

# **DREAM MOUNTAINS 2017 MT. KILIMANJARO TREK** HOSTED TREK WITH SHAWN DAWSON

Possibly the most scenic way to the summit or the "roof of Africa", the Machame route boasts several paths to its highest point and back. En route to Uhuru emerge onto highalpine deserts with amazing views of ice fields and the peak of Mt Kilimanjaro! Known as the "Whiskey Route" because of the tougher challenge, this path leads you through magnificent forests before traversing a ridge leading through moorland to the Shira Plateau. It offers great scenery beneath the glaciated precipices of the Southern ice fields before summiting from the higher Barafu Camp. This is the trek of a lifetime! And you'll do it all while supporting a great cause with Dream Mountains!

#### **INCLUDES:**

- three nights' accommodation in Moshi bed and breakfast
- round-trip airport transfers for passengers that book group air with Merit Travel
- transport from Moshi to starting point on mountain and return to Moshi
- all meals on the mountain including boiled water at all meal stops
- National Park gate fees
- hut / camping fees and tents
- certified, experienced, English-speaking guides for all routes
- rescue fees (required by the national park)

• tents, foam sleeping pads, cooking equipment, and eating utensils, chemical toilets

#### **NOT INCLUDED:**

- tips for guides and porters
- mountain equipment (e.g. sleeping bags)
- lunches and dinners at the Springlands Hotel (Moshi)
- International Airfare
- travel Insurance (please note travel insurance is mandatory for all participants)



# USD \$2,995\* p.p.

**11 days** Departs: March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017



#### Shawn Dawson

Shawn Dawson is the founder of the Dream Mountains Foundation and has summited Mount Everest as part of his Seven Summit Quest; and has become the 8th person in history to summit the highest mountain on every continent in under two years.



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#### BREAKFAST INCL. (B), LUNCH INCL. (L), DINNER INCL. (D)

Day 1 | Mar. 31, 2017 TEAM ARRIVAL DAY Pickup at the airport and drive to hotel. *Overnight at Springlands Hotel.* 

## Day 2 | Apr. 1, 2017 (B)

Rest/prep day, optional city tour included. *Overnight at Springlands Hotel.* 

#### Day 3 | Apr. 2, 2017 (B,L,D)

Start at the Machame Gate (1,490 m/4,890 ft) where the group will register and begin climbing to Machame Camp (2,980 m/9,780 ft). Hiking time: 7 hours Distance: About 18 km's Rainforest Zone

#### Day 4 | Apr. 3, 2017 (B,L,D)

Machame Camp (2,980 m/9,780 ft) to Shira Camp (3,840 m/12,600 ft). Hiking time: 6 hours Distance: About 9 km's Lower Alpine Moorland Zone

#### Day 5 | Apr. 4, 2017 (B,L,D)

Shira Camp (3,840 m/12,600 ft). Full day acclimatization. Habitat: Moorland

#### Day 6 | Apr. 5, 2017 (B,L,D)

Shira Camp (3,840 m/12,600 ft) to Lava Tower (4,630 m/15,190 ft) to Barranco Camp (3,950 m/12,960 ft) 15 km, 7 hours. Habitat: Semi-Desert

#### Day 7 | Apr. 6, 2017 (B,L,D)

Barranco Camp (3,950 m/12,960 ft) to Karanga Valley Camp for acclimatization.

#### Day 8 | Apr. 7, 2017 (B,L,D)

Karanga valley camp to Barafu Camp **(4,550 m/14,930 ft)**. Hiking time: 7 hours Distance: About 13 km's Habitat: Alpine desert

### Day 9 | Apr. 8, 2017 (B,L,D)

SUMMIT DAY! Barafu Camp (4,550 m/14,930 ft) to Uhuru Peak (5,895 m/19,340 ft) to Mweka (3,100 m/10,170 ft). Hiking time: 8 hours to reach Uhuru Peak, 7/8 hours to descend to Mweka Distance: About 7 km's ascent, 23 km's descent Habitat: Stone scree and ice-capped summit

#### Day 10 | Apr. 9, 2017 (B,L)

Final descent, Mweka camp (3,100 m/10,170 ft),
Mweka Gate (1,980 m/6,500 ft).
Hiking/Descend time: 3 hours
Distance: Approx. 15 km's
Transfer to Springlands Hotel in Moshi town for a much deserved celebration. Overnight Springlands Hotel.

#### Day 11 | Apr. 10, 2017

Transfer to Kilimanjaro Airport for the flight back home. Ask your Merit Travel Adventure Specialist for details on a group safari option following the trek!

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