

Africa Safari Serengeti Kusini is located in the southern Serengeti National Park, in the corridor of the famous wildebeest migration, offering sightings of all the wildlife you would expect from the Serengeti. The Kusini Plains captivate tourists with its expansive savannahs and rich wildlife diversity. Here, the spectacle of millions of wildebeests and zebras in rhythmic migration unfolds against a golden grasslands backdrop. Beyond the migratory herds, the area hosts an array of resident wildlife, including lions, giraffes, buffalo, and elephants.

The nearby Kusini airstrip provides easy access to the camp. Being strategically located where the annual wildebeest migration begins, travellers utilizing the airstrip may be lucky enough to witness the migration from a unique perspective.

The Kusini Crater is not an actual volcanic crater, but rather a circular-shaped grassland surrounded by a forest of acacias. Offering dramatic vistas and lush vegetation, it serves as a haven where diverse wildlife congregates around watering holes visible from the 'crater's' rim.

When travelling between Kusini and Ndutu, there is the opportunity to discover the Hidden Valley, a depression and water catchment area teeming with wildlife during the green season. This region, known for its predatory action, often witnesses large clans of spotted hyenas wallowing in the muddy shores.

14 Accommodations with stunning views over the valley mean there's a good chance of spotting wildlife from your bed in the morning. 12 Luxury Glamping tents, furnished with locally crafted furniture and ensuite bathrooms, provide a comfortable retreat amidst the wild beauty of Africa's plains. The 2 Safari Family accommodations, catering for up to six guests, are perfect for families seeking a safari adventure.

Our bush camp is located on the Kusini Plains in southern Serengeti, a secluded safari hideaway off the beaten track.

Open all year round - 365 days - 24/7











#### LOCATION

#### Located in the heart of the Kusini Plains

A safari hideaway nestled within the breathtaking expanse of the Kusini Plains in the southern Serengeti National Park, only a 15 km drive from the Kusini Airstrip, 45 km as the crow flies west, of Lake Ndutu, and 75 km south from Seronera Airstrip.

GPS: 3°06'19.0"S 34°46'41.0"E



#### **FACILITIES**

#### **Everything you need (and more)**

- -Bar and lounge tent
- -Restaurant tent
- -Safari Luxury Glamping
- -Safari Family Accommodation
- -Free Wi-Fi in reception, restaurant (no self-drive) on request and bar
- -Electricity on solar energy and
- generator
- -Water heated by solar energy
- -24 hr security
- -Safari jeep with pop-up roof for hire



#### PARK INFORMATION

#### What you should know

Africa Safari Serengeti Kusini is situated within the Serengeti National Park, requiring the payment of national park conservation fees. Additionally, there is a concession fee per person per night. Agents must submit these fees electronically online, while for private visitors, Africa Safari Serengeti Kusini can assist.

2: Double bed | 1: single bed

## WHY GO THERE?

- Perfectly positioned in the Southern Serengeti
- ⟨√⟩ Kusini Crater
- (7) Hidden Valley water catchment
- On the path of the wildebeest migration
- ② European migrant storks
- An unmatched experience
- Find serenity off the beaten path



## Safari Luxury Glamping

Maximum occupancy
4 guests

The Safari Luxury Glamping is a canvas accommodation where you will find all the luxury you need inside and a view of the endless Kusini Plains. The room is furnished with a king-size bed, a single bed, and a seating area inside and outside. Additionally, there is a single sofa bed available for use. In the bathroom, you will find a shower, a toilet and a washbasin.

There are 12 units available.

- $\checkmark$  King-size bed (180 x 200) and one single bed (90 x 200)
- ✓ Single sofa bed
- Ensuite bathroom with shower
- ✓ Inside seating area
- Charging points for mobile phones and cameras
- Safety deposit box
- ✓ Standing fan
- Quality mattress and bed linen
- Mosquito net
- ✓ Terrace
- ✓ Total room size 60 sqm





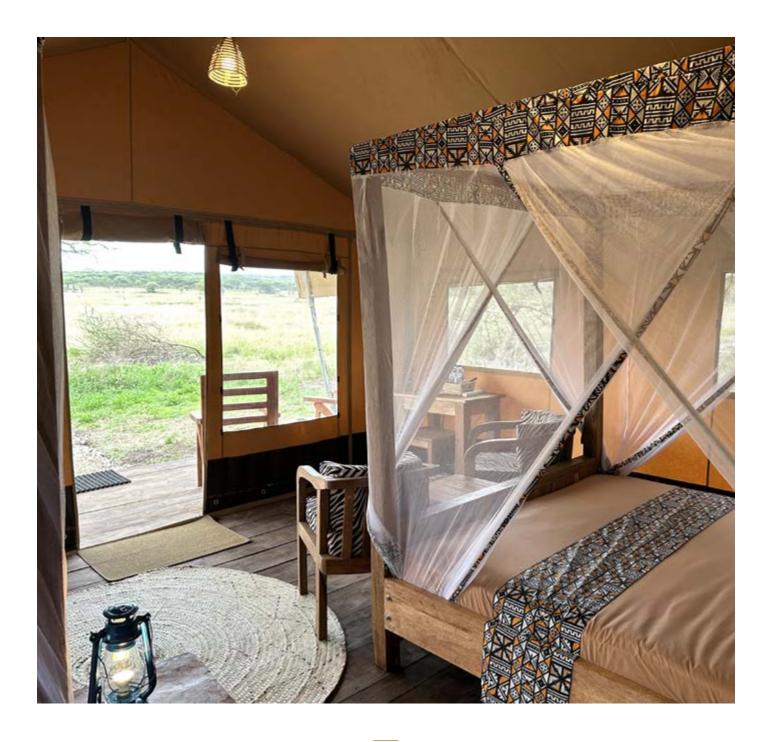
## Safari Family Accommodation

Maximum occupancy
6 guests

Experience the wonders of a safari with family or friends in our Safari Family accommodations. Built under canvas and catering for up to six guests, these tents include an ensuite bathroom with a shower, a European western toilet, and a washbasin, as well as an inside seating area. Outside, the furnished terrace offers the perfect place to relax and reminisce about the day's sightings.

There are 2 units available.

- $\bigcirc$  One king-size bed (180 x 200) and two bunk beds (90 x 200)
- ✓ Fully equipped bathroom with shower-
- ✓ Inside seating area.
- ✓ Standing fan ·
- ✓ Charging points for mobile phones and cameras.
- ✓ Safety deposit box-
- Quality mattress and bed linen ·
- Mosquito net
- ✓ Terrace
- √ Total room size 60 sqm





## Serengeti National Park

With vast open plains and an abundance of wildlife as far as the eye can see, the Serengeti is a safari maker's dreamland. Because the park is so vast, it is advisable to spend several days exploring. Serengeti National Park stretches over 14.763 square kilometres and is easily the largest and perhaps the most popular of the Northern Circuit's National Parks. Serengeti is host to the Great Wildebeest Migration, when some six million hooves walk across the open plains, as more than 200.000 zebras and 300.000 Thomson's gazelles accompany the wildebeest on their journey to fresh grass.



## Seronera Area

Serengeti's Seronera area is located in the south-central region of the park and is known for a large number of big cats; the lion, leopard and cheetah are often spotted here. Elephants, giraffes, hippos, crocodiles, buffalo, and impala are also well-known inhabitants. The area is very popular because it is one of the most likely places to see a hunt. The landscape is dotted with "kopjes", rocky granite or gneiss protrusions, more than 550 million years old and highly loved by some cats as lookouts during the hunt.

## Kusini Area

The Kusini Plains is a remote and very serene corner of Tanzania's south-west Serengeti, - a spectacular game-viewing area encompassing high concentrations of cheetah, honey badger, golden-backed jackal, and hyena. The surrounding short grass plains provide the setting for the most spectacular natural phenomenon on the African continent, the wildebeest migration. The short rains in November and December nurture nutrient-rich pastures, sustaining wildebeest herds until the long rains end. Most calves are born in January and February. Despite the relative safety of open grassy plains, the newborns attract predators like lions, leopards, cheetahs, and hyenas, highlighting the delicate balance of life in the ecosystem. However, the crown jewel here is a secret spot nicknamed 'Kusini Crater', a circular grassy plain completely encircled by dense acacia trees, which is known for large wildlife concentrations including cheetahs.





### Highlights



Built in 2024



Home to the Great Migration calving season



Sleeping under canvas



Wi-Fi by satellite



Glamping in the middle of the bush



45 km from Lake Ndutu



Kusini Crater



Abundant bird life



Different possibilities/areas for game drives

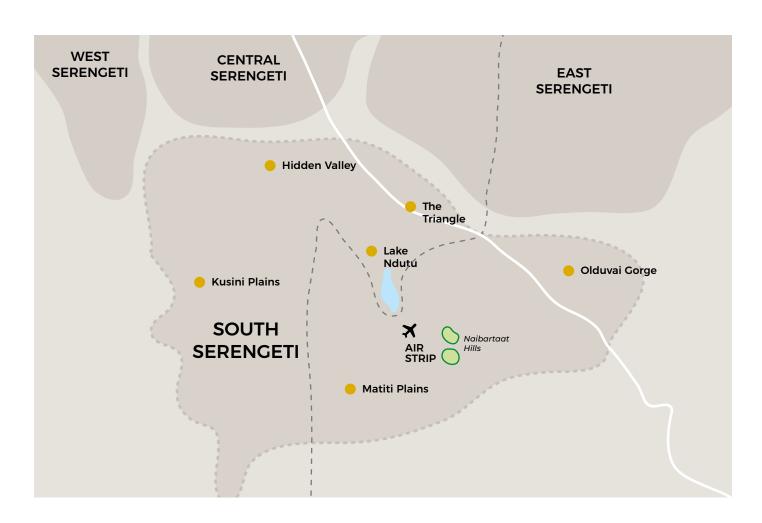


Off the beaten track

#### **KUSINI PLAINS**

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Explore the untamed beauty of the Kusini Plains, nestled in the south of the Serengeti National Park and north of the Maswa Game Reserve. Bordered by the Ndutu Plains and Moru, this remote haven offers intimate wildlife encounters. With fewer vehicles and lodges, enjoy personalized game drives amidst diverse grasslands, woodlands, and rocky kopjes. Experience the profound serenity and rich biodiversity of this hidden gem.



#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

#### **KOPJES**

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Scattered across the expansive Serengeti savannah are granite outcrops, resembling rocky islands amid a sea of grass. They are called 'kopjes', and were formed when the soft volcanic rock and ash that covers Serengeti were eroded to expose the extremely old metamorphic rock below. Not only serving as vital habitats for Serengeti's wildlife, these kopjes provide a scenic contrast to the surrounding plains but also a fabulous vantage point for Serengeti's many predators.



#### SERENGETI CHEETAH PROJECT

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Since 1975, SCP has meticulously documented cheetah encounters across the Serengeti plains. The Serengeti Cheetah Project is a vital conservation initiative focused on studying and safeguarding cheetah populations in Tanzania's iconic Serengeti National Park. Led by dedicated researchers and conservationists, the project employs monitoring techniques to track cheetah movements, assess habitat dynamics, and mitigate humanwildlife conflicts. Through education and community engagement, it strives to ensure the long-term survival of these magnificent big cats. Whilst one can't visit this initiative as a tourist. it's fabulous to know that this project is operational.



#### 5 FASCINATING FACTS ABOUT THE MIGRATION

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Wildebeests depend on zebras! While wildebeests favour grass shoots, zebras graze on tall grass. As zebras move on, wildebeests feed on the shorter grass left behind.

Wildebeest calves can walk within minutes of being born whilst zebra foals can even run after an hour. This is essential for their survival and even then, only one in three calves will survive.

Lions only eat every three or four days and average 6 kgs per 'sitting'. When not eating for even longer periods, a fully grown male lion can consume up to 40 kgs which is a quarter of its weight. This period of gluttony is often followed by up to 24 hours of sleep.

The Great Migration comprises a primary herd and satellite herds that rhythmically merge and divide. It is believed that glands in wildebeests' hooves release pheromones onto the ground, allowing dispersed herds to follow the trail and stay connected.

Just as humans have unique fingerprints, wildebeests have a unique grunt, thereby allowing a mother and foal to locate one another in a large herd or when it is dark.



## Safari Jeep

A four-wheel drive safari jeep with a pop-up roof, including driver and fuel, is available for hire on request. Our driver guides are very knowledgeable and will ensure you have as much time as you need to ask questions, take pictures, and enjoy the incredible landscape.





Distance in km.	Africa Safari Arusha	Africa Safari Lake Natron	Africa Safari Maasai Boma	Africa Safari Serengeti Ikoma	Africa Safari South Serengeti	Africa Safari Karatu	Africa Safari Lake Manyara	Africa Safari Rift Valley	Africa Safari Selous
Africa Safari Serengeti Kusini	295	290	215	155	45	160	185	295	1100
Reachable without overnight stop	NO. Overnight in Africa Safari Karatu	NO. Overnight in Africa Safari Karatu	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO. Overnight in Africa Safari Karatu	NO. Overnight in Africa Safari Arusha, Dar Es Salaam

#### **DEVELOPMENTS:**

Serengeti National Park hosts the Great Migration and boasts high biological diversity, including globally threatened species like the black rhinoceros, elephant, wild dog, and cheetah. Recognised as a UNESCO World Heritage Site and one of Africa's 7 Natural Wonders, it's managed by Tanzania National Parks (TANAPA) for conservation. Tourism revenue supports vital conservation efforts, wildlife research, and local communities' education and livelihoods, making visits to the Serengeti a contribution to Tanzania's sustainable future.

# Most common wildlife in the area



Wildebeest Grant's Gazelle Dik Dik Thomson's Gazelle Eland Topi Hartebeest



Cheetah Leopard (\*) Lion Elephant Giraffe Buffalo Zebra

A massive variety of birds and birds of prey



Hyena
Bat-Eared fox
Jackal
Caracal (\*)
Honey badger
Banded mongoose
Warthog

(\*) Nocturnal

MONTHS	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Game drives	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Activities	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Migrations	•	•	•	←	←					<b>→</b>	<b>→</b>	•
Dry season							•	•	•	•	•	•
Green season			•	•							0	0

← Migration North to South → Migration South to North ■ Subject to weather conditions ○ Half month



#### Airstrip / Airport

Nearest airstrip Kusini Airstrip 15 km / 30 minutes by vehicle

Alternative airstrip Seronera Airstrip 75 km / 2 hours 30 minutes by vehicle

Domestic airport Arusha Airport (ARK) 295 km:/-6 hours and 30 minutes by vehicle

International airport Kilimanjaro International Airport (JRO) 350 km / 8 hours by vehicle



#### From Africa Safari Kusini to...

Border Serengeti/Ngorongoro - 72 km

Naabi Hill Serengeti entrance gate - 30 km

Ngorongoro Crater - 135 km



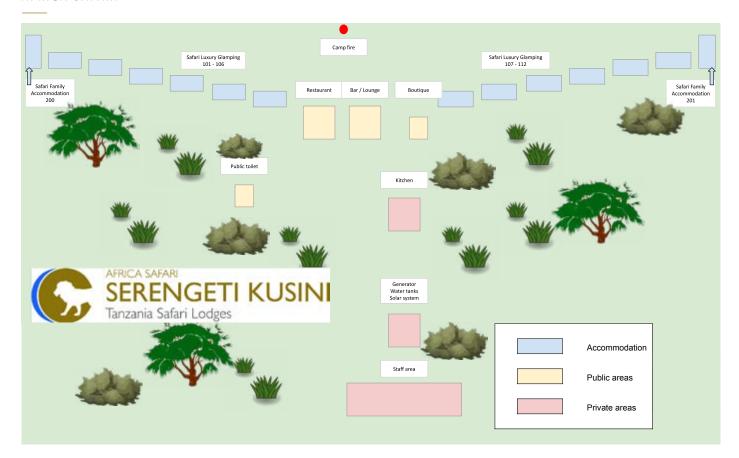
#### Good to know

Altitude: 1650 mtr Day Time temp: +/-30°C Night time temp: +/- 15°C Green season: Jan-Apr

ACCOMMODATION Safari Luxury Glamping (12)

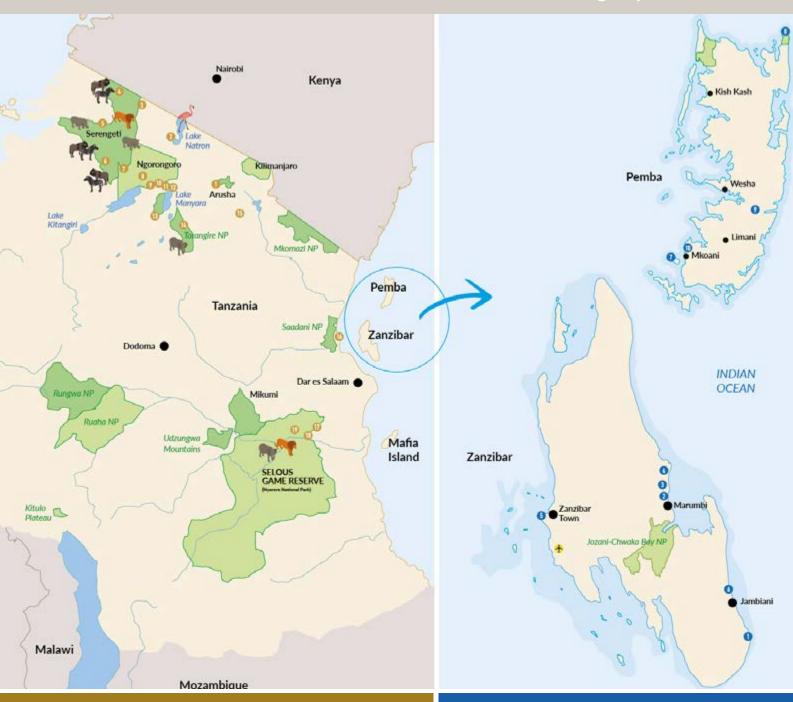
> MEAL PLAN Bed and Breakfast Half Board Full Board

CREDIT CARD - CURRENCY Master card / Visa card / Online payment TZS, USD, EUR





#### Other accommodations in the Paradise & Wilderness group



#### TANZANIA

- A. Africa Safari Serengeti Kogatende (\*)
   Africa Safari Serengeti Ikoma
   Arrica Safari Serengeti Kusini

- 9. Africa Safari Karatu 10. Africa Safari Escarpment Lake Manyara
- 12. Africa Safari Lake Manyara 13. Africa Safari Rift Valley

- 16. Africa Safari Saadani 17. Africa Safari Selous

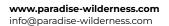
- 18. Africa Safari Nyerere
  19. Africa Safari Tagalala Hotsprings (\*)

#### ZANZIBAR/PEMBA

- 1. Reef & Beach Resort
- 3. Zanzibar Bay Resort
- 4. Dream of Zanzibar

- 8. Pemba Beach Resort (\*)
- 9. Pemba Farm Estate (\*)
- 10. Mkoani Guesthouse (\*)







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Photo Gallery



Price List

