

# We love visitors!

3 Day St Jude's Itinerary







# Day 1

\*This is an example itinerary and can be changed and modified to suit your schedule. Please note some activities are only available on certain days. Contact our Visitor team for more information.





#### 2.45pm Arrive at Kilimanjaro International Airport

You will be met at the airport by one of our drivers and transferred to The School of St Jude. The trip from the airport to St Jude's is about an hour.

#### 4.30pm Arrive at The School of St Jude

#### Welcome Briefing

Introduction to St Jude's (tips regarding health & hygiene, safety and security, diet, general do's and don'ts around the school, talk about your itinerary and suggested activities) and;

#### • Registration Forms

Signing Visitor Registration Forms and St Jude's Personal Information Exchange Policy for Child Protection.

#### 5pm Moivaro Village Walk

Guided by a group of Upper Primary students, you will take a short stroll around the Moshono village to see the local sights and the world surrounding St Jude's. Arriving at Moivaro Boarding Campus, the students will warmly welcome you into their boarding rooms and show you around the school farm and other attractions around the boarding campus.

#### 6pm Drinks at The Waterhole

The Waterhole is a local bar just outside the school gate. It opened in 2004 and you will almost always find locals and volunteers gathering after work hours for a few drinks, karibu (you're welcome in Swahili) anytime...don't be afraid to grab a chair and join in the ever growing circle!

#### 7pm Dinner at St Jude's

#### Overnight at St Jude's

We can arrange onsite accommodation with en-suite facilities for visitors who participate in a school-based itinerary.





#### 7.30am Breakfast at St Jude's

#### 8.30am Tour of Sisia Primary Campus

During the tour of the campus, a member of the Visitor Team will take you around and give you a history of the school and explain the various buildings on campus. You will have the opportunity to ask questions that arise and see the school in action.

#### 10am Tea break with primary students

You will get an opportunity to taste a cup of ginger tea prepared in a Tanzanian way, it's a little bit sweeter than ordinary tea but very hot and energizing.

#### 10.30am

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#### **Class Visits**

#### 12.30pm

## Music class One good thing

One good thing about music, when it hits you, you feel no pain. Tanzania has around 120 tribes each characterized by a unique culture .Our music lessons are mostly African drumming and dances. Meet the students performing diverse African Cultural songs during their music lesson. This is a great opportunity to see firsthand how St Jude's students are progressing.

#### Art class

Participate in a primary school art class and interact with the students. Art is one of the extracurricular activities that we offer at St Jude's, unlike other schools in Arusha. You will witness our unique ways of presenting our enriched Tanzanian curricular and nurturing upcoming talents of our ever creative students.

#### 12.30pm Lunch with primary students

We welcome you to have lunch with some of the staff and students. This is an excellent way of sampling traditional Tanzanian food, such as ugali (maize porridge) and beans, or rice with vegetables or beans.

#### 1.20pm Reading with primary students

Enjoy a reading class with some primary students who are still learning English! You are more than welcome to read a book for them.









# Day 2

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#### 2pm Meeting with Sponsor Relations team

Each year we welcome a brand new group of students into the St Jude's family! This is your opportunity to learn more about our sponsorship programs.

#### **3pm** Home Visit Briefing

#### 3.30pm Home Visit

A St Jude's student will take you to their home and introduce you to their family, where you will experience the famous Tanzanian hospitality. Your curiosity about their life will be equally matched by their curiosity over yours, so be prepared to ask and answer lots of questions! This opportunity is also available to non-sponsors and is definitely a unique insight into the lives of our students and their families.

#### 5pm Return to St Jude's

#### 6.30pm Dinner at Khan's Barbeque (BBQ)

Dinner at own expense

Khan's BBQ is a local mechanics shop by day and restaurant by night. They pull out the grills, roast some chicken and serve a great variety of salads. It's a popular and unique eating place in Arusha.

## **Optional activity**

#### 5pm Bus ride - Njiro / Lemara / Kiserian

Hop on one of our school buses to enjoy a ride with the students as they get dropped home. It's a round trip ride from the School that gives you the opportunity to see where some of our students live plus, sing songs and learn what they've been up to at school that day.





#### 7.30am Breakfast at St Jude's

#### 9am Depart for Smith Secondary Campus

#### 10am Tour of Smith Secondary Campus

At Smith Secondary Campus, located at Usa River, you will get a chance to meet some of the older students who will tell you about their dreams and ambitions for the near future. You'll be amazed by the artistic talent of these students when you visit the art room and a music class.

#### 11am Farm project visit

The farm project supports our goal of sustainability by reducing food costs and providing a regular supply of fresh vegetables to our students. The school aims to grow a wide variety of fruits and vegetables.

The farm covers 12 acres of our Smith Secondary Campus and has been fully funded by incredibly generous donors. We have two greenhouses, a teaching area and a water pump that enables us to use drip irrigation to water the crops. Students work on the farm on Saturdays and have classes to teach them about modern agricultural methods.

#### 12pm Class Visits

The availability of class visits will vary from week to week, however these visits will give you the opportunity to observe our science labs, computer labs, PE, art and music classes and also have interaction, where appropriate.

#### 1.20pm Lunch with secondary students

#### m Return to Sisia Primary campus

#### 3.30pm Swahili and Cultural Lesson

During the session you'll get a chance to interact with the students and have a lot of fun whilst learning at the same time.

The students will enjoy taking on the role of the teacher, no doubt being entertained as you try and twist your

tongue around basic Swahili before singing back and being taught some basic Tanzanian cultural facts.

#### 5pm Bus ride with students

Hop on one of our school buses to enjoy a ride with the students as they get dropped home. It's a round trip ride from the School that gives you the opportunity to see where some of our students live plus, sing songs and learn what they've been up to at school that day.

#### 7pm Dinner at St Jude's







# Day 4

### Departure day



#### **Breakfast at St Jude's** 7.30am

#### **Depart St Jude's** 9am

Depart for safari for those who are going and safe travels to your next destination.

#### Contact Us

Please contact our Visitor team so we can help you organise an unforgetable experience with us at St Jude's.

We hope you enjoy your stay and 'karibu tena' (Kiswahili for welcome again).

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We are regularly ranked in the 'Top 3 Things To Do' in Arusha on Tripadvisor.







# Additional activities





#### **Informational Talks**

#### **Meeting with Beyond St Jude's**

An opportunity to hear more about the plans for students after Form 6 including the Beyond St Jude's program.

#### Meet with the Marketing team

Meet with our Marketing team and discuss how you can help us spread the word about fighting poverty through education.

### Sisia Primary Campus

#### **Extracurricular activities**

Monday afternoon only

Every week students and teachers participate in extra-curricular activities that enrich our students' academic curriculum. New skills such as craftmaking and juggling expand their minds and encourage creativity and teamwork outside the formal classroom environment.

#### **Primary assembly**

Friday at 3.30pm

Experience a weekly assembly where you will share in the excitement of students receiving awards for outstanding behavior and achievements. The school is filled with fun and enjoyment as various classes entertain the audience with dancing and singing.

#### **Primary Debate**

Join in or watch some of the students debate topics they have been learning about in class.

## Off Campus

#### Government school visit

After Form 6 at St Jude's, St Jude's graduates can participate in the Beyond St Jude's Program, including a Community Service Year during which they impart the knowledge obtained at St Jude's to younger students at government schools in their local communities. While visiting one of these government schools and observing our graduates teach, you will have the unique opportunity to witness the result of a St Jude's education. An impressive abundance of knowledge is passed on through their desire to give back to the community.

#### **Cultural Activities**

#### Monduli market and boma visit

Monduli is a small town located about an hour from the school. This is an authentic experience and an opportunity to interact with the locals, purchase colorful Maasai fabrics and, if you are up for it, eat fresh barbequed goat! After the markets, visit a traditional Maasai boma or village. Meet members of an ancient tribe who are still living within their culture, even in today's modern world.

#### Maasai choir

Only available to groups of 10 or more

Meet a local Maasai choir to enjoy their singing and gain insight into the traditions and culture of the Maasai people.

#### Maasai Craft Market

Hidden in the heart of Arusha is the wonderful Maasai Craft Market where you can purchase all of your souvenirs to take home. You will be welcomed by absolutely every store owner so this alone can turn into a half-day experience if you have the patience and enjoy bartering.



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#### **Cultural Heritage Centre**

The Cultural Heritage Centre in Arusha presents crafts and artifacts by hundreds of tribes from both Tanzania and intercontinental Africa. The centre sells everything from masks, traditional weapons and tanzanite to wood carvings of all shapes and sizes.

## **Day Trips**

#### **Explore Arusha**

Today you will get the chance to explore Arusha town, buy a SIM card for your phone, a coffee or snack and visit the Maasai craft and local markets. Town landmarks include. Clock Tower or Shoppers, the shopping mall in town. The Kilombero market is right across the street. This is a good chance to get any personal items you may need and to experience local transport in Tanzania.

#### Coffee farm

From US\$35 per person depending on group numbers (lunch and transport included)

The trip starts from St Jude's around 9am with a 25 min drive to Nkoaranga. You will meet your local guide and walk through the village to the Aranga Organic Coffee Nursery. One of the farmers will explain how coffee is grown. After the visit you will walk down to the garden of Wild Tracks and enjoy a hot Tanzanian lunch. Finally, the tour ends at the roasting factory where you can see how coffee is roasted, ground and packed.

#### Maji Moto

US\$5 per person for entry to Maji Moto (hot springs) Additional \$100 return transport costs

A natural hot spring set in an oasis in a typically dry area near Mount Kilimanjaro. Maji Moto is set among shady trees where you can relax with a picnic and enjoy swimming in the fresh, crystal clear blue waters.

#### **Meserani Snake Park**

US\$20 per person

See some of the most dangerous snakes in the world including the Black and Green Mamba, Egyptian Cobra, Puff Adder and more. There are also reptiles like crocodiles and monitor lizards at the park. Next door is a Maasai Museum where you can learn about traditions such as boma building

#### **Arusha waterfall**

2-5 people is US\$50 per person 6-10 is US\$35 per person 10-20 is US\$25 per person

A walking trip through trails, surrounded by beautiful forests and local villages. The walk becomes steeper as you move into picturesque rural surroundings and a gentle downhill stroll through the beautiful forest. At the end of the walk, the waterfall comes into view—an ideal place to relax, cool off and enjoy a picnic lunch. Walking time is estimated to be around 4-5 hours.

#### Go on safari

The School of St Jude is just minutes from the centre of Tanzania's safari capital, Arusha. This town is the gateway to popular East African National Parks and game reserves such as Ngorongoro Crater, the vast plains of the Serengeti, Lake Manyara, Tarangire and Arusha National Park.

If you are interested in going on a safari, be sure to check out <a href="www.safaris-r-us.com">www.safaris-r-us.com</a> - Gemma and Richard Sisia's safari company. Emails can be sent <a href="info@safaris-r-us.com">info@safaris-r-us.com</a> Safaris-R-us will get back to you with a personalised itinerary to suit your needs and a quote for your safari.