


THE 6-DAY RONGAI ROUTE


MOUNT KILIMANJARO ITINERARY



DAY 1 RONGAI GATE TO SIMBA CAMP

- Elevation: 1,950m to 2,600m
- Distance: 8km
- Time: 3-4 hours
- Summary: After a scenic drive to Rongai Gate, you'll begin a gentle climb through maize fields and pine forests to Simba Camp.

DAY 2 SIMBA CAMP TO KIKELEWA CAMP


- Elevation: 2,600m to 3,600m
 - Distance: 12km
 - Time: 6-8 hours
 - Summary: The path continues into the moorland, offering stunning views of Mawenzi. The landscape is unique to the northern side. You'll camp at Kikelewa Camp.
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DAY 3 KIKELEWA CAMP TO MAWENZI TARN HUT

- Elevation: 3,600m to 4,330m
- Distance: 5km
- Time: 3-4 hours
- Summary: This is a shorter but steeper day, climbing to the dramatic Mawenzi Tarn Hut, located in a cirque below the towering Mawenzi peak. This provides excellent acclimatization.

DAY 4 MAWENZI TARN HUT TO KIBO HUT


- Elevation: 4,330m to 4,700m
 - Distance: 9km
 - Time: 5-6 hours
 - Summary: You'll cross the vast, desolate saddle between Mawenzi and Kibo, a high-altitude desert. Kibo Hut is the final camp before the summit push.
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DAY 5 SUMMIT DAY

- Elevation: 4,700m to 5,895m to 3,720m
- Distance: 6km ascent, 15km descent
- Time: 7-8 hours ascent, 6-8 hours descent
- Summary: The summit climb is the same as the Marangu route. You'll descend past Kibo Hut and continue all the way to Horombo Hut on the Marangu side.



DAY 6 HOROMBO HUT TO MARANGU GATE

- Elevation: 3,720m to 1,860m
 - Distance: 20km
 - Time: 4-5 hours
 - Summary: The final descent follows the same path as the Marangu route, taking you back to the gate.
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