



**TRAVELING  
IRISH™**

THE PERFECT FAMILY  
**SAFARI**

JUNE 24 – JULY 5, 2021

Dear Alumni and Friends,

Think planning a vacation to satisfy every member of your family is impossible? Think again, and consider Tanzania with the Traveling Irish.

The Perfect Family Safari was tailor-made with Notre Dame families in mind, giving everyone – kids, parents, and grandparents – something to be excited about. Flexible mealtimes, special activities, and cultural interactions are weaved into your safari for the chance to share new experiences and connect with one another like never before.

Your family will discover vast, beautiful landscapes from the endless Serengeti plains to the dramatic crater highlands of Ngorongoro. You never know what you might see: a lion stalking a herd of zebra; a leopard lazing in the branches of an acacia tree; a hundred Thomson gazelle springing across a dirt road; hippos wallowing in a pool; or vast herds of wildebeest charting a course to the horizon.

You'll also meet local villagers, school children, artisans, the Maasai and your Tanzanian guides – who share their thoughts, traditions, language and everyday lives with you. Space is limited so be sure to register early to secure your family's spot on this unforgettable journey.

Although we can't travel now, we look forward to helping your plan an opportunity of a lifetime in the future. Thomson Safaris have implemented extensive safety procedures to help reduce the transmission of the virus and have introduced flexible options for trip postponement to their guests.

For Notre Dame,



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PETE RUBIN





# YOUR ITINERARY

**JUNE 24 -25:**

**EN ROUTE FROM U.S. / ARRIVE ARUSHA**

Karibu! Upon arrival your guide will escort you to your lodge.

*Overnight: Rivertrees Country Inn*

**JUNE 26-27:**

**EASTERN SERENGETI PRIVATE RESERVE**

Enjoy 10,000 acres of pristine wilderness and resident wildlife. You will have the area to yourselves in one of the only places in Tanzania where travelers can enjoy bush walks, night drives and Maasai culture.

*Overnight: Eastern Serengeti Nyumba*

**JUNE 28-30:**

**SERENGETI NATIONAL PARK**

Spend three spectacular days exploring the central Serengeti plains for lion, leopard, cheetah, elephant and cape buffalo, just to name a few. At night, marvel at spectacular star-filled skies.

*Overnight: Central Serengeti Nyumba*

**JULY 1:**

**OLDUVAI GORGE / NGORONGORO CRATER**

Visit one of the most important archeological sites in the world and then ascend to a classic bush camp perched high above Ngorongoro Crater. Enjoy a special Tanzanian dinner tonight.

*Overnight: Ngorongoro Nyumba*

**JULY 2-3:**

**NGORONGORO CRATER / HIGHLANDS**

Explore Earth's largest intact volcanic caldera, home to 30,000 animals including each of the Big Five. Treat yourself to luxury accommodations, gourmet, organic cuisine and optional spa services at the award-winning Gibb's Farm.

*Overnight: Gibb's Farm*

**JULY 4-5:**

**NGORONGORO HIGHLANDS / ARUSHA /DEPART**

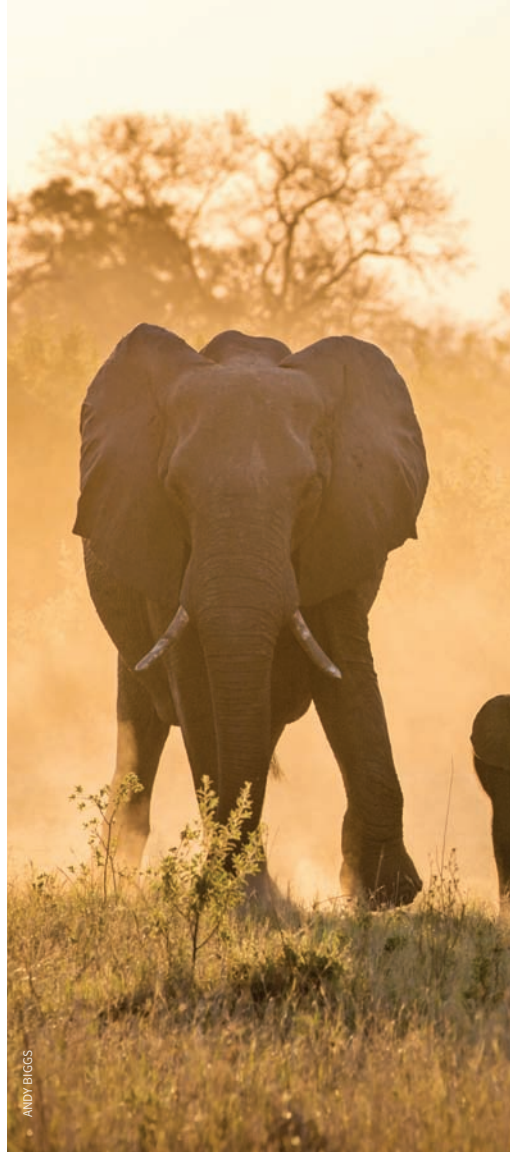
Transfer back to Arusha and enjoy a farewell lunch with your new friends. Fly overnight and arrive home the following day.

*Day Room at Mount Meru Hotel*

## OPTIONAL BALLOON SAFARI

At sunrise, you have the option to take a hot air balloon over the breathtaking Serengeti savannah. After landing, enjoy a festive toast and a full English breakfast in the bush before rejoining the group on a wildlife-viewing drive. Space is limited and advance reservations are required.

*\*Height and weight restrictions apply.*



ANDY BIGGS





## TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

Enjoy morning and afternoon bush walks and night wildlife drives at a 10,000-acre private nature refuge

Stargaze the southern sky and listen for wildlife sounds each night at camp

Gather for a fireside chat with a traditional storyteller and then visit an authentic Maasai boma

Search for the Big Five during five full days of safari in the Serengeti and Ngorongoro Crater

Visit Olduvai Gorge, one of the most important paleoanthropological sites in the world

Meet your Tanzanian pen pals during a school visit and then head out for a fun game of soccer

Go mountain biking along the red-clay roads of the Ngorongoro Highlands

Enjoy a luxurious end-of-trip sojourn at Gibb's Farm, voted Best Safari Lodge in Africa by Travel + Leisure

# YOUR ACCOMMODATIONS

## EXCLUSIVE NYUMBA CAMPS

Nyumba means *home* in Swahili, and these comfortable, eco-friendly accommodations will feel like one. Each spacious tent offers cozy bedding, solar lighting, and an en suite bathroom with pump-flush toilet.



RIVER TREES COUNTRY INN



GIBB'S FARM





**EASTERN  
SERENGETI NYUMBA**  
Exclusive camp set on a  
private nature refuge.

**SOUTHERN  
SERENGETI NYUMBA**  
Strategically situated to  
maximize wildlife viewing.

**NGORONGORO NYUMBA**  
Perched on the eastern  
edge of the Crater's rim just  
a short drive from the crater  
floor.

**GIBB'S FARM**  
Fresh food, fresh air, and  
fresh perspectives abound.  
This award-winning eco-  
lodge's cottages, set amidst  
the working farm's lush  
gardens, are the ultimate in  
sustainable luxury.

**RIVERTREES  
COUNTRY INN**  
Nestled in the foothills of  
Mount Meru, the Inn blends  
simple elegance and mod-  
ern convenience.

**THE ARUSHA HOTEL**  
Located in the heart of  
Arusha, the Arusha Hotel  
provides its guests with all  
of the familiar hotel luxuries.



**TRIP DATES**  
**June 24 – July 5, 2021**  
*Open to alumni and friends of the university*

**TRIP PRICE**  
**\$6,990 Adult / \$6,690 Teen / \$5,990 Child**  
**Plus \$380 Tanzania Value Added Tax**  
*Price is based on double occupancy and does not  
include international flights*

**BOOKING**  
Due to Covid-19, we are taking reservations  
by phone or online only. To reserve your spot,  
call Andrew Doherty at **800.235.0426** or visit:  
[thomsonsafaris.com/affinity/notre-dame](https://thomsonsafaris.com/affinity/notre-dame)

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