



Trek the highest mountain in Africa...

# Mt Kilimanjaro

...for a trip of a life time!



## Trip outline

The expedition offers you the challenge of trekking the highest free standing mountain in the world and Africa's highest peak – Mt Kilimanjaro. Standing 5,896m above the savannah of Tanzania the snow-capped mountain dominates the landscape for miles around.



Flights depart from Heathrow Airport and our standard trip flights arrive in Kilimanjaro International Airport (Tanzania) where a private transfer will

take you directly to Moshi – the village at the base of the mountain. To help with your acclimatization you will stay in the Springlands Hotel 4\* for two nights enabling you to relax and prepare for the trip ahead. You then ascend Kilimanjaro via a 7 day Machame Route, which is the best route to view the stunning landscape and offers easier acclimatization. The mountain route that we use maximises your chances of success and makes for a very enjoyable trip. The mountain is spectacular with lush rainforests at the base and clear blue skies at the snow covered peak. At the end of the expedition you spend another two nights in the hotel, before flying back to the U.K.

You do not need to be extremely fit to undertake the trip as you will be walking at a very slow pace on the mountain to acclimatise to the altitude. This is a porter assisted trek therefore you will only be asked to carry on a small lightweight day pack.

Each group is lead by a fully qualified Kilimanjaro National Park Mountain Guide assisted by porters and cooks. During the



hotel stay a representative of the trekking company is always on hand for advice, and they are incredibly accommodating, courteous and friendly.

### **Scheduled Trip dates**

For 2028 we are running 4 scheduled trips through June, July, August and September. Each trip will have a group size of approximately 12 clients.

**Trip 1:** Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June to Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June (**7 day mountain route**) - £3,195

**Trip 2:** Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July to Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> July (**7 day mountain route**) - £3,295

**Trip 3:** Monday 7<sup>th</sup> August to Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> August (**7 day mountain route**) - £3,395

**Trip 4:** Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September to Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> September (**7 day mountain route**) - £3,295

(Please note that actual trip dates may vary slightly due to flight availability).

**Alternatively private groups (no minimum numbers) can book their own trip throughout the year often at no extra cost.**



### **Outline Itinerary**

**Day 1** Fly from London Heathrow Airport to Kilimanjaro International Airport, Tanzania.

**Day 2** Arrive in the hotel, check-in and time to relax and enjoy the surroundings /swimming pool. Dinner and a night in the hotel included in trip cost.

**Day 3** Day in Hotel/Moshi to acclimatise. After breakfast the morning is set aside for an optional visit to our link charity the Kilimanjaro Orphanage (10mins walk from the hotel). For those clients who choose to raise money for the Orphanage you can meet the staff the students and see exactly where your funds are going. In the afternoon many clients choose to walk or use the hotel shuttle bus to go in to the local town of Moshi.



Here you can enjoy the hustle and bustle of the markets and street traders as well a spectacular view of Kilimanjaro. In the evening you will be fully briefed by our chief guide about the trek allowing the opportunity to ask any last minute questions before packing your bags ready for the start of trek. Breakfast, Dinner and a night in the hotel is included in the trip cost.

**Day 4** After another hearty breakfast at the hotel we'll load up the coach and drive to the Machame Park Gate and the start of the trek! Today's route is within the rainforest where you will hear and see the monkeys and birds in the trees and the splendour of the National Park Rainforest. Tonight's camp is at 3000m. (Trek: 18Km - 6 hours)



**Day 5** The route continues through the upper rain forest and on the Shira Plateau with amazing views of Kilimanjaro and Mt Meru in the distance. Today's route is shorter in distance and time to aid acclimatisation. Tonight's camp at Shira Caves - 3,800m. (Trek 9km – 4-6hours)

**Day 6** The trek moves from lush rain forest to mountain moorland today as you traverse the southwest side of Kilimanjaro. It's a great day for acclimatisation as you will ascend Lava Tower 4,600m before walking down to our camp at Barranco. Today's entire route has spectacular views of Kilimanjaro's peak as well as the Garden

of Senecio's – an area just before camp where huge Senecio plants grown in abundance. Barranco camp is at 3900m (15km – 8hours)



**Day 7** Today's route heads over Great Barranco - a huge spur of rock created by Kilimanjaro's last volcanic eruption. The route is steep but great fun. At the top there are some of the best photo opportunities of the trek as Kilimanjaro peak is directly behind you. The trek then descends into Karanga Valley and our camp is at the top of Karanga. The camp site is well above the clouds and you will have time to rest, relax and enjoy the sights as this is a short walking day. (10km - 6 hours)

Note: Many Kilimanjaro groups use a 6 day mountain route... but if money and time allow we believe that adding an extra day and night makes the trip even

more enjoyable - and the camp at the top of Karanga is absolutely beautiful.

**Day 8** The route today is short in distance but high altitude... you continue from Karanga camp to Barafu Camp (4600m) and here you will arrive for lunch. The afternoon is spent enjoying the sights, relaxing, chatting and sleeping. Having the short walking day means that you have plenty of time to

rest and relax before heading off to the peak at midnight and you should feel recharged! (8km - 4 hours)

**Day 9** Today's the day when all your hard work pays off and you reach the peak of Africa! With a very early start (normally midnight) you ascend the crater at night. This avoids the hot day time sun and means that scree is frozen and easier to walk on. You'll walk through the night and at sun rise will be standing at Stella Point (5739m) on the crater rim. The views are breathe taking with ice cliffs surrounding you and views of the jagged peak of Mawenzi... Kilimanjaro's secondary peak. Another hours' walk takes you to the true peak of Kilimanjaro – Uhuru – 5896m (meaning 'Freedom' in Swahili). You may spend as long as you wish at the peak taking photos and



congratulating your fellow team mates and when you are ready you descend back down the route to Barafu Camp. After lunch you then carry on down the mountain to our final camp Mweka back in the lush rain forest. Mweka camp is a celebration camp and everyone has a lot to talk about over a well-earned dinner! (20km in total with a 7km climb – 12 hours)



**Day 10** A gentle trek through the rainforest descending to Mweka Park gate and a drive back to Moshi. The Springlands Hotel will welcome you back for a good hot shower and a few cold drinks. In the evening we hold a celebration dinner with our chief guide and his assistances that have supported you all the way.

**Day 11** Is a day to rest and relax or head out to Arusha National Park on an optional day safari. Breakfast, Dinner and a final night in the hotel is included in the trip cost. This rest day is not normally included by other trek providers but we believe it makes the whole trip far more enjoyable.

**Day 12** Transfer to the airport and fly back to the U.K.

**Day 13** Depending on the airline we use our flights often land in morning back to the UK

**For a detailed itinerary please email for a full trip booklet.**

## **Food**

During the hotel stay breakfast and dinner are included. During the trek we provide breakfast, lunch and dinner. The food is excellent, plentiful and varied and prepared to a very high standard. We cater very well for vegetarians and for all special dietary requirements and the feedback from our clients is consistently excellent.

### Clothing and Equipment

We provide all the group equipment like tents, tables, chairs, crockery and cutlery but you will need good pair of walking boots for ankle protection and a sleeping bag - plus normal walking clothing. We provide a detailed kit list at the time of booking and during the training weekend run through all the details and provide lots of advice. Sleeping bags can be rented from our hotel in Moshi (\$40 for the whole trek) as can waterproof clothing.

### Training Event – April 2027

A training event in the *Forest of Dean* is provided for all Kilimanjaro participants. The event provides an opportunity for the whole team to get to know each other prior to departure. It's a fantastic weekend to test kit, ask questions and meet your group. The stunning Wye Valley provides an excellent training ground with steep forest sections and open countryside. We hold a Kilimanjaro group dinner and provide breakfast on the second day plus all the accommodation tents are provided.

### What's included

All our expeditions are 'all inclusive' this means that the cost covers all the accommodation, flights, flight tax, transfers, guides, porters and cooks + all food throughout your expedition. The price also covers the training weekend in the Forest of Dean. \*The only costs **not included** are VISA's (£40), travel insurance, tips, lunch and drinks in the hotel.

### Costs and payment structure

The cost of the trip is **£3,195 - £3,395**. There is a £250 trip deposit (non-refundable) to book your place and the remaining balance is paid in small instalments.

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| Trip deposit (at time of booking) | £250   |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> December 2026     | £1,000 |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> June 2027         | £600   |

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| 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2027 | £500            |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> February 2028  | £400            |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> June 2028      | Balance payment |

### **Trip organiser**

The Kilimanjaro trip is organised by Jonathan Reilly the company director of 'TheBEC Limited' trading as 'The British Expedition Company' ([www.thebec.co.uk](http://www.thebec.co.uk)). Our expeditions have been running since 2001 and have an excellent success rate in reaching the summit as well as providing a fantastic trip of a life time. Each group is lead by a fully qualified Kilimanjaro National Park Mountain Guide assisted by porters and cooks. During the hotel stay a representative of the trekking company is always on hand for advice, and they are incredibly accommodating, courteous and friendly.



### **The Duke of Edinburgh's Award**

The British Expedition Company is an Approved Activity Provider with the Duke of Edinburgh's Awards. Our Kilimanjaro trek has been verified by the Award as meeting all the standards required to fulfil the Residential Section of the Gold Award. If you would like further information then please email for an information sheet.

### **How to reserve your place on the trip**

To book a place on the trip simply return the reservation form with a £250 trip deposit (this is non-refundable) to Jonathan Reilly, British Expedition Company, Meriden House, Park Road, Tisbury, Wiltshire, SP3 6LF.

Alternatively you can send through your trip reservation form via email and your trip deposit via internet banking to the following HSBC business bank account;

Account Name: TheBEC Limited,

Account Number: 62049414

Sort code: 40-40-14

Reference: **Your Name** (this is very important as we can link the payment with your reservation form)

When your deposit is received a trip booklet is sent out detailing every element of the trip. This includes information on VISA's, travel insurance, fundraising ideas and kit information.

On advancement of deposit for a booking on any of our trips or expeditions the deposit acknowledges that he/she has read and understands the below booking conditions and agrees to be bound by them.

If you have any questions or queries regarding this trip or would like any further information then please email [Info@thebec.co.uk](mailto:Info@thebec.co.uk) or call Jonathan on 01747 871564.



## British Expedition Company

### Reservation Form

Please fill in and email or print off and post with your deposit to:

Jonathan Reilly, British Expedition Company,  
Meriden House, Park Road, Tisbury, Wiltshire SP3 6LF.

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| Full Name<br><br>This must be exactly as is appears on your passport | Mr / Mrs / Miss / Other _____<br><br>First name: _____ Middle names (if applicable) _____<br><br>Surname _____ |  |
| Date of Birth                                                        |                                                                                                                |  |
| Home Address                                                         |                                                                                                                |  |
| Phone - Land line                                                    |                                                                                                                |  |
| Phone - Mobile                                                       |                                                                                                                |  |
| Email address 1<br><br>Email address 2                               |                                                                                                                |  |
| Nationality                                                          |                                                                                                                |  |
| Which Expedition and trip date do you prefer?                        | Expedition                                                                                                     |  |
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| Passport details                                                     | Passport number                                                                                                |  |
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| Any special food requirements?                                       |                                                                                                                |  |

## **Next of Kin / Emergency Contact**

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| Name                               |  |
| Relationship                       |  |
| Address                            |  |
| Telephone number (Land and Mobile) |  |

## **Sharing contact information**

Your privacy is important. With your permission we would like to share your contact details in the departure information. This is so all team members can contact each other prior to departure.

Your details will **only** be shared with other clients on the same trip as yourself.

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Please tick this box to confirm that you give permission for your year of birth, email address and mobile number to be shared with the other clients on your trip.

## **Medical Details**

Know allergies to food/medication/insects etc...

Do you have any specific medical conditions that we need to be aware of when you are away on expeditions?

Please give any additional information concerning your health that you think is necessary for us to know, especially in the case of an emergency.

## **Questionnaire**

1. Briefly describe your reasons for wanting to attend the trip

2. Where did you find out about the trip? .....

3. Which description below best matches your level of fitness? (Tick or highlight)

- ☐ Very good level of fitness
- ☐ Quite strong level of fitness
- ☐ Normal fitness level e.g. can do a day walk in hills with a small rucksack
- ☐ Need to improve my fitness

4. Briefly describe your camping and walking experience...

## **Booking Conditions and Specific Information**

All the flights and flight-inclusive holidays are financially protected by the ATOL scheme. When you pay you will be supplied with an ATOL Certificate. Please ask for it and check to ensure that everything you booked (flights, hotels and other services) is listed on it. Please see our booking conditions for further information or for more information about financial protection and the ATOL Certificate go to: [www.atol.org.uk/ATOLCertificate](http://www.atol.org.uk/ATOLCertificate)

The British Expedition Company recognises that hill walking, trekking and mountaineering are activities with a danger of personal injury or death. Participants in these activities should be aware of and accept these risks and be responsible for their own actions and involvement.

1. All bookings are made with The British Expedition Company whose office is Meriden House, Park Road, Tisbury, Wiltshire, SP3 6LF, UK. Registered company number: 6957339

2. All our package expeditions are ATOL protected and our ATOL number from the Civil Aviation Authority is 10222.



### *Your Financial Protection*

*When you buy an ATOL protected flight or flight inclusive holiday from us you will receive an ATOL Certificate. This lists what is financially protected, where you can get information on what this means for you and who to contact if things go wrong.*

*We, or the suppliers identified on your ATOL Certificate, will provide you with the services listed on the ATOL Certificate (or a suitable alternative). In some cases, where neither we nor the supplier are able to do so for reasons of insolvency, an alternative ATOL holder may provide you with the services you have bought or a suitable alternative (at no extra cost to you). You agree to accept that in those circumstances the alternative ATOL holder will perform those obligations and you agree to pay any money outstanding to be paid by you under your contract to that alternative ATOL holder. However, you also agree that in some cases it will not be possible to appoint an alternative ATOL holder, in which case you will be entitled to make a claim under the ATOL scheme (or your credit card issuer where applicable)."*

*If we, or the suppliers identified on your ATOL certificate, are unable to provide the services listed (or a suitable alternative, through an alternative ATOL holder or otherwise) for reasons of insolvency, the Trustees of the Air Travel Trust may make a payment to (or confer a benefit on) you under the ATOL scheme. You agree that in return for such a payment or benefit you assign absolutely to those Trustees any claims which you have or may have arising out of or relating to the non-provision of the services, including any claim against us, the travel agent (or your credit card issuer where applicable). You also agree that any such claims may be re-assigned to another body, if that other body has paid sums you have claimed under the ATOL scheme."*

3. The terms and conditions of all agreements made with the Company shall be subject to, and governed by, English Law.

4. In order to make a booking, complete and sign the Booking Form and post it to The British Expedition Company with your deposit. Unless the trip is full you will receive confirmation of booking and further details.

5. It is important to be aware that once your deposit/installments are paid, should you wish to cancel at any time thereafter, these are non-refundable/transferable. In addition the cancellation penalties detailed below will be applied. It is strongly recommended that you have suitable cancellation insurance coverage from the time of booking. It is a condition of the booking that clients follow the agreed payment plan to ensure that flights and permits can be purchased by the company at the appropriate time. The company has a right to cancel the booking if the client fails to pay the installment within 14 days of the agreed payment date (in this instance no refunds will be issued) or charge additional fees up to 10% of the total trip cost - this is at the discretion of the company.
6. Cancellation of a trip by the BEC will entitle you to a part refund unless cancellation has been forced by unforeseen government (or similar) intervention in which case costs incurred by the Company will be subtracted from any refund due. No other compensation will be allowable.
7. Cancellation of bookings must be notified in writing. The £250 trip deposit is non-refundable as are 100% of all installment and balance payments.
8. Whilst every effort will be made to adhere to the planned itinerary, it must be realised that in this type of adventurous travel, changes to the itinerary may occur for which the Company accepts no responsibility, however caused. The BEC will make every effort to inform you of any change. Your final itinerary may differ in respect of the places where you stay overnight. In particular it may be necessary to alter your itinerary at short notice due to adverse weather, mountain conditions, client or leader illness, road conditions, or to operating conditions imposed by owners and operators of accommodation, facilities, aircraft, vessels and other forms of transport. Should such conditions involve clients in extra costs such as accommodation, transportation and meals, such costs should be borne by the client.
9. The BEC cannot be held responsible for any missed connecting transport.
10. The Expedition Guides will do their utmost to ensure that any problems are solved for the benefit of the group as a whole. Signing the booking form signifies your acceptance of the Guides authority to make decisions affecting the group or individuals. For instance, he/she may require an individual to leave the group if he/she believes that person's health is at risk, if an illegal act is committed, or their behaviour becomes detrimental to the safety, enjoyment or well-being of the group. Should the Guide take such action, that person would not be entitled to any refund.
11. Please understand that there are certain hazards involved in climbing and trekking, which you must accept at your own risk. The Company will not be liable for any illness, injury or death sustained during an expedition, or course, nor will it be liable for any uninsured losses of your property.
12. The Company cannot be made liable for the consequences of strikes, industrial action, wars, riots, sickness, quarantine, government intervention, weather conditions, or other untoward occurrences.
13. It is a condition of booking, that you are adequately covered by insurance prior to departure, which must cover the cost of repatriation and evacuation if you become too ill to continue. Failure to provide a copy will result in the cancellation of your expedition.
14. Trip prices are based on an exchange rate of US\$1.30 - UK£1 and operating costs at the time of booking. The Company reserves the right to levy fuel and/or currency surcharges following currency fluctuations or operating costs beyond our control. We sincerely hope that surcharges will not be necessary, but in the unlikely event that they are, you may cancel your booking without penalty if the surcharge amounts to more than 10% of the cost of the trip.
15. Any air travel that is part of any trip is subject to the conditions as stipulated by the airline concerned and liability is limited in accordance with International Convention.
16. If the UK Foreign Office does not issue advice against travel, and you decide not to travel on the basis of a perceived threat or hazard, howsoever formed, will be interpreted as a voluntary cancellation and the charges set out in booking condition 8 applied.
17. Non-UK Nationals should consult their own government for advice on travel to the destination country and all countries transited en route.

18. Having made every effort to ensure correctness of the trip details and booklets we cannot be held responsible for any inaccuracies, errors or omissions.

19. The Company can use photographs supplied by its Guides or members of the expedition for future marketing and publishing without further permission from those featured on the images. I also give my permission for my contact details to be shared with other clients booked on the same departure.

20. On advancement of deposit for a booking on any of our trips or expeditions the deposit acknowledges that he/she has read and understands the above booking conditions and agrees to be bound by them.