

Information about the Ellesmere College trip to Tanzania



During our stay in Monduli, we will live in a secondary boarding school in the town. Conditions will be basic, but safe. All our food will be prepared by cooks we have employed before – it is simple, tasty and hygienically prepared. On safari, accommodation will be in good hotels with typical western menus.

It is safe to say that our trip provides an opportunity to really see and experience Tanzania, more than any package holiday could. In the first nine days, our students will be joined by an equal number of students from Monduli, who will live and work with us during our stay. The work will include painting classrooms, preparing pots for planting and digging pipelines or hedge trenches.

We will also run activities for students from a primary school nearby and there will be walks to visit local village people in the area. We will have a chance to meet some of the scholarship students supported by the College community. In the afternoons and evenings, Ellesmere students and Monduli students take it in turn to run fun activities that everyone can join in with. This has tended to be very varied in the past including sports, games, craft, art, dancing, singing, instrument playing and drama - dependent entirely on what the students feel comfortable leading.

As in our previous trips, the safari is run by the Dusty Roads Company. It takes us to three National Parks – Tarangire National (a lovely quiet park famed for its elephants), Ngorogoro Crater (the world's largest inactive volcanic crater) and Lake Manyara (famed for bird life). In the past we have been very lucky and seen not only an abundance of the usual safari animals like elephants, zebra, warthogs etc, but also the rarer creatures like lions, cheetah and rhino.

