

# CULTURE & HELPING HANDS SAFARIS

“If you want to go quickly, go alone.  
If you want to go far, go together.”  
– African proverb

Gibb’s Farm has a deep and meaningful connection to the diverse communities and cultures of East Africa and we offer different opportunities to get to know our farm community, the rich culture of Tanzania’s diverse tribal community and ways to support the communities of our region.

## CULTURAL EXPERIENCES IN & AROUND GIBB’S FARM

### ARTISTS-IN-RESIDENCE | GIBB’S FARM

Daily | At leisure | Included | No booking needed

Through the Gibb’s Farm Artists-in-Residence Programme, East African artists stay at the farm and create commissioned artwork. Meet some of East Africa’s most talented artists, learn about their influences and inspiration and watch them create pieces from a blank canvas or piece of wood (available for purchase).

### SUNDOWNERS & STORIES

Daily | 1 hr | Included | No booking needed

The evening begins here for many guests, with a glorious sunset accompanied by a refreshing drink. Complementing the relaxed mood, our naturalists and traditional healer share stories about primates, Iraqw culture, elephants, traditional medicine, Maasai legends and tales of tribal folklore. We also feature live cultural entertainment three times a week.

### INDIGENOUS MEDICINAL WALK | GIBB’S FARM

Daily | 2 hrs | Included | Book on arrival

Maasai healers lead you through the Ngorongoro Forest, where you will hear about Olemoran, Olaiyapiyap and Osinoni—just a few of over 20 indigenous medicinal plants described on the walk.

### VILLAGE WALK | TLOMA VILLAGE

Daily | At leisure | Included | Book on arrival

This leisurely two-hour guided walk around our neighbouring village of Tloma provides a personal look at Tanzanian village life. You will discover the true essence and traditions of rural East African village life.

### PRIMARY SCHOOL VISIT

School days | 2 hrs | Included | Book on arrival

Meet the students and teachers at a local primary school and learn first-hand about the successes and challenges of education in rural Tanzania.

### CYCLING TOUR | KARATU TOWN

Daily | 1.5 hrs | Included | Book on arrival

Enjoy a guided cycling tour of Karatu, visit the market as well as various businesses including a local bar and a hair salon.

Subject to availability of bicycles.

### HADZABE TRIBE | LAKE EYASI

Daily | Full day | From US\$ 350 | Book prior to arrival

After an early breakfast, enjoy a guided drive to Lake Eyasi to meet a local Hadzabe tribe.

Meet the family and learn about the culture and the traditional ways of living of the Hadzabe people. Try your hand at using a bow and arrow with the warriors, learn how to make a fire and taste the local brew. Visit the Datoga people who are blacksmiths & trade with the Hadzabe.

Cost includes a private vehicle with driver guide for up to 7 guests and a day at Lake Eyasi (90-min drive).

Lake Eyasi Park fees \$110. .



ENQUIRE FOR MORE WAYS TO GET TO KNOW OUR COMMUNITY: [INFO@GIBBSFARM.COM](mailto:INFO@GIBBSFARM.COM)

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Together, we can do so much.” –  
Helen Keller

While on safari, lend a helping hand for the communities that support your vacation or travel experience.

## WAYS TO GET INVOLVED IN OUR COMMUNITY

### PACK FOR A PURPOSE

A wish list of items for nearby schools

Haymu Primary School is a small school in the Karatu district and nearby Gibb’s Farm. The school serves 600 students from ages 6 through 13 years old. An extraordinarily dedicated and caring headmistress already achieves great academic results with very limited resources. With your help, the sky will be the limit for these children.

- General school supplies: book bags, coloured pencils, crayons, erasers, handheld pencil sharpeners, markers, pencils, pencil cases/bags, and rulers
- Reference materials: (English) dictionaries and encyclopaedias
- Flash cards: (English) alphabet, math, and word
- Laminated wall charts: (English) language, math, science, and world maps
- Text/reading books: (English) story books, general science, language/grammar, and math
- Sports/outdoor activity: frisbees, inflation pumps, jump ropes, soccer balls and team uniforms
- Gardening: Books about gardening, cloth caddy for small tools, and gardening gloves for children

### DONATE A SCHOOL DESK

US\$ 70 per desk for materials

Schools in Tanzania are in desperate need for desks, it is common to see 3 or 4 children sharing a desk. By making a very small contribution, guests can make a profound impact on someone’s education.

Guests can donate a school desk, engraved with their own special message, for the schools in our region. We welcome guests to visit our workshop where the desks are made and get involved. We can happily send a photograph of the desk and school children upon its delivery should guests wish.

If guests would like to personally deliver the desk to the school, the desk needs to be ordered and paid for a minimum of 1 week prior to their arrival and guests need to allow for 2-3 hours for this activity.

#### FURTHER DETAILS:

The donation fee of \$70 covers the cost of materials required for the desk and our carpentry team donate their time and skills to create the desk and carefully hand-engage a special message from our guest.

When delivering the desks to the school, the headmistress will conduct a tour of the school and there will be a small ceremony followed by some playful interaction with the children.

#### PLEASE TAKE NOTE:

- Visiting the school is a 2 to 3-hour experience and we suggest that guests stay for a minimum of 3 nights if they would like to participate in delivering the desks to the school. This affords them enough time to visit the school and also be able to take part in other farm activities.
- Restrictions may apply during school holidays.

### FOCUS ON TANZANIA COMMUNITIES

Contribute to the district’s various programmes

Founded in 1997, FOTzC collaborates with Tanzanian communities to overcome economic and social challenges through a working partnership that directs resources toward sustainable projects. Special focus is given to proposals that support education and women’s empowerment.

While in Tanzania, many travelers made strong connections with individual Tanzanians, particular schools, villages, or community groups. We work with individuals who have these personal and emotional connections and want to give back to Tanzania. We partner with many of the communities that Safaris guests visit, and we work with each community to identify sustainable projects based on local priorities.

Each community identifies its most pressing needs and priorities. Once these are identified, the FoTzC Directors review the proposals to make sure the projects are feasible and sustainable. We oversee the projects while they are underway; ensuring that every dollar you donate goes as far as possible towards completing the project.

While we cannot expect to eliminate poverty in all of Tanzania, we strive to develop lasting relationships and empower our partner communities to overcome their social and economic hardships.



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