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| **Title:** | **16 DAYS 15 NIGHTS UGANDA WILDLIFE SAFARI** |
| **Short Tittle** | Unforgettable experience in the wildness of Uganda |
| **Day count** | 16 |
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| **overview:** | During the 16 Days Uganda Wildlife Safari Holiday adventure you will experience all that Uganda has to offer. From the famous [Murchison Falls National Park](https://www.gorillasafaris-uganda.com/uganda-tours/3-days-murchison-falls-safari/) and chimpanzee tracking in Kibale National Forest via to the tree climbing lions next [queen Elizabeth](https://www.gorillasafaris-uganda.com/uganda-tours/3-days-queen-elizabeth-safari/) national park, to the mountain[gorillas](https://www.gorillasafaris-uganda.com/uganda-tours/3-days-fly-bwindi-gorilla-trekking-safari/) in Bwindi Impenetrable national forest park, this adventure gives you to the best of Uganda in just 16 days!  **Tour Highlights**   * Road Trip to Western Uganda * Kibale Forest Chimpanzee Tracking * Gorilla Trekking Jungle Safari in Bwindi & Volcanoes Rwanda * Savannah Game Drives & Boat Rides in Both Queen and Murchison * Nature Treks |
| **What is Included:** | Transport, private guide, Accommodation, all meals, Selected drinks, Entrance fee, Park fees, trekking permits |
| **Tour Places:** | Gorilla trekking in Bwindi forest  Chimpanzee Tracking in Kibale forest  Track Rhinos on foot  Spot the Big 5 & Big Cats  Unlimited game drives  Boat ride on kazinga Channel  Boat cruise on the Nile River  Rwenzori Mountain Hiking  Visit Murchison Falls National Park  Visit Queen Elizabeth National Park  Visit Mgahinga National Park  Visit Lake Mburo National Park  Search for tree-climbing lions |
| **Tour Sceneries:** | Rwenzori Mountains, Ugandas National parks, Lakes and Rivers, Wild animals, bird |
| **Days/ Itinerary** | **Day 1: Transfer to Murchison Falls National Park for wildlife Safari.**  After breakfast, you meet and greet with your tour guide, who will brief you about 16 days Uganda wildlife safari holiday We then transfer to Murchison Falls National Park having a break at the Ziwa Rhino Sanctuary in Nakasongola to track and view the Rhinos.  Uganda’s Rhinos became extinct in the early 1980s, after a period of civil unrest and heavy poaching. This sanctuary has now been established to breed black and white rhino, and restore Rhino populations in Uganda’s protected areas in a later stage. We stopover for lunch in Masindi town and thereafter continue to Murchison Falls National Park stopping at the top of the falls which is a fantastic sight. Here the Nile, the longest river in the world, is forced through a narrow gap in the rock (only 7 meters wide), before ferociously plunging down 43 meters. From here we will continue onto our accommodation place along the Nile River.  **Accommodation:** Up-market: [Paraa Safari Lodge](https://paraalodge.com/) or Nile Safari Lodge Moderate: [Sambiya River Lodge](https://sambiyariverlodge.com/) Low Budget: [Red Chilli Rest](http://redchillihideaway.com/) Camp, [Fort Murchison](https://naturelodgesuganda.com/about/)  **Day 2: Wildlife Game Safari in Murchison Falls National Park Uganda.**  The day will be spent viewing game around the park and along the Nile. We will leave early in the morning (if staying at Nile Safari Lodge or Red Chilli, Paraa we will cross the Nile with the ferry at 7.00am) and go on a game drive from 8.00am to 12.00 noon, on the northern Bank of the Nile River. Expect encounters of wild game in this park that includes: Rothschild Giraffe, Elephant, Jackson Hartebeest, Lions, Waterbucks and a variety of Savannah woodland birds. Return to your hotel. Have a mid morning breakfast and relax as you wait for lunch. In the afternoon (2.00 pm to 5.00 pm) we will go on the impressive reserved private boat ride along the Nile river to view aqua game and avian species at close proximity up to the Falls, giving you a chance to see hippos, crocodiles, buffaloes, elephants and many different birds. With an opportunity of watching the legendary shoeBill stork , then take dinner and overnight at your hotel.  **Accommodation:** Up-market: Paraa Safari Lodge or Nile Safari Lodge Moderate: Sambiya River Lodge Low Budget: Red Chilli Rest Camp, or Fort Murchison.  **Day 3: Game Drive, Boat ride in Murchison Falls National Park**  Early in the morning the boat will take us downstream to the Delta, where the Nile enters Lake Albert. This trip of 5-6 hours will show us all the beauty of this national park especially the delta with all the different birds. This is a good chance to see the elusive Shoebill Stork. In the afternoon you can relax, and if you are on the Luxury Tour you can swim at your respective Lodges.  **Accommodation:** Up-market: Paraa Safari Lodge or Nile Safari Lodge Moderate: Sambiya River Lodge Low Budget: Red Chilli Rest CampFort Murchison  **Day 4: Transfer to [Kibale Forest National Park for Chimpanzee.](https://www.kibalenationalparks.com/)**  Early in the morning we will leave for Kibale Forest. We will pass close to Lake Albert: on a clear day the view from the top of the Albert rift is spectacular. In the afternoon we will arrive at Kibale Forest Camp, where we will stay sleeping with the noises of the tropical rain forest. Sometimes we stay at Chimpanzee Guesthouse, overlooking Nyabikere Crater Lake, where we will stay. The lake is famous for the frogs: at night they always give a beautiful concert.  **Accommodation** Up-market: Kyaninga Lodge or Primate Lodge Kibale or Ndali Lodge Moderate: Kibale Forest Camp(self-contained tents) Low Budget: Chimpanzee Forest Guest house/Bandas (self-contained Banda’s) – Both outside the forest)  **Day 5: Chimp walk, Chimpanzee tracking Kibale Forest National Park.**  At 8.00am we will start with the 4 hour chimpanzee walk – during which you may also get to see 10 other primates! Kibale park is also known for all the butterflies and birds. In the afternoon we will walk through Bigodi Swamp (home to a community based project).  **Accommodation:** Up-market: Kyaninga Lodge or Primate Lodge Kibale or Ndali Lodge Moderate: Kibale Forest Camp(self-contained tents) Low Budget: Chimpanzee Forest Guest housee/Bandas (self-contained Banda’s) – Both outside the forest)  **Day 6: Transfer to Queen Elizabeth National Park Wildlife game Safari.**  Early morning we will leave for Queen Elizabeth National Park, We will travel through Fort Portal and reach Mweya in Queen Elizabeth National Park at midday, with a stunningly beautiful view over Kazinga Channel. You will check in at your accommodation and have lunch, and in the late afternoon (4.00 -7.00pm) we will go on a game drive.  Driving time: 4,5 hours  **Accommodation:** Up-market/ Luxury: [Mweya Safari Lodge](https://mweyalodge.com/) or Jacana Safari Lodge Mid-range: [Queen Elizabeth Safari Lodge](https://mweyalodge.com/) Budget price:[Simba Safari Camp](https://ugandalodges.com/simba/),Queen Elizabeth Bush Lodge (eco friendly self-contained tents)  **Day 7: Wildlife Game Drive in Queen Elizabeth National Park and Launch cruise on Kazinga Channel.**  This day is for a game drive on the plains of Queen Elizabeth NP, with thousands of Ugandan kobs, lions, elephants etc. Also on the programme is a two hours launch trip on the Kazinga channel where we will see all the animals from the waterside.  **Accommodation:** Up-market/ Luxury: Mweya Safari Lodge or Jacana Safari Lodge Mid-range: Queen Elizabeth Safari Lodge Budget price: Simba Safari Camp, Queen Elizabeth Bush Lodge (eco friendly self-contained tents)  **Day 8: In Queen Elizabeth National Park, Chimpanzee tracking in Kyambura Gorge.**  Our second day in this beautiful park. Very early in the morning after breakfast we will go to Kyambura Gorge, Here people can go for a 3-4 hour walk into the Gorge to meet the chimpanzees. After we go for Lunch at Jacana Safari Lodge, we will drive for 2 hours to the Southern sector of Queen Elizabeth called Ishasha Sector, famous for its tree climbing lions. Game drive in the afternoon to search for the tree climbing lions.  **Accommodation:** Budget Accommodation: Ishasha Ntungwe River Camp Luxury Tour: Ishasha Wilderness Camp or Ishasha Ntungwe River Camp  **Day 9: Safari in Queen Elizabeth National Park, walk through the Maramagambo Forest**  Another early start for a bush walk through the Maramagambo Forest. This is one of the largest forests in Uganda, and forms a habitat for a number of primates and forest dwellers. Due to its location, Maramagambo also has a great diversity of butterflies and birds. The walk culminates in a visit to volcanic caves that are home to thousands of bats. Pythons are often observed in the crevices of the bats cave as they prey on bats. In this walk you will see the picturesque Blue lake-Kimeranjojo which got its name after swallowing an Elephant. Other trails will lead you to the Crater Lake and habitats of the Wild chimps and forest bird. In the afternoon you will have another game drive and during the dry season we will drive you to the Edward’s flats to see more elephants, large herds of buffalo and different waterbirds. Occasionally we might find in this area the shoebill stork and by surprise some hunting lions.  **Accommodation**  **Budget:** Mweya Safari Lodge  **Moderate:** Kasenyi Safari Lodge  **Up Market:** Queen Elizabeth Bush Lodge  **Day 10: Transfer to Bwindi Forest National Park with Tree Climbing Lions at Ishasha Sector.**  In the morning we will go on a game drive looking for the unique tree climbing lions in the Ishasha sector of Queen Elizabeth National Park, and in the afternoon we will continue to Bwindi impenetrable national park, On the trip we will pass via Kihihi and journey through mountains, hills and lakes with cultivated terraces and tropical rain forests.  Driving time: 4,5 hours.  **Accommodation:**(Full board basis) Up-market: Buhoma Lodge/ Mahogany Lodge Moderate:[Engagi Lodge](https://www.engagilodge.com/)/ Silverback Lodge / Gorilla Safari Lodge/ Lake Kitandara Camp Low Budget: Travellers Rest Hotel, or Ruhija Gorilla Friends Camp or Buhoma Community Campground  **Day 11: Mountain gorilla Gorilla Trekking in Bwindi Impenetrable Forests.**  Buhoma Lodge is only 5 minutes’ walk from the offices of Bwindi Impenetrable Forest National Park, where at 7.45 am you will receive a pre-briefing and at 8.30 am you will start the gorilla trek. Once you have found the mountain gorillas, you will be able to spend up to one hour with them. You will be expected back to the starting point by 3.00 pm at the latest, and you will be awarded with gorilla trekking certificates.  If time allows we shall visit the local communities, the a Batwa, the indigenous tribe of this area. and find out on how they leave, eat, dance, dress and others.  **Accommodation:** (Full board basis) Up-market: Buhoma Lodge/ Mahogany Lodge Moderate: Engagi Lodge/ Silverback Lodge / Gorilla Safari Lodge/ Lake Kitandara Camp Low Budget: Travellers Rest Hotel, or Ruhija Gorilla Friends Camp or Buhoma Community Campground  **Day 12: To Lake Bunyonyi for Canoeing.**  After breakfast we will drive to Lake Bunyonyi, a beautiful place surrounded by the hills of Western Uganda. Lake Bunyonyi is famous for birds, otters and delicious crayfish. We will spend the rest of the day here, have a swim if you want, try a canoeing on lake Bunyonyi, or simply relax looking at the over 300 birds species you can sometimes see from the veranda (bring your binoculars)!  Driving time:4,5 hours  **Accommodation:** Overland Campsite and Bandas (self contained and breakfast inclusive) Luxury Tour:[Bushara Island Luxury Tented Camp](http://www.busharaislandcamp.com/) or Bunyonyi Safari Resort  **Day 13: To Kisoro.**  Early in the morning we will leave for Kisoro, travelling through a beautiful landscape also defined as the “Switzerland of Africa”: mountains, lakes, hills with cultivated terraces, tropical rain forest and bamboo forest. On the last hill the landscape unfolds beneath us, taking in the vast planes between Uganda, Rwanda and Congo, with the Virunga volcanoes dominating the view. At the bottom of the valley is Kisoro, where we will stay at the famous Travellers Rest Hotel.  In the sixties the famous American ‘gorilla-woman’ Dian Fossey visited the Travellers Rest Hotel many, many times to do paperwork, relax or meet people. Fossey said about the hotel: “It was my second home”. Travellers Rest Hotel is just outside Kisoro and offers a cozy stay for the tourists coming to see the endangered mountain gorilla. The hotel, built in a somewhat colonial style, and entirely renovated in 1999, has a comfortable ambiance.  Driving time: 3,5 hours  **Accommodation:** Travellers Rest Hotel Kisoro Travellers Rest Hotel Kisoro (Suite Room)  **Days 14 Spent in and around Kisoro, with travelers Rest Hotel as the home base.**  In Kisoro you can undertake several very interesting activities, all of which can be done individually or in groups. They include:   * Gorilla trekking in Nkuringo, South Bwindi (1 day – this could be either day 13 or 14, depending on the availability of permits). * Gorilla tracking in Rwanda (requires staying in Rwanda the night before, so for example if you decide to trek gorillas in Rwanda on day 14 you will spend the night of day 13 there). After the trekking you will cross back to Kisoro. * Climbing Muhavura Volcano (± 8 hrs; distance 12km; height 4127m; elevation gain 1700m). * Climbing Gahinga Volcano (± 6 hrs; distance 8km; height 3474m; elevation gain 1100m). * Visit to Sabinyo Gorge (± 4 hrs; distance 6km, no elevation gain). * Climbing Sabinyo Volcano (Sabinyo has three peaks, you can climb all three in the same walk, but you need to be fit!! ± 8 hrs; distance 14 km; height 3669m, elevation gain 1300 m). * Hiking in Mgahinga to the viewpoint and Garama Cave (pygmy cave) (± 4 hrs; distance 1 and 4 km). * Bird walk in Mgahinga (start at 10am, it can last until 4-5pm). * Cultural village walk (with a local guide walking through the land of the Bufumbira tribe) * Walk to Lake Mutanda. Visit Python island and go canoeing on this beautiful lake. * Batwa Trail: It starts at the base of Mt Muhavura at 8.00 am and finishes by 3-4 pm. You’ll need walking shoes, hat, and raingear, and a packed lunch with sufficient drinks.   The Batwa Trail runs across the lower slopes of the Muhavura and Gahinga volcanoes in Mgahinga Gorilla National Park. The forest is home to a variety of wildlife but the Batwa Trail is far from being a conventional nature walk. With the help of Batwa guides, you’ll see the forest as a larder, pharmacy, builder’s yard, tool kit and, above all a home. Along the trail, you’ll fire a bow and arrow, check hives for wild honey, help repair a Batwa shelter, harvest plants for medicine and food, light a fire without a matches, listen to legends and learn about Batwa traditions. The highlight of the trail is a descent into the Garama cave, a 200m-long lava tube beneath Mt. gahinga. The Batwa are famed for their music and dance and their historic, subterranean council chamber in Garama Cave provides the setting for an unforgettable performance.  The Batwa trail is celebration of the forest culture of the “‘first people.”It is impossible, however, to ignore the fact that Batwa life has greatly changed. The day’s events conclude with a discussion about the Batwa’s current situation; how it can be improved; and progress to date towards doing so.Budget accommodation: Travellers Rest Hotel Kisoro  **Accommodation:** Luxury Tour: Travellers Rest Hotel Kisoro (Suite Room).  **Day 15: To Lake Mburo National Park for wildlife game safari and boat ride.**  Early in the morning we will leave for Lake Mburo National Park. You will have lunch in Mbarara before you continue to Lake Mburo, a smaller but unique park, and the only one in the Western part of Uganda with impalas and zebras. In the park we will go on an evening game-viewing drive.  Driving time: 5,5 hours  **Accommodation:** Budget accommodation: Mburo Eagle’s Nest camp Luxury Tour: Mihingo Lodge or Mantana Luxury Tented Camp  **Day 16: Drive back To Kampala to end our Uganda wildlife Safari Holiday.**  First thing in the morning we will go for a game drive/walk, and after a late breakfast the last part of the journey will bring us back to Kampala. On the way back you will have lunch in Mbarara town, and after Masaka there will be an opportunity to a stop at the Equator for photo shoots and buying souvenirs and have tea or coffee.  We will then bring you to a guesthouse, campsite or hotel of your choice in Kampala or Entebbe.  **End of 16 Days Uganda Wildlife Safari Holiday.**  Driving time: 9 hours |
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| **Title:** | **10 Days Hiking Rwenzori Mountains Safari** |
| **Short Tittle** | The mystical challenge, big botanical game and mountain of the moon in Uganda |
| **Day count** | 10 days |
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| **overview:** | **Are you thinking of climbing Margherita Peak or Hiking Rwenzori Mountains?**  Uganda’s Rwenzori mountain range is Africa’s top hiking destination, holding three of the continent’s five highest peaks. The 10 Days Hiking Rwenzori Mountains Safari take you to spectacular summits, the routes are uncrowded and the high-altitude Rwenzori forest teems with life.  The fabled Mountains of the Moon lie in the western Uganda on the Congolese border, with snow covered, equatorial peaks rising to the height of 5110m, form the unique mountain national park. Most of the park is accessible only to hikers to yield magnificent scenery.  The distinctive glacial peaks are visible from miles around, but the slopes above 1,600m are the preserve of hikers, who rate the Rwenzoris to be the most challenging of all African mountains.  This park covers 120 km and is easily accessible through Kasese and Fortportal. The trails lead through rain forest rattling with monkeys and birds, then tall bamboo forest, before emerging on the high-altitude moorland zone, a landscape of bizarre giant lobelias, towered over by black rock and white snow, looking for all the world like the set of a science fiction film  **Tour Highlights**  An expedition to the Rwenzori is an exhilarating and rewarding experience but one which must be well planned.  There are several circuits to the top of the mountain; since the mountain has seven peaks and six are snowcapped ones.  The mountain’s altitude is 14000ft  The mountain is renowned for its engineered, steep and slippery trails and frequent rain characterized by cold temperatures, bog, mud, steep terrain and high altitude.  Due to hash conditions the best time for hiking is July-August and December-February  **Trekking Notes:**  Trekking starts on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from Nyakalengijo- at mihunga Main gate  Safari start and end from Kampala.  **What to Carry**  Clients will carry hiking shoes, sleeping bags, warm clothes  Climbing to the peaks will require ice axe, mountain boots, crampons, ropes and prior arrangements. |
| **What is Included:** | Transport, private guide, Accommodation, all meals, Selected drinks, Entrance fee, Park fees, trekking permits, climbing equipment, VAT |
| **Tour Places:** | Rwenzori Mountains |
| **Tour Sceneries:** | Rwenzori Mountains National Park, Margarita Peak **Activities:**Mountain Hiking, Trekking |
| **Days/ Itinerary** | DAY 1: Arrival and check into Hotel in Kampala or Entebbe  On arrival , your private Hiking Rwenzori Mountains Safari driver/guide will welcome you and transfer you to your accommodation in Kampala for resting as you wait for your Uganda Safari. If you arrive before 16:00 hours local time , we will find you some entertainment depending on which events of the day are there in Kampala.  Day 2: Road Drive To Kasese Rwenzori National Park  Set off for Rwenzori Mountain national Park from Kampala carry on to Kasese town and arrive at Rwenzori mountaineering services (RMS) offices.  **Accommodation:** (Full Board basis) Margaritta Hotel or Rwenzori Basecamp Guesthouse for overnight as you prepare to move very early in the morning to Mt. Rwenzori.  Day 3: Hiking Rwenzori from Nyakalengijjo to Nyabitaba hut  After break fast and Hiking Rwenzori Mountains Safari briefing, fully equipped with the your guides and porters, you’ll set off hiking from trail head(1646m) walking past typical mud Bakonjo homes and gradually moving up through elephant grass and garden plots. This trail follows the Mubuku River, it involves climbing over rock and bluff, before reaching the Mahoma river.  After this there will be climbing through open bracken fern slopes and podorcapus forest up to Nyabitaba hut. During this part of the Hiking Rwenzori Mountains Safari, you may be able to hear chimpanzees and sometimes the black and white colobus monkeys and blue monkeys behind the hut and also catch glimpse of the brilliantly colored Rwenzori Turaco.  The total time for an average hiker from Nyakalengijjo to Nyabitaba hut is 5-7 hours and the total elevation gained is 4000ft (1200m).  Stay at Nyabitaba hut.  Day 4: Hiking Rwenzori from Nyabitaba hut to John Matte  An early Hiking Rwenzori Mountains Safari start from here may be required since this circuit is relatively the longest. From this hut the trail leads west wards and then drops steeply to Kurt Shaffer bridge crossing bellow the confluence of the Bujuku and Mubuku rivers.  By turning right to the bridge you begin to climb the central circuit anticlockwise since the clockwise direction is much more difficult and adds considerable danger for you and your porters. After crossing the bridge, the muddy, slippery trail climbs steadily up through bamboo forests, slippery moss covered ground. You will proceed to Nyamiliju hut and its accompanying rock shelter.  Continue to John Matte if you still feel strong enough. This will be through challenging bog full of extraordinary plants and the slow pace can be delight full chance to photograph this wonderful environment. The time taken from Nyabitaba hut to John Matte is seven hours and the elevation gain3000ft (915m)  Stay at Matte Hut.  Day 5: Rwenzori Hiking from John Matte to Bujuku Hut  Leave this hut in the morning to cross the Bujuku river and enter the lower bigo bog, here you will experience jumping from tussock to tussock on grassy bog. There is a steeply section from the hut which will lead you to upper Bigo bog. At the last half of the Bigo bog a board walk has been constructed this makes the walking easier and prevents the hikers from further damaging the bog. After the crisscrossing the river you will reach lake Bujuku.  The southern end of the lake is in the majestic setting, with Mt. Baker to the south, Mt. Stanley to the west, and Mt Speke to the North. The trail route along The Lake’s Northeastern shore crosses the most challenging mud on the trip.  Beyond the lake there is a rock shelter called “cooking pot” and a short distance further is Bujuku hut.   * Due to frequent mists this Bujuku hut is quite cold * Time taken to reach here is five hours * Elevation gained is 1800ft (560m)   If one moves around for a nature walk there is a chance of seeing Duikers, at night the calls of the rock Hyraxes are common. Stay at Bujuku hut.  **Day 6: Rwenzori Hiking from Bujuku Hut to Elena Hut**  From here in the morning, leave directly to a newer trail which rises and falls and finally climbs through magical moss draped groundsel vegetation at 14345ft (4372m) to Scott Elliot pass. The ascension to Elena is a steep rock trail which when wet or icy can be slippery. Slightly ahead there is a sheltered spot below the pass where you can make a stop over.  From here go straight to Elena Hut which is the base camp for climbig 16763ft(5109m) to Margherita peak in the mount Stanley complex, which requires a day or two and can be attempted with an axe, mountain boots, crampons, ropes and prior arrangements with Rwenzori Mountaineering Services guides. This circuit continues to the left over scott Elliot pass and enters an alpine zone of sparse low vegetation.  This will give chance to enjoy North of Margherita peak as you are leaving the pass. Time taken, 3-4 hours. The elevation gained 1400ft (425m) Stay at Elena hut.  Day 7: Elena Hut to Kitandara Hut then Margherita peak  Some times when Hiking Rwenzori Mountains Safari visitors reach here, they are normally tired. For those who might not manage or do not wish to climb Margherita peak due to unexpected altitude sickness and fog making their climbing ability lesser, there is an option of continuing left via Scott Elliot pass to Kitandara lake.  This will take you beautiful scenery and finally connect you to a two day descending stretch. For those who will still feel fit, they will climb up to the summit of Margherita (5109m); here crampons and roping up may be necessary. Then descend to Kitandara hut and Stay here.(4023m).  Day 8: Descend to Guy Yeoman  After breakfast, descend to Guy Yeoman via a steep but enjoyable hour-long climb from the base of Mt. Baker. On a clear day one may also take a view at the Democratic Republic of Congo on the west of Mt. Stanley. The descending continues to Bujangolo rock shelters; the base camp for the historic expedition by Duke Arbuzzi in 1906. Time taken to reach Guy Yeoman hut from Kitandara is about 5-6 hours.  Day 9: Descend to Nyabitaba hut before dark  Hiking Rwenzori Mountains Safari hikers may be required to begun their journey early enough so as to get to Nyabitaba hut before dark, since this path can be some how challenging in some spots. So descending slowly facing the slope instead of outward is the only best way.  Lake evening can also be good for taking a walk and viewing some of the birds and the occasional blue tailed monkey. For the Typical hikers the descending process will take 5-6 hours. Stay at Nyabitaba hut. (2650m)  Day 10:To Nyakilegeja then to Kasese  Descend gently to Nyakalengijo trail head (1600m) park headquarters. This can take two to three hours depending on your body fitness. Carry on to your hotel for lunch relax your tired legs and body and prepare for the journey back to Kampala.  Day 11: To Kampala  After breakfast head for Kampala and relax at your hotel before flying to your home the next day to end our **10 days Hiking Rwenzori Mountains Safari**.  **OUR OTHER MOUNTAIN RWENZORI HIKING SAFARI TOURS:**  1. [Mountain Elgon trekking.](https://www.gorillasafaris-uganda.com/uganda-tours/7-days-mount-elgon-trekking-safari/)  2. [Mountain Sabinyo climbing.](https://www.gorillasafaris-uganda.com/mount-sabinyo-volcano-hiking-uganda/) |
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| **Title:** | 13 Days Uganda Holiday Safari |
| **Short Tittle** | Anew Frontier into the Pearl of Afica |
| **Day count** | 13 |
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| **overview:** | [Uganda](https://www.tourism.go.ug/) is Africa condensed with the best of everything the continent has to offer it’s the home of the longest river in the world , [Nile river](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nile), tallest mountain range in Africa, the glacier capped [mountain Rwenzori,](https://www.gorillasafaris-uganda.com/uganda-tours/10-days-hiking-rwenzori-mountains-safari/) Lake Victoria the second  largest  fresh water lake in World and largest in Africa, highest concentration of the primates in the world including 45% of the remaining mountain gorillas roams it’s forests Bwindi and Mgahinga natural forests, tree climbing lions, chimpanzees in kibale forest national park,  the birds in the western (kazinga channel), eastern northern,free flowing waters, Thick dense vegetation with huge tropical forested trees Mabira forests, pure  tropical climatic conditions.  Uganda the only tourist destination which combines both the traditional safari holiday with all the big five and mountain gorilla trekking safari activities unlike it’s neighboring countries like Kenya Tanzania,Sudan etc.  Tour Highlights   * Big five game safari route to Murchison Falls * Savannah Game Drives * River Boat Ride Safaris * Chimpanzee Tracking Safaris * Gorilla Trekking Adventure * Holiday relaxation in Ssese Islands   **Booking Gorilla Permits**  Uganda gorilla permits cost $700 and Rwanda gorilla permits cost $1500. These have to be acquired months before your trip to be assured of viewing the mountain gorillas. Read more about #booking gorilla permits |
| **What is Included:** | Airport/Hotel Transfers  Park Entrance Fees  Gorilla Permit per person  Chimp Permit per person  Meals as per Itinerary  Safari Transportation to/from airport  English Speaking Tour Guide/Driver |
| **Tour Places:** | Murchison Falls National Park  Kibale National park  Fort portal tourism city  Queen Elizabeth National park Uganda  Bwindi Impenetrable Forest  Gorilla Trekking in Bwindi Impenetrable Forest.  Kisoro Town  Ssese Islands |
| **Tour Sceneries:** | Climbing lions, chimps, birds, Gorillas, lakes and rivers |
| **Days/ Itinerary** | **DAY 1:Transfer to Murchison Falls National Park for Wildlife Safari.**  After an early breakfast, we start up our 13 days Uganda Safari Holiday, with briefing from our guide before we transfer to Murchison Falls national park via Masindi town arrive at the park. It is named because of the spectacular Murchison Falls, where the world’s longest  Nile river detonates fervently through a tapered crevice in the Rift Valley escarpment to thrust into a foaming pool 43m below. on your way , you will visit the[Zziwa rhino sanctuary](https://www.gorillasafaris-uganda.com/ziwa-rhino-sanctuary-in-uganda/).  This sanctuary was set up to reintroduce rhinoceros to Uganda which had become extinct in 1982. This 70 square kilometer sanctuary in an immaculate bush country is currently home to the only wild rhinos in Uganda. The long term goal is to build a sustainable rhino population and move rhinos back to their original habitat in Uganda’s protected areas. Wildlife populations have largely recovered from the poaching of the 1980s; in the lush borassus grassland to the north of the Nile, elephant, buffalo, giraffe and a variety of antelope are regularly encountered on game drives, while lion are seen with increasing incidence.  Visit the top of the falls. You will have an opportunity to see the Nile’s beauty perfected as you watch the Nile water fall into a 45 meter plunge, forming a rainbow. And then later your will retire for dinner and over night at.  **Accommodation:** Budget- Reds Chillis Banda Moderate -Sambiya River lodge Up Market – P[araa Safari Lodge](https://paraalodge.com/) or [Nile Safari Lodge](https://nilesafarilodge.com/), [Chobe Safari Lodge](https://chobelodgeuganda.com/).  **Day 2: Game drive and Launch cruise in Murchison falls National Park.**  Early in the morning, you will take a cup of coffee and then go for a game drive where you will encounter Giraffes, Lions, Elephants, baboons, and a number of different antelopes. Return to the lodge for mid morning breakfast and then later in the after noon, In the after lunch go for a boat cruise on the Victoria Nile upstream to the base of the Murchison falls.  Expected are Hippos, crocodiles, Water bucks, and a wide variety of bird species. Reach the “Devils Cauldron” where you will take a clear view of the majestic falls. Return for dinner and over night.  **Accommodation:** Budget- Reds Chillis Banda Moderate -Sambiya River lodge Up Market –P[araa Safari Lodge](https://paraalodge.com/) or [Nile Safari Lodge](https://nilesafarilodge.com/), [Chobe Safari Lodge](https://chobelodgeuganda.com/).  **Day 3: Kibale National Park Uganda for chimpanzee Tracking ( 7-8 hours)**  Check out Murchison Falls national Park and drive to Kibale Forest national park , The ride takes you through the verdant country side of the Albertine Escarpment . The drive will take you through the village of Kagadi and Hoima with lunch en route.  Budget – Chimps nest Moderate – Primates Lodge Kanyankyu Cottages,  Up Market –[Kyaninga Lodge](https://www.kyaningalodge.com/) or [Ndali Lodge](https://www.ndalilodge.com/) / [primate lodge kibale](https://ugandalodges.com/lodges/primate-lodge-kibale/)/ Kibale safari [lodge/Craters Lodge.](https://cratersafarilodge.com/).  **Day 4: Chimpanzee Tracking and transfer to Queen Elizabeth National park for wildlife safari.**  Early morning breakfast and then track the Kibale Forest to search for Man’s closet cousins the Chimpanzees.(persons must be of a minimum age of 15 years).  The forest is also home to other primates like grey cheeked mangabeys, baboons and vervet monkeys. . In the after noon, you will transfer to Queen Elizabeth Np . You will visit the crater lakes region and then transfer for dinner and over night at  **Accommodation:** Budget – Albertine Camp Moderate – Hippo Hill Camp Luxury – Mweya Safari lodge/ Jacana safari lodge  **Day 5: Game drive and launch cruise.**  Wake up early in the mornings and take cup of tea or coffee. Go for a game drive along Kasenyi track to see the herds of Buffalo, Elephant, Warthog and Lion. Return to the lodge for mid morning break fast. After lunch, a two-hour launch cruise along the Kazinga channel proffers visitors a unique opportunity to encounter at close quarters hippo and a variety of bird species common to the park. The prolific bird life is colorful and astonishing with well over 550 resident species. Dinner and overnight at your lodge.  **DAY 6: Drive to Bwindi Impenetrable Forests for Gorilla Trekking.**  After breakfast drive to Bwindi Impenetrable Forest National Park through picturesque panorama where the over riding topography is of terraced farmland and deep valleys, Ishasha sector for the tree climbing lions, Lunch enroute,  dinner and overnight at Gorilla Resort Camp or Lake Kitandara tented camp(Luxury) or Buhoma Rest camp.  **DAY 7: Gorilla Trekking Bwindi Impenetrable Forest National Park.**  At the Buhoma Headquarters of the Uganda Wildlife Authority a ranger guide will brief you about Gorilla trekking protocol. You should carry a packed lunch and water for this activity. The time taken to track gorillas is erratic for it can take 2- 8 hours. This is the one of the unique tour activities that Uganda has. And encounter of these gorillas, one may be forced to say; it is a worthwhile!!!! Dinner and overnight at the camp.  **Day 8: To Kisoro**  After breakfast depart for kisoro, stopping at the Kanaba gap to view the Virunga volcanoes and terraced hills, visit Lake Mutanda and take a wake at its shores. Stay in Kisoro for a night and relax your tiered legs.  Dinner and over night at Budget – Nkuringo safari Centre Moderate – Travelers Rest Kisoro / Nkuringo Safari LodgeUp Market – Clouds Lodge  **Day 9: Another day of Gorilla Trekking (optional at US$700-subject to booking in Advance)**  Trek gorillas (subject to the availability of gorilla permits at the time of booking). Alternatively, go for birding, caving. Hill walking, caldera climb, and pygmy (Batwa) visit or simply relax at the hotel. Day 10: To Lake Mburo National Park Very early in the morning, given the little time, take breakfast, then have a drive of 4 hours to Lake Mburo National Park. A game drive today will enable us to see the zebras, topes, elephants, elands, impalas, buffaloes antelopes , etc. Dinner and overnight at  **Accommodation:** Budget- Rwonyo BandasModerate- Arcadia Lake Mburo Camp Up market – Mantana Luxury tented Camp  **Day 11: To Ssese Island.**  After breakfast set off to the Ssese Islands via Masaka and arrive on time at the Bukakata ferry destined for Bugala Island. Stay overnight and enjoy the Lake breeze at Ssese Palm Beach Resort/ Ssese habitat Resort / Mirembe Resort.  **Day 12: At Ssese Island.**  Enjoy the stunning sunrise and after breakfast go bird watching and morning forest walk. Look out for primates like monkeys , a prolific variety of water and forest birds including; Hornbill, Turaco, Flycatcher, weaver, Fish Eagle, and colorful butterflies. In the afternoon that is after lunch set for Busaka on a motorized boat for bird watching by the water fall. Relax on the white sand beaches the tour the Islands.  **Day 13: Transfer to Entebbe**  In the morning set for Entebbe by the early morning ferry . Have lunch and then later you will be transferred to the airport for your flight back home to **End our 13 days Uganda**  **safari holiday.**  Please note that we also provide tailor made safaris and tours or expeditions to Africa involving cruises, visiting primates, sightseeing tours, adventure trails , mount trekking and trips to various safari journeys in Africa. |
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| **Title:** | 15 DAYS UGANDA SAFARI – MAGIC OF NATURE |
| **Short Tittle** | Exclusive wildlife in the Savanna of Africa |
| **Day count** | 15 |
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| **overview:** | Let us show you the Magic of nature during this **15 days Uganda safari**, including all the big highlights. You’re given the chance to experience the animals of the savanna and the primates in the forests with Gorilla and Chimps trekking as well as game-drives and boat-cruises mixed with culture and scenic nature. |
| **What is Included:** | Airport/Hotel Transfers  Park Entrance Fees  Gorilla Permit per person  Chimp Permit per person  Meals as per Itinerary  Safari Transportation to/from airport  English Speaking Tour Guide/Driver |
| **Tour Places:** | * Lake Mburo National Park * Lake Bunyonyi * Bwindi Impenetrable National Park * Queen Elizabeth National Park * Kalinzu Forest * Crater lakes area * Murchison Falls National Park * Ziwa Rhino sanctuary * Jinja   Learn more about [Uganda’s national parks](https://www.mamalandsafaris.com/about-uganda), [Safaris to Uganda](https://www.mamalandsafaris.com/) & [Gorilla trekking](https://www.mamalandsafaris.com/gorilla-trekking-in-uganda.html). |
| **Tour Sceneries:** | Climbing lions, chimps, birds, Gorillas, lakes and rivers |
| **Days/ Itinerary** | **DAY 1: ARRIVAL AT ENTEBBE AIRPORT**  At Entebbe Airport you meet your safari guide who takes you to the hotel in Entebbe to relax and be ready to set off for the 15 days Uganda safari the next morning. **Overnight Tilapia Lodge**  **DAY 2: TRANSFER TO LAKE MBURO NP**  Start early from Kampala to transfer to Lake Mburo, the ‘Zebra magnet’. We stop over and take photo poses at the equator and continue driving past the town of Masaka. Shortly we reach Lake Mburo national park and drive out to the vast savanna dotted with acacia and shrubs, as we game drive in for view of Zebras, Topis, Warthogs, cape buffaloes and impalas. Check in at the lodge and have a relaxed evening. **Overnight in Rwakobo rock**    **DAY 3: EARLY MORNING SAFARI WALK AND TRANSFER TO LAKE BUNYONYI**  Get early up for a safari walk by the lodge for chance to see zebras, impalas, waterbucks, birds, buffaloes in there day break jungle life! After the safari walk get back to the lodge for breakfast before setting off with Lake Bunyonyi as the next target destination during this 15 days Uganda safari. This is  a lake at 1800 meters above sea level in an area with superb rich views and with small resident and exotic bird species singing.It is in this coolest area in Uganda below 10C some nights! It’s also a rare Bilharzia free lake (you can swim). **Overnight Lake Bunyonyi Eco Resort**    **DAY 4: RELAXATION AT LAKE BUNYONYI**  Enjoy a free day by the lake with a shortlist of possible activities such as swimming, hiking, canoeing and visiting other islands. (activities this day are optional and not included in the price) **Overnight Lake Bunyonyi Eco Resort**    **DAY 5: TRANSFER BWINDI IMPENETRABLE NATIONAL PARK & COMMUNITY WALK**  Have a relaxed breakfast before we set of for the journey to Bwindi Forest, the home of the mountain gorillas. The drive takes you through the magical cultivated hills it’s a beautiful drive and it gets you to a point of over 2650 meters above sea level. Have lunch along the way or at the lodge depending on time. Take a community walk in the village to see how the people in the mountains live and how the Batwa people used to live in the forest. Then you can relax at the lodge in the evening taking in the views of the mountains and forest. **Overnight Buhoma Community Rest Camp**    **DAY 6: GORILLA TREKKING DAY- BWINDI IMPENETRABLE NATIONAL PARK & TRANSFER TO ISHASHA, QUEEN ELIZABETH NATIONAL PARK**  Early breakfast, which gets you ready for the exciting day of mountain gorilla trekking, the highlight of this **15 days Uganda safari**. Arrive at the gorilla trekking starting point and set off for your big adventure to see the great giants of the misty mountains. You trek in a group with a specialized guide and get to spend one hour with the mountain gorillas. Besides the mountain gorillas this Impenetrable Forest is full of birds, butterfly and plant species plus forest hog; forest Elephants, Statungas and Duikers. After the trek your guide picks you and start the journey to the lodge by the southern Ishasha sector of Queen Elizabeth national park. The way takes you from the forest covered mountains, to cultivated hills, villages and on to the savanna of Ishasha part of Queen Elizabeth national park. Arrive at the lodge for a relaxed evening. **Overnight in Topi Lodge**    **DAY 7: MORNING & AFTERNOON GAME-DRIVES IN ISHASHA, QUEEN ELIZABETH NATIONAL PARK**  In the early morning we will drive off in the adventurous vast savannah of the Ishasa sector of Queen Elizabeth NP, known for its tree-climbing lions. Here we have chance to see Topis, buffaloes, elephants and hopefully find the lions high in the Fig tree branches. This is one of two areas in Africa where lions have the habit of regularly climbing trees to take a rest. After the morning game-drive we drive back to the lodge for lunch and a bit of rest before it is time to head out again for a second chance to search for lions during the afternoon game-drive. **Overnight in Topi Lodge**    **DAY 8: TRANSFER FROM ISHASHA TO NORTHERN PART OF PARK AND BOAT-CRUISE IN QUEEN ELIZABETH NATIONAL PARK**  After breakfast we start the journey northwards on the adventurous road leading through the park to the northern part of Queen Elizabeth NP as we continue our 15 days Uganda safari. Along this road you can be lucky to see elephants, monkeys and even big cats. After lunch at 3 pm you get ready for the Classic highlights on the 2hrs Boat cruise on the famous Kazinga channel, a 36kms channel linking Lake George and Lake Edward. You have the chance of spotting land and water Adapted Hippopotamuses Yawning and some slashing canines to each other and the National Geographical society Killing machine the Nile Crocodile gaping along the Banks! Savannah version of Pigs the Warthog- Pumba of the award winning Lion King are a hallmark sign in this Animal home! Of Mamaland Uganda. With your Binoculars along the peninsula you have a magnificent view of Birds, animals like the ever playing African Elephants in Waters as we sigh and reset Fatigue and stress, to point zero (it’s a must on this day’s game view). **Overnight Pumba safari cottages beautiful cliffs**    **DAY 9: CHIMPS TREKKING IN KALINZU FOREST AND RELAXED AFTERNOON WITH POSSIBLE VILLAGE WALK**  After breakfast we head for the close by Kalinzu forest for chimps trekking. In this tropical rainforest a community of around 80 habituated chimps live as well as beautiful birds and other forest creatures.Enjoy a walk and hopefully have an exciting meeting with the chimpanzees. Get back to the lodge for lunch after the trek and have a relaxed afternoon. You can either relax at the lodge enjoying the view or go for a village walk in the area letting you see village life and a nearby crater lake. **Overnight in Pumba Safari cottages.**    **DAY 10: TRANSFER TO THE CRATER LAKES AREA BY KIBALE FOREST & WALK TO CRATER LAKE**  Leave the area of Queen Elizabeth national park with the crater lakes area as the target. Pass by local markets and drive further through the crater areas. Check in at the lodge and go for a walk taking you to see beautiful views of a crater lake and hopefully some interesting primates such as Black and white colobus – red colobus and red tailed monkey plus colorful butterflies and various Bird species like the native Great blue Turaco.  **Overnight Isunga Lodge**    **DAY 11: TRANSFER TO LODGE BY MURCHISON FALLS NP**  It’s a long day in the car today during our 15 days Uganda safari as we drive up towards Murchison Falls NP. We target to have lunch in Hoima and make the journey easier by a couple of fruits during the drive as well as with a punctuation of stopovers at scenery like tea plantations along the drive ways – typical African village setup in the far countryside offer us chances of stretching. The last part of the journey we drive through Murchison Falls NP so you can get a first taste of what Uganda’s biggest national park has to offer.  **Overnight Hornbill Bush Lodge**    **DAY 12: GAME-DRIVE AND BOAT-CRUISE TO THE BOTTOM OF THE FALLS, MURCHISON FALLS NP**  Take a morning game-drive to explore the broad savanna for sights of big cats hunting, elephants, giraffes, buffaloes, plus more as the checklist of mammals in Murchison Falls national park reaches 76. We continue browsing the circuits to the Delta point for a cocktail of Birds and mammals. In the afternoon you go for the 2pm boat ride on the Nile to the base of Murchison Falls where you get to see the Hippos (You have never seen more hippos yawning, Grooming in there Pods anywhere else than here- Believe me you), Nile Crocodiles, Elephants and a variety of beautiful bird species along the banks. If you are a keen birder this might be your magnet to catch them. After the boat your guide picks you to make the drive back to the lodge.  **Overnight Hornbill Bush Lodge**    **DAY 13: TRANSFER TO JINJA VIA ZIWA RHINO SANCTUARY FOR A TREK WITH RHINOS**  After breakfast we leave the lodge to make the journey to Ziwa rhino sanctuary where they are working on reintroducing rhinos to Uganda. Go trekking the rhinos with a specialized guide to see these impressive animals close-up. We then continue the journey to the town Jinja.  **Overnight Kingfisher resort Jinja**    **DAY 14: VISIT SOURCE OF THE NILE AND THEN TRANSFER TO ENTEBBE (OPTION OF RAFTING ON THE NILE).**  This day on our 15 days Uganda safari we visit the source of the mighty river Nile, you go out on a boat-ride on the river to see it close-up. Have lunch in Jinja and then start the journey to Entebbe taking you through Kampala where the guide can point out some main sights. Arrive in Entebbe in the late afternoon/evening depending on traffic. *– An optional activity this day is to go white water rafting on the mighty river Nile (There are options of half day and full day rafting. Let us know when booking if you are interested in this and we will make arrangements.* **Overnight in**[**Tilapia Lodge**](https://woodlandlodgesug.com/tilapia-lodge-entebbe/)    **DAY 15: FLIGHT DAY AFTER 15 DAYS UGANDA SAFARI**  In time for your flight your guide (or the guesthouse staff) drops you at the airport after an unforgettable 15 days safari in Uganda, discovering the magic of nature. *– If you have an afternoon or evening flight it is possible to add a visit to Uganda Wildlife Educational Center (UWEC) or the botanical gardens in Entebbe, optional and not included in the stated price.* |
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| **Title:** | **16 DAYS UGANDA SAFARI – FROM NORTH TO SOUTH** |
| **Short Tittle** | Discover Uganda’s varied nature and Culture |
| **Day count** | 16 |
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| **overview:** | Experience Uganda from North to South during this **16-days Uganda Safari**: Kidepo Valley NP to Bwindi Impenetrable NP. Start by heading to the untouched wilderness of Kidepo. From there continue the journey to the south with highlights of boat-cruise, game-drives and chimps trekking on the way. In the south you will meet the gentle Giants of Bwindi Impenetrable National Park, the Mountain Gorillas |
| **What is Included:** | Airport/Hotel Transfers  Park Entrance Fees  Gorilla Permit per person  Chimp Permit per person  Meals as per Itinerary  Safari Transportation to/from airport  English Speaking Tour Guide/Driver |
| **Tour Places:** | o Ziwa Rhino Sanctuary  o Kidepo Valley National Park  o Murchison Falls National Park  o Kibale Forest / budget option Kyambura Gorge  o Queen Elizabeth National Park  o Bwindi Impenetrable National Park  o Lake Bunyonyi  o Lake Mburo National Park |
| **Tour Sceneries:** | Climbing lions, chimps, birds, Gorillas, lakes and rivers, Rhinos, Girrafee, Buffulo, Antilopes |
| **Days/ Itinerary** | **DAY 1: ARRIVAL DAY AT ENTEBBE AIRPORT**  Arrive at Entebbe international airport during the day/evening and be met by your safari guide to start your 16 days Uganda safari from north to south. You will be taken to the lodge to rest after the flight and be ready for the adventures starting tomorrow. **Overnight in Tilapia Lodge**    **DAY 2: JOURNEY NORTH VIA ZIWA RHINO SANCTUARY**  After an early breakfast you start your **16-days Uganda Safari**and set off on the journey that will take you to Kidepo Valley National Park. It’s a long journey so todays target is to spend the night in the town Kitgum. The drive takes you past Ziwa Rhino Sanctuary where a stop is made for a walk following the Rhinos. At Ziwa Rhino Sanctuary they are working to reintroduce rhinos in Uganda. Later driving north, lunch in Gulu/ enroute, Uganda’s second biggest town. After this continue to the town Kitgum to spend the night. **Overnight in Kitgum Boma hotel**    **DAY 3: TRANSFER MEETING WITH KARAMOJONG PEOPLE AND EVENING GAME-DRIVE IN KIDEPO VALLEY NATIONAL PARK**  After breakfast set off for Kidepo valley National Park, the first park of this 16 days Uganda safari. In a landscape of vast plains and semi-arid savannah framed by jagged mountains and wooded hills, Kidepo is one of the wildest and most spectacular reserves in Africa. On arrival before entering the park have a cultural experience that will bring you into contact with Karamojong peoples at Karenna and Kapedo. Meet the local elders and have an opportunity to interact with them. They will show you the kraals, the grinding stones and many more interesting items. **Overnight at Apoka hostel bandas**    **DAY 4: A DAY TO EXPLORE KIDEPO VALLEY NP, MORNING & EVENING GAME-DRIVES**  The morning-game drive takes us towards Natabba gate area for the cheetahs and other lower grassland mammals. The landscape throughout Kidepo Valley national park is studded with small hills, rocky outcrops and inselbergs from which one can obtain stunning views in all directions enjoy panoramic views of the Narus River Valley and photographic opportunities of wildlife from all corners. An evening game drive along the Narus River Valley for game Viewing and photography of Elephants, herds of Buffaloes, Jackals, Jackson’s Hartebeest, Klipspringer and possibly Lions. **Overnight at Apoka hostel bandas**    **DAY 5: MORNING GAME-DRIVE AND AFTERNOON**  After an early breakfast, go for a morning game drive to Kanangorok hot spring area crossing the sand river. A variety of animals can be seen roaming around including Ostrich connecting back for lunch. And an evening focusing on the buffalo track and the water holes around Narus Valley. **Overnight at Apoka hostel bandas**    **DAY 6: TRANSFER TO MURCHISON FALLS NATIONAL PARK. THE GIRAFFE PARADISE!**  After breakfast we leave Kidepo Valley national park, maybe catching some last sights of its animals as we drive out. Continue on on our **16-days Uganda Safari** through remote parts of Uganda through the city of Gulu and on to the lodge by Murchison Falls national park. We arrive in the afternoon and relax at the lodge. **Overnight Hornbill Bush Lodge**    **DAY 7: GAME-DRIVE & BOAT-CRUISE IN MURCHISON FALLS NATIONAL PARK**  In the morning we set off for a game-drive in Murchison Falls national park. On the broad savannah you search for Big cats, Elephants, Giraffes, Buffalos, plus more as the checklist of mammals reaches 76. We continue browsing the circuits to the delta point for a cocktail of birds and mammals. In the afternoon you go for the 2pm boat ride on the Nile to the base of Murchison Falls where you get to see the Hippos (You have never seen more hippos yawning, Grooming in there Pods anywhere else than here- Believe me you), Nile Crocodiles, Elephants and a variety of beautiful bird species along the banks. If you are a keen birder this might be your magnet to catch them. After the boat-cruise we head back to the lodge. **Overnight in**[**Hornbill Bush Lodge**](https://woodlandlodgesug.com/hornbill-bush-lodge/)    **DAY 8: TRANSFER TO KIBALE FOREST**  After breakfast transfer towards Kibale Forest. It’s a long drive today during our 16 days Uganda safari with our target to have lunch in Fort portal. A punctuation of stopovers at sceneries like the Rift valley escarpment on Lake Albert – typical African village setup in the far countryside and tea plantations along the drive offer us chances of stretching. We check in late afternoon to an area with an amazing display of primates and lovely scenery.  **Overnight Isunga lodge**    **DAY 9: CHIMPS TREKKING IN KIBALE FOREST & TRANSFER TO QUEEN ELIZABETH NP**  In the morning you head into the forest of the Primate city of Kibale for chimpanzee trekking. Kibale Forest national park is a rainy forest and a home to over 1500 Chimpanzees. Here you have the chance to see the chimps close up and capture shots of our closet cousins in the jungle in there frenzy exciting moods as they are grooming, building relationships, bringing up young ones, think and sharing food, plus rare bird species following them. In the forest 9 different species of Monkeys are found so you have chances of seeing red colobus, red tailed monkey and bush babies on a great day. After the trek we transfer to the lodge by Queen Elizabeth NP via the crater lakes region.  **Overnight in Pumba safari cottages**  **BUDGET OPTION FOR DAY 8 & 9**  **– SAVE 100 USD PER PERSON!**    **DAY 8: TRANSFER TO QUEEN ELIZABETH NP**  After breakfast we transfer towards Queen Elizabeth NP as we continue our 10 days Uganda Safari. It’s a long drive with our target to have lunch in Fort portal. A punctuation of stopovers at sceneries like the Rift valley escarpment on Lake Albert – typical African village setup in the far countryside and tea plantations along the drive offer us chances of stretching. **Overnight Pumba Safari Cottages**    **DAY 9: CHIMPANZEE TREKKING IN KYAMBURA GORGE**  In the morning you head down into the fascinating Kyambura Gorge for chimpanzee trekking. The gorge is a jungle within a gorge in the middle of Queen Elizabeth NP’s savannah, a very special sight. You go in a group with a specialized guide to search for the chimps. After the trek your guide takes you back to the lodge for lunch and a relaxed afternoon. **Overnight Pumba Safari Cottages**  **DAY 10: GAME-DRIVE AND BOAT CRUISE IN QUEEN ELIZABETH NATIONAL PARK**  In the morning we head out to the savannah of Queen Elizabeth NP to experience beautiful scenery and search for lion, leopard and other interesting animals. After lunch it is time for the Classic highlight of the 2hrs boat-cruise on the famous Kazinga channel, a 36kms channel linking Lake George to lake Edward. On the banks you can see land and water Adapted Hippopotamuses Yawning and some slashing canines to each other, the National Geographical society Killing machine the Nile Crocodile gaping along the Banks and Savannah versions of Pigs the Warthog- Pumba of the award winning Lion King are a hallmark sign in this Animal home!  **Overnight [Pumba safari cottages](https://woodlandlodgesug.com/pumba-safari-cottages/" \t "_blank)**    **DAY 11: TRANSFER TO ISHASHA SECTOR AND AFTERNOON GAME-DRIVE**  After a relaxed breakfast we start the adventurous journey through the park to the southern [Ishasha sector](https://topilodgeishasha.com/ishasha-queen-elizabeth-np/) of Queen Elizabeth NP. If we are lucky we can see elephants, monkeys, beautiful birds and even big cats along the road-side. We arrive at the lodge for lunch and then in the afternoon head out for a game-drive to search for tree-climbing lions during our 16 days Uganda safari. The Ishasha sector is one of only two locations in Africa where the lions have the habit of regularly climbing the trees to rest. During the game-drive we also have chance to see topis, buffaloes and lovely scenery.  **Overnight [Topi Lodge](https://woodlandlodgesug.com/topi-lodge/)**    **DAY 12: MORNING GAME-DRIVE IN ISHASHA & TRANSFER TO BWINDI**  In the early morning we will ones again drive off in the adventurous vast savannah of the Ishasha sector of Queen Elizabeth NP to search for interesting sights. After the game-drive we head to the lodge for lunch and then start the drive to Bwindi mountains the home of the mountain gorillas. The journey takes us from the savanna via cultivated hills to the jungle covered mountains of Bwindi where you will have the great highlight of this 16-days Uganda Safari the next day.  **Overnight in Buhoma Community Rest Camp**    **DAY 13: GORILLA TREKKING DAY- BWINDI IMPENETRABLE NATIONAL PARK**  Bwindi Impenetrable Forest National Park is the home to the forest giants that are cousins to human beings, the mountain gorillas. Today we have reached the highlight of this 16 days Uganda safari, the mountain gorilla trekking. You will be taken in a group by a specialized guide into the jungle for your gorilla trekking adventure. Trek through the beautiful nature and spend one hour with the gorillas, an unforgettable experience. This Impenetrable Forest is also full of birds, butterflies and plant species plus forest hog, forest elephants, statungas and dikers. After the trek your guide picks you and you transfer to Lake Bunyonyi through cultivated hills. After this afternoon drive we check in to a lake 1840m above sea level for some rest. It is deservedly nice after trotting from Kampala since day 1 and some early starts – without any rest! **Overnight Bunyonyi Eco Resort** (Lake Bunyonyi this night will depend on which group or time registered back after trekking.)    **DAY 14: RELAXATION DAY BY LAKE BUNYONYI**  Have a free day to relax by beautiful Lake Bunyonyi. There is a short list of activities: canoeing, swimming (safe in this lake), hiking along the lake-shores, return to the hotel and relax / canoe ride along Lake Bunyonyi with small resident and exotic bird species singing. **Overnight Bunyonyi Eco Resort**    **DAY 15: TRANSFER TO LAKE MBURO NATIONAL PARK**  After breakfast transfer to Lake Mburo, the ‘Zebra magnet’. Leave Lake Bunyonyi and continue driving through the hilly areas. Arrive in the park and have lunch at the lodge before heading for an afternoon game drive for view of Zebras, Giraffes, Topis, Warthogs, cape buffaloes and impalas. **Overnight in Rwakobo Rock**    **DAY 16: SAFARI WALK BY LAKE MBURO NATIONAL PARK AND TRANSFER TO ENTEBBE AIRPORT**  Early morning safari walk from the lodge. Get early up for chance to see zebras, waterbucks, birds and buffaloes in there day break jungle life! After the walk it is time for breakfast at the lodge before you start the drive to Entebbe. Have lunch at the Equator and take the chance for some photo poses where the southern- and northern hemispheres meet. We have reached the end of the **16-days Uganda Safari** from north to south and drive back through to Entebbe for flight in the evening/night (if flight next day possible to add an extra night). |
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| **Title:** | **15 DAYS UGANDA BIRDING SAFARI – HARDCORE** |
| **Short Tittle** | Achorus of Birdsongs in the Jungles of Uganda |
| **Day count** | 15 |
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| **overview:** | Accommodate enough time to do birding in some of the over 30 IBA’s important birding areas, recognized by Birdlife international, Nature Uganda and IUCN.. During this hardcore **15 days Uganda birding safari**we cover most of Uganda’s different birding habitats with top IBA’s as well as have time for classic safari and chimps trekking (optional addition of Gorilla trekking). Go with our specialized birding guide to discover the amazing birds Uganda has to offer. This safari will give you the chance for top ticks and we supply a birding checklist to keep track of what you have seen.  **THINGS TO REMEMBER FOR YOUR BIRDING SAFARI**   * If you have a special interest be sure to inform us already at the planning stage so the itinerary can be made with it in mind. * Share the wish list beforehand. * You can share the birding level and help us dictate the pace of the day today safari. * Bring binoculars 8×32, 10×42 etc, not heavy and great magnification. * Telescopes are great for birding but can be bulky in forests. * For those great pictures a camera with good zoom or telephoto lens is needed * Hiking boots are preferable for rain forest bird-watching. * Take along rain-gear as well as long-sleeved pants and shirt.   If you prefer Birding at ease for great pictures we also address that |
| **What is Included:** | Airport/Hotel Transfers  Park Entrance Fees  Meals as per Itinerary  Safari Transportation to/from airport  English Speaking Tour Guide/Driver |
| **Tour Places:** | * **Mabamba Swamp**– *The Great Shoebill stork, Lesser Jacana.* * **The Royal Mile**– Nahan’s Francolin, Cabanis bunting. * **Murchison Falls National Park**– Dusky Babbler, Red-Winged warbler. * **Kibale Forest National Park**– Green Breasted pitta, Crowned Eagle. * **Semuliki National Park**– Red Billed Dwarf Hornbill, Capuchin babbler. * **Queen Elizabeth National Park*–****African Skimmers, Black-rumped button quail*. * **Ishasha sector-** White tailed lark, *African scops owl.* * **Bwindi Impenetrable National Park.** *Grauers Broadbill, Rwenzori Batis.* * **Lake Mburo National Park**– *Red faced Barbet, Tabora Cisticola* |
| **Tour Sceneries:** | National Park, Different Bird species |
| **Days/ Itinerary** | **DAY 1: ARRIVAL ENTEBBE FOR OUR BALLISTIC BIRDING SAFARI**  Entebbe Airport, meet our Bird guide for the hardcore 15 days Uganda birding safari! If it’s a day flight we could go birding in Entebbe botanical garden ticking off specialities plus urban birds like the Orange weaver, Golden backed weaver and other master builders of the weaver family, Superb sunbird, Hornbills and Turacos plus the rare Bat hawk are on the menu as we explore this transitional habitat. **Overnight in**[**Tilapia Lodge**](https://woodlandlodgesug.com/tilapia-lodge-entebbe/)    **DAY 2: GREAT SHOEBILL STORK AND TRANSFER TO MASINDI – ADD ON ZIWA RHINOS SANCTUARY**  In the morning we head over to Mabamba Swamp for the great shoebill stork, transferring by ferry / canoes to the IBA wetland swamp of Mabamba. Besides the Shoebill stork we could see several aquatic birds, African marsh Harriers, key species like the lesser Jacana and Rufous bellied Heron. If time allow search for the beautiful painted Pygmy goose and White backed ducks. After this we transfer towards Masind birding along the way, with a stop over at the Luwero swamp and evening birding in the woodland before Masindi for Bruce’s pigeon, Bronze tailed starling, White crested Turaco, Hartlaubs Marsh widow bird, Brown babblers and Purple starling. **Overnight Masindi Hotel**    **DAY 3: “THE ROYAL MILE” BIRDING & ON TO LODGE BY MURCHISON FALLS NP**  In the morning we continue our 15 days Uganda birding safari by heading for the Royal Mile forest birding. We bird the rank grass for Brown Twinspot, Grey headed Oliveback and Cabanis Bunting to the dazzling forestry track rated as one of the premier forest birding sites in Africa. We will make an acquaintance with the first of many central African forest birds. Birding for The Top 5 of the Royal Mile like Rufous Crowned Eremomela, Ituribatis, Nahan’s francolin, Chocolate backed Kingfishers, Skulking Alethes and Illadopses singing from the undergrowth and we will work through mixed-species flocks of Spotted Greenbuls. Transfer out through the grasslands trying the Namaqua dove and White rumped seed eater,towards the escarpment for the Cliff chat and Foxy cisticola plus the view of the blue mountains of Congo, Red winged Pytillia and Brown Rumped Buntings are a focus here. Then continue to the lodge just outside Murchison Falls NP for the night. **Overnight Hornbill Bush Lodge**    **DAY 4: GAME-DRIVE & BIRDING IN MURCHISON FALLS NP**  Birding the northern bank in the morning, if time allows continue to top of the falls, Rock Pratincole. Northern crombecs, White crested Helmet shrikes and continue out. Game drive Nile river Bank to the broad savannah for the most likelihood Big cats hunting, Elephants, Giraffes, Buffalos, plus more as the checklist of mammals reaches 76! We continue browsing the drive circuits to the Delta point for a cocktail of Birds and mammals, birding along the tracks yields Red necked Falcons, Shelleys Sparrow, Verreaux owl, Carmine bee Eaters, Swallow tailed bee eaters and trying the Dusky babbler, Chestnut Crowned and White browed Sparrow weavers as we try the Denhams Bustard. **Overnight Hornbill bush lodge.**    **DAY 5: TRANSFER TO KIBALE FOREST AREA- MAJOR STOPS TO PICK MORE SPECIES.**  Transfer to Kibale area, stop over at the forest edge near Sebitoli as we try the White-naped pigeons, Afep pigeons and Masked Apalis before continuing through Kibale forest the second forest on this 15 days Uganda birding safari. Here we expect many interesting birds as well as that the forest is home to 9 different species of Monkeys like red colobus, red tailed monkey and bush babies. Colored aviation creatures-butterflies various bird species like the Native Great blue Turaco, Cassin’s flycatcher and Narrow tailed starlings. **Overnight Kibale Forest lodge.**    **DAY 6: KIBALE FOREST NP FOR THE GREEN BREASTED PITTA & CHIMPS TREKKING**  Kibale National Park is a rainy forest and a home to over 1500 Chimpanzees! plus 9 different species of Monkeys- red colobus, red tailed monkey and bush babies. Main focus is the Green Breasted Pitta as we enter the forest before light with calling Brown & Scaly Illadopsis and some good days the African Wood owl can be ticked off using our flash light. After the Pitta we proceed for chimps trekking since it is the same habitat the chimps are easier to locate as they start their day. After the trek head for Red Chested Owlet, Seimundu’s sunbird, Chestnut Winged Starlings and the superb Black bee – eater as we bird the edge of the forest. Then we transfer out to Semuliki national park, local markets and drive further north-west wards with the Rwenzori ranges (Longest in Africa). Transfer through Fort Portal and arrive to the open area scanning for the Fiery breasted bush shrike and western banded snake eagles. As we sleep in the forest area of bumaga camp we can see bird species like the native Crested Hornbill, Nkulengu Rail, Yellow Throated & Western Nicatorat, all in the environs of the forest can be viewed on a lucky day a lot of birds here too. **Overnight Bumaga Camp Bandas**    **DAY 7: BIRDING IN SEMULIKI NATIONAL PARK**  Full day birding in Semuliki, Kirumya trail, (Probably we head towards the Oxbowlakes towards Congo direction). It’s a full day experience starting early for the region endemic as possibly Ugandas number 1 spot, an IBA with most Congo-forest species stretching to this furthest eastern end. The newly spotted resident on Uganda’s list Akun eagles owl, Blue billed malimbe, western bronze napped pigeon, Maxwell`s black weaver, Congo serpent eagle, red-billed dwarf hornbill, African Dwarf kingfisher, the rare Capuchin babbler, red -thighed and long-tailed hawk are some mega ticks we are hoping to grip to with the smallest relative of the woodpeckers the African piculet a great attraction for our stay. Depending on time we return for an overnight in Lake Nkuruba reserve after a great day on this hardcore 15 days Uganda birding safari. **Overnight Lake Nkuruba reserve**    **DAY 8: CRATER LAKES BIRDING TOWARDS QUEEN ELIZABETH NATIONAL PARK & BOAT-CRUISE IN AFTERNOON**  Transfer out to Queen Elizabeth after Birding the crater areas with an eve targeting the boat cruise and Night jars. In the crater lakes area Joyful greenbul, Mottled and Sabine’s Spinetails, Honey guide Greenbulls, Giant kingfishers and Ross’s turaco, all in the environs of the forest can be viewed on a lucky day. In the afternoon we continue our **15 days Uganda birding safari** by getting ready for the Classic highlights on the 2hrs Boat cruise on the famous Kazinga channel in Queen Elizabeth NP. This is a 36kms channel linking Lake George and Lake Edward. Here we can see land and water Adapted Hippopotamuses Yawning and some slashing canines to each other and the National Geographical society Killing machine the Nile Crocodile gaping along the Bankslots of waders, Pelicans and different gulls. **Overnight in Pumba Safari Cottages**    **DAY 9: GAME-DRIVE WITH BIRDING IN QUEEN ELIZABETH NP & TRANSFER TO ISHASHA**  Queen Elizabeth National Park in the cool morning, this is a park with over 606 bird species. We can take Kazinga channel bridge to try and find the Papyrus Gonolek, the African reed warbler, White winged warbler and Lesser Swamp Warbler. We go for a early game drive that exposes us to a diverse birding habitat, afternoon transfer to Ishasha trying the Siffling cisticola, Zebra Waxbill, Stout Cisticola, and more woodland birds. **Overnight Topi Lodge**    **DAY 10: BIRDING IN ISHASHA & TRANSFER TO BWINDI**  In the morning we go for birding in Ishasha, the southern sector of Queen Elizabeth NP, trying the Lappet faced Vulture, Marshal eagle and Blue quail. It’s a fantastic scenery to start the day on the plains of Queen Elizabeth and if we are lucky we could spot the tree-climbing lions the area is famous for. After lunch we continue our 15 days Uganda birding safari by transfer to Bwindi’s Buhoma section. If we arrive early, we try the lower altitude birds here in the evening. Here we have chance to see Many-coloured Bush-shrike, White tailed anti-thrush, Grey winged robin Chat, the Stunning Blue-Shoulderd Robin chat, the stunning black billed weaver, Black faced rufous-warbler and Bar-tailed Trogon member (of the Uganda top ten). **Overnight Buhoma community rest camp**    **DAY 11: BIRDING FOR LOWER ALTITUDE ENDEMICS IN BWINDI IMPENETRABLE NATIONAL PARK**  Birding in the interior of the primary forest towards the water fall trail targeting highlights like the endemics newly described Willard’s sooty Boubou, Chapins flycatcher and trying the rare ground thrushes Abyssinian and Kivu as we hope for the Neumann’s Warbler. We have picknick lunch in the resting huts in the forest and expect to be back mid afternoon. Lower altitude birds towards “the neck” for trying out the Motacila Clara, Cassin’s Grey Flycatcher, Dusky-blue Flycatcher, try to call out the African Black Ducks, Black-faced Rufous Warbler and Olive Sunbirds. **Overnight Broadbill Forest Camp**    **DAY 12: MUBWINDI HIGHLAND HIKE, GRAUERS BROADBILL, ENDEMICS CONT’D.**  Ruhija Sector / Mubwindi swamp expedition. Albertin endemics day aiming to grip on the Rwenzori Batis, Dusky Crimsonwing, Blue headed Sunbird, Regal Sunbird, African green broadbill, Grauer’s rush warbler, Dwarf honey guide, Stripe-breasted Tit, Archers Robin chat, Black billed Turaco plus White browed crombec, tullbergs woodpecker, soaring buzzards and flocks of Stuhlmanns starlings with there aerial displays. This Impenetrable Forest is full of flora and fauna, birds, butterfly and plant species plus mammals like the little bohms squirrel, forest hogs, forest Elephants, Statungas, Duikers super and the best of natures forest sounds. **Overnight Broadbill Forest Camp**    **DAY 13: BIRDING TOWARDS LAKE MBURO**  . Birding Lake Mburo NP, get up early focusing on picking up new species. It’s a dense population of some rare birds in Mburo. Birding towards Lake Mburo national park as we continue our 15 days Uganda birding safari, trying the lower valleys of the Forest until we leave Bwindi. Along the way we could see Greater Swamp Warblers or Papyrus Canary, till the woodlands of Lake Mburo. Here we find Bearded Wood pecker, Black Collared Barbet, Red faced Barbet, Crested Barbet, Red headed Weavers, Afternoon birding until the Nightjars display. **Overnight Rwakobo Rock**    **DAY 14: WOODLAND & SAVANNAH BIRDING IN LAKE MBURO NATIONAL PARK**  More early birding when its still active – this woodland park, short grasslands is habited with rare residents of North west Tanzania as it shares the same ecosystem with the southern protected area. Tabora Cisticola, Cuckoo Shrikes, Pearl Spotted Owlet, the musical Sulphur-breasted Bush-Shrike and Penduline Tits before we drive off to Entebbe late afternoon. **Overnight Tilapia lodge.**  If time allows we swing kako Swamp for some aquatic birds, Snipes, black crakes, Long Toed Lapwings, flocks of cranes, weavers, teals, geese with many more in this swamp.  **DAY 15: LAZY BIRDING AT THE LODGE TRANSFER TO ENTEBBE FOR FLIGHT**  We then transfer with the speedboat for flight in the evening/night. Plan for an *evening or night flight*or add a night in Entebbe to fly the next day as we finish our hardcore 15 days Uganda birding safari.    **Gorilla trekking option:** Inform us when booking if you wish to include Mountain Gorilla Trekking in the birding safari. Options is then to add a day for gorilla trekking or to exchange the forest birding on day 11 or 12 for Gorilla trekking. |
|  | Details |
| **Title:** | **21 Days Wildlife & Primates Safari – Rwanda Uganda – Wildlife, Gorillas & Chimpanzee** |
| **Short Tittle** | The Safari to thousands of Wildbeests- Natural wonders |
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| **overview:** | 21 days Wildlife & Primates Safari watching tour Uganda and Rwanda apes covers[Murchison Falls](https://www.gorillasafaris-uganda.com/uganda-tours/3-days-murchison-falls-safari/) National Park Uganda, [chimpanzee tracking](https://www.gorillasafaris-uganda.com/uganda-tours/3-days-kibale-chimpanzee-tracking-safari/) at Kaniyo Pabidi, Kibale National Park Uganda,Queen Elizabeth National Park, Kyambura Gorge, Bwindi National Park Uganda Gorillas, Hike the Gahinga – Volcanoes national park Rwanda for mountain gorilla trekking safari, Lake Bunyonyi Surrounding, [lake mburo national park](https://www.gorillasafaris-uganda.com/uganda-attractions/lake-mburo-national-park/) and ends with Ngamba island. |
| **What is Included:** | Airport/Hotel Transfers  Park Entrance Fees  Meals as per Itinerary  Safari Transportation to/from airport  English Speaking Tour Guide/Driver |
| **Tour Places:** | * Road Trip to Western Uganda and Rwanda * Kibale Forest Chimpanzee Tracking * Chimpanzee tracking at Kaniyo Pabidi * Kyambura Gorge Chimpanzee Tracking * Hike the Gahinga * Gorilla Trekking Jungle Safari in Bwindi & Volcanoes Rwanda * Game Drives & Boat Rides in Both Queen and Murchison * Nature Treks |
| **Tour Sceneries:** | Chimps, Climbing Lions, and flora and fauna, concentration of hippos |
| **Days/ Itinerary** | **Day 1: Transfer to Murchison Falls National Park for Wildlife Game Safari  Boat Cruise and primate trek at Kaniyo Pabidi..**  From Kampala, you will head to Murchison Falls National Park, Uganda’s largest national park. It harbors a chunk of feral African savannah Flora and fauna along side mighty river Nile. It is named after magnificent Murchison Falls, where the world’s longest river plunges thunderously through a narrow gorge in the Rift Valley escarpment to plunge into a fizzing pool 43m below.  The Victoria Nile itself harbors one of Africa’s densest hippo and crocodile populations, and a dazzling variety of water birds including the world’s most accessible wild population of the rare **shoebill stork**. Dinner and overnight.  **Accommodation:** (Full board basis) Up-market:[Paraa Safari Lodge](https://paraalodge.com/) or [Nile Safari Lodge](https://nilesafarilodge.com/) Moderate: [Sambiya River Lodge](https://sambiyariverlodge.com/) Lowest Price: [Red Chilli Rest Camp](http://redchillihideaway.com/)  **Day 2: The launch cruise along the River Nile Murchison Falls National Park.**  Take a cup of coffee or tea to warm up for the morning then set off for a 3-5 hours game drive on the northern Bank of the Nile River,You Expect encounters of the Rothschild Giraffe, Jackson Hartebeest, Elephant, Lions, Water bucks and a variety of Savannah woodland birds.Return to your lodge for mid morning breakfast and lunch. In the afternoon, you will go for a launch cruise on the Victoria Nile.  The boat ride takes you to the bottom of the fall. Along the ride you will encounter hippos , crocodiles, and many other savannah wild life taking water. For those interested in birds, watch out for the legendary shoe Bill stork if you are lucky and many other bird species. Return to your lodge for dinner and overnight.  **Accommodation:** (Full board basis) Up-market: [Paraa Safari Lodge](https://paraalodge.com/) or Nile Safari Lodge Moderate: Sambiya River Lodge Lowest Price: Red Chilli Rest Camp  **Day 3: Another Game Drive and Chimpanzee Tracking at Kaniyo Pabidi**  Early morning game drive on the northern Bank. Your guide will help you spot Elephant, Lion, Cape buffalo, Rothschild’s giraffe, hartebeest, Waterbuck, Oribi, Bushbuck, Bohor reedbuck, hyena and if you are lucky, the leopard. After a packed lunch picnic, go for a boat safari upstream the calm Victoria Nile to the base of the falls stopping just tens of meters from the “Devil’s Cauldron”. En-route, marvel at the toothsome hippos, crocodiles and over this 17 km stretch you may see elephant, waterbuck and Uganda Kob.  This is also a zone of many bird species like Goliath heron, Egyptian goose, pelican bee- eater, kingfisher, hornbill, cormorant and the rare shoebill stork. After taking shots of photogenic Murchison Falls, return foorr breakfast and lunc and then in the afternoon you will head to Kaniyo Pabidi for Chimpanzee tracking.  The rangers will help you search for these chimps as they also give you information about the other primates that you will en counter. Return to your lodge for dinner and overnight.  **Accommodation:** (Full board basis) Up-market: Paraa Safari Lodge or Nile Safari Lodge Moderate: Sambiya River Lodge Lowest Price: Red Chilli Rest Camp  **Day 4: Transfer to Fort portal Kibale Forest National Park for Chimpanzee Tracking.**  Transfer to[Kibale Forest National Park,](https://www.gorillasafaris-uganda.com/uganda-attractions/kibale-forest-national-park/) the best spot in the whole word for chimpanzee tracking with concentration of over 10,000 population and kibale national park  is the most accessible of Uganda’s major rainforests and yet home to remarkable 13 primate species, including the very localised red colobus and L’Hoest’s monkey.  You will have the opportunity to tranck habituated chimps .These delightful apes, more closely related to humans than to any other living creature, are awesome to watch as they bicker and have fun in fruiting trees. A network of shady forest trails provides much to glee botanists and butterfly lovers, while birders are in for a fragility with 335 species recorded including the endemic Prirogrine’s ground thrush.The elusive forest elephant, smaller and hairier than its savannah counterpart, budges seasonally into the industrial part of the park, while other earthly mammals include buffalo, giant forest hog and a half dozen antelope species. Retire for dinner and overnight at Lodge.  **Accommodation:**  Luxury:[Ndali Lodge](https://www.ndalilodge.com/) /Mountains of the moon Lodge Moderate: [Rwenzori view guest house](https://www.ruwenzoriview.com/)/ Ataco Budget: Chimps nest  **Day 5: Primates/Chimps Tracking  Safari in Kibale Forest National Park.**  At 8.00am ,start with 4 hours chimpanzee tracking during which you may also get to see  10 other primates species including l’hoestes, red colobus, blues, red tailed and gray-cheeked mangabey. Kibale Park is also known for all the butterflies and birds, The guide will provide detailed explanations, not only on primates, but on all the forest fauna and flora and will ensure that your walk is both informative and enjoyable.  Take lunch and in the afternoon we will walk through Bigodi Swamp (home to a community based project) a community owned incentive. Retire for dinner and overnight your lodge.  **Accommodation:** (Full board basis) Up-market: Kyaninga Lodge or Primate Lodge Kibale Moderate: Mountains Of The Moon Hotel Lowest Price: Kibale Forest Camp  **Day 6: Transfer to Queen Elizabeth National Park for Wildlife Game and Boat on Kazinga Channel.**  Take breakfast and then transfer to Queen Elizabeth National Park. The drive takes 2-4 hours, A game drive en route may be rewarded with views of  acacia trees, lions, elephant, leopard, buffalo, hyena and a variety of antelope, Bird species and alot of other alot of other wildlife savannah flora and fauna species, In the afternoon you will go for a boat -cruise along Kazinga Channel, a natural channel between Lake Edward and Lake George. Expect to get exposed to a bird sin abundance both typical and migrants and the highest concentration of hippos in Africa.  This trip passes through possibly the highest concentration of hippos and many animals that may be seen drinking at the water’s edge. This launch cruise offers an excellent platform for photography, bird watching and game viewing. The prolific bird life is colorful and stupendous with well over 550 resident species. Dinner and overnight stay at Lodges.  **Accommodation:** Luxury Mweya safari lodge/ Jacana safari Lodge/ Kyambura wildlife lodge Moderate Hippo hill Camp Budget Albertine River camp  **Day 7: Two Game Drives today at Queen Elizabeth National  Park for Wildlife Game viewing.**  Wake up early in the morning for a game drive to search for the early risers. Queen Elizabeth National Park’s diverse eco-system of grassy plains, tropical forest, rivers, swamps, lakes and volcanic craters is home to an incredible abundance of wildlife. Game drives in this park, with the massive Rwenzoris as a backdrop provides excellent opportunities to see lion, leopard, giant forest hog, cape buffalo, elephants, defassa waterbuck, Uganda Kob, Topi and bush buck. These two game drives and the boat trip (taken prior) are a memorable method of discovering a vast array of Ugandan wildlife.  **Accommodation options available (all on full board basis)**  Budget: Albertine river camp,simba safari camp  Moderate: Hippo Hill Luxury tented camp  Up market: Mweya safari Lodge / Kyambura Wildlife reserve / Jacana Safari Lodge  **Day 8: Game drive and Launch cruise Queen Elizabeth National Park and A visit Katwe crater lakes for Salt Mining.**  We take on a morning game drive in search of the wild game . The drive will provide excellent scenic view of the great Lakes of Lake Edwards and Lake George, then also their gutter-the great Kazinga channel. In the game drive, expect elephants, lions, buffaloes, kobs, the Python, hyenas, warthogs, birds, hippos etc. Return to the lodge for mid morning breakfast and then have lunch .You will visit the crater lakes region, Katwe salt mines to see how salt is traditionally mined in Uganda. Then later transfer for dinner and overnight  at your hotel.  **Accommodation options available (all on full board basis)**  Budget: Albertine river camp,simba safari camp  Moderate: Hippo Hill Luxury tented camp  Up market: Mweya safari Lodge / Kyambura Wildlife reserve / Jacana Safari Lodge  **Day 9: Queen Elizabeth National Park, Game Safari and Chimpanzee Tracking in Kyambura Gorge.**  Wake up for an early morning breakfast and then transfer to Kyambura gorge for a chimpanzee tour. Driving through grassland area, straight away we come transversely to an amazing ravine of tropical rain forest 100 meters deep. Trek into Kyambura River Gorge for an odd; experience hiking chimpanzees. It’s so paying to see the river valley, home of many bird and butterfly species. Rangers will provide the necessary information about the gorge and then later you will return to your lodge for lunch, dinner and overnight.:  **Accommodation options available (all on full board basis)**  Budget : Albertine river camp,simba safari camp  Moderate : Hippo Hill Luxury tented camp  Up market : Mweya safari Lodge / Kyambura Wildlife reserve / Jacana Safari Lodge  **Day 10: Queen Elizabeth National Park and drive to Bwindi Impenetrable forests for Gorilla trekking.**  This morning, you will leave for Bwindi Impenetrable Forest National Park. You will drive through the seasonal southern sector of Queen Elizabeth known as Ishasha. Here we will take lunch by the Ishasha River if time permits and after searching for the famed Ishasha tree-climbing lions before continuing to Bwindi, home to the few remaining mountain gorillas. If you are tracking gorillas in the southern part of Bwindi , you will not be able to drive via this sector to shorten the drive between Kisoro and Queen Elizabeth national park. Bird life and primate life in the Bwindi national park is quite superb, and there is an incredible variety of flora. Some bird watchers refer to Bwindi as a bird heaven! It holds 348 species of birds and supports 24 of 26 Albertine Rift Endemics that occur in Uganda; and seven red data book species. Once continuous with the forests of the Virunga Volcanoes (Dian Fossey’s stomping ground), Bwindi is now an ecological island, surrounded by cultivation on the rich volcanic soils.  **Accommodation options available (all on full board basis)**  **Budget:** Buhoma Community Bandas (self-contained cottages)  **Moderate:** Lake Kitandara Camp, Engagi lodge  **Up Market** -Gorilla Forest camp/ Gorilla resort camp Clouds lodge.  **Day 11: Gorilla Trekking Bwindi Impenetrable Forest National Park.**  Take breakfast, with your packed lunch and all your trekking gear, that is; a raincoat, ankle level hiking boots on , gardeners gloves, pair of trousers and long sleeved shirt, etc go to the starting point for briefing by a ranger guide. Enter the gorilla sanctuary for your world premier wildlife encounter and adventure- Gorilla Tracking. The beauty of this rain forest is magnificent. The area offers dramatic steeply forested landscape and is incredibly dense, but criss-crossed by numerous animal trails allowing access to tourists. The time taken and the terrain vary with the movements of these great giant apes. The thrill of spending time observing these gentle and endangered giants is an awesome, exciting experience to be long savored. Many find it to be a rare and moving experience! Whether you track the M group or the N group, you will not find wildlife experience quite as exhilarating or emotional. Return to your lodge for dinner and overnight .  **Accommodation options available (all on full board basis)**   Budget: Buhoma Community Bandas(self contained cottages)  Moderate: Lake Kitandara Camp, Engagi lodge  Up Market – Gorilla Forest camp/ Gorilla resort camp Clouds lodge.  **Day 12: Transfer to Rwanda from Uganda for Another Exciting gorilla trekking Safari Tour.**   After breakfast, drive across the Uganda -Rwanda  Border . Have lunch en route and arrive at your lodge. You will check in and retire for dinner and overnight at **Accommodation options available (all on full board basis)**  Budget: Kinigi Guest House / Muhavura  Lodge Moderate: Mountain Gorilla Nest Lodge / Mountain Gorilla View Lodge  Up Market: Virunga Volcanoes Lodge  **Day 13: Gorilla trekking at Volcanoes national Park in Rwanda.**  An early morning breakfast is followed by a drive/ walk to Kinigi park headquarters for briefing , group allocation and orientation. This is followed by a drive to the trail heads where hiking and trekking up the hills to the bamboo zone begins. Hiking, trekking and tracking gorillas may take 3-10 hours. Sight and stay with the Gorillas for one hour. Dinner and overnight at your lodge  **Accommodation options available (all on full board basis)**  Budget: Kinigi Guest House / Muhavura Lodge  Moderate : Mountain Gorilla Nest Lodge / Mountain Gorilla View Lodge  Up Market :Virunga Volcanoes Lodge  **Day 14: Optional activities**  You can opt to relax on this day and enjoy the scenic views of the impenetrable forest. Or Visit a local community at USD 25 per person Or Do a nature walk in Bwindi Forest at USD 75 per person Cycle through a  well-maintained trail from the park headquarters at Buhoma to the Ivi River @ USD 50. This is organised by the community under the “Ride for a woman ” project.  **Day 15: Bwindi Impenetrable national Park – Kisoro**  Transfer to Kisoro and refresh at the lodge and later visit the pygmies’ communities and can alternatively go for a walk to Lake Mutanda.  Budget:  Tourist Hotel (BB), travelers rest hotel  Mid range and Luxury :  Mt Gahinga Volcanoes Lodge  **Day 16: Kisoro – Mgahinga National Park/ Golden Monkey Trek**  Wake up relatively early for a cheerful breakfast to give you the energy needed for golden monkey trek  Before 8:00 am report to the ranger station for registration and a briefing by one of the rangers who will also guide you through the bush to track the golden monkeys in Mgahinga national park . Once you encounter the golden monkeys. you will be allowed to spend 1 hour following them and taking pictures and then later return to the starting point. Overnight at your previous lodge.  **Day 17: Kisoro- Lake Bunyonyi**  Transfer to Lake Bunyonyi on of the deepest and among the most beautiful lake in Uganda. You go for a nature walk, boat ride to akpene island which is the punishment island. Where they used to punish women who would get pregnant before marriage .  Luxury; Birdnest Bunyonyi  Midrange; Arcadia cottages.  Budget; Bunyonyi Overland camp  **Day 18: Transfer to Lake Mburo national park**  Very early in the morning after breakfast, drive for about 4 hours to Lake Mburo National Park for your game drive so that you can see the zebras, topees, elephants, elands, impalas, buffaloes, antelopes, etc. In the afternoon go for a boat trip . **Luxury; mantana luxury tented camp / Mihingo Lodge**  **Mid range; Arcadia cottages/ Lake Mburo safari lodge**  **Budget; Rwonyo rest camp**  **Day 19: Lake Mburo national park for wildlife game safari and boat cruise.**  Go for a horseback ride in Lake Mburo national park as you search for wildlife and then later transfer to Kampala and proceed to Jinja. The drive will take 4 hours. Overnight at Basic- Source of the Nile Guest House. Moderate- Gately on the Nile. Luxury – Jinja Nile resort.  **Day 20: Water Rafting on the Nile River and Bungee jumping**  In the morning you will transfer to the rafting start point to raft for a day and then later you will return to the starting point. Lunch is provided  and if you wish to take pictures during the rafting experiences, these are provided by the rafting company. Overnight at Spake Hotel Kampala, or fairway Hotel Kampala.  **Day 21: Kampala City Tour-Historical city of Uganda.**  Our tour guide will pick you up from your hotel and take you to Kampala’s hot spots, historical sites and areas of tour interest.  Sites will include: Bulange and Lubiri, Buganda-Parliament-Bulange, Kasubi Tombs, Gadhafi Mosque, Uganda Museum, Bahai Temple, Craft markets (Buganda Road or national threatre) Monuments, Namugongo Martyrs Shrine, Namirembe and Rubaga Cathedral, Local restaurants for lunch and Later transfer to the airport for your departure flight. |

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| **Title:** | **7 Days Mount Elgon Hiking Safari** |
| **Short Tittle** | Adventure in Uganda’s vast Landscape |
| **Day count** | 7 |
| **overview:** | Spectacular scenery is the main attraction for 7 Days Mount [Elgon Hiking Safari](https://www.gorillasafaris-uganda.com/3-days-sipi-falls-hike-and-jinja-tour-with-the-source-of-the-nile-adventure/) hikers on this oft-neglected and relatively undemanding mountain, but there is also a variety of forest monkeys and small antelope, along with elephant and buffalo. A checklist topping 300 birds includes many species not recorded elsewhere in Uganda.Mount Elgon is an extinct volcano and the 4th highest mountain in east Africa reaching 4321 metres.the park has magnificent water falls, caves, gorges and hot springs and is excellent for hiking. No technical climbing equipments or skills are needed and all major peaks are accessible to hikers. the full trekking circuit takes 4-5 days to complete, and there are also 3 day trail, 3-7 km long.The magnificent sipi falls are 66 km north of Mbale en route the forest Exploration centre and Kapkwata.Accommodation, there are 5 basic campsites around the trekking circuit, simple accommodation is avaliable at kapkwata rest house, and the forest exploration centre at kapwai.Access: Good roads from kampala to Sipi. |
| **What is Included:** | Airport/Hotel Transfers  Park Entrance Fees  Meals as per Itinerary  Safari Transportation to/from airport  English Speaking Tour Guide/Driver |
| **Tour Places:** | * Jinja Source of the Nile Tour * Mountain Trekking * Sipi Falls Scenery |
| **Tour Sceneries:** | water falls, caves, gorges and hot springs |
| **Days/ Itinerary** | **Day 1:Arrival in and transfer to Jinja – Source of the Nile Tour**  After early breakfast, we shall head off from Kampala to Mabira Forest where hikers will enjoy visiting the forest for an interesting forest walk, have a picnic and also take lunch. The group will then enjoy traditional dances by a local women dancing group. There are many options this day, such as swimming, boat rides, floating on the robust and mighty Nile.  **DAY 2:Jinja Town to Mount Elgon**  After early breakfast, you will head off to Mbale, Eastern Uganda and leave for Mt Elgon. You will then be transferred to Sipi Falls. After lunch, hike to the falls and return to your camp next to Sipi Falls for dinner and overnight.  **DAY 3: Mount Elgon Hiking**  Take breakfast and then resume the hike following the Kapkwata Trail. A scenic hike through the bamboo, heath and moorland gets you to the Piswa camp at 2850 meters. Breakfast, lunch and dinner in the mountains.  **DAY 4: Mountain Hiking**  Trek up to the verge of the calderas through beautiful columns of Lobelia Elgonensis. Visit Hot Springs and Suam Gorge before descending to the hunters cave Camp 3850m.  **DAY 5: Mountain Hiking**  Take breakfast and ascend to the top of the calderas to the Wagagai Peak at 4321m. Descend thereafter through the Jackson summit and the Jackson pool to overnight at Mude Camp 3500m  **DAY 6: Mount Elgon and Transfer to back to Kampala**  Early morning, descend through the Sasa trail to Budadiri then travel to Mbale town. En route to Kampala for your departure. Have the last Dinner and overnight at Speke Hotel Kampala  **DAY 7: Departure**  The clients may choose to visit places they didn’t go to on arrival. This may include the Uganda museum, Kasubi Tombs, National Theatre to buy arts and crafts, and many more with the help of our driver/ guide. But this will depend on your time of departure. Later you will be transferred to the Airport at your convenient time. |

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| **Title:** | **5 Days Chimpanzee and Gorilla Trekking Safari** |
| **Short Tittle** | The Specular visit to Human apes and Primates of the Forest |
| **Day count** | 5 |
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| **overview:** | 5 Days Chimpanzee and [Gorilla Trekking Safari,](https://www.gorillasafaris-uganda.com/uganda-tours/3-days-uganda-gorilla-safari/)in Bwindi Impenetrable National Park is an exciting adventure that allows you to observe these magnificent primates in their natural habitat. Bwindi is located in southwestern Uganda and is home to nearly half of the world’s remaining mountain gorillas. Chimpanzee in Kibale national forest park and the mountain gorillas in Bwindi Impenetrable national park.[Kibale national Park](https://www.gorillasafaris-uganda.com/uganda-attractions/kibale-forest-national-park/) is the best spot for chimpanzee tracking in the whole world with over 15000 Chimps, and two groups are open for habituation activities, and Kibale National Park has been declared the best place to view habituated chimpanzees with other primates, butterflies, monkeys, insects, birds and others.  We shall drive through Queen Elizabeth National Park on your transfers, at here you will get a chance to see tree climbing lions at the Ishasha sector, Elephants, birds, hippos, leopard, etc.[Bwindi Impenetrable national park](http://www.ugandagorillasafarisandwildlife.com/places-to-visit/bwindi-impenetrable-national-park/) is a thick dense forest with an altitude range between 1160m and 2607m above sea level, Bwindi impenetrable forest is a very true rain forest with steep slopes and valleys so trekking the gorillas can be hard because usually the visibility is very poor, for pictures one really needs very good camera. Bwindi forest has an average rainfall of 1500mm per year source of the major rivers that flows to lake Albert.It is tailor-made and therefore subject to adjustment upon the client’s request to accommodate special interests. |
| **What is Included:** | Airport/Hotel Transfers  Park Entrance Fees  Meals as per Itinerary  Safari Transportation to/from airport  English Speaking Tour Guide/Driver |
| **Tour Places:** | * Kibale National park, Bwindi Gorrilla National Park |
| **Tour Sceneries:** | * Road Trip to Western Uganda * Kibale Forest Chimpanzee Tracking * Gorilla Trekking Jungle Safari in Bwindi * Nature Treks & Jungle Safari |
| **Days/ Itinerary** | **DAY 1: Transfer To Kibale Forest National Park for chimpanzee trekking Safari.**  5 Days Chimpanzee & Gorilla Trekking Safari is one the main popular luxury trips organized by Jazz Africa Advenntures. Our tour guide will pick you up from the  airport or form your hotel and leave for Kibale Forest national park for chimpanzee tracking.  In the afternoon we will arrive at Kibale Forest  national park, Checkin any lodge for your choice, for the over night.  Driving time: is 6.5 hours  **Accommodation:** Kibale Forest Camp (self-contained tents) or Chimpanzee Guesthouse/Bandas (self-contained Banda’s) – Both outside the forest) Luxury Tour: Ndali Lodge or Primate Lodge Kibale  **DAY 2: Chimpanzee trekking in Kibale Forest**  At 8.00am we will start with 4 hours chimp trekking – during which you may also get to see 10 other primates. Kibale park is also known for all the butterflies and birds. In the afternoon we will walk through Bigodi Swamp (home to a community based project).  **Accommodation:** [Kibale Forest Camp](https://naturelodgesuganda.com/kibale-forest-camp/) (self-contained tents) or Chimpanzee Guesthouse/Bandas (self-contained Banda’s) – Both outside the forest) Luxury Tour: Ndali Lodge or [Primate Lodge Kibale](https://ugandalodges.com/)  **DAY 3: Transfer to Kisoro Bwindi Impenetrable Forest National Park**  Early in the morning we will leave for Kisoro. We will cross Kazinga Channel, traveling through Queen Elizabeth Park, and reach Kabale in time for lunch. From Kabale we will continue through a beautiful landscape also defined as the “Switzerland of Africa”: mountains, lakes, hills with cultivated terraces, tropical rain forest and bamboo forest. On the last hill the landscape unfolds beneath us, taking in the vast planes between Uganda, Rwanda and Congo, with the Virunga volcanoes dominating the view. At the bottom of the valley is Kisoro, where we will stay at the famous Travelers Rest Hotel.  In the sixties the famous American ‘[gorilla-woman’ Dian Fossey](https://www.gorillasafaris-uganda.com/dian-fossey-grave-american-researcher/) visited the Travellers Rest Hotel many, many times to do paperwork, relax or meet people. Fossey said about the hotel: “It was my second home”. Travellers Rest Hotel is just outside Kisoro and offers a cozy stay for the tourists coming to see the endangered mountain gorilla. The hotel, built in a somewhat colonial style, and entirely renovated in 1999, has a comfortable ambiance. Driving time: ± 8 hours  **Accommodation:** Travellers Rest Hotel Kisoro Luxury Tour: Travellers Rest Hotel Kisoro (Suite Room)  **DAY 4: Gorilla Trekking in Bwindi impenetrable forest national park**  The day of gorilla trekking, you will travel by car from Travelers Rest Hotel in Kisoro to Nkuringo, in the southern part of Bwindi Impenetrable Forest National Park (1hr). Once there you will first receive a briefing (7.45am) and at 8.30am you will start the tracking. Once you have found the gorillas, you will be able to spend up to one hour with them! You will be expected back to the starting point by 7.00pm at the latest. physically conditioned peoples are recommended, all participants will be a warded with gorilla trekking certificates  from the Park Head Quarters.  **Accommodation:** Travellers Rest Hotel Kisoro Luxury Tour: Travellers Rest Hotel Kisoro (Suite Room)  **DAY 5: Transfer to Kampala/Entebbe airport.**  Early in the morning after breakfast you will travel back to Kampala. On the way back to the city you will have lunch in Mbarara town, and after Masaka there will be an opportunity to a stop at the Equator for photo shoots and buying souvenirs and have tea or coffee.  We will then bring you back to Kampala or Entebbe for your flight back home and marks the end of the 5 days chimpanzee and gorilla trekking Safari Tour.  Driving time: ± 9 hours |

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| **Title:** | **2 Days Chimpanzee Tracking Budongo Forest – Kaniyo Pabidi, Murchison Falls National Park** |
| **Short Tittle** | Tapestry of experience to take your breath away |
| **Day count** | 2 |
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| **overview:** | Budongo Forest is located  in the south of Murchison Falls National Park,and this the home to around 80 habituated chimpanzee, and the perfect location for an exciting [chimpanzee tracking](https://www.gorillasafaris-uganda.com/chimpanzee-tracking-in-kalinzu-forest/)safari adventure in Uganda’s tropical rain forest.  2 Days Chimpanzee tracking takes you through the depths of Budongo Forest in search of its chimpanzee community. A truly special encounter, once you find the family, you will have the chance to get incredibly close, watching how they interact, and how the infants play with each other. Spend an hour with the chimpanzee before your return walk through the forest. A once-in-a-lifetime experience, you will certainly return home with unforgettable memories! |
| **What is Included:** | Airport/Hotel Transfers  Park Entrance Fees  Trekking permit  Meals as per Itinerary  Safari Transportation to/from airport  English Speaking Tour Guide/Driver |
| **Tour Places:** |  |
| **Tour Sceneries:** |  |
| **Days/ Itinerary** | **DAY 1: Transfer to Budongo Central Forest Reserve**  We depart from Kampala at 7am and arrive 11am at [Budongo Eco Lodge](https://safari-uganda.com/uganda-lodges/budongo-eco-lodge/) where you check in at either in the dormitory or self contained room for the day.  This is a most delightful area of [Murchison Falls National Park](https://www.gorillasafaris-uganda.com/uganda-attractions/murchison-falls-national-park/). Budongo Forest is an oasis of tranquility where one can truly feel at one with nature. This is the oldest Mahogany Tree Forest in East Africa – and steps have been taken to preserve this most wonderful forest with its tall and majestic trees. The Forest has been under constant threat by loggers out to make a few shillings instead of looking to the future and preserving this magnificent forest for future generations. Budongo Forest will seem like an oasis to you, the quiet being broken by the sounds of birds, primates nearby – very different from a forest in North America or Europe. Certainly a place to come and spend a couple of days in peace with creation.  After lunch take a guided forest walk and discover the beauty of this awesome place yourself.  Activities:   * Guided Forest Walk of 1.5 hours in length can easily be done. * 3 hour guided Birding Adventure * Guided Forest Walk 3 to 4 hours in length * Dinner at Budongo Eco Lodge – sit on the porch of your lodging and take in the evening in this lovely part of Uganda in the midst of the Budongo Forest.   **DAY 2:** [**Chimpanzee tracking**](https://www.gorillasafaris-uganda.com/uganda-attractions/kibale-forest-national-park/)**in Budongo Central Forest Reserve.**  Breakfast in budongo forest and eco lodge a three to four hour small group experience visiting some of the habituated Chimpanzees of Budongo Forest- spending an hour with them and observing them. Each day, chimpanzees like gorillas move to another location for the night building new nests for that day. Budongo forest is a project of both the Jane Goodall Institute and [Uganda Wildlife Authority.](https://www.ugandawildlife.org/wildlife-a-conservation-2/conservation/conservation-management)  Enjoy your time with the chimpanzees.  Lunch at Budongo Eco Lodge.  Depart for Kampala and return in the late afternoon. |
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| **Title:** | **3 DAY SAFARI TO SIPI FALLS** |
| **Short Tittle** | The legendry three big water-falls that you should “Drink” |
| **Day count** | 3 |
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| **overview:** | Experience the water-falls close up and see the stunning nature at Sipi Falls during this **3 days Sipi Falls Safari**. This 3 day safari lets you see the best of it! Taking you to Sipi Falls in the east of Uganda on the slopes of Mount Elgon. You will experience a walk to see three big water-falls, a village walk to learn how coffee is processed by the locals and have time for relaxation.  Note that the itinerary can be adapted to a 2 days Sipi Falls Safari if you wish to fit it over a weekend, mail us for more info. |
| **What is Included:** | Airport/Hotel Transfers  Park Entrance Fees  Meals as per Itinerary  Safari Transportation to/from airport  English Speaking Tour Guide/Driver |
| **Tour Places:** | * Sipi Water falls |
| **Tour Sceneries:** | Water fall |
| **Days/ Itinerary** | **DAY 1: TRANSFER TO SIPI FALLS AND VILLAGE WALK**  Start the **3 days Sipi Falls Safari** from Kampala in the morning driving northwards. Cross the mighty Nile in Jinja and continue on through a landscape of farmland. The aim is to reach Lacam Lodge in Sipi Falls for lunch. Enjoy lunch in their restaurant with a stunning view. In the afternoon go for a guided village walk and see how the locally grown Arabica coffee is processed. **Overnight Rafiki Lodge Sipi**  **DAY 2: WALK TO SEE THE THREE SIPI FALLS AND RELAXATION**  After breakfast you set off for the highlight of the Sipi Falls safari a walk to experience the three Sipi Falls. These are big water-falls and you will get a great view of them as well as get so close so you can hear the roar of water and feel the water splashing on you! Get back to the lodge for lunch and then enjoy an afternoon of relaxation. **Overnight Rafiki Lodge Sipi**  **DAY 3: TRANSFER BACK TO KAMPALA VIA JINJA AS WE FINISH THE 3 DAYS SIPI FALLS SAFARI**  Have a relaxed breakfast enjoying the views from the restaurant before setting off for the drive back to Kampala. Along the way you will have lunch in Jinja by the Nile. If time allows a visit to the source of the Nile is possible. Continue on to Kampala and be dropped off by your guide as we have reached the end of your 3 days Sipi Falls Safari. |

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| **Title:** | **Kampala Jinja City Tour** |
| **Short Tittle** | Explore bustling towns, Local delicious cuisine and historical taste of Kampala |
| **Day count** | 3 |
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| **overview:** | There are a number of things you can do as you wait and laze around Kampala before or after your Uganda Safari. We have a number of short exciting excursions that our clients can enjoy and the Kampala Jinja City Tour is one of them.  The Kampala Jinja City Tour gives you a historical and cultural taste of Uganda’s two oldest cities, capital Kampala and Jinja where the source of the mighty Nile if found.  Uganda’s capital city of Kampala borders Lake Victoria, Africa’s largest lake. The down town area of Kampala offers a multitude of historical and cultural attractions for visitors to explore.  Jinja, Uganda’s colonial town with some of the oldest buildings in the nation, also commonly called the adrenaline capital of East Africa is the most commonly visited town for anyone on a safari in Uganda. Many activities take place here like Whitewater rafting, boat ride up-to the point where the Nile River begin. |
| **What is Included:** | Airport/Hotel Transfers  Meals as per Itinerary  Safari Transportation to/from Airport  English Speaking Tour Guide/Driver |
| **Tour Places:** | * Kampala Cultural and Historical Sites * Kampala Cultures, Business Markets, People, Music & Food * Drive to Jinja Town through Mabira Forest * Jinja Whitewater Rafting * Jinja Source of the Nile Boat Ride |
| **Tour Sceneries:** | Kampala City, Mabira Forest, Namugongo Martyrs shrine |
| **Days/ Itinerary** | Kampala is the largest town in Uganda and the capital city. It is usually referred to as a city of seven hills because it is built on seven different hills. Kampala city has interesting places to visit and our excursion will take you around the many interesting places and beautiful scenes it has to offer.  The Kampala City Tour starts with a hotel pickup where you will then proceed to the following interesting places in the presence of a knowledgeable and humorous English speaking guide.  **Kampala City Tour Sites**   * The Uganda Museum. * Parliamentary Buildings. * Art Galleries. * Uganda Martyrs Shrine. * Bahai Temple. * Owino and Nakasero Markets. * Makerere University. * Other areas of Interest.   **Jinja City Tour**  Jinja was previously the capital city of Uganda. The town is well known for being the source of the Nile at Rippon Falls. Owen Falls damn provides electricity for the whole of Uganda and is located downstream from the Nile’s source. The source is from lake Victoria and then stretches 4000 miles up to the Mediterranean sea.  The Jinja City Tour starts with a hotel pickup where you will then proceed to Jinja along the Kampala-Jinja road highway. Here you will get to see the sugar cane plantations at Lugazi and Kakira.  You stop at Mabira Forest and see different primates and birds. Uganda Safaris Also different species of trees are there to see. You move on towards the source of the Nile and the Owen falls dam. Have a meal at Samuka Islands.  Lastly, head to the Bujagali falls, a converging point for many water rapids and see swimmers and listen to the rushing sound. Head Back to the city in the evening.  **Water Rafting**  Enjoy wild water rafting along the source of the river Nile. All white water trips are open to anyone aged 16 or above and no experience is required. Most of people have never rafted before, all training and equipment is provided on the day.  All whitewater adventures include a pickup from your hotel in Kampala, high quality custom made lifejackets for extra buoyancy and comfort, a great buffet lunch on a beautiful mid-river island, an awesome rafting experience and as much beer, soda and water as you can manage!  **Bungee Jumping.**  The Nile High Bungee has to be one of the most visually impressive bungee jumps in the World! Kites and fish eagles circle the tower as thrill seekers prepare to jump 44 meters directly down to the source of the Nile.  The Nile High Bungee has been created using world-leading innovation to make the jump a state of the art personal challenge experience. Safety and environmental sustainability are of utmost importance and the site has been constructed to the most exacting international standards set in New Zealand and Australia. Be amongst the first to bungee jump into the source of the Nile.  Don’t miss out on the action. Take the plunge. |

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| **Title:** | **3 DAYS TRIP TO RWENZORI MOUNTAINS** |
| **Short Tittle** | The Mountains of the moon |
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| **overview:** | This amazing three days hike gives you an opportunity to explore the mountains of the moon up to John maate camp in the Rwenzori Mountains. This hike is suitable for clients on a short Visa |
| **What is Included:** | Airport/Hotel Transfers  Park Entrance Fees  Meals as per Itinerary  English Speaking mountain guide, chef and porters  Hiking gears  Clients and porters food  Franchise fee  Bed nights fee |
| **Tour Places:** | * Nyabitaba Hut, River Mubuku and Bujuku, John maate |
| **Tour Sceneries:** | View of Portal peaks, Marghaita peak |
| **Days/ Itinerary** | **Day 1: NYAKALENGIJA (1615m asl.) – NYABITABA CAMP (2651m asl.)**  The central circuit starts at the Rwenzori Mountaineering Services offices at Nyakalengija. You need to arrive in the morning to allow ample time to rent equipment and meet your guides and porters. The trail begins by passing through farmland to the park boundary beyond which it follows a thick forest along the Mubuku River, crossing its Mahoma River tributary before starting a long, steep climb up onto a massive ridge to reach Nyabitaba hut. During this part of the trip you may hear chimpanzee and see black and white colobus, blue monkey and the brilliantly coloured Rwenzori turraco.  **The hike takes an average of 6 -7 hours.**  **Day 2: NYABITABA – JOHN MATTE CAMP (3505m asl.)**  From Nyabitaba follow the trail that drops down through the forest to the Kurt Shafer Bridge, just below the confluence of the Mubuku and Bujuku rivers. Passing through the bamboo forest, traverse through a long and exhausting stretch of slippery moss-covered rock. From the Nyamuleju rock shelter, Mount Stanley and Mount Speke can be seen before passing into the zone of the giant heather, lobelia and groundsel. Finally reach John Matte Hut after passing through the tiring bog, for dinner and overnight at the hut.  **The hike takes an average of 7 - 8 hours.**  **Day 3: JOHN MATTE – NYABITABA - NYAKALENGIJA CAMP**  From John Matte climb downs from the same trail to Nyabitaba Camp for your lunch. This will take about 5 – 6 hours.  After your lunch, descend back to Nyakalengija for either an overnight at base camp hotels or proceed to your next destination.  **The descend from Nyabitaba to Nyakalengija will take 3 – 4 hours** |

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| **Title:** | **5 DAYS MOUNT SPEKE RWENZORI HIKE** |
| **Short Tittle** | Walk, hike and trek to the Mountain glaciers |
| **Day count** | 5 |
| **overview:** | This five days hike takes you to Bujuku camp through Nyabitaba and Johmate camps. This hike gives you the opportunity to summit the mt. Speke, one of the remarkable peaks of Rwenzori Mountains. This peak can only be accessed through the central circuit of Rwenzori in only 4 nights. |
| **What is Included:** | Airport/Hotel Transfers  Park Entrance Fees  Meals as per Itinerary  English Speaking mountain guide, chef and porters  Hiking gears  Clients and porters food  Franchise fee  Bed nights fee |
| **Tour Places:** | * Mt.Speke in Rwenzori Mountains |
| **Tour Sceneries:** | Mt.Speke in Rwenzori Mountains, Portal peaks, Lake Bujuku, Green lake, View of Margharita glaciers |
| **Days/ Itinerary** | **Day 1: NYAKALENGIJA (1615m asl.) – NYABITABA CAMP (2651m asl.)**  The central circuit starts at the Rwenzori Mountaineering Services offices at Nyakalengija. You need to arrive in the morning to allow ample time to rent equipment and meet your guides and porters. The trail begins by passing through farmland to the park boundary beyond which it follows a thick forest along the Mubuku River, crossing its Mahoma River tributary before starting a long, steep climb up onto a massive ridge to reach Nyabitaba hut. During this part of the trip you may hear chimpanzee and see black and white colobus, blue monkey and the brilliantly coloured Rwenzori turraco.  **The hike takes an average of 6 -7 hours.**  **Day 2: NYABITABA – JOHN MATTE CAMP (3505m asl.)**  From Nyabitaba follow the trail that drops down through the forest to the Kurt Shafer Bridge, just below the confluence of the Mubuku and Bujuku rivers. Passing through the bamboo forest, traverse through a long and exhausting stretch of slippery moss-covered rock. From the Nyamuleju rock shelter, Mount Stanley and Mount Speke can be seen before passing into the zone of the giant heather, lobelia and groundsel. Finally reach John Matte Hut after passing through the tiring bog, for dinner and overnight at the hut.  **The hike takes an average of 7 - 8 hours.**  **Day 3: JOHN MATTE - BUJUKU CAMP (3962m asl.)**  From John Matte Hut the trail drops down to cross the Bujuku River and enters Lower Bigo Bog, the home of giant lobelias. Jumping from tussock to tussock, the bog is finally crossed but rarely without the feet sampling some of the freezing ooze below. The upper Bigo bog gives way to Bujuku Lake, with views of Mt Baker to the South and Mt Stanley to the West. Bujuku Hut, well located in the shadow of Mount Baker and Mount Speke, is set in a narrow valley below Stuhlmann Pass. This camp is good for acclimatization for clients attempting the summits of peaks Mount Stanley and Mount Speke. Dinner and overnight at Bujuku hut.  **The hike takes an average of 4 – 5 hours.**  **Day 4: BUJUKU – MT. SPEKE (4890M asl.) – BUJUKU – JOHN MAATE**  Early in the morning start the hike through stullmans pass (4192m asl.) and spectacular views of Virunga National park of DR Congo to Victorio Emanuele peak.  **The ascend to the peak takes 4 – 5 hours.**  Prepare to descend back to Bujuku camp from Victorio Emanuele with views of Bujuku valley and Bujuku lake, Margherita and Albert peaks on Mount Stanley, and Mount Baker back to Bujuku and continue for an overnight at John Maate Camp.  **The descend takes an average of 3 – 4hours.**  **Day 5: JOHN MAATE – NYABITABA - NYAKALENGIJA (1615m asl.)**  From John Matte climb downs from the same trail to Nyabitaba Camp for your lunch. This will take about 5 – 6 hours.  After your lunch, descend back to Nyakalengija for either an overnight at base camp hotels or proceed to your next destination.  **The descend from Nyabitaba to Nyakalengija will take 3 – 4 hours** |

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| **Title:** | **3 DAYS Lake Mahoma Trail (Wilderness Camping)** |
| **Short Tittle** | Unforgettable wildness Camping experience in the Jungles of Rwenzori Mountains |
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| **overview:** | The trail has been open for exclussively wilderness camping. The hiking goes through the mountain forest, giving you the opportunity to see wildlife like the black and white colobus monkeys, blue monkeys, chameleon, Rwenzori Turaco. The shortest trekking is 3 days. An extension of one day can be arranged including John Matte Hut |
| **What is Included:** | Airport/Hotel Transfers  Park Entrance Fees  Camping fee  Meals as per Itinerary  Safari Transportation to/from airport  English Speaking Tour Guide/Driver |
| **Tour Places:** | * Rwenzori mountain |
| **Tour Sceneries:** | Rwenzori Vegetation, Mountain forest, Lake Mahoma |
| **Days/ Itinerary** | ***Day 1- From Ibanda to Omu’kaKizza Rest Camp (2.977 m)***  After breakfast at your Hotel / Campsite from Ibanda or Nyakalenjija, the trekking starts through the pristine rainforest of Kyambogho ridge with a view of the Mubuku Valley then climb the heavily forested ridge which is home to many primates, such as black and white colobus monkey, blue monkey and occasionally the L’hoest monkey, up the Omu’kaKizza Rest Camp at 2,977 metres. Here you will enjoy the magnificent views over the Rwenzori foothills and Kasese town 2,160 metres below. During this part of the trip you may hear chimpanzee and see black and white colobus, blue monkey and the brilliantly colored Rwenzorituraco. The camp is a camping site in the wilderness.  **Day 2 – From Omu’KaKizza Rest camp to Mahoma Lake** *.* Early morning after breakfast, you will hike to Mahoma Lake. The forest will give you way to along a narrow moss covered ridge up to 3,515 meters through an incredibly beautiful forest of giant heather covered in layers of bright green moss. You will follow the footprints of mountain Elephants through the bamboo and heather forest; you may get the chance to watch them having a drink at the hot spring. The ridge will lead you to the Rukenga valley where you will see the everlasting flowers (mimulopsiseliotti) and the giant lobelia. You then cross to Mahoma lake Camp for overnight. If the sky is clear that day, from the camp you may be able to see Mt. Baker, Mt.Stanley and the Portal Peaks.  **Day 3 – Mahoma Lake to Ibanda**  After breakfast you may go for walk around the lake and then descend back through Nyabitaba ranger post and the Mpanga ridge to adjoin the Mubuku valley, a home of three horned chameleon which will lead you back to Ibanda. |

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| **Title:** | **5 DAYS Bukurungu Trail in Rwenzori mountains** |
| **Short Tittle** | **Explore magical lakes, rivers and waterfalls of Rwenzori mountains (Wilderness Camping).** |
| **Day count** | 5 |
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| **overview:** | This 5 days Mountain hike |
| **What is Included:** | Airport/Hotel Transfers  Park Entrance Fees  Camping fee  Meals as per Itinerary  Safari Transportation to/from airport  English Speaking Tour Guide/Driver |
| **Tour Places:** | * Rwenzori Mountains |
| **Tour Sceneries:** | Rwenzori Mountains, Lake Bukurungu, Lake Bujuku, |
| **Days/ Itinerary** | **Day 1: Rwigho Camp:**After breakfast, drive for 1hr as from Kasese town to Okorukumi and start your hike to reach RMNP /, take on the trail which bends west on the ridge overlooking the Kasuka and Isule valleys and onward to EKebitakuli for a hot lunch while taking a breath and thereafter, hike through the montane rain forest overlooking bamboo forested valleys. Encounter plant species like the Disastairssi, Scadoxuscyrtanthiflorus, Impetiensapiculata and spot or hear calls of black and white colubus monkeys, The Rwenzori Turaco and other birds. On trail you will spot chimpanzee nests and droppings or hear their calls. The trail will lead you through the heather zone and reach Rwigho Camp for an overnight rest immediately after crossing River Rwigho. It will take you only 6-7 hours.  ​  **Day 2:Rwigho Camp - Kambeho Camp:**After breakfast, the trail takes you through the heather trees (Ericathiasis) with lots of moss hanging over these trees. The is the heather zone with a lots of heather trees, scencio trees, alchemila, black berries, and many more plant species. While on trail you will be able to spot black black and white Colobus monkeys, Varvet monkeys, sun birds, the Rwenzorituraco a rare beautiful bird in the park. On this day you will see lots of giant lobelias, everlasting flowers and rock shelters. Overnight at Kambeho Camp. This hike will take you 5 – 6 hrs with a stopover for a hot lunch at Mitiyighaghire.  **​**  **Day 3: Kambeho Camp - Mughuli Camp:**After breakfast, start with a climb along river Lhume, in the early morning hours of the day when still fresh and strong with urge to climb the only steep Mughuli bypass. As you think of slopping down to Lake Mughuli which is within MTN network coverage to give you a chance to call friends and family members about the beauty and experience encountered on the trail. There are several short peaks which one can easily climb depending upon what time you have arrived in the camp and how you feel. The vegetation along the Lake is so beautiful to catch up your eyes. Animals you might see along the trail are the Rwenzori red-duiker, rock and tree hyrax and wild pigs. Around the camp, you can have a self guided walk to explore the water falls. The approximate time taken from Kambeho to Mughuli Camp is about 6-7hrs hike with a stopover for a hot lunch at Mulhalhama resting view point.  **Day 4: Mughuli Camp - Lake Bukurungu Camp:**This camp is set in the heart of the two mountains of the Portal Peaks and Mount Gessi; it is a relaxing point to acclimatize for those interested in climbing the Portal Peaks and Mount Gessi. Five hours from Mughuli camp takes you through a very gentle crossing passing the vegetation of the alchemila, several giant lobelia species and the wonderful unknown leaf looking like a human palm. From Mughuli Camp to Bukurungu Camp will take you 6 – 7hrs with a stopover for a hot lunch at Kinyamiyeye. On this day if the weather is clear, your eyes and hands on the camera will have all the main peaks of Edward on Mount Baker, Margherita and Alexandra on Mount Stanley, Vittorio Emanuela on Mount Speke, Kihuma on the Portal Peaks and Mount Gessi at glance.   **Options on day five at Bukurungu East Camp** Here is a central point for clients to choose the kind of extension for the trip depending on ability, interest and program. The several options are;   1. From this camp you can opt to climb the Portal Peaks on the fifth day and back to Bukurungu Camp for an overnight rest and on 6th day descend to Mahoma Lake for a night and descend through the Mahoma trail the next morning. You will use the same trail with the mountain Elephant which seem unusual. This will thus take you six nights and seven days. If one strong and probably wants to catch up with the program, he can come out on the sixth day through Nyabitaba- making five nights - six days.   2. You can also do Mount Gessi on your fifth day starting from West Bukurungu Lake and back to Bukurungu East Lake after the Gessi, and on the sixth day out through Nyabitaba.   3. Those interested in only climbing Margherita will take on from Bukurungu East Camp to Irene lakes camp through the Bujuku valley (this will take 6-7 hours). On the sixth day, climb the peak and back to Bigo, then day seven day out through Nyabitaba |

**Cultural Tours**

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| **Title:** | **Culture, people and hiden treasures of uganda** |
| **Short Tittle** | Discover the ancient culture that begat the African people |
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| **overview:** | Uganda that is found in the sub Saharan part of Africa that have all seen different cultures that have been experienced especially during the colonial rule to date and all these have been recorded and stored for the generations that did not experience it to see it through the eyes of history.  The cultural sites are some of the few tourist attraction sites that have seen quite a large number of people coming into these countries just to get a glimpse of the wonderful history that was made in the countries. In this article we are going to look at some of the cultural sites that are found in the different countries. **We propose itineraries for these tours alongside other tour safaris while in Uganda** |
| **What is Included:** | Airport/Hotel Transfers  Park Entrance Fees  Meals as per Itinerary  Safari Transportation to/from airport  English Speaking Tour Guide/Driver |
| **Tour Places:** | * The Royal Kasubi tombs * Namugongo Martyrs shrine * Amabere Ga Nyinamwiru * Village Tours in Uganda * Boomu Cultural Village * The Batwa Cultural Trail * Entanda Cultural Village * Katwe Village Tour * Rubuguri Village Tour * Karamoja Village Tour |
| **Tour Sceneries:** | Different culture and people |
| **Days/ Itinerary** | **Cultural Sites in Uganda**  Uganda as a country is filled with very many cultural sites that depict how far the country has come and where it is at the moment. We won’t be able to look at all the cultural sites in the country but we will discuss a few of them and when you visit Uganda, you will be able to see other cultural sites.  **The Royal Kasubi tombs**  The Royal Kasubi Tombs is located in Kasubi a few minutes away from the capital city of Uganda Kampala is where the Kings of Buganda are buried. It is a burial ground to four kings of Buganda and is a spiritual place to most of the Baganda people. There are several rituals that are carried out in the place by the different people and it is one of the most visited cultural sites in Uganda.  The first king to be laid at the Kasubi tombs was Mutesa 1 and he was the 35th Kabaka of Buganda. When a Kabaka died, he was laid down in a sanctum where his jawbone that was considered to be holding spiritual powers was kept at a different spot and these sanctums are still well kept and taken care of.  When you are entering the Kasubi tombs, you are required to remove your shoes as a sign of respect to the Kings. There will be a guide who will take you through the tombs showing you the different kings and how they lived their lives. You will also be able to see the different royal regalia that was used by the former kings and when you are moving out of the tombs, you have to do it backwards as you cannot show your back to the kings also known as Kabakas in the local language Luganda.  **Namugongo Martyrs shrine**  Namugongo shrine is located a few minutes away from the city Centre and it is where several Christian converts were killed because they had refused to denounce their religion. These men were killed by Mukajanga on the orders of Kabaka Mwanga and they were burnt alive. The shrine was separated into two sides that is the Catholic Church and the Anglican Church and when one visits the shrine, you get to know more about Uganda during that era. [See Cultural tours in Uganda](https://www.insightsafariholidays.com/uganda-cultural-tours)  **Amabere Ga Nyinamwiru**  Amabere Ga Nyinamwiru is located in fort portal and it is loosely translated as the Breast of Nyinamwiru. The story behind this is that the king of Toro Bakuku arranged a marriage with a certain chief for his daughter Nyinamwiru but she refuse. Upon her refusal, the king ordered for her breasts to be cut off so that no one else would marry her and that’s how the Amabere Ga Nyinamwiru were formed. Thousands of people travel long distances to come and see stalactites that look like breasts dripping breast milk.  **African Village Tours Uganda**  **Village Tours in Uganda** Most villages in Uganda still hold their traditional way of life and many still follow the way their ancestors lived; it is evidenced by the traditional rituals, music, dance and drama, traditional way of harvesting, food preparation and cooking, among other things. Some of these villages have been mentioned below to guide you on which to visit. The most amazing thing about it, is that all these villages are located in the famous tourist sites such as National Parks, Forests, and Lakes among others.  **Boomu Cultural Village**  Boomu Cultural village also known as Boomu Women’s Group is an African setting neighboring Murchison Falls National Park. It was formed in 1999 by subsistence farmers from villages of Kigaragara and Kihaguzi, in a time when the northern region of the country was dry, there was less produce to sell and consume hence poverty and malnutrition levels increased. So these people resorted to making crafts and what began as a small group, today is a beautiful community with gardens, traditional accommodation facilities, exceptional guided tours and a restaurant. In fact to enjoy this village to the fullest, you could spend a night in a real African hut, before getting to bed, sitting at the fire and listening to stories about this place from the elders is unforgettable. Visiting this village introduces you the way the locals live; how they grow crops, how children get education, how baskets are woven, their traditional dances and cultural performances, and also how food is harvested, prepared, cooked and served in the authentic African way. At Boomu you truly experience what is termed as an African authentic village setting. There is no solar or hydroelectric lighting, food is harvested directly from the garden and put on a locally made stove, then to your plate, most of the locals eat with their hands, tourists are given forks if it is what they want. There is even no refrigeration since all foods are fresh.  **The Batwa Cultural Trail**  The Batwa are an indigenous group of people famously known as pygmies. They used to live in unity with other forest inhabitants about 500,000years ago in huts made out of leaves and branches hence were referred to as the “Keepers of the Forest”. Their stay in the forest never destroyed the forest since even their shelters were eco-friendly. They entirely depended on the forest for shelter, food, firewood, and fruits among others. It is said of them that “the way they love their bodies is how they love the forest”. The Batwa lived in Mgahinga and Bwindi Impenetrable National Parks, these parks are homes to the remaining endangered Mountain Gorillas. Around 1991, the lives of the Batwa totally changed when these parks were permanently established to protect the Rain forest and wildlife especially the Mountain Gorillas hence by 1992 all people living in these National Parks were evicted and were not given any compensation either in form of money or land from the Government. But in 2011, the Batwa Cultural Trail was started in Mgahinga National Park by the Uganda Wildlife Authority (UWA). The members of the Pygmy community guide the visitors through the jungle and expose them to their ancient way of living including their old way of gathering fruits, hunting, collecting honey, traditional healing, and also other traditional performances like rituals done in caves and dances. Today this cultural trail is so famous and every visitor to the park shouldn’t miss out on this great experience, it has helped the Batwa keep their traditions and beliefs. The trails are two; both a long one and a short one, the visitor is at liberty to choose the trail they will go for. All proceeds from the visit support the community of the Batwa; they help in the development and sustaining of the community projects such as the maize mill, microfinance and the secondary school.  **Entanda Cultural Village**  Entanda village is a unique cultural tourist village that is aimed at preserving arts and crafts, traditions, culture, and performances of Uganda hence described as a Community Based Tourism Organization. All tourists to this village can be assured to experience and also participate in the old way of life for the Ugandan culture and the natural beauty in the village. Entanda is a small village situated in Mityana district among green rolling hills about 1 hour drive from Kampala. People in Entanda have also ensured to preserve their traditional ways of animal keeping, bee keeping, farming, food harvesting, preparation, serving and cooking, growing of vegetables and fruits plus the traditional playing of games. Entanda has a great historical background; it is said to have existed thousands of years ago when Kintu “the first man” to live in Buganda met death spirits that wanted to kill Nambi his wife. The death spirits also locally known as Walumbe used to dig very deep pits to hide and kill people. This is proved by the existence of about 240 deep pits and the Nambi rocks which today are used for traditional worship. Tourists while at Entanda can engage in activities such as traditional dances, hunting, walks through forests, banana and coffee plantations, fruit harvesting, food preparation and cooking, and lessons about the traditionally made musical instruments.  **Katwe Village Tour**  The village is situated in Kasese district at the edge of Queen Elizabeth National Park. The village is close to Katwe Lake, it is a salt lake and one of the economic activities carried out in this area is salt mining. A day in Katwe village is exceptional since visitors get a chance to meet the local people and involve in their day-to-day lives. Visitors are welcomed in a local homestead where they get to observe how the residents harvest salt from the lake, they can also observe how food is traditionally prepared, cooked and also be able to taste it. During the village tour, visitors should always keep in mind that by visiting they are giving back to the people, they can also visit a primary school in this village and see how the children get education. All proceeds from the visit go towards improving the health sector of this area and provide income to those that can’t mine salt to earn a living especially the elderly.  **Rubuguri Village Tour**  Rubuguri Village is situated at the edges of Bwindi Impenetrable NP a natural habitat to the world’s remaining endangered Mountain Gorillas. So it is very easy for the tourist to track Gorillas and wrap up the trip with a walk in the Village of Rubuguri. Rubuguri village is a small isolated village with friendly inhabitants and can be accessed by a rustic road along the steep hillsides. While here, you can engage in a village walk through small homesteads, where you are able to meet the locals and enjoy their day to day way of life in this area. Tourists can visit the local schools in the area, and also have a remarkable time watching people perform the Kikiga dance and sing amazing joyful traditional songs.  **Karamoja Village Tour**  Apart from sightseeing, a tour to a Karamojong community is defined as a participatory experience, because the tourist gets an opportunity to engage with the locals and learn more about their culture. One can also plan to have an overnight stay in a traditional hut. A Karamojong Village is also locally called a “Manyatta”. Karamoja Manyattas are traditional homesteads for the Karamojong located near Kidepo National Park. It is where they live in harmony just like their ancestors lived and their culture and traditions have been preserved, so visiting a manyatta you get exposed to this amazing group of people. The Karamojong live in an unspoiled part of the country; in the North Eastern part of Uganda. They are described as a tribe of fierce warriors, they are pastoralists who even feed on mainly animal products like milk, meat, blood among others. The women have tried to develop themselves by involving in the making of beads and crafts. Therefore if one is on safari to Kidepo National Park, you could include visit a Manyatta on your |

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| **Title:** | **4 Days Cultural Tour & Nature Walk to Ruboni Tourism Village** |
| **Short Tittle** | The soul of the mystical Challenge and nature |
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| **overview:** | Looking for shorting hiking adventure to explore Ruboni Tourism Village & Culture of the people around? Check the 4 Days Rwenzori Cultural & Nature walk adventure with Jazz Africa Adventures to visit the various Trails during the nature walk with an experienced guide from the locals. Find the Detailed Travel plan |
| **What is Included:** | Airport/Hotel Transfers  Park Entrance Fees  Meals as per Itinerary  Safari Transportation to/from airport  English Speaking Tour Guide/Driver |
| **Tour Places:** | * Ruboni Hill, |
| **Tour Sceneries:** | Black Smiting, Hills, Cultural dance, storytelling and Village walks |
| **Days/ Itinerary** | **Day 1: Transfer from Kampala to Rwenzori National Park.**  The driving distance is about **6-7 Hours** from Kampala to Ruboni Village including lunch and Stop over at the Equator line to evidence the experiment of the Equator.  The Driver/ Guide will pick you from Entebbe airport or a hotel in kampala and start the journey to south western Uganda passing through the terrains and exploring the mountains along the road side. You will have lunch in fort portal and later proceed to Kasese where Mountain Rwenzori national Park is located. Stay at Ruboni community Banda which is outside the park boundary. Enjoy the cold breeze of Rwenzori spiced by the roar of the boulder filled River Mubuku  **Day 2: Ruboni Hill Walk**  After Early morning breakfast, go for the nature walk to hike Ruboni Hill and enjoy scenic views of the River Mubuku as well as Baker and Portal Peaks as you ascend. Reaching the top of the 2300 meter hill, you will be rewarded with a panoramic view of the Mountains of the Moon and the glorious snow-capped Margherita Peak. Return to your accommodation for dinner and relaxation in the evening hours , incase time allows relax with the local community to understand their way of life , living and many others.  **Day 3: Cultural Hike or Village Walk**  After an early morning breakfast set off on the Bulemba -Ihandiro Cultural Trail for impressive views and an exploration of the local Bakonzo culture. This 6-7 hours hike to a hilltop cultural museum passes through the “Bat Valley” – a holy place for the Bakonzo, and crosses the River Kamusonge. There is also a visit to the traditional healer who explains how he uses his “Muhima” or powers, to cure the sick.  Or you may decide to visit the neighboring villages of Ruboni (with Ruboni Community Camp) or Mihunga (with Rwenzori Turaco View) for a cultural tour including dance performances and the chance to buy local handcrafts.  **Day 4: Return to Kampala**  After morning break fast embark into the safari jeep and drive to kampala using Mbarara route to enable you stop at the equator line in Masaka on the return , Lunch will be enjoyed in Masaka or Mbarara town. |

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| **Title:** | **ONE /TWO DAY (s) RWENZORI TRIP** |
| **Short Tittle** | Explore natural beauty from the alpine mountain to verdant forest |
| **Day count** | 1/2 |
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| **overview:** | If you arrived in the Rwenzori area and wish to have a short activity, other than the central circuit trekking, these are the options |
| **What is Included:** | Airport/Hotel Transfers  Park Entrance Fees  Meals as per Itinerary  Safari Transportation to/from airport  English Speaking Tour Guide/Driver |
| **Tour Places:** | * Lake Mahoma, Nyabitaba Camp |
| **Tour Sceneries:** | Mountains, forest, three horned chameleon,Monkies, Birds |
| **Days/ Itinerary** | *Community Walks*. From this point, we book you a guide to take you in the surrounding areas of the Ruboni and Mihunga villages. The slopes of the Rwenzori Mountains, just before the border of the national Park, are fertile lands where live communities of Bakonjo people. It is interesting and rewarding to take a walk and see the traditional works still present in this area, like the blacksmith and production of iron spears and knives or the handicraft production, like craft weaver and basket making. Some Bakonjo elders will be enthusiastic to spend time with you and to tell stories and legends of the ancient time, which are brought up today by the word of mouth. Another interesting encounter is the traditional healers or traditional doctors, the ones who used and still use today the power given to them by the gods of the traditional religion.  Forest walk. The area just approaching the national park along the Mubuku Valley is much cultivated but at the same time is rich of pristine nature and vegetation. Some of the hills are covered by forest. Our professional guide will take you for a 3 or 4 hours short excursion through forested areas outside the national park. Expect to see and learn from the nature, the species of trees, the small animals like chameleons and lizards,  who are still so common here, as well as to see black and white colobus monkeys and other monkeys. Birding is also interesting, as you might spot the typical Rwenzori Turaco, common boubou, African wagtail.  **TWO DAYS RWENZORI TRIP**  For two days trip along the Mobuku Valley, we suggest to do the trekking inside Rwenzori Mountain National Park, from the headquarter of the park found at an altitude of about 1700 meters up to Nyabitaba Hut at 2.652 meters. This trekking starts in the morning through the mountain forest. The last hour of the trekking is a bit more demanding as the trail starts ascending faster and passes through some rocks as well. Nyabitaba Hut is beautifully located, with in front the Mount Kinyangoma and on the North of the Portal Peaks. The hut is located at the limit of the bamboo zone. If you want to see more and enter the bamboo zone as well, take the short trail from Nyabitaba leading to Lake Mahoma and coming back to Nyabitaba. The first day you spend the night in Nyabitaba Hut and the following day after breakfast you start descending to the camp base. |

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