

Ndali Lodge was a cute, scenic lodge, with daily happy hour & a variety of other guests and expat friends of the hosts who seemed to be around a lot. There were lots of opportunities for good conversations. The meals here were superb, and they paid attention to our food preferences. They also packed the best box lunch I've ever had!! They seem very supportive and interested in their community and are to be commended on their plan to start an International school, with lots of scholarship local students expected to attend.

Queen Elizabeth National Park was an opportunity to have the more traditional game drives, and it was fun to see what wildlife you might encounter as you drove around, even to and from the lodges. Mweya Lodge had a great setting above the Channel, a nice outdoor dining deck, banded mongoose wandering around in the morning. The Kazinga Channel boat trip was amazing - so much wildlife to see, and such great close-up viewing. The bonus was our private boat so we had every angle covered on all sides - a very nice touch!

Ishasha Wilderness Camp was a more rustic, natural experience...During our later afternoon game drive, we had a wonderful encounter by the river of a huge group of hippos & baboons - definitely my highlight that day. We'd not seen the tree climbing lions on our previous drives, but our last morning, with little expectations cause they "didn't climb" in the early morning, we went over to take photos of the "lion trees" and to our amazement found a few on 2 different trees so felt majorly lucky. Seemed like our wildlife viewing was super successful

Gorilla Forest Camp Came with high expectations on my part, having seen a Sanctuary Lodges presentation at a travel show before. It met those, and I loved having 3 days here. It was not busy, so we had very personalized service, lots of chats with the staff who seemed interested in our excitement after our gorilla trek and looked at more photos we shared.

I think we really lucked out on especially our 2 gorilla treks. I'm sure it helped that Male passed on our wishes to visit the closest group, with the easiest trek expected, but considering they continually move, it was fortuitous that they didn't stray too far. In addition, both groups ended up in nice open areas that made viewing very easy, relaxed & incredibly close for photos. Even the morning rain in Rwanda didn't spoil things & made their hair fluffy. Bwindi was definitely more difficult trekking, but not the super challenging, long struggle it could have been, for which we were very grateful.

I certainly wanted you to know how much I enjoyed these experiences.

Cheers!

Jane Craig, July 2016

We are back home from our adventure in Africa. The trip was everything we expected and more! Of course for me (Bev), the ultimate highlight of the trip was the gorillas in both Uganda and Rwanda. I loved everything connected to the gorillas which included the trekking to find them, the information about them as well as just observing them in their natural habitat.

The highlight for Jim was observing the chimpanzees first in the high trees and then up close and personal on the ground. The chimpanzees were a pleasant surprise for us...neither one of us thought much about the chimpanzees before signing up for the trip...for us, it was pretty much all about the gorillas and anything else was just a bonus. Well, for Jim, that Chimpanzee bonus turned out to be his favorite thing. Albeit, his cold which developed in Uganda kept him from taking his second Gorilla trek in Rwanda...had he been able to take this gorilla trek, who knows, maybe he would change his favorite thing to the gorillas as well.

We both thoroughly enjoyed the cruise on Kazinga Channel. We were pleasantly surprised at how much wildlife we saw along the banks of the channel while relaxing with our beer and wine on the boat...

We loved the Ishasha Wilderness Camp as well as the Gorilla Forest

When I take adventure trips such as this one, I'm always ready for the surprises that may come our way during the trip. Again, we were pleasantly surprised that the trip went according to plan! Someone was always where they were supposed to be to meet us....that's a very reassuring feeling when traveling in a foreign country. Thanks again for showing us a wonderful time through Africa Adventure Company. I won't hesitate to recommend you to other adventure travelers.

Bev Erickson & Jim Moen

