

5-DAY EXTENSION GORILLA TREKKING SAFARI TO UGANDA

Program highlights:

- ❑ Uganda, "The Pearl of Africa", is situated astride the Equator and boasts a wide and diverse landscape - from rugged, snow-capped mountains to the vast flat lands.
- ❑ Experience the thrill of gorilla trekking in Bwindi Impenetrable Forest.
- ❑ There are 2 options
 - Flying safari from Entebbe to Bwindi**
 - Driving from Kigali, Rwanda and the Kisoro Region (Nkuringo side)**



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GORILLA TREKKING IN UGANDA

- There are approximately 900 mountain gorillas left in the world today and an estimated 400 of them reside in Uganda's Bwindi Impenetrable Forest. Currently there are nineteen gorilla families that are habituated and able to be visited on a daily basis.
- Each hike to visit the chimpanzees or gorillas can take anywhere from 4 hours to about 8 hours depending where you find the primates. Some of the hikes can be strenuous so a HIGH level of fitness is required at altitudes of over 5000ft.

Option 1 – Flying from Entebbe, Uganda

Day	Destination	Accommodation
01	Arrive Entebbe	Protea Hotel by Marriott Entebbe
02	Fly Entebbe – Bwindi	Bwindi Lodge or Gorilla Forest Camp
03	1 st Gorilla Trek	Bwindi Lodge or Gorilla Forest Camp
04	2 nd Gorilla Trek	Bwindi Lodge or Gorilla Forest Camp
05	Fly Bwindi – Entebbe	Depart

Option 2 – Driving from Kigali, Rwanda

Day	Destination	Accommodation
01	Arrive Kigali	Kigali Serena Hotel
02	Drive Kigali to Uganda border Onward to Bwindi	Gorilla Safari Lodge or Clouds Mountain Lodge
03	1 st Gorilla Trek	Gorilla Safari Lodge or Clouds Mountain Lodge
04	2 nd Gorilla Trek	Gorilla Safari Lodge or Clouds Mountain Lodge
05	Return road transfer to Kigali	Depart



Based on the Buhoma/Ruhijha side of Bwindi there are 7 families:

Habinyanja	13 members – one silverback, one black-back, three adult females, two sub-adult, four juveniles & two infants.
Mubare	7 members - one silverback, four adult females, one sub-adult and one infant.
Rushegura	15 members - one silverback, four black-backs, four adult females, two juveniles and four infants.
Katwe	7 members – one silverback, four adult females and one infant
Bitukura	11 members - four silverbacks, three adult females, two juveniles and two infants. <i>(Based near Ruhijha)</i>
Oruzogo	17 members – two silverbacks, two black-backs, five adult females, two juveniles and six infants. <i>(Based near Ruhijha)</i>
Kyaguriro	21 members (A & B Groups) – Group A - one silverback, two black-backs, two adult females, two juveniles and three infants. Group B - one silverback, four adult females, two sub-adults and one infant. <i>(Based near Ruhijha)</i>

Based on the Rushaga side (Kisoro region), southern area of Bwindi there are 8 gorilla families:

Nshongi	8 members - one silverback, three adult females, one sub-adult, one juvenile and two infants.
Bweza	11 members – two silverbacks, three black-backs, two adult females and four infants.
Kahungye	22 members – three silverbacks, three black-backs, five adult females, four sub-adults, three juveniles and four infants.
Rwigi	6 members – one silverback, two adult females, two sub-adults and one infant.
Busingye	13 members – one silverback, three adult females, four sub-adult, one juvenile and four infants.
Mishaya	10 members – one silverback, two black-back, three adult females, one sub-adult and three infants.
Mucunguzi	8 members - one silverback, three adult females, one juvenile and three infants.
Kutu	11 members – two silverbacks, two black-backs, three adult females and four infants.

Based on the Nkuringo side (Kisoro region), southern area of Bwindi there are 3 gorilla families:

Nkuringo	12 members - two silverbacks, one black-back, two adult females, two sub-adults, three juveniles and two infants.
Bushaho	11 members – two silverbacks, four black-backs, two adult females and three infants.
Christmas	6 members – one silverback, two adult females, one juvenile and two infants.



2020 LAND ARRANGEMENTS: Based on 2 people traveling

OPTION 1 Flying Safari	Jan-Feb / Jun	Jul-Sep	Mar-May	Oct-Nov
Based on Bwindi Lodge	\$5,175.00	\$5,375.00	\$4,650.00	\$4,850.00
	Jan-Mar / Jun	Jul-Oct / Dec	Apr-May	Nov
Based on Gorilla Forest Camp	\$5,595.00	\$5,795.00	\$4,425.00	\$4,625.00

** Pricing is quoted per person sharing a room*

LAND COSTS INCLUDE:

- All accommodations
- Breakfast (B) in Entebbe
- All meals and game activities (Full Board) on safari
- Airport Transfers where stated
- Scheduled charter flights Entebbe/Bwindi/Entebbe
- Park fees and guiding fees
- Flying doctor service
- 2 gorilla permits (From \$1200-\$1400 per person)

NOT INCLUDED:

- Tips to staff and driver/guides
- All drinks and Laundry
- Airport departure taxes
- Uganda visa
- International scheduled airfares to/from Entebbe
- Items of a personal nature
- Travel insurance
- Park fee increase

NOTES:

1. Please note that we can book other camps in Bwindi including Clouds Lodge as a flying package.

2020 LAND ARRANGEMENTS: Based on 2 people traveling

OPTION 2 Driving from Kigali	Jan-Mar / Jun	Jul-Oct / Dec	Apr-May	Nov
Based on Gorilla Forest Camp	\$3,895.00	\$4,095.00	\$3,450.00	\$3,650.00
	Jan11-Feb/Jun	Mar-May	Jul-Sep	Oct-Nov
Based on Clouds Mountain Lodge	\$5,295.00	\$4,350.00	\$5,795.00	\$4,550.00

** Pricing is quoted per person sharing a room*

LAND COSTS INCLUDE:

- All accommodations
- Breakfast (B) in Kigali
- All meals and game activities (Full Board) on safari
- Airport Transfers where stated
- Park fees and guiding fees
- Flying doctor service
- PRIVATE guide/driver from Days 01-05
- 2 gorilla permits (From \$1200.00-\$1400.00 per person)

NOT INCLUDED:

- Tips to staff and driver/guides
- All drinks and Laundry
- Airport departure taxes
- Uganda visa
- International scheduled airfares to/from Entebbe or Kigali
- Items of a personal nature
- Travel insurance
- Park fee increase

AIR ARRANGEMENTS: (subject to change until ticketed)

Please take a moment to contact our "in house" air department for pricing options!

INTER-AFRICA

Maasai Mara/Entebbe	from \$350.00 per person
Nairobi/Entebbe or Kigali	from \$ 210.00 per person
Kilimanjaro/Entebbe	from \$ 195.00 per person
Johannesburg/Entebbe or Kigali	from \$ 415.00 per person
Serengeti/Entebbe or Kigali one/way	from \$ 875.00 per person (based on 4 persons)

Notes:

- 1) Daily Scheduled flights are based on a minimum of two people traveling.
- 2) You can combine gorilla trekking in both regions.
- 3) Please request pricing for 3-6 people traveling together.

Trip Report:

Uganda was absolutely unbelievably wonderful, exciting, awesome. We had a short drive (45 minutes), a short trek (no more than 45 minutes) and an hour surrounded by the H Group of 18 members walking around us. We saw all 18! The silverback was one of the first to come out of the bush and he sat down across from us. Then one by one all the others paraded in front of us. And, as I am sure you are aware, the SEVEN METER rule had yet to be taught to these magnificent creatures. So we were all MUCH CLOSER. After about 20 minutes the black-back presented himself. He didn't look so overwhelmingly happy, but then how would we know. He checked us out one-by-one and then proceeded toward us. But when he got within about ten feet he did a 90-degree turn and sat down, grabbed a branch and pretty much "joined our group". Across from him there were two young ones putting on a playful wrestle show. At some point I was standing at the edge of our group when a mother with a baby started toward me. I just stood still (well, with my little video camera in hand) as she passed by me brushing my pants! Except for maybe seeing a live birth I don't know how this visit could have been any better!!!

Jeff Skinner