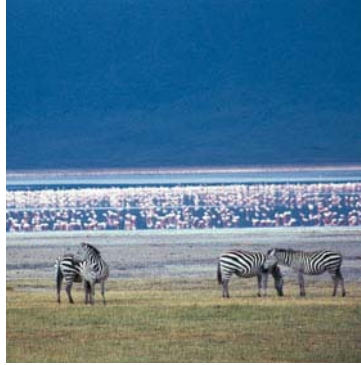


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trip highlights

Meeting and interacting with the Magara Community

Helping the local Community improve the facilities at Magara Secondary School

Game viewing in Tarangire National Park when the park is teeming with elephants

Game viewing at Ngorongoro Crater



Trip Duration	9 days
Grade	Adventure touring level
Activities	Community Projects, Wildlife Safari
Accommodation	9 day trip, 4 days community project, 3 day wildlife safari, 8 nights camping

welcome to World Expeditions

Thank you for inquiring about our Tanzania: Magara Secondary School Project trip. Here at World Expeditions we are passionate about giving our clients the best chance to experience some of the remarkable cultures and wilderness regions of this very special part of the world. We are committed to making sure that our range of unique itineraries are well researched, affordable & tailored for the enjoyment of our small groups. These philosophies have been with us since 1975 when we began operating adventure holidays. We also put great effort into making sure that wherever we go we show a true respect for the local cultures and their environment. In Peru we have worked with our trek and tour staff for more than 20 years and have always managed to benefit from a tremendously good relationship that is reciprocal in every sense. We pay our staff well over award wages and provide them and their families with insurance and medical support. For the last two decades we have set up many help projects in the local villages where our staff live.

Why travel with World Expeditions?

Community Project Travel is a unique "giving back" program that we have operated since 2005 as a 'not for profit' division of our company. The program aims to assist impoverished communities that receive little or no funding from its government. Each project is sustainable in that the work is started and completed by the time you leave the community, resulting in a tangible benefit. Additionally we run the projects jointly with the community, encouraging ownership of the project at the local level and transferring skills to the local community, which assists in the long-term continuity of the project. Each project is selected on a consultative basis with the community, ensuring that the project is a real need of the community. Lastly, no particular skill is required to join a project; you just need to pack an open mind and a keenness to commit to physical work in a team environment.

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trip dates

2009 01 Jun - 09 Jun

2010 TBA

trip cost

\$2690 joining Arusha

For competitive airfares and stopover ideas to join this adventure, contact our expert staff today to receive a detailed quote.

World Expeditions does not require single travellers pay a surcharge for travelling alone. On all of our adventures we will arrange for you to share accommodation with another traveller of the same sex and if we can not match you up we will provide a single room at no extra charge. If you prefer not to share a single supplement is payable to guarantee your own room. The cost of the single supplement is \$POA.

the trip

Magara Secondary School is located near the village of Magara, at the base of the Rift Valley escarpment, to the south of Lake Manyara National Park. We set out to help the local community convert a classroom at the Magara Secondary School into a computer studies room. Good computer skills in Tanzania are highly valued in the workplace, however, the facilities and training required to gain these skills is usually only available to students who live in Urban areas, because of access to the electricity grid. The World Expeditions Foundation (WEF) is raising money to implement a 3 year program to equip the school with the facilities and teachers to run successful computer skills classes. Over four days participants will build new desks for the school, assist with the general refurbishment of the classroom facilities and the installation of water tanks. Following our project we continue to the magnificent game parks of Lake Manyara and Tarangire. No trip to Tanzania would be complete without a visit to the Ngorongoro Crater, one of the finest wildlife reserves on earth.

at a glance

DAY 1	COMMENCE ARUSHA, DRIVE TO PROJECT
DAYS 2-5	COMMUNITY PROJECT WORK
DAY 6	DRIVE TO TARANGIRE NATIONAL PARK
DAY 7	MORNING GAME DRIVE, CONTINUE TO MTO WA MBU
DAY 8	NGORONGORO CRATER
DAY 9	LAKE MANYARA AND TO ARUSHA

what's included

- 8 breakfasts, 8 lunches, 8 dinners
- internal transportation in private vehicles and 4WD vehicles in Ngorongoro Crater
- expert bilingual guide
- group medical kit
- all group camping equipment (excluding sleeping bag and mat)
- all equipment and materials required for the community project
- sightseeing specified in the itinerary
- National Park fees and camping fees valued at US\$225
- support staff while in Tanzania

No local payments policy: Local cash payments are becoming increasingly popular with many operators. The policy seems to benefit the tour operators, more than the local economies or travellers, as it avoids local taxes and transfers the cost and risk of cash handling to travellers. In accordance with our Responsible Travel practices.

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Day 1:
Commence Arusha, drive to project
→ Meals: L, D

After breakfast we will depart the bustle of Arusha and drive to Magara, at the base of the Rift Valley escarpment. On arrival we shall meet with local community leaders as well the project staff that we will be working with over the next four days. The rest of the day is at leisure.

Days 2-5:
Community Project Work
→ Meals: B, L, D

Under the supervision and guidance of our Project Manager we shall set about renovating Magara Secondary School. We will identify and aim to complete sections of the computer room renovation ñ build school desks, fit solar panels, as well as a general upgrade of the school facilities. On completion of our part of the school we will join with the local community in traditional celebrations on our final night. We will spend these 3 nights camping just outside of our project area.

Day 6:
Drive to Tarangire National Park
→ Meals: B, L, D

Departing after breakfast, we drive past Mt Kilimanjaro and Mt Meru on our way to Tarangire National Park. Over 500 species of birds have been recorded in the park. It has the largest population of elephants in northern Tanzania, with approximately 2,000 sited along the Tarangire River particularly in August/September/October. We spend the afternoon game viewing along the Tarangire River before setting up camp just outside the park.

Day 7:
Morning Game Drive, continue to Mto Wa Mbu
→ Meals: B, L, D

This morning we will re-enter Tarangire for an early game drive. Following our wildlife viewing, we make our way to Mto Wa Mbu which is a town located halfway between Arusha and the Ngorongoro Crater. We will have the opportunity to visit the curio markets before heading to our camp to relax before our evening meal.

Day 8:
Ngorongoro Crater
→ Meals: B, L, D

An early morning start so we can complete park formalities and commence our drive around the crater rim to the Olduvai Gorge. The Gorge is a steep sided ravine with exposed deposits showing rich fossil fauna and many hominid remains. It is believed that the objects found here date from 2.1 million ñ 15,000 years ago. We will have lunch at the crater rim before descending into the crater for an afternoon game drive. Late in the afternoon we will climb back up the rim and return to Mto Wa Mbu.

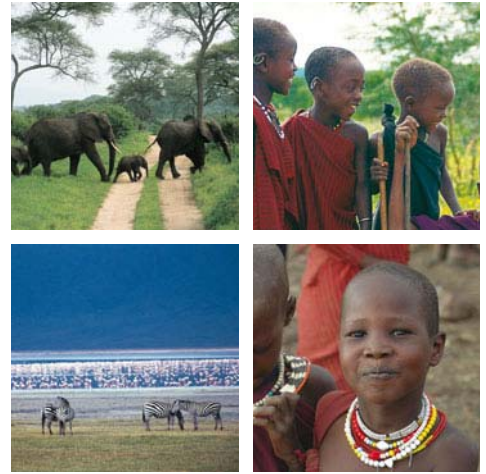
Day 9:
Lake Manyara and to Arusha
→ Meals: B, L

We break camp and drive to Lake Manyara National Park. Lake Manyara is a world biosphere soda lake where flocks of flamingo congregate. In the afternoon we will return to Arusha where our trip concludes.

Note: This itinerary is subject to change with any change in Community regulations as well as Governmental changes and natural circumstances beyond our control.

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fast facts

Countries Visited:
Tanzania

Visas:
Yes*

Vaccinations:
Yes*

Group size:
Min. 06 Max. 16

Private Groups:
Yes*

Singles:
A single supplement is available for this trip

Leader:
Expert local leader

Brochure Reference: Community Project Travel

*Ask our staff or your travel agent for details

responsible travel

The environments we travel through are fragile. It is our responsibility as visitors to minimise the impact of our presence. World Expeditions were the proud recipients of the inaugural Australian National Travel Industry's Environmental Achievement award for our Responsible Travel Guidebook. This detailed guide to responsible & sustainable travel is provided to all World Expeditions clients before they travel. Please ask your consultant if you have not received your copy of our award winning book. Alternatively, you may like to download a copy from our website www.worldexpeditions.com

country information

Tanzania is the largest country of East Africa, being almost 950,000 sq kms and made up mainly of a dry highland plateau, with a narrow strip of low-lying coast and the off-shore islands of Zanzibar, Pemba and Mafia. The Rift Valley, containing some of the world's most magnificent and famous game reserves, sweeps down into Tanzania from Kenya and is covered by many inland lakes; Tanzania's highest mountains - Meru and Africa's highest, Mt Kilimanjaro - lie on or close to the Kenyan border in the north of the country. With a heritage of British and German colonialism - and the strong influence of the Portuguese and Arab traders felt along the coast - Tanganyika gained its independence in 1961 and merged with the islands of Zanzibar and Pemba to become Tanzania.

climate

Generally, April and May are the months of the long rains. November brings the short rains but it seldom rains all day at this time. As a general rule, Tanzania is warm by day and cool at night. Temperatures rarely rise above 27°C during the day or fall below 10°C at night, but these conditions are guidelines only and obviously vary with altitude and topography. On the coast, for example, temperatures can rise to around 30°C during the day and fall to about 20°C at night.

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trip grading

Our Community Project Travel adventures can be undertaken by anyone with a reasonable level of health and fitness. For the community project part of your trip you will not require a certain level of strength or physical ability, just an enthusiastic and positive attitude. A project manager will direct and distribute the workloads amongst participants on a daily basis. There is no pressure to exert yourself physically beyond your limits during the project but you should be prepared to give 4 -6 hours of physical labour each day. A certain level of fitness will be required where there is trekking involved.

a typical day

When we arrive in the village of Magara we will set up our camp where we will remain for three nights. A crew will remain with you to prepare meals and provide logistical support during the community project. You will be introduced to a local foreman who will coordinate the work. In advance of your arrival, all materials for the project will have been purchased and carried into the village. Your foreman will have had extensive discussions with the community about the objectives of our project and will be able to direct the progress of this work during the allotted time. Normally, he will divide the group into sub groups to work on different components of the project. There will be a good deal of flexibility in the hours that you work each day but it is anticipated that you will be involved in labour work for up to 6 hours a day. The people from the village will of course be very receptive to your visit and the improvements that you are making that will bring benefit to the entire village. You can expect them to visit daily out of curiosity and help out also.

what you carry

When not participating in the community project you should carry with you a daypack containing a water bottle, snacks, camera and wet weather gear.

equipment required

Although all the equipment required for the community project will be provided, we do suggest that you bring tough work gloves and a lightweight set of overalls or old clothes to use during the project work days.

what's not included

- International flights
- Bottled water
- Aerated and alcoholic drinks
- Items of a personal nature such as phone calls, laundry, etc.
- Tips
- Airport and departure taxes
- Travel Insurance
- Visa