

AFRICA GUIDE



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ABOUT ACTIVE ADVENTURES



EARLY MORNING ON MOUNT
KILIMANJARO, TANZANIA

1

NEW ZEALAND PIONEERS IN ADVENTURE TRAVEL

Active Adventures is New Zealand's most globally diverse adventure travel company. 25 years after we started, we now offer our unique style of Kiwi adventuring across the globe to thousands of guests every year.

2

ALWAYS INSPIRING, LIFE-CHANGING

Active Adventures' true essence is best captured in our purpose, which is to inspire our guests to lead an adventurous life. That means something different to everyone, which inspires us to personalize our adventures to make them truly special.

3

SIZE MATTERS

We've grown a lot, but we're still small and highly accessible. Our HQ is in Queenstown, New Zealand's adventure capital, and our entire team and expert guides are all very hands-on. We're driven by our desire to share our own passion for adventure with guests all around the world.

WHY TRAVEL WITH US

1

EXPERIENCE ADVENTURE THE WAY YOU WANT

You'll be inspired and exhilarated, enjoying mind-blowing scenery on foot, in a kayak, or by bike. Select between our many options to build your own trip of a lifetime.

2

DECADES OF AWARD-WINNING TRIPS – RUN THE KIWI WAY

We're proud of our Kiwi roots, and you'll love our professional, warm, and relaxed style of hosting. Plus, we'll always be at the end of the phone to help you feel comfortable embarking on your trip of a lifetime.

3

EVERY DETAIL COVERED, TO MAXIMIZE YOUR TIME

We've got all the details of your vacation covered – top-notch meals, comfortable transport & accommodation, amazing guides and incredible service.



► THE DOLOMITES, ITALY

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4.53 OUT OF 5 FROM 18,296 REVIEWS. THAT'S PRETTY SOLID.

While we could hang around all day telling you how wonderful our trips are, the best people to listen to are our guests themselves.

5

GROUP TRAVEL FOR THOSE WHO AREN'T 'GROUP TRAVELERS'

With our small groups, you'll get to know our team, and your fellow travelers, and have the flexibility and freedom to do as much (or as little!) as you like.

6

EXPLORE HIDDEN GEMS THROUGH OUR EXPERT LOCAL GUIDES

All our carefully selected guides are highly experienced and have deep personal connections to nature and culture. You'll enjoy some wonderfully profound moments and special experiences that can only come from authentic local knowledge.

ADVENTURE THE ACTIVE WAY



SO MUCH MORE THAN A GUIDE

Imagine a cross between Bear Grylls, David Attenborough and a Four Seasons Hotel concierge and you'll get the idea of what our guides are like!



WE'RE WITH YOU, EVERY STEP OF THE WAY

Embarking on an adventure always involves getting out of your comfort zone. Our guides are there to take away any worry or stress, as well as handle all the logistics on the trip, so that you can focus purely on the physical challenge of your adventure.

WORLD-CLASS SAFETY

Safety is always a priority when you're exploring the wilderness, and we have an impeccable record. Our guides are trained extensively, have Outdoor First Aid and food safety certificates, and undergo our customized and comprehensive guide training trip.

We've received the World Travel and Tourism Council's Safe Travels stamp and the COVID-Clean Approved logo by Qualmark. We'll follow all ATTA, WTTC and Qualmark health and safety guidelines on all our trips.



AMAZING FOOD TO FUEL YOUR ADVENTURE

Food is such an important part of any trip - and getting the right fuel on an active holiday is crucial. We aim to provide high-quality, local and fresh food for every meal, whether you are in a back-country hut, a remote lodge or a small town. If you have dietarys, that's no worry at all. We cater to almost any dietary requirements.



LOCALLY OWNED ACCOMMODATION

We like to visit some exciting locations by bike, on foot, rafting, kayaking, and canyoning, but we also enjoy our creature comforts.

By traveling with us there's never the disappointment of not being able to stay at that perfect place!



NO HIDDEN COSTS

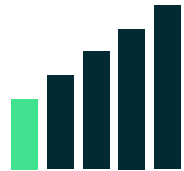
We have no hidden costs and everything is included. Everything is clearly laid out in our itineraries, so you don't have to do any guesswork.

Other tour operators charge what looks like a really cheap price, but it only covers road transport, a few meals here and there, guides, and accommodation. You can trust us to always be upfront with you.



ACTIVITY LEVELS

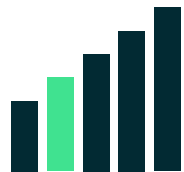
ACTIVE LEVEL 1: RELAXING



I like to be active and not looking to experience a place just through a bus window. I'm happy to slow down on the trail, soak it in and breathe in the fresh air.

Walking: 2-3 hours per day on gentle-gradient trails.
Other activities: On these trips, you'll be taking part in a range of other activities that focus less on building up a sweat and more on enjoying the finer things in life.

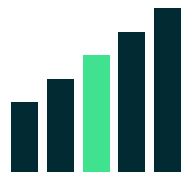
ACTIVE LEVEL 2: EASY



Sure, I own some hiking boots, they're even worn in, but they don't go on long trips. I like my creature comforts and I like to give a range of activities a go.

Walking: 2-4 hours per day on gentle to moderate gradient trails. No multi-day hikes.
Biking: 1-3 hours, cruisy rides achievable by anyone, even first-timers. Kayaking: 1-3 hours, entry-level sea kayaking with specialist guides and stable boats.
Other activities: Always optional and very little exertion. A highlight for many!

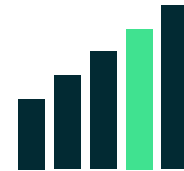
ACTIVE LEVEL 3: MODERATE



I love an active vacation. Engaging in a challenging activity with a difficult goal, such as reaching a summit, is exactly what I need to be able to unwind in the evenings.

Hiking: Typically, 3-6 hours per day on well-formed backcountry trails. Expect some significant gradient inclines and declines.
Altitude: Your trip may include some moderate altitude areas, though these don't form the focus of the trip and are generally manageable.
Biking: 1-3 hours on well-formed paths or roads where you can expect some hills with moderate climbs and descents.
Kayaking: 1-3 hours, entry-level sea kayaking with specialist guides and stable boats.

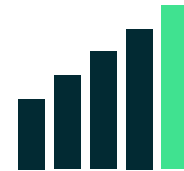
ACTIVE LEVEL 4: CHALLENGING



I'll let my trusty guides sweat the small things, so I can focus on my goal. Sure, it'll be tough and I might get my boots wet, but the views will be worth it.

Hiking/Trekking: Typically, 4–6-hour hikes with options for more, sometimes with limited or no vehicle support and often with ascents and descents.
Altitude: Some trips will reach a significant altitude. We are here to help you and make your experience one to cherish for a lifetime.
Biking & Kayaking: If one, or both, of these activities, are 'your thing,' there are trip options in this range, allowing you to be on bike or with a paddle in your hand for most of the day.

LEVEL 5: ULTIMATE



I'm ready to put in the hard work to reap the rewards. I'm a seasoned adventurer unafraid of adversity.

Trekking & Altitude: This is classic trekking, at altitude. Some might even call it 'expedition-style.' We've had folks from all walks of life achieve their dreams on our grade 5 trips, so if you're in for a challenge get in touch to find out if this is for you.



NEED HELP WITH TRAINING?

We have a comprehensive guide to what exercises you can do to prepare for each level, courtesy of [Marcus from 'Fit for Trips'](#). If you want a customized plan, you can get in touch directly with him.



EXPLORE

AFRICA



► KRUGER NATIONAL PARK, SOUTH AFRICA

This world-famous park stretches across 20,000 square kilometers of land. Many of the surrounding private reserves have removed their fences, allowing wildlife to roam freely and unlike anywhere else on the planet.



► SERENGETI NATIONAL PARK, TANZANIA

From the fauna-rich Ngorongoro Crater (one of Seven Natural Wonders of Africa) to the fascinating Maasai tribes, this impressive park is set directly on the Great Migration route, an event considered 'the greatest show on earth.'



► NGORONGORO CRATER, TANZANIA

The world's largest intact volcanic caldera, the crater forms a bowl of about 265 square kilometers and is said to have the highest density of wildlife anywhere in Africa. On the crater floor, you'll likely see zebra, wildebeest, eland, and gazelle, plus a wide variety of birds.



► VICTORIA FALLS, ZIMBABWE

Although the falls are neither the tallest nor the widest on earth, they're still classified as the biggest, due to their combination of width and height and astounding flow rate of more than 1,000 cubic meters of water every second! The town of Victoria Falls is often known as the adventure capital of Africa.



► OKAVANGO DELTA, BOTSWANA

Known as the 'Jewel of the Kalahari' the delta is considered to be one of the greatest wilderness spectacles on the planet. Comprised of 15,000 square kilometers of water channels, lagoons, and islands, it's one of the most concentrated areas of wildlife on earth.



► CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA

Visit the bustling streets, old buildings and squares, and learn about its complex history. For brilliant views over Camps Bay and the city, you can hike or take the cable car to the top of the iconic Table Mountain.



► MOUNT KILIMANJARO, TANZANIA

At 5,895 meters (19,341ft) above sea level, it's the highest peak in Africa. There are multiple routes to reach Uhuru Peak, the summit, but our favorite is the Lemosho route. Longer than others, it allows for more acclimatization time and more spectacular scenery.



► MAASAI COMMUNITY, TANZANIA

Well known internationally due to their residence near many game parks of the African Great Lakes, the local Maasai communities and their distinctive customs and dress will engage your senses and open your heart.



BOTSWANA - ZIMBABWE

11 DAYS | SAFARI



SOUTH AFRICA

10 DAYS | SAFARI

MAUN
↓
VICTORIA FALLS

TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

SAFARI

- Multi-day game drive in Khwai Community Areas on ‘mobile safari’
- Boat safari on the Chobe River
- Journey by mokoro through the Okavango Delta channels
- Night game drives at Khwai River

KAYAK

- Multi-day kayaking and fly-camping through the Delta

PLUS...

- See Victoria Falls
- Multiple chartered flights around the Okavango Delta, Botswana

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INQUIRE

OKAVANGO DELTA
SAFARI

Activity Level 2-3

Experience the magic of the Okavango Delta authentically – both under canvas and in safari lodges, on foot and by mokoro, with a few comforts of home thrown in too! Add to that a true Africa must-see, Victoria Falls, and you’ve got the makings of an unforgettable safari and sightseeing adventure. The Delta, comprising 15,000 square kilometers of water channels, lagoons, and islands, is one of the most concentrated areas of wildlife on earth.



DEPARTURE DATES



JOHANNESBURG
↓
CAPE TOWN

TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

SAFARI

- Experience the Big 5 traversing the Kruger National Park
- Enjoy sunrise and sunset walking safaris in the Makuleke Concession
- Experience a walking safari lodge camp in Pafuri

HIKE

- Table Mountain to enjoy the views

BIKE

- In the vineyards of Franschhoek

EXPLORE

- Cape Town

“This adventure exceeded all expectations with closer animal encounters than ever imagined, top-notch accommodations, friendly, fabulous guides and zero glitches during the entire trip!”

Christine, August 2022

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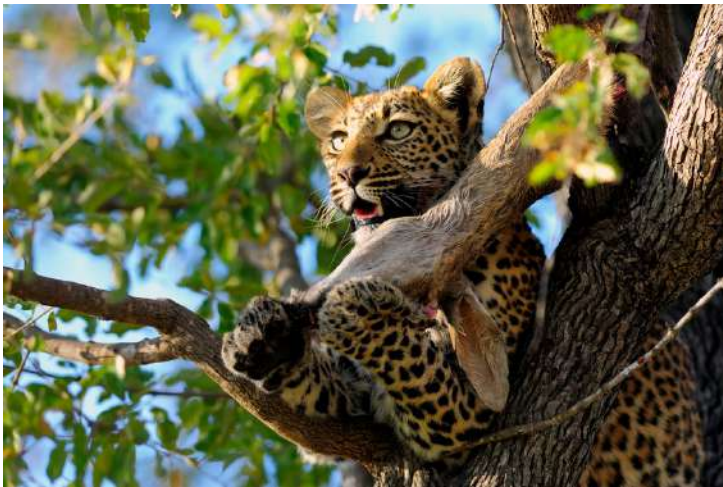
INQUIRE

KRUGER NATIONAL
PARK SAFARI

Activity Level 1-2

This 10-day safari is the perfect way to immerse yourself in Africa’s wilderness, with a combination of walking safaris and game drives every day, that will bring you a breath away from an impressive array of wildlife.

You’ll track the steps of the Big 5 in the Kruger National Park with expert safari guides and enjoy a mix of remote safari camps and lodges on your journey up the most renowned national park of South Africa.



DEPARTURE DATES





TANZANIA

6 DAYS | SAFARI



TANZANIA

10 DAYS | HIKING FOCUSED

ARUSHA



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TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

SAFARI

- Relax on safari and enjoy luxury camping
- Opportunities to see the Big Five
- Witness the Wildebeest migration
- Experience a one-of-a-kind Serengeti Walking Safari

BIKE

- Through a local Tanzanian village

PLUS...

- Ngorongoro ‘Crater’ Conservation Area
- Maasai cultural experience



COMBO TRIP

Link this trip with the Mt Kilimanjaro Trek for the Ultimate Tanzania Adventure!

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INQUIRE

SERENGETI SAFARI



Activity Level 1-2

We'll take you on a one-of-a-kind Serengeti Walking Safari, where you'll get plenty of opportunities to witness the 'Great Migration' and spot the 'Big Five'. Enjoy sundowners from your luxury camp, where the wildlife viewing never stops! From the fauna-rich Ngorongoro Crater (one of Seven Natural Wonders of Africa) to the colorful and fascinating Maasai tribes, our journey will leave a lasting impression on you. If you've just completed an Active trek to Kilimanjaro, this is the perfect way to unwind and connect with nature.



DEPARTURE DATES



ARUSHA



ARUSHA

TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

HIKE

- The Lemosho route to the summit of Mount Kilimanjaro
- View the volcanic cone ‘Mawenzi’
- Past glaciers and glacial valleys
- The Barranco Wall
- The Shira Plateau

EXPLORE

- The Afromontane forest



When you are serenaded acapela in Swahili towards the summit by the teams on the mountain under a full moon, you can do anything. You do not want to miss a chance to do this trip and go to Tanzania, whether you do a safari and feel the top of Kilimanjaro is for you. Just go...



COMBO TRIP

Link this trip with the Serengeti Safari for the Ultimate Tanzania Adventure!

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INQUIRE

MOUNT KILIMANJARO TREK



Activity Level 5

This is the ultimate trekking experience in Africa. This 10-day adventure will reward you with extreme landscapes, epic sunrises, unpolluted starry skies, and an unforgettable personal feat.

You'll hike to the highest point of Mount Kilimanjaro via the Lemosho route, a route that allows more acclimatization time and more spectacular scenery and has one of the best success rates. Traverse across the most incredible parts of the mountain and stay in the blissful Ngare Sero Mountain Lodge before and after this epic adventure.



DEPARTURE DATES





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