



Fullday Activity Ngurdoto Crater Hike

“And that’s how it happened, at night , in total darkness. They were sleeping nearby the fire on the ground holding each other softly. The first thing he heard was the rattle of Saida and first he thought she was speaking to him while dreaming. Then there was this breath over his face and this pain when fingerlong fangs cutted into his neck and his face. And then his lower jaw broke . Just for a glimpse he had open his eyes and saw something huge and black with amber-coloured eyes. ...”

The story tells about the legendary Gurumico, who according to the Meru and Maasai roams the Ngurdoto Crater. But do not fear, there will be a ranger to accompany our tour. Since the Margarete Trappe era no human was allowed to walk in the crater. Hatari Lodge is now granted a trial period to enter the crater floor with our guests on foot. The legend of Gurumico is just one out of many fairytales about the Ngurdoto Crater. Margarete Trappe, known as the white hunter and owner of the Trappe farm once discovered the crater while she was following the tracks of an obviously huge elephant bull. When she saw him and his impressive figure she could not shoot him and was therefore rewarded with the sudden appearance of Ngurdoto Crater.



***Please note there is an additional USD 50 per person for this exclusive hiking tour!**



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Description:

The Ngurdoto Crater is also known as “Little Ngorongoro Crater”. This beautiful part of the park looks like a stranded Ark in the middle of a jungle. You are driven around the Ngurdoto Crater, which has a diameter of 2,5 km, over a steep mountain line. From the crater edge you have an amazing view past tree giants, lianas and strangler figs into the crater. More than half of the crater ground is covered by swamps. The Ngurdoto Crater is famous for its animals.

Activity:

After breakfast we drive to the crater to meet our ranger. We descent down the slopes onto the crater floor on foot where we find a unique jungle landscape. Leaving the rain forest wide open meadows arrange themselves in front of our eyes. We come across islands of huge papyrus in lakes hiding buffaloes and warthogs. And with a bit of luck we might get a glimpse of Babu, a massive elephant bull who enjoys his retirement on the crater floor.

