

14 Days Uganda Wildlife Midrange Safari

There is no other country in Africa – like Uganda – the “Pearl of Africa.”

In 1908, in his book *My African Journey*, Sir Winston Churchill wrote:

"For magnificence, for variety of form and colour, for profusion of brilliant life — bird, insect, reptile, beast — for vast scale — Uganda is truly "the Pearl of Africa". The Kingdom of Uganda is a fairy tale. The scenery is different, the climate is different and most of all, the people are different from anything elsewhere to be seen in the whole range of Africa..."



From its source in Lake Victoria, the River Nile crosses the Rift Valley to give Uganda a dazzling range of unique habitats. Uganda's resulting beauty, natural wonders and biodiversity have impressed generations of travellers. Visitors return for Uganda's welcoming people and temperate climate. Uganda's most coveted natural attractions include the endangered Mountain Gorilla, Chimpanzees and over 1,000 species of birds. Uganda's diverse habitats have enthralled wildlife-watchers, and seasoned African Safari-goers, for decades.

Hikers and mountain climbers congregate in the Rwenzori Mountains as well as in Mgahinga Gorilla National Park, which also boasts three major peaks. Game and bird viewing is particularly popular in Uganda's many national parks, and one of the special attractions is the tree-climbing lions of Queen Elizabeth National Park.

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14 days highlights of Uganda wildlife tour

This tour starts in Entebbe and ends in Entebbe. It takes you through some of Uganda's major savannah and forest parks. You will visit Ziwa Rhino Sanctuary and track the rhinos and visit Murchison falls. Trek the chimpanzees of Kibale in their natural habitat and get in touch with the gentle apes of Bwindi Impenetrable National Park (mountain gorillas). You will spot various wildlife in the different parks, have beautiful views of Uganda's landscape and learn about the culture of some tribes of Uganda.

Day 1. Arrival at Entebbe Airport.

Arrive in the pearl of Africa. Our company driver guide will pick you up from the airport and transfer to the lodge in Kampala. He will tell you about Uganda as you drive to the lodge and feel free to ask questions. Check in at the lodge where you will relax as you get ready for your safari.

Overnight at The Boma (BB)



Day 2: City tour

After breakfast at the hotel, do a city tour around Kampala where you will visit some religious and historical places around Kampala like the Gadhafi mosque, Kabaka's Palace, Bahai Temple and Amin's torture chamber. You will have a local lunch at a restaurant in Kampala.

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Day 3: Transfer from Kampala-Murchison Falls National park – Rhino tracking – hike to the top of the falls

Have breakfast, and later you will be picked from your residence by our company representative who will drive you to Murchison.

You will have a stopover at Ziwa Rhino Sanctuary where you will track the white rhinos. The activity is done in the company of a ranger guide. Later proceed to Murchison falls national park where you will hike to the top of the falls.

Overnight at Paraa lodge (FB)

Day 4: Game drive and a Launch cruise

The day begins early with early breakfast and then go for the game drive in search for wildlife that includes the Elephants, Buffaloes, Bushbucks, Giraffes, Cobs, Lions and Leopards among others. It also harbors a variety of bird life (450 bird species) that includes the rare Shoe Billed Stock. The game drive normally takes about three to four hours. We later come back to the Lodge, relax around , have lunch and later at around 2:00pm go for the boat cruise on the Nile for yet another but different view of the wildlife at close quarters as they cool off at the banks of the River and also view the Falls from the bottom side. We come back to Lodge for dinner and overnight.

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Day 5: Delta Launch and transfer to Hoima.

After a relaxed breakfast, at around 09:00am, we take a boat cruise to the Delta for another view of wildlife especially the Shoe Billed Stork. We later come back to the Lodge, have lunch and later transfer to Hoima passing through the Bulisa escapement for a better view of Lake Albert and the Albertine Rift Valley.

Overnight at Kikonko Lodge (FB)

Day 6: Transfer to Kibale National Park.

After breakfast, have your packed lunch with you and transfer to Kibale National Park passing through traditional home steads and the tea plantation of Fort Portal (Kabarole) arriving in the evening.

Overnight at Turaco Treetops Lodge (FB)

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Day 7: Chimpanzee Trekking – Bigodi walk

After breakfast we slope down to the Park Offices for registration and briefing before we start the Trekking in one of East Africa's oldest Forest with trees as high as 50 metres. The Trekking may take from 2-6 hours in search for Habituated Chimpanzees. The forest also harbours about five primate species that include the Black and White Colobus, Red Colobus, Red tailed, Lhotse's Monkeys and Grey cheeked Mangbey. It is also home to a variety of bird species including the rare Green Breasted Pita. We come back to the Lodge, relax around, have lunch and later go for a nature walk in the Bigodi wetland which is also very rewarding.

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Day 8: Transfer to Queen Elizabeth National Park – visit Lake Katwe

After breakfast we transfer to Queen Elizabeth National Park driving through the Crater Lakes region and drive south wards along the foothills of Rwenzori Mountain Ranges, these constitute the western Rift Valley and form the boundary between Uganda and Congo. Check in at the lodge where we have lunch and relax. Later in the evening visit Katwe saltlake where a local guide will tell you about the salt mining process.

Overnight at Mweya Safari Lodge (FB)

Day 9: Game drive and Boat cruise

The day begins early with an early morning cup of coffee and then starts our game drive towards the Kasenji plains in search for the wildlife that includes the Elephants, Waterbucks, Cobs, Buffaloes, Giant Forest Hogs, Bushbucks, Hyenas, Lions and Leopards among the mammal species and a variety of bird life. This Park is said to have the highest concentration of bird species as compared to any Park in the world (about 612 birds) recorded in this Park. We come back to the Lodge for breakfast, relax around, have lunch and later in the afternoon go for the boat cruise on the Kazinga Channel

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for yet another but different view of wild life from close as they come to cool off in the Channel water.

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Day 10: Transfer to Bwindi impenetrable national park through Ishasha sector

After breakfast transfer to Bwindi Impenetrable National Park passing through the Ishasha sector where the famous Tree Climbing Lions can be seen. You will do a game drive in Ishasha where you will expect to spot Lions, Elephants, Topi, Waterbucks among others as well as various bird species.

Overnight at Ichumbi Lodge (FB)

Day 11: Gorilla Trekking

After an early morning breakfast, go for a briefing at the park headquarters, in accompaniment of guides and armed rangers, you enter the thick tropical forest to begin the Gorilla tracking activity which takes 2-10 hours depending on the movements of these gorillas. When you find the gorillas, you will be given an hour to watch the gorillas as they feed, play and groom, you will also hear some of the sounds they make as while communicating. You can take photos and videos (make sure the flash is off) of the gorillas. Other animals and birds might be spotted too and these include the L'Hoest's monkey, African elephant, birds like the African green broadbill, Grauer's rush warbler, Chaplin's flycatcher, African giant swallowtail among others. After tracking, return to the lodge.

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Day 12: Batwa community visit and nature walk

After breakfast at the lodge, you will take a walk through the forest to visit the Batwa homestead. You will learn about the culture and lifestyle of these people who lived in the forest before it was made a national park. They will entertain you with their local dance and songs. As you move you will expect to spot various birds which your guide will help you identify.

Overnight at Ichumbi Lodge (FB)

Day 13: Bwindi – Lake Mburo National Park - night game drive

After breakfast we transfer to Lake Mburo National Park passing through the rolling hills of Kigezi and Ankole, with en-route lunch arriving in the afternoon and enter the Park with a mini game drive. You will do a night game drive through the park where you will expect to spot some nocturnal animals like hippos, hyenas among others.

Overnight at Rwakobo Rock (FB)

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Day 14. Lake Mburo National Park – Entebbe

After breakfast, do a nature walk around the park where you will expect to spot animals like zebra, impala, reedbuck among others as well as birds. Return to the lodge check out and drive back to Kampala/Entebbe.

A day room can be arranged. have a farewell dinner and the guide will drop you at the airport for your flight back home.

End of tour

QUOTATION

Prices are valid for 2022 and 2023

2pax - \$5839 per person sharing

4pax - \$4912 per person sharing

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6pax - \$4743 per person sharing

Inclusive

- Gorilla permit in Bwindi for each person
- Chimpanzee permit in Kibale for each person
- Rhino tracking
- Hike to the top of the falls
- Park entrance fees in the national parks
- Game drive in the savannah parks
- All Boat tours
- Walks
- Batwa forest experience
- Ground transportation in 4x4 safari land cruiser
- English speaking driver guide and his allowance
- Mid range accommodation with meals as quoted in the text
- Lunch enroute
- Farewell dinner
- AMREF emergency - evacuation cover
- Drinking water in the vehicle

Exclusive

- Visa
- International flights

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- Travel Insurance
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