Uganda is a unique destination offering a wonderful mix of savannah and forest parks. <u>Gorilla</u> and <u>chimp</u> tracking are highlights, but many smaller primates can be seen as well. Uganda also offers great savannah safaris, but not all of the <u>Big Five</u> are present. <u>Black rhino</u> is extinct, and the status of the <u>white rhino</u> was the same until they were reintroduced in Ziwa Rhino Sanctuary in 2005.

<u>Cheetah</u> is very rarely seen. <u>Lion</u> is quite common in Queen Elizabeth and Murchison Falls national parks. They can often be found hunting <u>Uganda kob</u>, which gives them away with their alarm calls.

<u>Giraffe</u> can only be found in Murchison Falls, Lake Mburo and Kidepo Valley national parks, while <u>zebra</u> exists only in Kidepo and Lake Mburo national parks and Katonga wildlife reserve. Uganda is also a prime birding destination.

You will see most of these species at some point in this wonderful full coverage itinerary throughout Uganda

12 Day Primates & Predators ITINERARY UGANDA

Day 1: Monday 15 July 2019

Today, you will be collected from Entebbe Airport and transferred to Hotel No 5 for one night. Approximate driving time: 30 mins

Accommodation at No.5 Boutique Hotel Ltd in a Luxury Double Room on a bed and breakfast basis for 1 night. In: Monday 15-Jul-2019 Out: Tuesday 16-Jul-2019



Nestled in the leafy suburbs of Entebbe, Hotel No.5 is a stylish boutique hotel. From the moment you arrive, you are warmly welcomed and cared for. With just ten luxury rooms and five apartments, many opening onto the garden and swimming pool, this is a great option for guests looking for an intimate stay in a tranquil setting. Make yourself at home — unwind beside the swimming pool, pamper yourself with a spa treatment, or work up a sweat in the hotel gym.



For one of the most flavoursome dining experiences in Entebbe, carefully planned menus are paired to an international wine list, and served with pride. Attention to detail and an attentive guest experience are synonymous with Hotel No 5, making it the perfect choice for a restful stay in this bustling city.

Hotel No 5 Boutique Hotel includes the following:

Accommodation on a bed and breakfast basis.

1 x Dinner included in cost

Day 2: Tuesday 16 July 2019

Today, you will be collected from Boutique Hotel No. 5 and transferred to Entebbe airport in time for your scheduled charter flight to Kisoro airstrip.

In arrival in Kisoro you will be welcomed by our representative guide who will transfer you through to the Clouds Mountain Gorilla Lodge.

Passengers must check in 60 minutes before the scheduled departure time on all flights.

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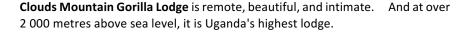
necessary for safety reasons and overall flight weight allowances. Flight prices include taxes

Accommodation at Clouds Mountain Gorilla Lodge in a Standard Room on a full board (including drinks) basis for 2 nights.

Day 2 - 4:

In: Tuesday 16-Jul-2019 Out: Thursday 18-Jul-2019







Picture this: you are sitting up on a ridge, above the clouds, looking across the Virunga volcanoes. Behind you is the primordial, mysterious and impenetrable forest that is Bwindi. As you sit there drinking your chilled wine or freshly brewed coffee or freshly squeezed orange juice or amber coloured whisky, you smile. You smile because you know your personal butler is lighting the fire in your cottage and setting out your freshly laundered clothes. In the kitchen a gorgeous meal is being prepared and tomorrow after breakfast you will walk from the lodge to the Nkuringo trailhead and track the gorillas.



Guests at Clouds stay in their own cottage. Built of large volcanic stone, every cottage has a large sitting room with fireplace, vast overstuffed armchairs and hand-woven carpets. Each individual cottage features the work of one of Uganda's most respected artists.

The main lodge feels like som place else - soaring ceilings, massive exposed wooden beams, big picture windows with endless views of treetops, volcanoes and mountains. It feels like a ski chalet in the Alps, or a stone palace in the Rocky Mountains. But with a gentle and warm welcome, the quiet dedication of the personal butlers and the smiles on the faces of virtually all the staff, this can only be in Uganda.

Clouds Gorilla Mountain Lodge includes the following:

Accommodation on a full board basis, drinks (non-premium brands), laundry, all applicable taxes, and bed night and community fees.

Nkuringo Walking Safari

This is a one way trail from Buhoma to Nkuringo OR Nkuringo to Buhoma and cannot be done as a return hike. There are 2 routes to choose from:

<u>Ivy River Trail - 4 hours</u>: ascends and descends gently through beautiful areas of the rain forest with several viewpoints overlooking lush mist shrouded valleys. The trail is also an important footpath for local people travelling to and from Nkuringo particularly on market days. Monkeys, duikers, bush pigs and some of Bwindi's world renowned bird and butterfly species can be sighted.

<u>Kashasha River Trail - 6-7 hours:</u> Slightly more challenging route, offering visitors an up close experience of the natural wonders within a rain forest environment. The birdlife in Bwindi is prolific.

Day 4: Thursday 18 July 2019Bwindi National Park Entry Fee



Your private tailor-made safari is carefully designed just for you, making your journey with us flexible. Our professional guides can't wait to share their knowledge and passion for their beautiful country with you, so please do discuss each day with them before setting off. As far as possible, they'll do their best to break the drives between destinations with visits to local villages or places of historical/ cultural interest, ensuring your safari is far from boring.



Days in game parks are spent offering you the best possible game-viewing opportunities. It's YOUR safari, so let your guide know how you prefer to spend your time - whether that means popping back to camp for lunch and a siesta between an early morning and late afternoon drive, or enjoying an extended full day drive with a picnic lunch.

Included in your private 4x4 safari are:

All vehicle/ guide park entry and game drive fees. Our spacious 4x4 safari vehicles are custom-built with the focus on comfort, space and '360 degree' game viewing visibility. They offer large windows (with every guest having a window seat), fridge/cooler box for drinks and inverters for charging camera/ cell phone batteries.

Queen Elizabeth National Park



Queen Elizabeth National Park is understandably Uganda's most popular tourist destination. The park's diverse ecosystems, which include sprawling savannah, shady humid forests, sparkling lakes and fertile wetlands, make it the ideal habitat for classical big game, ten primate species including chimpanzees, and over 600 species of birds.



Set against the backdrop of the jagged Rwenzori Mountains, the park's magnificent vistas include dozens of enormous craters carved dramatically into rolling green hills, panoramic views of the Kazinga Channel with its banks lined with hippos, buffalo and elephants, and the endless Ishasha plains, whose fig trees hide lions ready to pounce on herds of unsuspecting Uganda kob.



As well as its outstanding wildlife attractions, Queen Elizabeth National Park has a fascinating cultural history. There are many opportunities for visitors to meet the local communities and enjoy storytelling, dance, music, and more. The gazetting of the park has ensured the conservation of its ecosystems, which in turn benefits the surrounding communities.

Uganda's Queen Elizabeth National Park is truly a Medley of Wonders.

Queen Elizabeth National Park Entry Fee included in cost

Accommodation at Kyambura Gorge Lodge in a Banda on a fully inclusive basis for 2 nights.

Day 4 – 6: In : Thursday 18-Jul-2019 Out : Saturday 20-Jul-2019



The eclectic contemporary **Kyambura Gorge Lodge** in Uganda has been converted from an old coffee-processing plant and is an ideal location for Uganda safari activities.



Kyambura Gorge Lodge boasts incredible views overlooking the Queen Elizabeth National Park, with the mythical Mountains of the Moon in the far distance.

The main lodge was originally a coffee store and processing plant, surrounded by coffee plantations. The original structure has been sensitively restored to create a stunning and contemporary living space, balancing the history of the building with a series of distinct luxurious spaces for guests to relax.

The 8 beautiful bandas, timber or brick reflecting the local building style, have each been nestled into the hillside with their luxury comforts, including en-suite bathrooms and an individual view of the park.

Kyambura Gorge Lodge includes the following:

Accommodation on a full board basis, alcoholic and soft drinks, laundry services, and any activities at the lodges, and one complimentary massage per guest.

Kazinga Channel Boat Cruise - Sunbird/Hippo Boat



Enjoy a leisurely boat cruise along the Kazinga Channel in Queen Elizabeth National Park. You may encounter herds of elephant, buffalo and antelope, families of warthog, large groups of hippo, and crocodiles basking on the shore. Kazinga's shores are a haven for numerous birds, including many migratory species as they make their way south to warmer climates. The cruise also provides a spectacular view of the beautiful Mweya Peninsula and life in local fishing villages set along the banks.

Kazinga Channel Sunbird scheduled boat cruise cash bar available on board.

Kibale National Park



Kibale National Park contains one of the loveliest and most varied tracts of tropical forest in Uganda. Forest cover, interspersed with patches of grassland and swamp, dominates the northern and central parts of the park on an elevated plateau.

The park is home to a total of 70 mammal species, most famously 13 species of primate including the chimpanzee. It also contains over 375 species of birds.



Kibale adjoins Queen Elizabeth National Park to the south to create a 180 kilometre long corridor for wildlife between Ishasha, the remote southern sector of Queen Elizabeth National Park, and Sebitoli in the north of Kibale National Park.

The Kibale-Fort Portal area is one of Uganda's most rewarding destinations to explore. The park lies close to the tranquil Ndali-Kasenda crater area and within half a day's drive of Queen Elizabeth, Rwenzori Mountains and Semliki National Parks, as well as the Toro-Semliki Wildlife Reserve.

Day 6: Saturday 20 July 2019

Accommodation at Kyaninga Lodge in a Cottage on a full board basis for 2 nights.

Day 6 – 8: In : Saturday 20-Jul-2019 Out : Monday 22-Jul-2019



Perched on the time of an ancient volcanic crater lake with spectacular views of the Mountains of the Moon in the distance, Kyaninga Lodge offers the ultimate luxury experience of one of Uganda's most beautiful locations.



Raised on stilts and entirely built from hand carved eucalyptus logs, the main lodge is a stunning engineering achievement, as are the 9 beautifully appointed thatched cabins with their private terraces, soft bedlinen and pillows, and exquisite Elgon Olive and marble ensuite bathrooms.

With international standard cuisine and professionally landscaped grounds featuring a swimming pool, spa/wellness centre, grass tennis court and croquet lawn. No expense has been spared to ensure guests enjoy their stay in ultimate comfort and style.

Kyaninga Lodge includes:

Accommodation, breakfast, lunch, afternoon tea, and dinner.

Day 7: Sunday 21 July 2019

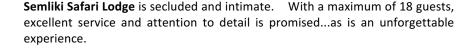
Kibale National Park Entry Fee included in cost of safari as well as Semliki National Park Entry Fee and Semliki Wildlife Reserve Entry fee

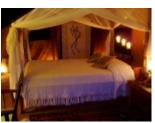
Accommodation at Semliki Safari Lodge in a Tent on a full board (including drinks) basis for 2 nights.

Day 8 - 10:

In: Monday 22-Jul-2019 Out: Wednesday 24-Jul-2019







Guests stay in golden-hued tents with gleaming hardwood floors. Staying under canvas is one of the most romantic and exciting things to do on safari in Africa. You hear the sounds, you feel the wind, and you smell the rain before it comes. But this isn't roughing it either: the tents are protected by a thick thatch roof and feature en-suite bathrooms with running water, hot showers and flush toilets. Tea or coffee is brought to you in the morning and you can lie in bed or sit on your veranda and drink in the view before the day begins.

The main lodge - with its soaring thatch roof - is where guests gather around the chunky dining tables or sprawl in the comfy armchairs and sofas telling stories and sharing experiences. Lit by lanterns and open to the elements on one side, at Semliki you really feel like you're touching the wild. Get out and walk - there are miles of trails cutting through the riverine forests that crisscross the savanna.

Semliki Safari Lodge includes the following:

Accommodation on a full board basis, 1 game drive per day, local airstrip transfers, all applicable taxes, and bed night and community fees.

Day 10: Wednesday 24 July 2019

Today, you will fly from Kasese to Entebbe one way. On arrival in Entebbe you will then be assisted to check in for your scheduled charter flight to Kidepo and road transfer to Apoka Lodge.

Passengers must check in 60 minutes before the scheduled departure time on all flights.

All internal scheduled flights are subject to strict weight restrictions calculated on an average client weight and allowing for 15kg luggage. The airline reserves the right to charge for an additional seat or luggage allowance should this be necessary for safety reasons and overall flight weight allowances. Flight prices include taxes

Accommodation at Apoka Safari Lodge in a Cottage Room on a full board basis for 2 nights.

Day 10 - 12:

In: Wednesday 24-Jul-2019 Out: Friday 26-Jul-2019



Apoka Safari Lodge is located on a picturesque kopje overlooking the Narus Valley in the south-western section of Kidepo Valley National Park. The park itself is located in the far north-eastern section of Uganda, bordering Sudan to the north, the Napore Mountains to the west, and the Morungole Mountains to the east. The Kenyan border is just 5 kilometres from the park's eastern boundary. At the crossroads of Kenyan, Sudanese and Ugandan ecosystems, Kidepo provides an amazing wildlife experience in a remote and pristine wilderness.

The rooms at Apoka have been built with comfort in mind. Everything is handmade by local craftsmen, and everything is large and capacious. Ten expansive rooms with natural canvas walls surround a rocky kopje with endless



views across the savannah. With inside sitting rooms and private verandas, there are plenty of places to relax, read and sprawl.

Big hand-hewn beds with soft duvets are draped with mosquito nets, hand-woven woollen carpets, extra-large plush towels, oversized dressing gowns...you may be as far from the city as you'll ever be, but you won't miss a thing.



Step outside to a sheltered terrace and slip into your own outdoor stone bathtub, big enough to fit the whole family.

The swimming pool at Apoka Lodge - deep and cool - has been carved out of the big rock. This is the kind of pool that makes you want to jump in, splashing and yelling, feeling like a kid again.

Apoka Safari Lodge includes the following:

Accommodation on a full board basis, drinks (non-premium brands), 2 game activities per day (game drive/walking safari), local airstrip transfers, laundry, all applicable taxes, and bed night and community fees.

Kidepo National Park Entry Fee included in cost of package

Friday 26 July 2019

Today, you will fly from Kidepo to Entebbe, one way. Check in for International departure flight.

Passengers must check in 60 minutes before the scheduled departure time on all flights.

All internal scheduled flights are subject to strict weight restrictions calculated on an average client weight and allowing for 15kg luggage. The airline reserves the right to charge for an additional seat or luggage allowance should this be necessary for safety reasons and overall flight weight allowances. This flight operates on a minimum of 4 passengers. Flight prices include taxes.

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Per Person – Double Room	2	USD	13,505.00 2019 rates	

INCLUSIONS AND EXCLUSIONS

Inclusions:

- Accommodation as specified
- Meals, drinks, and laundry as specified
- Flights and taxes as specified
- Transfers as specified (private or scheduled)
- Activities, tours, and entrance fees as specified
- Taxes and levies as specified
- Permits and/or park fees as specified

Exclusions:

• Excursions not listed or shown as optional

- Gratuities and any items of a personal nature
- Visa fees, health requirements, and travel insurance (compulsory)
- Drinks, laundry unless specified as included (varies per accommodation, check detailed day-by-day itinerary above)
- Any other services not specified above

OPTIONAL SERVICES

Here are some extra services you can book in addition to your itinerary (these are not included in your package):

There are three gorilla family groups in Nkuringo. You will be transferred to your pre-trek briefing and trek starting point by vehicle, unless you are staying at Clouds Mountain Gorilla Lodge, in which case the base is walking distance from the lodge.

Depart your lodge at around 06h30/07h00 (this timing will be confirmed the night before) to drive to UWA Headquarters at Nkuringo. The pre-trek briefing takes place at the Uganda Wildlife Authority headquarters at 08h00. At the briefing it will be determined by the UWA Head Guides which family you will be trekking. Porters will be available to hire at the start of the trek. Please take cash for tips, porter hire with you. Please refer to our general information sheet.

Cost per person: USD650.00

Kibale Chimps



Kibale National Park could well qualify as the primate capital of the world, being home to 13 species of primates, as well as a host of other wildlife. Chimpanzee trekking here can be exciting – as unlike their cousins the Gorillas, chimpanzees tend to be more active and often keep moving through the forest canopies, so you may find yourself following a family through dense jungles!



Of course sightings cannot be guaranteed as they are wild animals, but the chances of seeing them are very good. Once amongst the chimps, spend approximately an hour observing and following them. They move quickly, so you need to be quick if you hope to 'catch' them on camera.

Kibale Chimp Trek Permit Minimum age - 13 years

Cost per person: USD188.00