

An Authentic Maasai Experience in West Kilimanjaro

Located just 74 km (46 miles) from Kaliwa Lodge, Olpopongi Maasai Cultural Village & Museum offers the first genuine, traditionally built Maasai Boma and museum in Tanzania. Set in the heart of West Kilimanjaro's Maasailand, Olpopongi invites you to step into the rich cultural heritage of the Maasai—without intruding on their private homes or altering their daily lives.

Unlike tours that disrupt local communities, Olpopongi was purposefully designed to preserve and celebrate Maasai traditions. The village was built by a diverse team of more than 50 Maasai men and women from the nearby Tinga Tinga community. Every structure uses local, natural materials and reflects authentic Maasai construction, with only a few practical additions like exterior restrooms and a kitchen, designed to ensure your comfort and hygiene.

Your visit directly benefits the surrounding Maasai communities by providing clean water, food, employment, medical care, education, and income. Beautiful, hand-crafted Maasai jewelry made by women from nearby villages is also available for purchase, supporting their craftsmanship and livelihoods.

Start: 8 am Finish: 5pm*

Included: English-speaking Maasai guide, guided museum visit, and traditional local lunch

Bring: Camera, hat and sunscreen

Level of activity: Easy

* Estimate time back at Kaliwa

Kaliwa Lodge is not the organizer, only the intermediary of the activities, which are carried out by experienced and licensed companies, guides, and driver.

All activities are subject to availability and weather conditions. The operator reserves the right to cancel the execution of activities at his/her discretion and without prior notice.

