

Gorillas & Beyond 10 nights



Summary

Explore the "Pearl of Africa" and discover Uganda's wild treasures, from the banks of the Nile to the deepest reaches of the rainforest. Cruise up the Nile River to the misty base of Murchison Falls, spotting wildlife on the banks as you float past Trek the lush, tropical trails of Kibale National Park in search of chimpanzees. Set out on game drives in the wilds of Queen Elizabeth National Park, keeping watch for tree-climbing lions. Encounter endangered mountain gorillas under the bio-diverse canopy of Bwindi Impenetrable Forest National Park.

Overview

Interest: group—family Level of Comfort: 3/5 Minimum # of passengers: 2 Maximum # of passengers: 20

Wild Discovery Advantages

- A proven expertise in organizing successful holidays
- 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 make the difference

Information about the destination

- Currency: Ugandan shilling
- Language: Swahili-English
- Dialing Code: +256
- Transportation: private car, matatus (minibus)
- Recommended vaccine : Malaria, Hepatitis A, Hepatitis
- B, Typhoid, Yellow fever, Rabies
- Banks & currency exchange: It is better to exchange currencies before you go

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Day 1: Entebbe

Arrive in Entebbe and transfer to your hotel on the shores of Africa's largest lake.

Day 2: Murchison Falls National Park

Depart Entebbe and fly to Murchison Falls National Park, one of the most scenic spots along the Nile and the location of the classic Humphrey Bogart film, The African Queen. After settling into your thatched cottage on the banks of the Victoria Nile, join your guide for a visit to Murchison Falls, where invigorating spray — the collective force of the majestic Nile — pours down on a narrow ravine.

Day 3: Murchison Falls National Park | Nile Safari

Today, a game drive takes you along the northern banks of the Nile in the heart of Murchison Falls National Park. You may see giraffes, buffalo, elephants, warthogs, leopards, lions and antelope. This afternoon, embark on a boat cruise up the Nile River to the base of the falls. Watch for hippos, crocodiles, elephants and the many bird species that inhabit the river's papyrus-lined banks.

Day 4: Kibale National Park | Bunyaruguru Crater Walk

After breakfast, board a flight to Kibale and transfer to your lodge. Later, you may take an optional nature walk along the top of the Bunyaruguru Crater.

Day 5: Kibale National Park | Forest of Chimpanzees

Kibale Forest is home to 11 species of primates, including chimpanzees and mangabeys, as well as 300 species of birds and a vast array of butterflies. Rise early this morning for the short drive to the start of your chimpanzee trek. Barks of baboons occasionally pierce the forest silence as you make your way along the trail. This afternoon, you may go on a guided primate walk in the Bigodi Forest swamp.

Day 6-7: Queen Elizabeth National Park | Nature Anew

After breakfast, drive to Queen Elizabeth National Park, home to elephants, lions, hippos, buffalo and baboons. Participate in game drives this afternoon and the next day. While exploring, watch above for tree-climbing lions, a sight rarely to be seen anywhere else in Africa. You may also see some of Uganda's largest elephant herds.

Day 8: Bwindi Impenetrable Forest National Park | Misty Mountains

Make your way out of the Rift Valley through the Kigezi Highlands and on to the mountains of Bwindi Impenetrable Forest National Park, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Here, take a game drive in one of the most biologically diverse areas in the world. Later today, visit Uganda Nursing School Bwindi, an A&K Philanthropy supported project enhancing healthcare in this remote region

Day 9-10:Bwindi Impenetrable Forest National Park | Gorilla Encounters

Spend two days tracking endangered mountain gorillas, which share 97.7% of our DNA, spending up to an hour among them each day. See mothers keeping infants close as they knucklewalk on three limbs. Toddlers scamper around and get reined in by an attentive father, whose job is to protect his family. When you look into the eyes of a mountain gorilla, there is no mistaking the bond that exists between primate and man — and no escaping the poignant reminder that these creatures lie on the brink of extinction.

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Day 11: Depart Entebbe

Fly to Entebbe and return to Lake Victoria Serena Resort & Spa, where a dayroom awaits until your international flight home.

This is a product sheet elaborated in order to give you a quick overview of our package with details pertaining to hotels, flights and proposed tours. This is not a tailor made quotation and 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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