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Machame Route - 7 Days/ 6 Nights:

Day 01:

Register at Machame Gate (5,380ft/1,640m), the climb then starts out in the rain forest of the lower slopes where we may encounter animals, such as black & white colobus monkeys and several varieties of birds. Hike to edge of forest and camp Machame Hut (9,350ft/2,850m). Duration 5-6hrs.

Day 02:

After breakfast leave Machame Hut for a steep climb to Shira 2 camp (12,500ft/3,810m) overlooking the Shira Plateau. Most of the hike is through the heather climate zone. Enjoy the wonderful sunset from the mess tent with Mt. Meru in the distance. Duration 4-6hrs.

Day 03:

After breakfast, head up towards the Lava Tower (15,190ft/4,630m). This is the highpoint of the day and you will have lunch before descending to Barranco Camp (13,045ft/3,976m) where snacks will be waiting. Enjoy the Sunset on the summit and Barranco Wall. Duration 6-7hrs.

Day 04:

After breakfast we will start the 1000ft scramble up the Great Barranco Wall. Once on top, we will continue the undulating hike to Karanga camp (13,100ft/3,995m) where you will spend the night. Enjoy the views of Kibo above and the plains below where you can see Moshi Town. Duration 4-5 hrs.

Day 05:

After breakfast leave Karanga camp and head up the steep slopes to Barafu (15,330ft/4,673m) camp. This is a short day. You will have a hot lunch and an early dinner. You will leave Barafu for the summit at midnight. Mawenzi dominates the view from Barafu. Duration 4hrs.

Day 06:

Wakeup around 11pm and get ready for summit hike. Leave for the summit at midnight and after a very steep ascent, reaching Stella Point (18,958ft/5,745m) after 6hrs. Another 1 hr. of gradual sloping ground and you are at the summit! Descend to Barafu for a couple of hours rest and lunch. Then descend on Mweka route to Mweka camp (10,065ft/3,068m). Duration 13-14hrs.

Day 07:

After breakfast start the short hike down through forest to Mweka Gate (5,380ft/1,640m). You will receive your summit certificate and say good bye to your new friends. Duration 2-3hrs.