



10 DAYS RWANDA AND UGANDA PRIMATES & WILDLIFE SAFARI 2025

Flying Safari-Private safari activities 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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AT A GLANCE

Date	Location	Meal Plan
Day 1	Arrival Kigali	BB
Day 2	Kigali City to Volcanoes National Park	FB
Day 3	Volcanoes National Park	FB
Day 4	Volcanoes to Bwindi National Park	FB
Day 5	Bwindi Impenetrable N. P	FB
Day 6	Bwindi - Queen Elizabeth National Park	FB
Day 7	Queen Elizabeth N. Park	FB
Day 8	Queen Elizabeth - Kibale National Park	FB
Day 9	Kibale N. Park	FB
Day 10	Transfer to Entebbe-- Departure	HB

QUOTATION FULL 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 do's and don'ts. Overnight at your Hotel. Bed and Breakfast

- ✚ *The Heaven Boutique Hotel for Budget*
- ✚ *Mille Collines Hotel for Midrange*
- ✚ *Serena Hotel Kigali for Upmarket*

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, Nyamata genocide Church, 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. Full Board

- ✚ *Davinci Lodge for Budget*
- ✚ *Mountain Gorilla View Lodge for Midrange*
- ✚ *5 Volcanoes Lodge for Upmarket*



Day 3: Golden Monkeys and Community Visit

Morning visit Volcanoes National Park for Golden Monkey tracking, these endangered monkey species are found within the Volcanoes National Park in Rwanda. Unlike the Gorillas, Golden monkey trekking will not

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take long and are easily located. Afternoon enjoy a community walk at Red Rock Initiative. Overnight stay your lodge. Full board

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Day 4: Transfer to Mgahinga National Park (Batwa Experience) and Bwindi Impenetrable Forest National Park

Breakfast in the morning and embark on your journey to the famous Bwindi Impenetrable Forest National Park and Batwa cultural experience in Mgahinga National Park. You will have a morning session of Batwa forest dwellers as they will take you through there early days when they were still sharing the forest with Gorillas and other animals before it was gazetted into a National Park. Afterwards will continue to Bwindi National Park. The park is well known for being a habitat to the biggest number of endangered species of Mountain Gorillas. Check in at your Lodge for resting, dinner and overnight at your Lodge. Full Board. ✚ *Ichumbi Lodge for Budget*

- ✚ *4 Gorillas Lodge for Midrange*
- ✚ *Nkuringo Gorilla Lodge - for Upmarket*



Day 5: Gorilla Trekking in Bwindi Impenetrable Forest National Park

The day is finally here for your unforgettable life time experience of meeting face to face with the giant mountain Gorillas. You will start your day with an early breakfast at your lodge and then transfer to the park headquarters (Depending on which location you have booked your accommodation) for briefing. There are 4 sectors in which Gorilla trekking takes place with in Bwindi Forest. The northern side of the park is comprised of Buhoma and Ruhija Sector and the southern side comprised of Rushaga and Nkuringo sectors. After Briefing, you will start on your day's trek. Searching for the gorillas may take like 2-5hrs depending on where they were last spotted the previous day. Once they have been spotted, you will be given one hour to take videos, photos and also get a chance to ask the rangers and the guides any questions about these giant apes. Besides the great Apes, the forest is also a home to other wildlife and bird species such as butterflies, primates, mammals, frogs and so on which all can be seen along the way to the Gorillas. After seeing the Gorillas, you will then head back to your lodge and retire for the rest of the day. The whole day activity can take between 5 to 9hrs. Packed Lunch and hiring porters are highly recommended. If time permits, take an evening community walk around Rushaga. Dinner and overnight stay at your Lodge. Full Board

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Day 6: Transfer to Queen Elizabeth National Park (Approx. 6 Hours)

Morning breakfast and transfer to Queen Elizabeth National Park. The Park is one of country's best wildlife National parks with over 600 bird species, mammals like Lions, Leopards, elephants, buffaloes and so many others. Will have a short game drive in Ishasha Sector in search for tree climbing lions and later check in at your lodge in the evening for dinner and Overnight on Full Board

- ✚ *Twin lakes Safari Lodge for Budget*
- ✚ *Buffalo Safari lodge for Midrange*
- ✚ *Elephant Plains Lodge - for Upmarket*

Day 7: Game drive and Boat ride along the Kazinga channel

After an early morning breakfast, depart for your morning game drive in Kasenyi areas. Look out for wildlife animals such as Lions, Leopards, Buffalos, Elephants, Antelopes, Warthogs, Waterbucks, Bushbucks and so on. Lunch and in the afternoon set out for the launch cruise along the Kazinga channel. The channel connects Lake Edward and Lake George. The channel is a home to one of Africa's largest hippo populations and bird species. this 3hrs boat cruise will enrich you with views of the water loving animals such as Hippos, Elephants, Buffalos, Crocodiles and other antelopes as we as bird species. Return to your Lodge in the evening for dinner and overnight stay. Full Board

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Day 8: Transfer to Kibale Forest National Park - Bigodi and crater lakes

Morning breakfast and transfer to Kibale Forest National Park. The Forest is also a home to over 325 bird species including the rare Green Breasted Pitta. You will visit the Kasenda craters. Take a short hike to the 'Top of the World' view point where you are able to see a lot of the small crater lakes with in this region. Proceed and also visit the spectacular Lake Nyinambuga from which the lake shown on the 20.000 Uganda shilling note was depicted. If time permits you may also visit Bigodi swamp also known as Magombe swamp a haven for birds and other primates. Return to your lodge for dinner and overnight stay on Full board

- ✚ *Isunga Lodge for Budget*
- ✚ *Turaco Tree Tops lodge for Midrange*
- ✚ *Primates Lodge - for Upmarket*

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Day 9: Chimpanzee tracking

After breakfast, you will be transferred to the park headquarters at Kanyanchu for a 30-40mins briefing and get to know more about the chimpanzees and their ways of living with in the forest. After this, you will then embark on your journey to search for these primates through the forest. On spotting the chimps, you are only given one Hour to be with them as you take videos and pictures. Along the way other primate species can be spotted such as the LHoest's Monkeys, Red tailed Monkeys, Blue Vervet Monkeys, and Black & White colobus Monkeys among others. Other animals that can be seen are Forest Elephants, Buffalos and a lot of bird species. After the tracking, return to your Lodge for resting for the rest of the day. Dinner and overnight stay. Full board.

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- ✦ *Turaco Tree Tops lodge for Midrange*
- ✦ *Primates Lodge - for Upmarket*

Day 10: Transfer to Entebbe

After your morning breakfast, you will be transferred to Entebbe to catch up with your evening flight onwards. Breakfast and Lunch

END OF 10 DAYS RWANDA - UGANDA SAFARI ADVENTURE

COST OF THE PACKAGE BASED ON 2025 RATES

Number of Pax	1 Pax	2 Pax	3 Pax	4 Pax	5 Pax	6 Pax	7 Pax	SRSP
Budget Accommodation	6665	4615	4085	3820	3655	3550	3475	455
Midrange Accommodation	7435	5025	4490	4220	4060	3955	3880	805
Upmarket Accommodation	10555	7200	6670	6405	6240	6135	6060	1755

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Upmarket - Low season	9655	6640	6285	6015	5855	5750	5670	1415

Low season (March, April, May, October, November)

Included in this Package

- All Airport transfers

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- Accommodation in Kigali on BB
- Accommodation upcountry on full board.
- Ground transportation by 4x4 tourist vehicle with an English-Speaking driver Guides (Germany, French, Spanish or Italian speaking guides at a Supplement of USD 50 Per Day per guide)
- Volcanoes Golden monkey permits at USD 100
- Gorilla permits IN Bwindi at USD 800
- Chimpanzee trekking in Kibale \$250
- Batwa Cultural experience
- Boat ride on Kazinga Channel
- Game drives in Queen Elizabeth
- Water on board
- Community walks in Rwanda and Uganda
- Visit to the crater lakes
- Kigali City tour

Excluded in this Package

- Tips
- Drinks and Beverages - other than where it's included as part of accommodation package
- International Air ticket
- Tourist insurance/ local health insurance
- Entrance visas:
- Activities not mentioned in program

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.

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- 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
- 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

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- 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

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!

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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.

- 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

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