



## Gorillas and Savannah

6 Nights



### Summary

Known as “The Land of a Thousand Hills”, Rwanda supports impressive diversity and endemism which is conserved by its national parks, including Volcanoes and Akagera national parks. This itinerary encompasses a bucket list gorilla trek in the legendary Virunga Mountains to the north of the country as well as a rewarding and productive exploration of the “little piece of heaven” that is the savannah and wetland wonderland of Akagera in the country’s north east.

### Overview

**Interest:** couple - family

**Level of Comfort:** 4/5

**Minimum # of passengers:** none

**Maximum # of passengers:** none

### Wild Discovery Advantages

- A proven expertise in organizing successful packages
- Experienced and knowledgeable staff
- High quality service & strong commitment to customer satisfaction
- Permanent assistance from Wild Discovery head office at any moment
- Attention to details that makes the difference

### Information about the destination

**Currency:** Rwandan Franc

**Dialing Code:** +250

**Banks & currency exchange:** Currency can be exchanged at major banks, exchange offices or authorized hotels

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#### **Day 1:**

You are met at Kigali International Airport and visit to the Kigali Genocide Memorial before you travel to the Akagera National park via helicopter or road transfer. Magashi camp is situated in the productive and phenomenally diverse north-eastern corner of Akagera National park, overlooking scenic lake Rwanyakazinga. Accommodation at Magashi is in six spacious and airy tented guest rooms offering uninterrupted views over Lake Rwanyakazinga, while the main area comprises a luxurious lounge, dining and bar area, wine cellar and pool, as well as an expansive viewing deck with convivial fire pit. The architecture and interiors pay homage to traditional Rwandan culture.

#### **Day 2 & 3:**

Guests are able to view a range of wildlife on expertly-guided game drives, walks and boating trips, including buffalo, lion, leopard, elephant, giraffe, spotted hyaena, zebra, topi, roan, eland and more. Akagera also boasts almost 500 species of birds including the spectacular shoebill with its implausibly massive bill and the near-endemic red-faced barbet.

#### **Day 4:**

Return to Kigali via helicopter or road transfer for your onward three-hour road transfer to Volcanoes National Park. The area around Bisate welcomes you with dramatic views of the peaks of the volcanoes Bisoke, Karisimbi and Mikeno rearing up through the Afro-Alpine forests of nearby volcanoes National park. Six sumptuous en-suite rooms maximise comfort, warmth and views while retaining environmental principles and reflecting the culture of surrounding rural Rwanda.

#### **Day 5 & 6:**

Gorilla trekking takes place from Volcanoes National Park headquarters where guests are allocated one of the 12 habituated gorilla group to visit for an hour.

After a briefing by the park Rangers, the time of the trek varies depending on which gorilla group is being visited – from 45 minutes to a few hours. Trekking is at a high altitude but is well worth it in order to spend time in the company of mountain gorilla. Exploring the area includes community visits, birding, golden monkey tracking and helping reforest the area, as well as visits (time permitting) to Iby'wacu cultural village, the Twin lakes of Ruhondo and Burera, and Dian Fossey's grave

#### **Day 7:**

Depart to volcanoes National park via a three-hour road transfer for Kigali International airport and your onward travel arrangements.

This is a product sheet elaborated in order to give you a quick overview of our package. Should you wish to have specific details reviewed to better suits your need please do not hesitate to contact one of our travel consultants or visit one of our branches.

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