

Castration Camp Kilimanjaro Animal C.R.E.W.

Immerse yourself in Tanzania's life, help animals and "their" people at the same time, learn a lot and have indescribable experiences.

The problem: Since time immemorial, people have lived together with animals and dogs/cats have a firm place in many cultures. In Tanzania, too, dogs are an integral part of the lives of the locals in most areas. However, there is often a lack of knowledge and the financial means to avoid uncontrolled reproduction of the animals and to provide them with medical treatment. This results in an unmanageable number of stray dogs, which then pose a potential danger to humans, other domestic animals and wildlife by spreading diseases, especially rabies. And secondly, threaten wildlife populations through poaching. In order to prevent harm to the population and wildlife, the authorities often resort to shooting stray animals as a last resort.

For years, we have therefore repeatedly carried out castrations/sterilisations of dogs and cats from the various communities. However, we cannot cope with the number of neuterings required, neither financially nor due to the workload alone.

The project: To hold regular neutering camps especially for students and young professionals. Instead of performing the usual "castration marathon", the animals will be treated comprehensively and remain in the clinic until they can be discharged after full recovery. The aim is to practise castration and treatment techniques in a calm and stress-free environment in a clinic with a good medical standard, and under the guidance of experienced surgeons. The surgeons will not operate themselves, but will devote themselves entirely to their young colleagues and support them.



The aim is to achieve effective growth control through continuous project. The participants should acquire a routine during this camp which will enable them to feel confident in castrations in the future as well as in other areas such as surgery preparation (pushing venous catheters, intubating, etc.), other routine treatments and dealing with aggressive and fearful animals. In this way, the spay/neuter camps should also give local vets the confidence to perform spay/neuter procedures professionally and as a routine procedure in the communities themselves.

Programme:

Day 1: Arrival.

Day 2: Introduction and overview of KiliCREW's process and projects. Briefing and practical exercises: Use of the blowpipe (dart), suturing and knotting techniques, demonstration of the operation, etc.

Days 3-4: Weekend:

Saturday: Trip to the Hot Springs, on the way visit a colourful local market.

Sunday: Walk into the village and visit the farm, swim in the river with its own waterfall, watch birds and monkeys, learn about medicinal plants that are still regularly used by the locals today.

Days 5-9: Dog/cat surgery (neutering, ovariohysterectomy, tumour extirpation if necessary, wound care, dental rehabilitation, ear cleaning, claw trimming, anal gland checking, deworming, vaccination). 3 teams of 4, of which 2 are responsible for surgery and 2 for preparation, aftercare and other routine treatments. The tasks are swapped every ½ day.

Days 10-11: Weekend/break days:

Saturday: City tour of Moshi, visit to markets and souvenir shops and a drink in a rooftop bar with a view of Kilimanjaro (weather permitting) Sunday: 1-day safari to West Kilimanjaro or Arusha National Park.

Days 12-14: Operation dog/cat (neutering, OHE, tumour extirpation if necessary, wound care, dental rehabilitation, cleaning ears, cutting claws, checking anal glands, deworming, vaccination).

Day 15: Departure (depending on departure time guided hike on the farm, to the river etc.).



Other details:

- 1) Duration of stay: 15 days, Time: By prior arrangement, possible all year round
- 2) Price 1.800Euro per participant*, including accommodation, meals (breakfast, lunch, dinner), drinks: water, homemade Rosella juice, coffee and tea are included, (other drinks will be charged at own expense), transfers, excursions as described and park entrance fees.
Flight, visa, international insurance, Flying Doctors Membership are not included in the price. Also included are costs for operations, treatments, and the accommodation, care and feeding of the patients until discharge (usually 1 week, if necessary, then also 2 weeks). The costs are calculated very tightly and we ask the participants to try to bring along additional donations in kind (materials and medicines) if possible.
**Problems financing this? Drop us an email, we'll help with ideas!*
- 3) Accommodation: On Makoa Farm in rooms/cottages/safari tents
- 4) The location: In one of the most beautiful areas in Africa, in the north of Tanzania, at the southern foot of Mt Kilimanjaro. 1 hour drive from Kilimanjaro Airport (i.e. flight booking arrival there). Our base is Makoa Farm.
- 5) Number of participants: from Germany 9 students and 1 supervising veterinarian, from Tanzania 3 students and at least 1 supervising veterinarian
- 6) Tanzania has friendly people, fascinating wildlife areas and great beaches to offer. A more extensive programme is highly recommended and we are happy to assist with the planning, Organisation and booking helpful.



Data:

21 Sep - 05 Oct 2023

15 Feb - 29 Feb 2024

05 March - 19 March 2024

21 March - 04 April 2024

09 July - 23 July 2024

25 July - 08. Aug. 2024

13 Aug - 27 Aug 2024

29 Aug - 12 Sep 2024

17 Sep - 01 Oct 2024



Please contact us if a desired date is not listed - we will try to make it happen.

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With the vets from Kilimanjaro □

