



Kilimanjaro Expedition

9 to 17 August 2024

Mt. Kilimanjaro : The highest free standing mountain of Africa at 19,341 ft (5,895m). Mt. Kilimanjaro is not only the tallest mountain in Africa, but also the highest free-standing mountain in the world exhibiting five delicate ecosystems as you snake through them one after the other.

REMEMBER THIS PICTURE?

If you do then you really had the most idyllic childhood days! May be you should relive the childhood for a moment. The song 'He lives in you' will make you feel nostalgic and the scene of Mt. Kilimanjaro cannot be more appealing than the one in this song.



It is said that out of the seven tallest summits on seven continents, Mt. Kilimanjaro is perhaps only second to Mt. Everest's fame and the number is as high as 40000 people a year, seeking to climb this highest free standing volcanic mountain, makes it famous as 'Everyman's Everest'. Unlike Everest, there is no technical climbing involved. Wait.. but don't be complacent. Kili, with an altitude of 5895 meters (19, 340 ft) is a serious challenge to even the fittest athlete. And she is notoriously known for claiming on average two lives per year. So the bottom line is, you have to dedicate time to train, be familiar with basic backpacking skills, and be properly equipped to have a successful summit.





Why Climb with GAF ?

Mt. Kilimanjaro, *aka Kili*, is the highest free standing mountain of Africa and is one of the seven summits. Each year as per the statistics, 35000 climbers attempt the summit. Out of them, depending upon the route chosen max. success rate is 85% and the success level drops to as low as 27%. Approximately 5-10 members die each year mainly due to HAPE or HACE. Again the fundamental remains the same. That the mountain holds the last authority and allows well trained and well acclimated climbers to embrace her only in her best times.

GAF puts paramount focus on Thorough Preparation, Absolute Safety and Sufficient Acclimatization of the team. For that purpose, we have chosen Machame route with 7 climbing days which makes it an optimally paced trek with enough acclimatization.

WHEN TO GO FOR KILIMANJARO CLIMB?

GENERALLY KILI CAN BE ATTEMPTED THROUGHOUT THE YEAR. BUT EACH SEASON HAS ITS OWN UNIQUE FEATURES TO OFFER.

JANUARY - MARCH: WEATHER IS DRY AFTER A MILD RAINS. HOWEVER LESS CROWDED.

APRIL - MAY: RAINY SEASON, BUT THE RAINS ARE A BIT IRREGULAR SINCE THE PAST FEW YEARS.

JUNE - SEPTEMBER: EARLY JUNE COULD OFFER YOU SOME RAINS BUT REST OF THE SEASON IS VERY ALMOST RAIN FREE. THAT MEANS IT IS THE BUSIEST SEASON ON THE MOUNTAIN.

NOVEMBER - DECEMBER: MILD RAINS. IF THEY DON'T BOTHER YOU MUCH, THEN IT'S A GREAT TIME TO CLIMB KILI.



Itinerary (day wise plan)

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DAY 1:	Arrival at Kilimanjaro Airport Pick up from Kilimanjaro Airport. You will stay in a hotel and do the preparations for the trek. We will assist you to book the right flight to Kilimanjaro airport with suitable timing
DAY 2:	Drive from Hotel to Machame Gate and Trek to Machame Camp (1800 m) Drive to Mt. Kilimanjaro National Park. Its around 50 min journey and it will take us through the base village Machame. From Machame gate, we will begin trekking through the rain forest.
DAY 3:	Trek from Machame Camp to Shira Camp (2700 m) Today we walk through the moorland, crossing the valley along the steep rocky ridge till Shira Camp
DAY 4:	Trek from Shira Camp to Barranco Camp (3800 m) From Shira plateau we continue up the ridge, towards the Peak Kibo. As we continue, our direction will change to the south east, towards the Lava Tower. It is also known as 'Shark Tooth'. After the Lava Tower, we head to Barranco Hut.
DAY 5:	Trek from barranco to Karanga Camp (4500 m) Today we continue on a steep ridge up the barranco wall to the karange valley. It is a relatively easier trek through the alpine desert.
DAY 6:	Trek from Karanga Camp to Barafu Hut (4700 m) From Karanga Camp, we walk upto the Barafu hut. Another smaller trek through the alpine desert.
DAY 7:	Summit attempt to Kilimanjaro (5895 m) on 15th AUGUST 2024 and onward to Mweka Hut Early in the morning , by 2:00 AM, we leave for Summit attempt via Stella point. From Stella Point the hike to summit is approx. 1 hr. After the summit, we descend down to Barafu for lunch and after the lunch, we head down to Mweka Hut.
DAY 8:	Trek down from Mweka Hut to Mweka gate Next day, we descend down to Mweka gate. At Mweka village, a bus will drive us back to the Hotel in Moshi. You can have a leisure time at the hotel and celebrate the success Kilimanjaro Summit.
DAY 9:	Departure from Kilimanjaro You will be driven to the Kilimanjaro airport for your international flight. Have a safe journey and cherish the memories forever !





Expedition Cost

INR 1,80,000/- + GST

Above cost includes:

1. Transfers as per itinerary
2. Accommodation according to the itinerary
(in Hotel bed & breakfast only. In tents, all meals will be served as per itinerary)
3. Full board throughout the trip
4. Experienced English-speaking Mountain guide
5. Outdoor cook
6. Visa support, Passport Registration
7. Purified water during the climb
8. Toilet tents

Above cost does not Include:

1. Flights to/from Kilimanjaro International Airport
2. Insurance
3. Equipment rent
4. Porters for personal equipment
5. Personal expenses, alcohol
6. Portable toilet (on request)
7. Visa cost
8. Extra beverages and mineral water during the trek and at hotel
9. Personal expenses during trek like wi-fi* , battery charging, hot water bath, etc.
10. Emergency Medical Evacuation
11. Tips for guides and porters
12. GST & TCS at actual - Current Rate : (GST @ 5%) and (TCS @ 5%)
13. Any costs arising out of unforeseen circumstances like bad weather, flight delay and any other circumstances beyond our control



Registration Process:

- Pay the first installment - **Rs. 60,000** / person. Balance can be paid 1 month prior to the trek
- One-time online Enrollment form. (Ignore if already filled)
- Medical Form: Medical form should be duly filled, signed and stamped from a doctor (MBBS and above)
- Indemnity Bond: Print the first page of the indemnity bond on INR 500 stamp paper and remaining pages on normal paper and notarize the bond.

Bank Transfer:

Account Name: GIRIPREMI ADVENTURE FOUNDATION

Bank Name: HDFC BANK, FC Road Branch

A/c No.: 50200062745252

IFSC: HDFC0000103



UPI: 8668548653@okbizaxis

OR

Scan QR CODE

Cancellation Policy:

- If cancellation is made one month or more prior to the trek, we will refund 100% of the paid amount (excluding the booking amount)
- If cancellation is made 15 to 30 days prior to the trek, we will refund 50% of the paid amount
- If the cancellation is made within 15 days prior to the trek, there will be no refund.
- If the trek gets cancelled due to any any natural calamities like Uttarakhand floods, Nepal Earthquake, Covid-19 pandemic, we will refund the trek fees deducting actual expenses incurred depending on the stage of the trek.



FAQs

- **How Difficult is this climb?**

Climbing Kilimanjaro is a safe trek as the trails are not steep it's mostly dealing with the altitude, however the summit night is extremely difficulty as this is the coldest, windiest section of your adventure. An ascent of 4,084ft with 49% less oxygen and a descent of nearly 6,870ft. You must listen to the GAF team's advice.

- **Give me some tips about level of fitness required**

Trekkers are supposed to be in good physical conditions. You should increase the level of intensity of training over 4-5 months period. Apart from daily fitness, you should carry 4-6 KG load on your back during the practice treks. It will help you simulate the trekking conditions. We will share a training module with you once you register for the trek.

- **Climate and min temperatures during the trek**

Heading towards Climbing Mount Kilimanjaro, at the bottom of the mountain, the average temperature is around (21 to 27 degrees Celsius). At the peak that is Uhuru Peak, the temperatures falls between (-7 to -29 degrees Celsius).

- **How is the food and accommodation during the trek?**

Stay will be in hotel in Tanzania and in tents and tea houses during actual climb. All food provided will be healthy and nutritious (veg and non-veg combined).

- **How many days the actual trek will be?**

Actual trekking days will 7.

- **What are the documents required ?**

1. GAF Indemnity Bond – (ADULT / MINOR) – Ask for the draft from GAF Team
2. GAF Medical form – Ask for the draft from GAF Team
3. Yellow Fever Vaccination Certificate
4. Confirmed Air ticket

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