

A Superb Safari - Uganda & Kenya

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EAST & SOUTHERN AFRICA

ITINERARY

1 Arrive in Entebbe

Arrive at Entebbe International Airport and overnight in Entebbe.

Located on the northern shore of Africa's largest lake – Lake Victoria – the city of Entebbe oozes an infectious happy and laid-back vibe. The cool temperature, lush vegetation and relatively small size has meant that some consider Entebbe to be one of the most naturally pretty towns in Uganda. Entebbe has much more to offer than just a charming atmosphere, as its unique setting means for some incredible activities; visit one of Lake Victoria's many beaches, hop on a boat to go feed chimps at Ngamba Island Chimpanzee Sanctuary, and end the day with a sunset cruise across the waters. Entebbe is also a growing hub of hotels, restaurants, events and nightlife. Within the city, visitors can enjoy the beautiful Botanical Gardens (where some scenes from an early Tarzan movie were shot), heaving local markets, and the Wildlife Education Centre; one of Africa's best wildlife education centres.

Overnight: Bronze: Best Western Entebbe | Silver: Protea Entebbe | Gold: Hotel No. 5

Meal Plan:

2 Fly to Bwindi Impenetrable Forest

Fly to the Bwindi Impenetrable Forest and arrive at the lodge in time for lunch. In the afternoon, explore the village on a community walk.

The gloriously named Bwindi Impenetrable Forest National Park is aptly named: 'bwindi' means darkness and this densely tangled green wilderness is deeply shaded, steeply rising - the elevation soars from just over 1,000 meters to almost 3,000 - and so rugged and tightly packed, that it's only accessible on foot. Located in south-western Uganda, it is one of the richest, oldest and most diverse rainforests in the region, 25,000 years old boasting over 400 plant species. Within its 330 square kilometres live 120 species of mammals, 348 species of birds, 220 species of butterflies and 27 species of frogs, chameleons and geckos. The park is also home to over 300 mountain gorillas - half the world's population - some habituated so visitors can observe them: standing quietly aside, you can watch these enormous animals getting on with their day: feeding, playing, watching you back. They aren't the only primates, they share the forest with almost a dozen other species including chimpanzees.

Overnight: Bronze: Mahogany Springs | Silver: Buhoma Lodge | Gold: Sanctuary Gorilla Forest Camp

Meal Plan: B,L,D

3 Gorilla Tracking

After an early breakfast, drive to the Gorilla Tracking HQ to meet the guide, porter and the other people tracking the same gorilla family. Treks can take anywhere from 45 minutes to six or more hours. Once clients reach the family everyone has 60 minutes to enjoy these amazing primates.

Overnight: Bronze: Mahogany Springs | Silver: Buhoma Lodge | Gold: Sanctuary Gorilla Forest Camp

Meal Plan: B,L,D





4 Masai Mara National Reserve

Today, fly back to Entebbe and catch a connecting flight to the Masai Mara National Reserve in Kenya. Arrive in time for lunch and an afternoon game drive.

The jewel in Africa's crown, Masai Mara is host to the most spectacular array of wildlife. Her 1, 510 square kilometres of open savannah, woodlands and tree-lined rivers create an eco-system which supports huge numbers of bird and mammal species. Lion are found in abundance throughout the park as are elephant, giraffe, a variety of gazelle species and zebra. Cheetah and leopard are also regularly seen and, if lucky, you may also find rhino. The Masai Mara plays host to the most spectacular array of wildlife. 1,510 square kilometres (583 square miles) of broad biscuit-coloured savannah sprawls as home to huge numbers of birds (almost 600 species) and animals.

Overnight: Bronze: Zebra Plains | Silver: Mara Bush Camp | Gold: Kicheche Bush Camp

Meal Plan: B,L,D

5 & 6 Masai Mara National Reserve

Spend the next two days exploring the Masai Mara on game drives. Whilst you are here you can also visit a Masai Village to experience their unique way of life or take an early morning balloon ride over the plains culminating in a bush breakfast with a glass of bubbly (at an additional cost).

Overnight: Bronze: Zebra Plains | Silver: Mara Bush Camp | Gold: Kicheche Bush Camp

Meal Plan: B,L,D

7 Ol Pejeta Conservancy

After breakfast fly north to Ol Pejeta Conservancy in Laikipia. Arrive at the camp in time for lunch and an afternoon game drive; the conservancy is famous for its rhino conservation program and guests will undoubtedly spot several on their first game drive.

Overnight: Bronze: Sweetwaters Serena | Silver: Asilia Ol Pejeta Bush Camp | Gold: Sanctuary Tambarare

Meal Plan: B,L,D

8 & 9 Ol Pejeta Conservancy

Ol Pejeta has a wide range of exciting activities included in the stay such as visiting the Jane Goodall Chimpanzee Sanctuary, meeting Baraka the blind rhino and exploring their Conservation Centre. There are a huge number of other activities (at an additional cost): lion tracking with the rangers, visiting the K9 anti-poaching unit to learn how they protect their precious wildlife, or a morning horse ride to see the last two remaining Northern White rhinos in the world.

Overnight: Bronze: Sweetwaters Serena | Silver: Asilia Ol Pejeta Bush Camp | Gold: Sanctuary Tambarare

Meal Plan: B,L,D

10 Depart

After breakfast, transfer to the airstrip for your flight to Nairobi. There's time for shopping before boarding your flight back home.

Meal Plan: B





OVERVIEW

- 1 NIGHT - ENTEBBE
- 2 NIGHTS - BWINDI IMPENETRABLE FOREST
- 3 NIGHTS - MASAI MARA NATIONAL RESERVE
- 3 NIGHTS - OL PEJETA CONSERVANCY

INCLUDES

- Accommodation and meals & drinks as indicated
- One gorilla track, game drives in Ol Pejeta and Masai Mara, visiting the chimpanzee sanctuary and Baraka the Rhino in Ol Pejeta.
- Internal flights (maximum 15kg/33lb luggage allowance)
- Meet and assist upon arrival at each airport
- Park fees

EXCLUDES

- Meals & drinks not specified
- Premium drinks including champagnes, cognacs, fine wines, premium brand spirits, cigars
- Touring and excursions not specified including the additional activities on Ol Pejeta Conservancy
- All items of personal nature, telephone calls, curio shop purchases
- Gratuities
- International flights & visas

PLEASE NOTE

- From are for 2023, per person sharing and based on a minimum of two people and subject to availability and change
- Rates are based on entry level category rooms
- Transfers and guiding with an English speaking driver/guide unless other languages are requested
- Seasons are subject to camp/lodge/hotel seasons
- Minimum age for gorilla tracking is 15

