



SERIAN'S SERENGETI MASWA



EXPLORE!

LAKE EYASI – THE HADZABE

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Serian's founder, filmmaker & guide [Alex Walker](#) in company with friend, author & photographer **Mike Hacker**, have set their sites on one of the most secluded spaces in Tanzania. Known to very few people, consequently quiet and secluded, Lake Eyasi is the object of their desire. Inspired by its remote and rugged landscape, there is no better destination for these two adventurers.





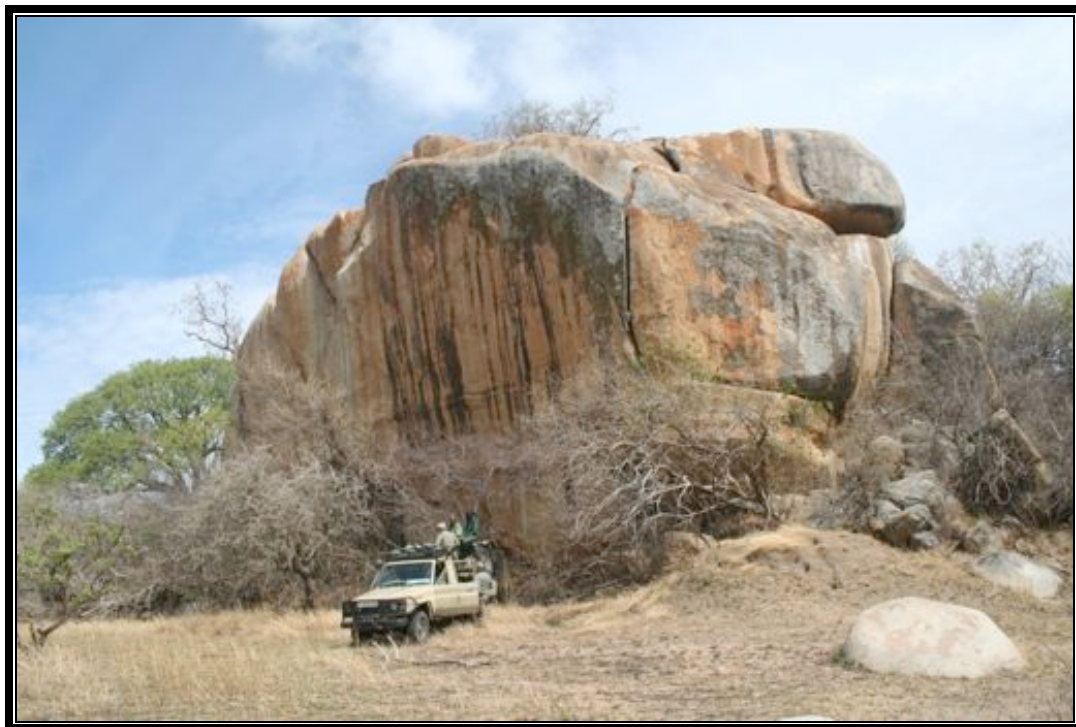
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DATES:

10th - 20th January 2010

9th – 19th February 2010

11th - 21st March 2010



ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

DAY 1	– Serengeti Maswa	– Fly Arusha Ndutu, drive to Camp
DAY 2	– Serengeti Maswa	– Game Drive, intro to safari
DAY 3	– Adventure Fly Camp	– drive to drop off point
DAY 4	– Adventure Fly Camp	– Walk with Warriors
DAY 5	– Adventure Fly Camp	– Walk with Warriors
DAY 6	– Adventure Fly Camp	– Walk with Warriors
DAY 7	– Adventure Fly Camp	– Walk with Warriors
DAY 8	– Serengeti Maswa	– return to base camp
DAY 9	– Serengeti Maswa	– Serengeti game drive
DAY 10	– Serengeti Maswa	– Serengeti game drive
DAY 11	– Dep to Arusha	– Transfer to Nairobi flight home



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It is easy to be inspired by such a place. Africa often appears apparently impossible, too real, and consistently raw! Larger than usual; yet a destination that excites the admiration or amazement of the most experienced explorers. This enormous wilderness has conquered the imagination, leaving you feeling overwhelmed, excited, chaotic & confused. Yet it nurtures a livid energy, offering refuge to some of the most significant & immense wildlife on earth.



We intend to carry out some preliminary research into the traditional bush lives of the Hadzabe Bushmen that inhabit this rugged area. With the aim of returning to document their extraordinary existence, observe their aptitude, particular talent & acquired skills that allow them to live in such extreme circumstance.

“Reflecting on all the beauty that passed before my eyes these dreamy days, I felt fortunate to be alive – and to be here amongst an “embarrassment of riches.”

Ioanna



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The **Hadzabe** live around Lake Eyasi to the south of the Ngorongoro Conservation Area in northern Tanzania. They are the last remaining ancestors of the original hunter-gatherer tribes who first inhabited Tanzania, and their lifestyle has barely changed for millennia. They are skilled hunters, and use a number of methods to attract game within range of their arrows, including the use of the horns of an antelope, attaching them to their heads while mimicking the animal's characteristic bobbing walk, which draws other curious animals closer.





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The Hadzabe are not a Bantu race like the other peoples of Tanzania, but have more in common with the San Bushmen found in the Kalahari Desert of southern Africa, nearly 2000 miles away.

Day 1 - Passing to the south of ngorngoro crater on your flight from Arusha you land at either lake Nduku or at our own Maswa strip. This is where Alex and Mike will meet you. A game drive into camp and the adventure is about to begin!





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Day 2 - Two nights in Serian's Serengeti Maswa settling in and collecting some wonderful images of the wildlife that abounds here. Whilst relaxing in the evening both Alex and Mike will brief you about the unique safari adventure ahead. Setting out what the aims of the expedition are to be and briefing you on the country we are set to cover.

Day 3 - On the third day the safari begins in earnest, loaded into the specially prepared 4WD safari cars we set off towards our first fly camp in the Kopjes in the southern aspect of Maswa. Great rocky monoliths that tower over the woodland savannah, they provide great views over the traditional hunting grounds of the Hadzabe. An afternoon walk loosens the limbs and prepares us for the days ahead.



Day 4 - On the fourth morning we set off in the early morning in the company of our **Hadzabe** trackers. A significant area is only accessible by foot and this is how safaris are conducted here. You will immediately notice the difference between a vehicle tour and one conducted on foot. Senses that may have been a little dulled in a car will strain to perceive indications of the wild game that surrounds you. Your perception of the bush will change until you feel an intimate relationship with the environment itself.



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A short ramble in the neighbourhood will unearth some interesting morsels, perhaps some arrowheads; napped from obsidium, volcanic glass and a traditional precursor to todays metal tipped arrows. Having trekked through a series of ravines and river beds, you will appreciate a welcome break upon reaching our second camp site. A cold beer around the camp fire, good conversation dissecting the day and reflections on the consummate bush skills of the Hadzabe trackers.

Day 5,6,7,8 - The following days fall into a pattern of treks interspersed with fascinating detail. Escorted by these gentle souls, suffused with significant energy and equipped with a high degree of general skill and competence. The Hadzabe realize their experience and tame this powerful immense and boundless territory.





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Descending the Great Rift Valley we will reach the immense expanse of Lake Eyasi, a hot and arid surface. A fragile habitat to a number of unusual species, Lesser Kudu, Gerenuk & Leopard amongst them. The lake itself home to a number of waterfowl and a breeding ground for pelicans it is of significant interest to the keen ornithologists.

Day 8 -After a night on the lakeshore we will meet our 4WD again and climb out of the Rift heading for our Serengeti base. An eagerly anticipated and refreshing shower awaits, back in the cooler highlands we will be able to gather and look over all the remarkable images, mishmash of data and other memorabilia we have collected.

A couple more days spent exploring the locale will give you an idea of the abundance of wildlife and the importance of Tanzania's natural heritage. Giving you a greater understanding of the past few evenings inevitable fireside conversations.



"...the survival of our wildlife is a matter of grave concern to all of us in Africa... these wild creatures amid wild places they inhabit, are not only important as a source of wonder and inspiration, but they are an integral part of our natural resources and of our future livelihood and well-being..."

JULIUS NYERERE,
FIRST PRESIDENT OF TANZANIA
ARUSHA MANIFESTO, 1961

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Facts

- 60 min flight from Arusha by schedule, private charter or helicopter
- **Exclusive use of 250,000 acre conservancy**
- Access to over one and a half million acres more
- A phenomenal game area and seasonal host to two million wildebeest
- The birthing season of the wildebeest
- Unusual game species in Caracal, Lesser Kudu, and Aardvark
- Unique trekking country "Hunting with Hadzabe"
- Unique birding opportunities
- Community conservation prospects, use your own skills to participate

QUOTE \$9,125 per person

Includes the following scheduled air charters;

Arusha - Ndutu

Ndutu - Arusha

Min 4 pax

Quotation includes: full board accommodation on safari, additional meals as specified in the itinerary, all national park entrance fees, airport transfers, game drives in camps open 4-wheel drive vehicles, all excursions as indicated in the itinerary, soft drinks, local beers and spirits and house wines (except champagne) and laundry.

Quotation excludes: Nairobi accommodation (if required) lunch and dinner in Nairobi except where included above, international air transportation, visa fees, international departure tax of US\$ 40 per person, incidental tips to hotel/lodge staff, gratuity to driver/guide, all items of a personal nature.

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