Tanzania Adventure
January 12-25, 2025

14 days from $8,997 total price from New York
($7,895 air, land & safari inclusive plus $1,102 airline taxes and fees)

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Featuring Robert Baum,
Professor of Religion and Professor and Chair of Department of African and African American Studies
Dear Alumni, Family, and Friends of Dartmouth,

Travel with us on an exclusive 14-day tour of Tanzania. Your journey will encompass unparalleled wildlife viewing, unique safari excursions, and an introduction to the culture of East Africa. Led by Dartmouth professor Robert Baum, whose research began in Senegal in West Africa decades ago and has carried across the continent through other African nations and beyond, learn from him about the role of African religion that extends to world politics and the diaspora.

Your tour begins in Arusha, where you enjoy an afternoon wildlife drive at Arusha National Park. Next, travel to Tarangire National Park, known for its high concentration of elephants. Two nights spent within the park give you ample time for both morning and afternoon wildlife drives. Your next stop is Ngorongoro Conservation Area, wildlife haven and home of the semi-nomadic Maasai people, followed by a trip to spectacular Ngorongoro Crater. After a stop at Olduvai Gorge, enjoy wildlife viewing at Serengeti National Park where you’ll see plains dwellers such as lion, cheetah, zebra, and wildebeest, along with other plains animals and some 500 species of birds. Your adventure concludes in tropical Zanzibar, where you will make your way through Stone Town’s narrow alleyways lined with shops, homes, hidden courtyards, and intricately carved wooden doors.

This exclusive Dartmouth tour is limited to 18 guests total and fills fast! Reserve today!

Sincerely,

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Day 1: Depart U.S. for Arusha, Tanzania

Day 2: Arrive Arusha  Upon arrival tonight, we transfer directly to our hotel.

Day 3: Arusha  We meet our fellow travelers at this morning’s briefing about the journey ahead. Then we get our first taste of life on safari, as we set out this afternoon on a wildlife drive in Arusha National Park, where we may spot waterbuck, zebra, giraffe, flamingoes, monkeys, and more. In the distance, we may see iconic snowcapped Mt. Kilimanjaro, a dormant volcano and at 19,340 feet, Africa’s highest peak – and the highest freestanding mountain in the world. Inside the park, we see Mt. Meru, Africa’s fifth-highest peak at 15,000 feet. Tonight, we enjoy a welcome dinner together. B,L,D

Day 4: Arusha/Tarangire National Park  We depart today for the two-hour drive to Tarangire, Tanzania’s 1,100-square-mile park known especially for its high concentration of elephants and for the many baobab trees dotting the savannah. We enjoy a wildlife drive en route to our lodge, located within the park. After lunch and some time at leisure, late afternoon we enjoy another wildlife drive in the park, where we may see zebra, wildebeest, Cape buffalo, giraffe, lion, leopard, cheetah, and of course, elephants. B,L,D

Day 5: Tarangire  In store today: morning and afternoon wildlife drives in this gem of a park slightly off the beaten path. Along with the abundant wildlife, we’re sure to see some of Tarangire’s 550 species of birds, as well as the many termite mounds scattered amid the grass- and swampland here. B,L,D

Day 6: Tarangire/Ngorongoro Conservation Area  This morning we depart for Ngorongoro, wildlife haven and homeland of the semi-nomadic Maasai people. We arrive in time for lunch at our safari lodge uniquely set on the rim of the Ngorongoro Crater, blending in so much with the landscape as to be invisible from the crater floor. This afternoon is at leisure; the views of the crater from our lodge, spectacular. B,L,D

Day 7: Ngorongoro Crater  This morning we descend to the floor of magnificent Ngorongoro Crater, a UNESCO site and at 100 square miles, From the depths of Ngorongoro Crater to the Serengeti plains; off-the-beaten-path Tarangire to exotic Zanzibar, our small group encounters the breadth of tranquil Tanzania’s riches: abundant wildlife, exquisite landscapes, and diverse cultures. It’s Africa as it was – and still is.
the world’s largest intact and perfectly formed volcanic caldera. The unique biosphere here has remained unchanged for eons; towering walls encircle the crater’s floor which represents Africa in microcosm: grassland, swamps, lakes, forests, and some 25,000 mammals, including elephant, black rhinoceros, lion, hippo, and zebra. Then we return to our lodge for an afternoon at leisure.

Day 8: Ngorongoro/Olduvai Gorge/Serengeti National Park

En route today to the fabled Serengeti, we visit 31-mile Olduvai Gorge. It was here in 1959 that anthropologist Mary Leakey discovered the 1.8-million-year-old skull of Australopithecus boisei – and revolutionized the study of human evolution. Part of the Ngorongoro Conservation Area, Olduvai is considered the “cradle of humanity” and ranks as one of the world’s most important prehistoric archaeological sites for its rich fossils and early hominid remains. Then we visit a Maasai village before we continue on to Serengeti National Park, home to such plains dwellers as lion, cheetah, zebra, and wildebeest. The Serengeti, the Maasai’s “endless plain,” is considered Africa’s finest park, and we begin to see why on this afternoon’s wildlife drive. Today’s safari outing concludes at our lodge, which we reach in time for dinner.

Day 9: Serengeti

In Tanzania’s northeast corner sits the vast Serengeti National Park, 5,700 square miles (equal in size to Connecticut), one of the world’s last great wildlife refuges, and the Tanzanian portion of Kenya’s Masai Mara National Reserve. Twice a year (Jan–Feb and Jun–Oct), some 1.3 million wildebeest, 200,000 zebra, and 300,000 Thomson’s gazelle migrate to new grazing lands, sparking one of nature’s most spectacular sights and the world’s largest migration.

But the Serengeti’s plains teem with animal life year-round, as we’ll see on today’s wildlife drives.

Day 10: Serengeti

We embark on more wildlife drives today. We have the chance to see some – or all – of Africa’s “Big Five:” lion, Cape buffalo, elephant, rhino, and leopard, along with wildebeest, zebra, eland, gazelle, and other plains animals, and some 500 species of birds.
Day 11: Serengeti/Zanzibar
We fly this morning to tropical Zanzibar, Tanzania's semiautonomous Indian Ocean archipelago with a colorful and storied history. Upon arrival today, we set out to discover Stone Town, Zanzibar's capital, a UNESCO site, and East Africa's only ancient town still functioning. A heady mix of Moorish, Middle Eastern, Indian, and African influences (though predominantly Muslim today), Stone Town boasts a labyrinth of narrow alleys lined with shops, homes, hidden courtyards, and extravagantly carved wooden doors, as we see on our tour.

Day 12: Zanzibar
A morning tour of a spice plantation reveals why Zanzibar is known as the “Spice Island” – its bounty of cloves, nutmeg, ginger, chilies, black pepper, vanilla, coriander, and cinnamon have found their way around the world for centuries. We return to our hotel in time for lunch on our own and an afternoon at leisure. Tonight we celebrate our Tanzania adventure at a farewell dinner.

This morning we take a quick flight to Dar es Salaam, Tanzania's largest city. Upon arrival, we will have a day room at a local hotel and an afternoon at leisure. Your Tour Price Includes

• Round-trip air transportation from listed cities; all flights within itinerary
• 11 nights’ accommodations plus a dayroom in Superior First Class hotels and lodges
• 31 meals: 11 breakfasts, 9 lunches, 11 dinners
• Extensive wildlife viewing and sightseeing as described, including all park entrance fees
• Mineral water while on safari
• Services of an Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director
• Private safari vehicle transportation throughout your trip with guaranteed window seating
• Luggage handling for one bag per person
• Gratuities for local driver-guides, dining room servers, and airport and hotel porters

Tour Depart: January 12, 2025

Prices include int'l airfare and all taxes, surcharges, and fees.

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Land Only (transfers not included) $7,495

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Monday–Friday, 9:00 AM–7:00 PM, Eastern Time
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