



RWANDA Safari – 4 DAYS GORILLA SAFARI

2025

Flying Safari-Shared safari activities + Beach Using 7-seater 4x4 Land cruiser with English Speaking + English speaking driver/guide
B=breakfast, L=lunch, D=dinner

Important Notes:

Baggage on domestic flights is 15kg per person in soft bags.

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Safari overview.

Date	Location	Budget Lodge	Midrange Lodge	Upmarket	Luxury	Meal Plan
Day 1	Arrival Kigali	Haven Boutique	Mille Collines Hotel	Kigali Serena	The retreat	BB
Day 2	Kigali - Volcanoes	Davinci Lodge	Ingagi Parkview Lodge	Five Volcanoes	Virunga Lodge	FB
Day 3	Volcanoes	Davinci Lodge	Ingagi Parkview Lodge	Five Volcanoes	Virunga Lodge	FB
Day 4	Volcanoes - Kigali	Departure	Departure	Departure	Departure	N/A

Safari Highlights

- Gorilla trekking in Volcanoes National Park
- Kigali City tour
- Scenic views
- Community walk
- Golden Monkey Tracking

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Detailed Itinerary:

Day 1: Arrive at Kigali International Airport

Welcome to the Land of A thousand Hills. Upon arrival at Kigali International Airport, you will be welcomed by one of our experienced safari guides who will transfer you to your Hotel for the rest of the day and overnight. At check in, you will be briefed about your safari and what to expect, the safari dos and don'ts. Overnight at your Hotel. Bed and Breakfast

Budget Option - Haven Boutique

Midrange – Hotel Des Mille Collin

Upmarket – Kigali Serena Hotel

Luxury – The Retreat Kigali

Day 2: Kigali City tour and transfer to Volcanoes National Park.

After breakfast, pick up from your hotel for a half day Kigali city tour. The tour is inclusive of a visit to the Kigali Genocide Memorial Site and Museum to learn more about the 1994 genocide era, local markets and so on. Later have Lunch and then depart for Volcanoes National Park. the journey will offer you with beautiful mountainous and green countryside from which the name of “The Land of a thousand hills” was depicted. Dinner and overnight at your Lodge.

Budget Option – Davince Lodge

Midrange – Ingagi Park View Lodge

Upmarket – Five Volcanoes Lodge

Luxury – Volcanoes Virunga Lodge

Luxury – Singita Kwitonda Lodge

Luxury – One & Only Gorilla Nest Lodge



Day 3: Gorilla trekking in Rwanda and Community Walk

Today morning after breakfast, you will be transferred from your lodge to the park headquarters for the days' briefing about Gorilla trekking activity. It's advisable to park your lunch, drinking water and hire porters as the time taken in the jungle is unpredictable. After the briefing from the Park rangers, you will be allocated your Gorilla family and then head into the forest to search for the gentle jungle giants. Tracking the Gorillas may take a few hrs. to a full day to hike up and down the mountain as this always depend on where they were last seen the previous night. Physical Fitness is highly recommended but also those who are not fit enough, they have the chance to hire Human helicopters (Sedan chair). Upon seeing the gorillas, you will be allowed to stay with them for one hour maximum (Take videos and Photographs). Then later return back to your Lodge for lunch.

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Afternoon a enjoy a community walk to Red rock a local initiative that improves community livelihood through Environmental Conservation, Arts & Culture, Education, and Community Health & Security. Overnight at your Lodge.

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Day 4: Golden Monkey tracking and Departure

After morning breakfast, you will head back to the park offices for your briefing about the morning activity. This time it will be Golden Monkey tracking. These endangered monkey species are found within the Volcanoes National Park in Rwanda. Unlike the Gorillas, Golden monkey trekking will not take long and are easily located. Return to the lodge for early lunch and afternoon transfer to Kigali and then Airport for your departure flight to your next destination or back Home. Breakfast and Lunch.



Cost of the package

Number of Pax	1 Pax	2 Pax	3 Pax	4 Pax	5 Pax	6 Pax	SRSP
Budget Accommodation	3650	2895	2720	2630	2580	2545	230
Midrange Accommodation	4050	3120	2950	2855	2805	2770	405
Upmarket Accommodation	4890	3540	3365	3275	3220	3185	825

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Luxury Options

The Retreat + Volcanoes Virunga Lodge (High Season Jan - Feb Jun - Sep Dec)							
Number of Pax	1 Pax	2 Pax	3 Pax	4 Pax	5 Pax	6 Pax	SRSP
Amount Per Person	8520	6895	6710	6620	6565	6530	1085

The Retreat + Volcanoes Virunga Lodge (Low Season -Mar - May Oct to Nov)							
Number of Pax	1 Pax	2 Pax	3 Pax	4 Pax	5 Pax	6 Pax	SRSP
Amount Per Person	6030	5165	4985	4895	4840	4805	320

The Retreat + Singita Kwitonda (High Season Jun- Oct and Dec)							
Number of Pax	1 Pax	2 Pax	3 Pax	4 Pax	5 Pax	6 Pax	SRSP
Amount Per Person	10735	9870	9690	9595	9540	9505	320

The Retreat + Singita Kwitonda (Low Season Jan - May and Nov)							
Number of Pax	1 Pax	2 Pax	3 Pax	4 Pax	5 Pax	6 Pax	SRSP
Amount Per Person	8990	6815	6170	5895	5705	5585	1630

The Retreat + One& Only (High Season Jun- Oct and Dec)							
Number of Pax	1 Pax	2 Pax	3 Pax	4 Pax	5 Pax	6 Pax	SRSP
Amount Per Person	14605	10355	10170	10080	10025	9990	3710

The Retreat + One& Only (Low Season Jan - May and Nov)							
Number of Pax	1 Pax	2 Pax	3 Pax	4 Pax	5 Pax	6 Pax	SRSP
Amount Per Person	10350	7350	7170	7080	7025	6985	2450

Cost includes:

- 1 x night accommodation in Kigali on BB
- 2 x nights' accommodation in Volcanoes on FB
- Kigali city Tour
- 1 x Gorilla permit at USD 1500
- 1 x Community Walk
- 1 x Golden Monkey permit
- All transport with an English-speaking guide
- Drinking water in vehicle.

Cost does not include:

- International Airfare
- Gratuities
- Covid tests
- Visa fees to Rwanda
- Personal items like Laundry
- Insurance

Additional remarks:-

- We may have to reroute the itinerary or accommodate in similar lodges in case of non-availability
- Prices for domestic flights, airport taxes or park fees may be changed without prior

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notice. This is beyond our control and any increase levied will be passed to you.

Passenger Information:-

- Passengers should bring only soft sided bags on safaris
- All the passengers must have Identification Card/Passport with them for internal flights
- Baggage on internal flights is strictly limited to 15kgs per person (including hand luggage).
Any excess baggage will be charged by the airline at check-in.
- Passengers arriving in Kenya and Tanzania may be asked to present a valid Yellow Fever Vaccination Certificate.

The price quoted and services will be subject change depending on availability at the time of booking.

SAFARI TIPS.

While planning an East African Safari can seem like a daunting task, it doesn't have to be! Take the stress out of the experience with this helpful summary of the key things you need to think about before you jet off. Once you have all of them covered, you can sit back, relax, and look forward to your safari adventure.

Note: While this is a general guide to vaccinations required for your East African safari, you should always visit your doctor before your departure to obtain the best advice. A pre-trip health check and discussion of what vaccines are necessary for you, as well as how to deal with any unique health concerns, is imperative for a safe and enjoyable safari.

4. Clothing

On an East African safari, you should go for comfort and convenience when it comes to your clothing. Some of the things you should remember, include:

- Bring lightweight layers in both long and short lengths, plus socks, sleepwear, and swim wear.
- Always take a sweater or fleece jacket, as it can get quite chilly at night and during early mornings.
- Unless you're planning to trek, bulky hiking boots are rarely necessary. However a comfortable pair of lightweight trainers are a must and if you're planning on going to the beach after your safari, don't forget your flip-flops.
- Don't forget a hat, as you'll want to protect your face and scalp from the equatorial sun.
- It's not recommended to wear bright colors on safari, so consider buying some khaki, dark green, or darker colored clothes before your trip.

Passports & Visas

- A full passport with at least six month validity from the date of departure is generally required for travel.
- It is recommended that travelers contact the relevant Consulate/Embassy prior to travel for current visa requirements.

1. Applying for an East African Visa

One of the greatest things to happen to East African tourism over the past few years is the introduction of the East African visa. This visa allows you access to Kenya, Uganda, and Rwanda, and it's not only a time saver, but it also works out considerably cheaper than purchasing individual visas.

To apply for the East African Visa, you'll need the following:

- A passport with at least six months validity
- \$100 USD application fee
- One standard sized passport photograph

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- A completed application form
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Tip: It's important that you apply for the East African visa with the country from which you will begin your travels. The visa will be valid for 90 days from the date marked in your passport.

Currency

- Credit & debit cards (MasterCard, American Express, Diners Club and Visa) are widely accepted in the cities.
- ATMs, banks and Bureau de Changes are found throughout major towns.
- Cash is king, although it is advised that you limit the amount of money you carry on your person.
- Some African countries will accept USD, GBP or EUROS, but Kenya requires Rand (KES),.

Most safaris are all-inclusive when it comes to food and drink, but you still need money for certain activities, local purchases, and tipping. That's why it's a good idea to carry some local currency with you.

Carrying US Dollars

The US dollar is widely accepted by international hotels and safari camps in East Africa and traveller cheques are also an option. Visa cards are usually a safe bet, no matter where you go.

Tip: You may want to consider changing money at the airports, as banks there usually give better exchange rates than hotels.

Health & Medical Facilities

***** All of the countries we represent are Ebola free *****

- Ensure that you have adequate travel & health insurance cover.
- South Africa has excellent medical care and facilities compare favourably with international standards.
- Malaria Vaccinations & Yellow Fever Certificates may be required for certain countries.
- Please consult your local doctor or travel clinic for advice prior to departure for appropriate medication.

2. Vaccinations and Health Requirements

When travelling to East Africa, there is only one shot that is compulsory, and that is the yellow fever vaccine, but there are other health precautions and vaccinations recommended by the WHO and CDC, which include:

- Typhoid
- Hepatitis A and B
- Meningitis
- Polio
- Influenza
- Measles, mumps, and rubella (MMR)

Tipping

Tipping is optional and dependent on the level of service. Although it is customary and considered an insult if you do not.

- As a guideline, a minimum of 10% should be added to restaurant bills.
- For guides and/or drivers please calculate USD 5 - 9 per person per day (or equivalent).
- For rangers and trackers when on safari please calculate USD 5 - 9 per person per day (or equivalent).
- Porterage ranges between USD 1 - 2 per person per service (or equivalent).
- For helpful petrol attendants, USD 1 (or equivalent) is perfectly acceptable.
- When assisted by a car guard, it is a custom to tip USD 1

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Tax

- Value-added-tax (VAT) of 14% / 16% is charged on most items.
- When visiting South Africa & Namibia, be sure to request a tax invoice for larger purchases as foreign visitors may claim back VAT paid on items taken out of the country when the total valued exceeds USD 18.93. It is advisable to keep these purchases in your hand luggage as you will need to present the items at the VAT Refund Administration for inspection and endorsement of the tax invoices when departing the country.
- A Tax Invoice must include the following:
 - The words "Tax Invoice"
 - A Tax Invoice number
 - The seller's VAT Registration number
 - Date of Issue of the Tax Invoice
 - The seller's name and address
 - The buyer's name and address
 - A full description of the goods purchased
 - The cost of the goods in Rands
 - The amount of VAT charged or a statement that VAT is included in the total cost

Wildlife Photography

- Animals don't stop for selfies, so be quick on the finger!
- Avoid getting too close, some animals are dangerous and in the wild - uncontrollable.
- Experiment at home in the garden and with the cat or dog to learn how your camera works and perfect your technique.
- For instance which is the anti-motion, or motion button? Does it have a landscape function? What sort of zoom range does it have? How do you set it to manual and change the aperture and shutter speed?
- Observe the animals silently and with a minimum of disturbance - loud talking on game drives can frighten the wildlife away.
- Early morning and evening game drives offer exceptional lighting opportunities.
- don't be in a hurry to cover the most distance, stay in a well set up position for a while - you'll be amazed by what may enter your frame.
- most importantly, be sure to enjoy the whole view - not just the one from behind your lens. Stop and look around every once in a while!

Safety

Most areas are as safe as any other destination in the world, however, basic common-sense precautions should be used:

- Ask the concierge at your hotel which areas are safe to walk around in and when
- Travel in groups or pairs and always choose well-lit areas
- Order taxis or transport ahead of time
- Carry only as much cash as necessary
- Don't leave your property unattended
- Be aware of pickpockets and petty criminals
- Don't draw attention to yourself by flaunting valuables around openly or counting your cash at the ATM
- Carry a copy of your passport in a separate section of your luggage

What to Bring on Safari

Clothing

Most lodges and safari camps offer laundry as part of their service, so you can afford to pack lightly.

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- 2x khaki/brown cotton trousers
- 2x pairs khaki/brown shorts
- 3x long sleeved shirts/blouses
- 1x fleece/jersey
- 1x lightweight, waterproof jacket
- 1x Swimming costume
- 1x Walking or hiking boots
- 1x Sandals
- 4x short-sleeved shirts or T-shirts
- 5x underwear
- 5x socks
- 1x Hat with a brim
- 1x Gloves (if you really feel the cold)
- 1x Sarong or kikoi type garment

The Must-Haves For Your East African Safari

Before you leave for your East African Safari, make sure to have these items packed and ready to go:

- Mosquito repellent
- Sunblock/Body lotion
- Any prescription drugs (keep these in your hand luggage)
- A camera
- Electrical adaptors
- Sunglasses
- Binoculars (a pair per person)
- A small bag or day pack

The Basics

- Sunscreen
- Toiletries
- Insect repellent
- Sunglasses
- Camera (with extra memory card and batteries)
- Binoculars
- Lip balm
- Hand wipes
- Wildlife checklist (or just paper) & a pen

Cancellation Policy.

In the event of written cancellation, the following forfeiture of the programme cost will be assessed based on the number of days prior to programme departure that the cancellation was received:

90-60 days prior 20% of the programme cost

59-30 days prior to 50% of the programme cost

29 days or less 100% of the programme cost

END OF OUR SERVICES!! WISHING YOU AN EXCELLENT SAFARI!!KARIBU KENYA!! HAKUNA MATATA!!

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