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## MOUNT KENYA EXPEDITION

04 NIGHTS / 05 DAYS MOUNT KENYA CLIMB

### DAY 1: Sirimon – Old Moses (3,300 metres)

Depart from Nairobi early morning driving northwards past Thika Town famous for its pineapple plantations and the Del Monte factory and drive onwards past the rich agricultural farmlands of the Kikuyu people and further on to arrive at Sirimon gate late morning.

You will be received by your mountain guide at Sirimon gate. After your briefing, you will register at the gate and thereafter start your hike for 9 kilometers to Old Moses Camp.

This two to three hours hike is essential for acclimatization and is also very interesting as you hike through four of the mountain vegetation belts i.e. the tropical rain forest, bamboo jungle, rosewood and heather zones.

The initial part of the trail follows a good track through dense forests alive with birdsong and the sounds of noisy Columbus monkeys. Elephants also inhabit this part of the mountain but they are rare these days though you could be lucky to spot some. You will emerge on the edge of the forest where it joins the moorland zone and reach our campsite known as Old Moses Camp.



Dinner and overnight at **OLD MOSES CAMP. (FB)**

Altitude gained 690 metres, walking distance is 9 kilometers. Walking time is approx. 4 hours.

### DAY 2: Old Moses Camp – Likii North Camp (3,990 metres)

After breakfast, you will gradually hike through the desolate savannah, avoiding the normal direct trail leading to Shipton's and following the one that goes up to Likii North, where we camp for the night. Hiking time is about 4 hours, gaining almost 700meters in altitude. There will be ample time this afternoon to recuperate or explore the Likii valley for more altitude acclimatization.

Dinner and overnight will be at **LIKII NORTH CAMP. (FB)**



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## DAY 3: Likii North – Shiptons Camp (4,200 metres)

After breakfast, climb out from the Likii valley and pass over a ridge to a steep descent into the picturesque Mackinder Valley where we join the normal route from the Old Moses camp, enjoying the panoramic views of the north faces of Nelion and Batian. Arrive at Shipton's camp for hot lunch after a 4 hours trek.

Dinner and overnight at **SHIPTON'S CAMP** in bunk house or tents. **(FB)**

## DAY 4: Shiptons Camp – Point Lenana (4,985 metres) – Met Station

A pre-dawn (at 3:00 am) start is essential when attempting Point Lenana. You will arrive at Point Lenana in time to see the African sunrise. From Pt. Lenana, you have good views of Pt. Nelion (5,188 meters), Pt. Batian (5,199 meters) and other surrounding peaks.

On a clear day, the summit of Mt. Kilimanjaro can be seen protruding above the clouds over 340 kilometres away. You are then most likely to view the summit (Mount Kilimanjaro) as well as having the clearest view of the majestic scenery if the sky is clear right across the southern part of Kenya.



Afterwards, descend to Mackinder's Camp at 4,200 meters for breakfast. Thereafter, descend to the Met station on the Naro Moru track, traversing the alpine zone, steep marshy section known as the Vertical Bog, Giant heather zone and Hagehia hypericum zone to reach Met station.

Returning through another route gives a fine contrast to your hike. The walk will take approx. 3.0 - 4.0 Hours.

Dinner and overnight at **MET STATION**. **(FB)**

## DAY 5: Met Station – Park Gate - Nairobi

After breakfast, descend for 2 / 3 hours through the tropical rain forest, bamboo jungle, and rosewood to reach Naro Moru park entrance for signing out.

You will be met by your driver / guide for onward safari or transfer to Nairobi for overnight / out bound flight back home.

## END OF SERVICES



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**COST (based on 5 - 7 persons booked for the climb): From **US\$. 990.00** per person.**

## **The above package includes:**

- ❖ Return transfer **NAIROBI - MOUNT KENYA - NAIROBI**
- ❖ Mount Kenya National Park camping and park fees
- ❖ Full board accommodation during climb
- ❖ Services of professional guides, cooks and porters throughout the climb
- ❖ Emergency medical evacuation insurance

## **Not included in the package:**

- ❖ Personal clothing, sleeping bags and personal equipment on mountain (although arrangements can be made to hire required equipment)
- ❖ Return international air fare
- ❖ Visa fee to Kenya
- ❖ Medical & personal insurance
- ❖ Accommodation in Nairobi
- ❖ Items of personal nature i.e. beverages, laundry, souvenirs etc
- ❖ Tips / gratuities for driver / guide and mountain crew
- ❖ Change in itinerary