moraine, with views of majestic Mawenzi Peak to the right and looming Kibo Peak overhead. The surrounding, scenic alpine desert terrain is largely mineral and features some lichens and moss. Turn in early this evening — tomorrow, you make an early start for the summit. Barafu Camp | Meals: B L D

DAY 8: Mount Kilimanjaro | Summit Day
Rise very early to a hot cup of coffee or tea, before setting out on the final ascent to soaring Stella Point, at 18,630 feet on the rim of Kibo Crater. Start about 13 hours of trekking today by making your way up a winding path flanked by the towering Ratzel and Rebmann glaciers. As the sun rises, continue around the rim to Uhuru Peak (19,341 feet), where the air is rarefied. Should all go as planned, you will stand at the highest point in Africa in about seven hours’ time. Savor your achievement, and then descend to your last campsite (10,200 feet). Mweka Camp | Meals: B L D

DAY 9: Depart Arusha
Continue your descent to the base of the mountain, where your A&K driver greets and transports you back to Arusha. During a farewell lunch, enjoy basking in your accomplishments with fellow guests. Comfortable dayrooms are provided until your departure flight. Mount Meru Hotel (dayroom) | Meals: B L
Climbing Kilimanjaro with A&K

With a successful summit rate of 97% (compared to the average of 60-70%), A&K’s Mount Kilimanjaro expeditions give you an outstanding chance of reaching “the roof of Africa.” Our experienced climbing team oversees every factor that contributes to a successful climb.

Guides and Porters
Every A&K guide is a certified Wilderness First Responder, trained in mountain craft, natural history and ecological awareness. Our guides are also trained in first aid and fluent in English, and most have completed over 200 summits. A founding member of Kilimanjaro Porter Assistance Project and a proud Partner for Responsible Travel with the International Mountain Explorers Connection, A&K is an advocate for the welfare of our team of porters. Their hard work and dedication are what make every A&K trek possible.

Comforts on the Mountain
Summiting Mount Kilimanjaro comes easier to those who are well rested — and A&K campsites are famous for their comforts. Our customized sleeping tents are the largest and most luxurious on the mountain, designed for two people (though three can be accommodated) with raised cots and tall ceiling heights. Solar-lit dining tents with comfortable tables and chairs allow you to relax out of the elements and rejuvenate during the trek. Hygienic private toilets are also exclusively available to A&K trekkers.

Safety on the Mountain
A&K climbs use the finest climbing and camping apparatus, safety equipment and communications network. On every climb, we supply and carry all safety and emergency equipment, including: emergency oxygen, a portable altitude chamber, a defibrillator, pulse oximeters, a stretcher, an extensive first aid kit and three means of communication (cell phone, two-way radio and satellite phone).

Food and Nutrition
Another key element to conquering Kilimanjaro is to maintain proper nutrition throughout your entire trek. Every meal is designed to provide the nutrition you need to reach the summit. Unlike many other companies, A&K provides fresh food throughout the entire trek, including abundant snacks between meals as well as unlimited, purified water. Special diets can also be accommodated.

Acclimatization
While most trekkers spend a total of five days on the mountain, we schedule seven days (six nights) to allow more time for premium altitude acclimatization, giving A&K a successful summit rate of 97%.

Sustainable Treks
A&K leaves no trace on the mountain and takes pride in operating green campsites. Every A&K camp is completely portable with no fixed ground structures or plumbing, and we remove all waste and trash from our treks.
Journey Details
This journey is strenuous with steep ascents and high altitudes, however novice climbers are welcome.
Minimum age is 16 years.
Each guest on this journey will receive an A&K Safari Duffel.
First group event: welcome briefing at 8:00 a.m. on Day 2.
Last group event: farewell lunch at 1:30 p.m. on Day 9.
Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.
1. The price for this itinerary is in US Dollars

2. This itinerary is created by the Abercrombie & Kent US office.
   This tour will be booked by Abercrombie & Kent (Australia) Pty Ltd on behalf of Abercrombie & Kent USA LLC.

3. Internal flights are quoted separately on each itinerary and must be added to the per person pricing to produce the total per person cost.
   The price of the airfares is subject to change due to availability at the time of booking.
TERMS & CONDITIONS

These Abercrombie & Kent USA, LLC (“A&K”) Terms and Conditions apply to group journeys including Luxury Small Group, Marco Polo, Connections, Connections European River Cruise, and Wings Over the World Journeys, as well as Group Pre and Post-Tour Extensions, departing between January 1, 2017 and December 31, 2017, unless otherwise noted. March 1, 2017 and February 28, 2018 and bookings for future years until updated. For all other terms and conditions including all journeys to Cuba and Signature Series Journeys, please refer to abercrombiekent.com.

GUARANTEED DEPARTURES
All group journeys excluding Connections European River Cruise, Luxury Expedition Cruises, Private Jet, Wings Over the World, Inspiring Expeditions by Geoffrey Kent are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of two (2) persons. Guaranteed departures will operate except only in cases of force majeure, which could include any major world event adversely affecting international travel patterns or other circumstances beyond A&K’s control.

A&K PRICE ASSURANCE
The A&K Price Assurance applies to all group journeys available through A&K excluding Luxury Expedition Cruises, Private Jet, the participating Expeditions by Geoffrey Kent, international and international and air and extra services. The A&K Price Assurance applies only to advertised rates on abercrombiekent.com. For the same program, travel date and accommodation classification A&K will make every effort to modify or cancel the A&K Price Assurance for future bookings without prior notice.

INCLUDED IN JOURNEYS
All accommodations, meals and fully guided sightseeing (including park and entrance fees) as noted in the itinerary; international and internal airfare (to the journey starting point and from the ending point) is not included in program price. A&K has made special agreements and can offer quotations from any gateway. Some journeys require internal flights as specified in the itinerary. A&K is typically not included and must be purchased from A&K in addition to the journey. In the instance where charter flights are used and seating is limited, A&K reserves the right to substitute and confirm air reservations on a suitable alternative scheduled air flight. An international class seating and is 100% non-refundable at time of final payment (some exceptions may apply). All international and internal air travel is subject to change until final payment has been received by A&K. Flight confirmation is based on one-way travel. A&K does not provide porterage of two (2) pieces of baggage per person to or from the airport. A&K will provide porterage of two (2) pieces of baggage per person if a luggage charge is included in the itinerary; however, A&K cannot guarantee the luggage will be in place when you arrive. A&K reserves the right to change the aircraft, airline carrier, and/or flight class if the program price is affected. A&K reserves the right to change the aircraft, airline carrier, and/or flight class if the program price is affected.

EXCLUDED FROM JOURNEYS
Luxury Small Group, Marco Polo and Wings Over the World Journeys Additional Inclusions: A&K Travelling Bell Boy Service is provided, however, because of security regulations, this service may be limited at airports, rail stations and points of embarkation for cruises. A&K Traveller’s Valet includes laundry service for eight (8) pieces (excludes Pre- and Post-Tour Extensions and Mount Kilimanjaro). Dry cleaning is not included. Expedition Cruises (Antarctica, Arctic, Japan) Additional Inclusions: complimentary internet access (where available on land; excluded on all trains and cruises; service levels are not guaranteed), hotel taxes, and gratuities throughout, except to the Resident Tour Director/Extension guide/East Africa safari driver guides.

Luxury Small Group, Marco Polo and Wings Over the World Journeys Additional Inclusions: Expedition Cruises, Private Jet, Expeditions by Geoffrey Kent and the A&K Traveller’s Valet includes laundry service for eight (8) pieces (excludes Pre- and Post-Tour Extensions and Mount Kilimanjaro). Dry cleaning is not included.

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A&K Price Assurance for future bookings without prior notice.

Deposit per Person Required at Time of Booking
Luxury Small Group and Marco Polo Journeys $1,100
Connections and Connections European River Cruise Journeys $500
Expedition Cruises $2,450
Wings Over the World Journeys $2,500

Final payment is due 90 days prior to departure. If your reservation is made within 90 days of departure, the entire cost of the trip must be paid at the time of the request in order to

CHILD POLICY
The minimum age is 10 years unless noted on the itinerary and all children under age 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Minimum age is 12 years old for Connections European River Cruise Journeys and varies for Family Journeys. Some activities contained within an itinerary may have a different age restriction than the overall minimum age requirement. Details will be provided at the time of booking. A&K reserves the right to marginally exceed the published maximum group size on Family Journeys to accommodate a family.

ACTIVE ELEMENTS AND CONDUCT
Some active elements have been incorporated into select itineraries. To enjoy the trips as intended, a minimum level of fitness is required. A&K will require prior notice if any participant has any physical or other condition or disability that would prevent them from participating in active elements of any trip or could create a hazard to himself or herself or other members of the group. Due to ship restrictions, women over six (6) months pregnant are not permitted to travel on Expedition Cruises. The guest represents that neither he nor she nor anyone travelling with him or her has any physical or other condition or disability that would create a hazard to himself or herself or other members of the tour. A&K reserves the right to decline acceptance of anyone who it considers unsuitable due to fitness level. A&K also reserves the right to remove from the trip, at its discretion, any participant whose physical condition or conduct negatively impacts the enjoyment of the other guests or disrupts the tour.

A&K’S GUEST PROTECTION PROGRAM
Our Guest Protection Program, which provides cancellation coverage, medical coverage and protection against lost or damaged luggage, is not included in the program price and is recommended. The plan must be purchased within 14 days of deposit in order to waive the pre-existing medical condition exclusion. Call A&K for details.

Special Requirement for Antarctica and Arctic Cruises: Due to the remote locations, A&K requires proof of a minimum of $50,000 per person in emergency evacuation/repatriation insurance for all Antarctica and Arctic cruises. This minimum amount must be included in the A&K Protection Program; upgrades can be purchased for higher coverage on request. If you do not purchase the A&K Guest Protection Program, we will require proof of alternative coverage. Please note emergency evacuation insurance provides for covering the cost associated with emergency evacuation and repatriation up to the limits of the respective policy; however, it does not guarantee the timing, method or mode of such evacuation and repatriation, which is subject to weather, location and other conditions or variables outside of A&K’s control.

PASSPORTS AND VISAS
It is the guest’s sole responsibility to obtain and have available when necessary the appropriate valid travel documents. All guests are advised to check with their local government authorities to determine the necessary documents. A valid passport is required for U.S. citizens travelling to all international destinations. Passports must be valid for six (6) months after the return of your journey and should also have sufficient blank visa pages for entry and exit stamps. Many destinations also require a visa for U.S. citizens; this will be indicated in your Pre-Travel Documentation. Non-U.S. citizens should contact the appropriate consular office for entry requirements pertaining to their journey. You may be refused boarding or disembarked from a vessel without liability for refund, payment, compensation, or credit of any kind if you do not have proper documentation, and you will be subject to any fine or other costs incurred by A&K which result from improper documentation or noncompliance with applicable regulations.

RESERVATION AND PAYMENT SCHEDULE
Deposit per Person Required at Time of Booking
Luxury Small Group and Marco Polo Journeys $1,100
Connections and Connections European River Cruise Journeys $500
Expedition Cruises $2,450
Wings Over the World Journeys $2,500

Final payment is due 90 days prior to departure. If your reservation is made within 90 days of departure, the entire cost of the trip must be paid at the time of the request in order to

Internet access for all cruises and trains; and optional activities (which are subject to availability).

HOTEL CHECK-IN
Most hotels allow check-in to take place during the mid-afternoon. Should you wish to have a guaranteed room ready for your immediate, it can be charged for an additional charge. Please ask A&K for details and prices.

ROOM UPGRADES/SPECIAL REQUESTS
Luxury Small Group Journeys suite upgrade package with preferred pricing based on availability. Upgrades available on request at individual hotels on Luxury Small Group, Marco Polo and Wings Over the World Journeys. Hotel upgrades not available on Connections Journeys. Specific requests such as adjacent or connecting rooms, beds, smoking rooms and special dietary needs should be advised at time of booking. Please note that while every effort will be made to secure a special request, it cannot be guaranteed.

ITINERARIES
A&K reserves the right to modify program itineraries, including arranged sightseeing, and substitute accommodations, including vessels, aircraft and trains, at any time due to unforeseen circumstances or circumstances beyond A&K’s control. Every effort will be made to operate itineraries as planned, but alterations may occur after the final itinerary has been issued.

AIR TRANSPORTATION
International airfare (to the journey starting point and from the ending point) is not included in program price. A&K has made special agreements and can offer quotations from any gateway. Some journeys require internal flights as specified in the itinerary. This airfare is typically not included and must be purchased from A&K in addition to the journey. In the instance where charter flights are used and seating is limited, A&K reserves the right to substitute and confirm air reservations on a suitable alternative scheduled air flight. An internal and non-refundable at time of final payment (some exceptions may apply). All international and internal air travel is subject to change until final payment has been received by A&K. Flight confirmation is based on one-way travel. A&K does not provide porterage of two (2) pieces of baggage per person. If a luggage charge is included in the itinerary, however, A&K cannot guarantee the luggage will be in place when you arrive. A&K reserves the right to change the aircraft, airline carrier, and/or flight class if the program price is affected.

BAGGAGE
A&K provides porterage of two (2) pieces of baggage per person. Please note should your journey include internal/ domestic or charter flights, your luggage allowance may be less than two (2) pieces of baggage and weight/size restrictions and additional costs may apply.

Details will be provided in your Pre-Travel Documentation. Baggage and personal effects are at the owner’s risk throughout the travel program, and A&K assumes no liability for lost or damaged baggage. Please check with your international carrier for other baggage restrictions and fees applicable to your international flight.

PRICES AND ARRANGEMENTS
Quoted program prices are per person, double occupancy except where indicated. Marco Polo Club discount is not eligible on Connections and Connections European River Cruise Journeys for memberships established prior to November 1, 2015. For full program terms and conditions visit akmarcopolo.com. Marco Polo Journeys have two prices; a higher price that allows us to guarantee departures for small groups of two to six guests and a lower price for groups of seven or more guests. The higher price will be noted on your initial invoice and reduced before departure if the group has seven or more guests. Although not expected, published prices may be modified due to unexpected significant external factors not forecasted at the time of printing. A&K reserves the right, prior to departure, to give a breakdown in costs of any journey and all Pre- and Post-Tour Extensions are only available to guests booked on related group journeys. Modification of program content to accommodate a smaller group size will not affect the published program price.
secure confirmation. For all Expedition Cruise, Connections European River Cruise, Wings Over the World and Select Journeys indicated below, final payment is due 120 days prior to departure. An additional non-refundable permit fee is required at time of booking for Uganda: Gorillas & Beyond ($1,350 per person) and the Uganda Extension ($660 per person).

Select Journeys: Amazon Adventure: Rainforest & River Cruise; Cruising the Mekong: Siam, Saigon & Angkor Wat; India: The Taj Mahal & a Ganges River Cruise; Myanmar & the Irrawaddy; Southern Africa Safari by River & Rail; Taj Mahal & the Treasures of India (Holiday and Pushkar Fair departures); India Wildlife Safari: Lions, Tigers & Leopard; Legends of the East by Luxury Train; Borneo: Bako & the Sepilok Orangutan; Laos: Luang Prabang & Natural Wonders; Mongolia: Naadam Festival & the Gobi Desert; Namibia & Botswana: Dunes, Delta & the Kalahari; Paris, Champagne & Alsace: Villages & Vineyards by Barge; Scotland & Ireland by Luxury Train; and The Royal Palaces of India.

CANCELLATION CHARGES
Cancellations must be received in writing and will become effective on the date of receipt, fax or email. Cancellations received by A&K are subject to the following:

CANCELLATION FEES PER PERSON
Luxury Small Group Journeys, Marco Polo Journeys, Connections Land Journeys, and related Group Pre- and Post-Tour Extensions

121 days prior to departure or more $500
120-91 days prior to departure 20% of program price
90-61 days prior to departure 50% of program price
60-31 days prior to departure 100% of program price
30 days or less prior to departure or less 100% of program price

Expedition Cruises, Connections European River Cruise Journeys, Select Journeys indicated above and related Group Pre- and Post-Tour Extensions

121 days prior to departure or more $2,500
120-91 days prior to departure 20% of program price
90-61 days prior to departure 50% of program price
60 days or less prior to departure or less 100% of program price

Partial Room Cancellation: If a guest cancels or leaves a journey and a roommate remains, an additional supplement may apply to the price for the remaining guest.

PRIVACY
Any personal information that A&K obtains from the guest, or about the guest from its representative, is necessary for A&K’s business purposes or providing the guest with A&K’s travel arrangements, products and services, and may be used in answering any queries the guest may have, considering the guest’s application for credit or to become a guest, performing internal administration and operations, developing, improving and marketing A&K’s products and services, and related purposes. A&K’s Privacy Policy details why A&K collects this personal information, who A&K may disclose it to (including whether A&K is likely to disclose it to overseas recipients), and the main consequences (if any) if A&K does not collect the personal information of the guest. A&K’s Privacy Policy also contains information about how the Customer may seek access to, or correction of, the personal information held about the guest, and A&K’s Privacy Policy is available at abercrombiekent.com.au/privacy or by request to A&K at privacy@abercrombiekent.com.au

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