



PRICING & TIPPING INFORMATION

Included in the cost of your trek:

- Park fees and permits
- Two nights in Springlands hotel (or similar) one before and one after the trek
- Food on trek (with a cook to accompany your trek who will prepare the meals)
- Tents with sleeping mats (or huts & mattresses on the Marangu route)
- Transfers to Kilimanjaro from hotel/return. Please note that there is an additional vehicle cost on both the Lemosho & Rongai routes due to the extra travelling required to reach the route gates
- Use of hotel swimming pool
- Services of guiding staff and porters

Not included in the cost of your trek:

- International flights
- Personal insurance
- Personal equipment (a detailed list of required equipment is listed below)
- Visa
- Personal spending
- Lunch/dinner at Springlands hotel
- Tips for the staff (detailed below)

TIPPING GUIDELINES:

Tips will be expected by your mountain team though they are optional not obligatory. Tips should not be dependent on whether you summit or not, but rather whether they were professional and had your best interests in mind.

It is customary to pay your tips at the end of the trek as many of the mountain staff will return directly to their homes and not to the hotel.

TYPICAL TIP is \$15-20/day for guides, \$10-12/day for assistant guides, \$10 for cooks, \$7-10/per porter/day for porters. This is from the whole group, not per person.

Expect 1-2 guides per 8 hikers, 1 assistant guide per 3 each hikers, 1 cook per each 8 hikers, 1 waiter per each 8 hikers. Porters as follows:

- o 3 porters per hiker on the 5-day **Marangu Route & any Mt Meru** trek (minimum of 4 porters per group)
- o 3-4 porters per hiker on a 6 or 7-day trek – **Machame, Rongai, Umbwe** (minimum of 5 porters per group)
- o 3-4 porters per hiker on the 8-day **Lemosho Route** (minimum of 8 porters per group)
- o Maximum weight for your personal gear to be carried for you is 15kgs. There is an additional charge of \$10 per day for each additional porter that you may need as a result of extra weight. The other porters in your group will be carrying communal equipment (ie; tents, food & camping equipment)

On a 6 day trek you should estimate a maximum of \$288 in tips. (This is based on 1 person climbing alone). For a group of 2 you should allow around \$270 pp in tips.

For treks on **Mt Meru** you will also be escorted by a Park Ranger up to the first camp. You should expect to tip him at the same daily rate as the Guide (\$15-20)

SAFARI TIPS: \$15-20/day for driver/guide

Gifts: Guides and porters also appreciate your warm clothing, shoes, and packs. You may want to bring some older clothing items just for this purpose.

Celebration: You are also welcome to invite your guides back to the Springlands Hotel for drinks and/or dinner (on you) as a thank-you in addition to their tip.