

Tanzania Migration Photo Expedition

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Trip Details:

Days 10 Days / Feb, Jul–Sep

Price From \$16495 (+Air)

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Among the world's epic wildlife events, few can match Tanzania's Great Migration. And for nature photographers, there is simply nothing like being in the midst of thousands upon thousands of wildebeest and zebra as they make their annual trek over the Serengeti Plains in pursuit of new grass. Agile predators steal behind, poised to seize the young and the weak that trail the great herds. To truly capture the wonder of the migration, it's essential to photograph it from key locations that offer a close-up vantage on the action—and our private safari camps ensure that, situated in the remote bush near the herds and far away from crowds. Other wildlife abounds, too, and we expect plenty of opportunities to capture exciting shots of big cats, elephants, giraffe, gazelle and so much more. Our Expedition Leaders, who are both top naturalist guides and wildlife photographers, are by your side every step of the way to help you get the coveted shots you're after!

Trip Highlights

Our route is adjusted seasonally for proximity to the herds, maximizing your chance to photograph Africa's most dramatic wildlife phenomenon at close range

Enjoy unparalleled seclusion, comfort, ambience and photo action at Nat Hab's own private camps, including our luxury mobile camp near the migration route

No matter your skill level, our Photo Expedition Leaders will help you take your photos to the next level, sharing their trove of tips and techniques with personalized coaching







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Tanzania Migration Photo Expedition Itineraries

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December-March Itinerary

Baby zebra and wildebeest abound on this 10-day Southern Serengeti route that offers spectacular photo opportunities of the Great Migration.



July-October Itinerary

Capture dramatic images of river crossings and follow in accord with the herds' seasonal movements on this 10-day Northern Serengeti route.







Itinerary At A Glance

Day 1

Arusha, Tanzania

Day 2

Arusha National Park

Days 3 - 6

Southern Serengeti—Nat Hab's Migration Camp

Days 7 - 9

East-Central Serengeti—Nat Hab's Serengeti East Camp

Day 10

Arusha / Depart

December-March Itinerary

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Day 1: Arusha, Tanzania

Arrive at Kilimanjaro Airport and transfer via our **electric vehicle** to our lodge in the rolling foothills of Mount Meru. Photograph flowers in the beautifully landscaped gardens that offer a relaxing respite after our long travels or relax by the pool or on your private veranda. This evening, gather for a welcome dinner and orientation from our Expedition Leader, who offers a preview of the incredible photography opportunities ahead.







Day 2: Arusha National Park

Cradled between Mount Meru's towering volcanic cone and Kilimanjaro's iconic peak, Arusha National Park unveils a diverse landscape brimming with photo opportunities. A rich tapestry of habitats shelter an array of wildlife, including elephants, buffalo, giraffes, zebra, various antelope species and the photogenic Colobus monkeys. More than 400 bird species nest in amid the park's wetlands, forests and savannas. We spend the entire day here with ample opportunities to capture classic landscapes and wildlife shots from unique vantage points.

Days 3 - 6: Southern Serengeti—Nat Hab's Migration Camp

Flying on to the southern Serengeti, we reach Nat Hab's private Migration Camp, our base for a four-day immersion in Africa's Great Migration. In accord with the herds' seasonal movements, we locate our mobile camp in the southern Serengeti from December through March. This deluxe tented outpost rests within one of the main movement corridors for more than 2 million wildebeest, zebra and gazelle that make this annual trek, plus an accompanying cast of predators. Each year, the herds follow an ancient circuit covering 1,800 miles from Kenya's Maasai Mara to the southern Serengeti and back again. On daily game drives, witness this remarkable spectacle as the enormous herds traverse the savanna while big cats and hyenas steal behind, following them in open safari vehicles with superb photography access.

The days of heavy canvas hunting camps set for the likes of Roosevelt and Hemingway were nearly over until photo safaris gained popularity in the 1970s, and our secluded camp, with its walk-in canvas tents and crackling campfire, is redolent with that vintage atmosphere. Yet despite our remote location, we enjoy impressive luxuries, including candlelight dinners served under a canopy of stars.

Days 7 - 9: East-Central Serengeti—Nat Hab's Serengeti East Camp

Embark on a full-day game drive across the vast grasslands to our private camp in the Eastern Serengeti. Along the way, we'll pass the iconic Gol Kopjes, rugged rocky outcrops rising from the plains, known as "islands in a sea of grass." From the base of our exclusive bush camp, we take multiple game drives each day. With only four people per vehicle, there's plenty of room for camera gear to take full advantage of photo opportunities.

Surrounded by open range and kopjes—large granite outcrops that dot the plains—our camp offers fabulous wildlife photography in diverse habitats, with top subjects being the abundant feline predators that live and hunt in this area. It also provides exceptional seclusion away from crowds and thrilling game drive encounters.

Day 10: Arusha / Depart

On the last morning of our photo safari, we make our way to Seronera Airport for our flight to Arusha, arriving at Ngare Sero Lodge at the base of Mount Meru, where a farewell lunch is served on arrival. Day rooms await in this peaceful setting, offering a chance to relax and refresh before your transfer to Kilimanjaro Airport for international departures this evening.











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Early this morning, depart for our flight to the northern Serengeti. This legendary savanna derives its name from a Maasai word meaning "endless plains," and the vista of golden grasslands stretching to the horizon under a blue bowl of sky provides an iconic image of East Africa. Our destination is Nat Hab's private Migration Camp, our base for a four-day immersion in Africa's Great Migration. In accord with the herds' seasonal movements, we locate our mobile camp in the northern Serengeti from July through October. This deluxe tented outpost rests within one of the main movement corridors for more than 2 million wildebeest, zebra and gazelle that make this annual trek, plus an accompanying cast of predators. Each year, the herds follow an ancient circuit covering 1,800 miles from Kenya's Maasai Mara to the southern Serengeti and back again. On daily game drives, witness this remarkable spectacle as the enormous herds traverse the savanna while big cats and hyenas steal behind, following them in open safari vehicles with superb photography access.

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Days 7 - 9: East-Central Serengeti—Nat Hab's Serengeti East Camp

Fly this morning to Seronera within Serengeti National Park. Meeting our safari vehicles and drivers, we set out on our first wildlife drive. With only four people per vehicle, there's plenty of room for camera gear to take full advantage of photo opportunities. Our destination is our exclusive bush camp in a remote sector of the Serengeti.

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Accommodation Details:

Nat Hab's Migration Camp— Serengeti North

Nat Hab's Serengeti East Camp

Ngare Sero Mountain Lodge

For detailed descriptions, visit nathab.com/africa/tanzania-migration-photo-expedition/accommodations

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Nat Hab's Migration Camp—Serengeti North

Our own deluxe mobile tented camp is set seasonally for proximity to the flow of wildebeest and zebra herds through the Serengeti, optimizing the chance to witness the migration at close range.



Nat Hab's Serengeti East Camp

Located in a remote sector of the eastern Serengeti where solitude (and big cats!) reign, our mobile safari camp takes bush comfort to a new level, with seven canvas safari tents surrounded by rich wildlife habitat.



Ngare Sero Mountain Lodge

Ten spacious period-style suites front a sprawling lawn and lush gardens surrounding a 1905 German farmhouse, transformed from a colonial home into a tranquil lodge at the foot of Mount Meru.





All Migration Photo Safaris Are NOT the Same!

No wildlife event on the planet rivals Africa's Great Migration for sheer drama. Twice each year the huge herds make a great circuit across the Serengeti Plains, following the grass that sprouts with the seasonal rains. To capture action shots of this phenomenon is on many a wildlife photographer's bucket list. But it's crucial to choose the right trip—because all Tanzania migration safaris are not the same! Here's why you'll get better photos with us:

An Itinerary Designed for Optimal Migration Photography

Many companies operate the same standard "migration" tour year-round, driving the entire northern circuit of Tanzania with no concern to be in a particular place at a time that jibes with the arrival of the herds. We focus on the best time to see the animals, then build our safari itinerary and dates around that, attempting to time our presence for peak photo opportunities, without rushing.

- Fly from Arusha to the Serengeti to Maximize Time on Safari
 Our Safari Expedition Leaders meet you in Arusha, then we fly to the Serengeti, meeting our vehicles and trackers in the bush. And we return by air, too, avoiding long, dusty drives over often-rough roads. Many companies drive you to and from the Serengeti, a trip that can take 6-8 hours one way. By flying, we maximize time for what you've come to Africa for: watching wildlife on safari!
- An Open Window Seat for Every Guest

 Every traveler is guaranteed a window seat. We know how important unimpeded views are when you've come all this way to see and photograph the migration. That's why we split our group into separate top-of-the-line 4x4 safari vehicles, so no one is stuck in a middle seat. With just four guests per vehicle, each person gets an open side view with plenty of room for your personal belongings and photography equipment.
- Each Traveler Gets a Whole Row in Our Vehicles
 With just four guests per vehicle (and sometimes fewer), each Photo Expedition guest gets not just a side view but an entire row, enabling unobstructed views out both sides, and plenty of space for your gear. Enjoy room to spread out and angle for perfect shots—because we know how important unimpeded views are when you've come all this way to see and photograph the migration!





Remote Private Camps for Proximity to the Migration

Rather than using crowded lodges where vehicles depart each morning in large numbers, often surrounding the same animals all at once, we enhance your experience with our own small luxury bush camps located in remote spots where wildlife is prolific. Natural Habitat's mobile Migration Camp and Serengeti East Camp give us proximity to the migration others miss out on—not to mention closer encounters with a host of other wildlife, too, including feline predators.

A Maximum of Just 8 Travelers—Divided into Three Vehicles—Ensures Intimate Wildlife Encounters

A small group is essential for optimal wildlife photography, and Nat Hab boasts the smallest groups in the industry. We take a maximum of 8 guests, and we divide into multiple vehicles with radio contact to track the migration. Small groups mean we get closer to the herds for better photos, with more personalized photography guidance from our Expedition Leader.

Additional Weight Allowance—Take All Your Photo Equipment

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Most airlines and safari companies in East Africa strictly limit luggage to 33 pounds per guest, including carry-on bags, with even the highest priced trips having this limitation. On our Photo Expedition, we have reserved extra seating permitting a special luggage allowance of 60 pounds per guest—making it easier to carry all your essential camera equipment.

The World's Finest Photo Safari Guides

Natural Habitat Adventures is known worldwide for employing the finest naturalist guides on the planet, and on our Photo Expeditions, they are also expert wildlife photographers adept at helping guests capture the best possible images. Among the most highly trained guides in Africa, they are renowned for providing exceptional service—and superb photography coaching. With you from beginning to end, our Expedition Leaders average approximately 15 years' guiding experience. Their training is further enhanced by the resources of WWF's premier scientists. **See Expedition Leader bios** with traveler comments regarding the quality of our leaders.

- Our Quality-Value Guarantee Ensures Your Superior Photo Safari Experience
 Natural Habitat Adventures offers an exclusive guarantee, which states that we will meet the lofty expectations we set forth in our promotional materials. To our knowledge, this is the most ambitious guarantee made by any adventure travel company.
- Feel Good About Your Carbon-Neutral Journey
 We care deeply about our planet, as we know you do. When you travel with us, the carbon emissions from your trip are 100% offset—including your round-trip flights from home.
 Natural Habitat Adventures has been the world's first carbon-neutral travel company since 2007.



Dates & Pricing Summary:

Prices: From \$16495 (+Air)

Group Size: Limited to 8 Travelers

Tanzania Migration Photo Expedition Dates, Pricing & Info

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2026 Departures

Departure Return Notes

Feb 10, 2026 Feb 19, 2026 \$16495 USD (+internal air)
Jul 28, 2026 Aug 6, 2026 \$16995 USD (+internal air)
Sep 7, 2026 Sep 16, 2026 \$16495 USD (+internal air)

2027 Departures

Departure Return Notes

Prices and dates not confirmed for 2027

Feb 7, 2027 Feb 16, 2027 \$16495 USD (+internal air) Aug 6, 2027 Aug 15, 2027 \$16495 USD (+internal air) Sep 9, 2027 Sep 18, 2027 \$16495 USD (+internal air)





Pricing

See https://nathab.com/africa/tanzania-migration-photo-expedition/dates-fees for the latest pricing details.

Included

- > Trip price includes: Accommodations, services of Nat Hab's professional Expedition Leader(s), extra baggage allowance on chartered flights (60 lbs per passenger), local guides and camp staff, all meals from dinner on Day 1 through lunch on final day, some alcoholic beverages, some gratuities, airport transfers on Day 1 and final day, all activities and entrance fees, all taxes, permits and service fees.
- > Internal air cost includes: All light aircraft flights within the itinerary (this will be listed separately on our invoicing).

Not Included

Travel to and from start and end point of trip, premium alcoholic beverages, some gratuities, passport and visa fees, optional activities, items of a personal nature (phone calls, souvenirs, etc.), airport and departure taxes, optional travel insurance, and required medical evacuation insurance.

Important Information About This Trip

Your safari wildlife drives take place in the highest quality, 4-wheel drive Land Cruisers, providing up-close encounters that cannot be accomplished in typical safari vans. This is a very important feature of our safaris. These vehicles have roof hatches which provide a full 360- degree view of the wildlife. Since every passenger is guaranteed a window seat, you are assured you will have plenty of space for wildlife viewing and taking photographs.

Mandatory Insurance

Since the areas we travel to on this trip are remote and wild (that's why we go there!), we require medical evacuation insurance for our guests' safety. If you decline the medical evacuation insurance coverage offered by Natural Habitat, we request that you send us documentation of the independent coverage you have selected. We will add the cost of a medical evacuation policy to your tour invoice until you provide our office with proof of coverage including your insurance company's name, contact number and your individual policy number. Thank you for understanding that our policy exists exclusively in the interest of our guests' safety.

Getting There & Getting Home

This trip begins and ends in Arusha, Tanzania. Because this is a long international journey, **we recommend that you arrive at least one night prior to Day 1** to rest from your travels and begin the trip refreshed. For guests who come in early, recommended hotels will be included in your pre-departure materials. You must arrive in Arusha by 5 pm on Day 1 in order to attend the 7 pm welcome dinner.

You may depart Arusha anytime after 5 pm on the final day.

Our Natural Habitat Adventures Travel Desk can best assist with your travel reservations, as our staff is familiar with the specific requirements of this program and can help arrange the most efficient itinerary. Please call us at 800-543-8917. While we offer the best available rates to us on airfare and additional nights' accommodations, you may occasionally find special web rates or lower fares online.







Extension Details:

Tarangire National Park \$5195

Maasai Mara Extension \$5595

Zanzibar Extension \$1395

Rwanda Mountain Gorilla Extension \$4995

Uganda Mountain Gorilla Extension \$3995

Tanzania Migration Photo Expedition Extensions

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Tarangire National Park

Less-visited Tarangire, the "Baobab Capital of the World," is home to these giant ancient trees, huge elephant herds and some of Africa's densest wildlife populations.

\$5195



Maasai Mara Extension

Experience wild Africa in Kenya's Maasai Mara, a vast mosaic of savannas and acacia-dotted plains on an exclusive Big Five safari from private mobile camps far from crowds. **\$5595**



Zanzibar Extension

Discover a serene oasis with white sand beaches and clear waters in this Indian Ocean archipelago celebrated for natural beauty, history and culture.

\$1395 (+air)







Rwanda Mountain Gorilla Extension

Track endangered mountain gorillas, hike through the rainforest with expert guides and spend rare moments with a habituated family troop.

\$4995 (+permits)



Uganda Mountain Gorilla Extension

On a 5-day safari extension in the rainforests of Uganda, track endangered mountain gorillas on one of the world's most moving and heartwarming wildlife adventures.

\$3995 (+air/permits)



