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Tanzanian A Photographers Paradise

A Virtual Safari across Northern Tanzania

As the subject of countless wildlife documentaries East Africa needs little introduction. It is a mystical land of the diverse wildlife, big game, big cats, huge landscapes and great people. As the cradle of mankind it is part of the old world but it is also a shiny new one just waiting to be explored. Most of all it's never dull.

As a professional wildlife photographer I know the area, its wildlife and its people extremely well. Having first visited the country in the early 60's I have subsequently led countless groups of people to explore and photograph its exciting and diverse wildlife and tonight I will take you on a virtual safari to explore it for yourselves.

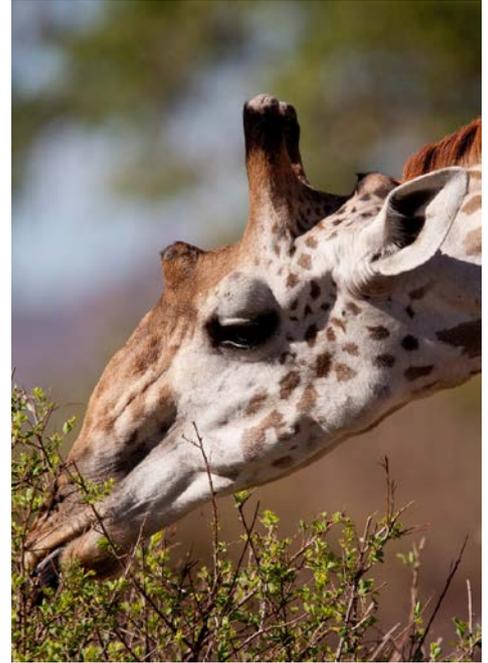
This is a real safari I led a few years ago and will be a whistle stop tour. It originally took 14 days but our virtual tour will last just 2 hours illustrated throughout by my photos.

It was timed for when the Wildebeest are migrating in their greatest numbers, the predators are ever present and other animals and birds can be seen in abundance. This coupled with unspoilt wilderness, stunning landscapes and amazing sunsets means you are assured of being treated to an experience that is truly a Photographer's Paradise. With knowledge of the area I can visit places outside the normal tourist routes such as Ndutu Safari lodge and the surrounding. This is just outside the better known Serengeti National Park and provides the freedom to leave the trails and thus gain more intimate photos. The climax of any Tanzanian safari for me is however the Ngoro Ngoro Crater which is often referred to as the eighth wonder of the world and with good reason. Anyone who has been there will know that superb photographic opportunities abound for many species of animals and birds, including huge bull elephants and it is one of the best places to see Black Rhinoceros. As a lad I camped in the crater and whilst that is not allowed now it still has not lost its wonder for me.

On our trip we will fly into Arusha international airport and travel out to explore Tarangire National Park to see the elephants first studied by Ian Douglas-Hamilton and his wife Oria the founders of the charity Save the Elephants.

After 2 days in Tarangire we will drive on to explore Ndutu arriving just as the wildebeest give birth.

From Ndutu we will travel into the heart of the Serengeti spending 3 days searching out Leopards before retracing our tracks back to the 8th wonder of the world – the Ngorongoro crater.



After 2 days in the crater we will visit our final location Manyara national park famed for its bird life before heading back to Arusha to fly home.

Along the way we will learn a little of the people, the culture and the history and majesty of this part of Africa.

As a wildlife photographer with a passion for Africa, I take it as a privilege to introduce people to the country. Have you dreamed of going on your very own African photo safari? If so then this it's the evening for you.

The talk lasts about 2 hours including a 10 minute break in the middle. The first half covers tips and techniques and the second explores various options and approaches in a great deal more detail.

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