12-Day Uganda Safari: Gorillas, Chimpanzees and Murchison Falls

Uganda



DURATION	COUNTRY	STARTING FROM
12 days, 11 nights	**Uganda**	**USD 4,300 per person**

TOUR SUMMARY

This 12-day Uganda safari links rhino tracking, Nile boat safaris, chimpanzee tracking and gorilla trekking in one route through four national parks.

You begin in Entebbe, then track rhinos at Ziwa Rhino Sanctuary on the way to Murchison Falls National Park for a Nile River boat safari and game drives. You track chimpanzees in Kibale Forest National Park, spend two days in Queen Elizabeth National Park including the Ishasha sector, and trek mountain gorillas in Bwindi Impenetrable National Park before flying back to Entebbe. Local food experiences are included along the way.

ITINERARY

Day 1

Arrival in Entebbe

Arrive at Entebbe International Airport

Transfer to your accommodation in Entebbe

Explore Entebbe town and visit attractions such as the Botanical Gardens or the Uganda Wildlife Education Centre all at own expense

Overnight stay in Entebbe

Main Destination:

Entebbe

Accommodation:

Hotel No 5

Meal & Drinks:

All meals included at own expense

Day 2

Rhino Tracking at Ziwa Rhino Sanctuary and Transfer to Murchison Falls National Park

After breakfast, drive to Ziwa Rhino Sanctuary for a rhino tracking experience

Observe rhinos in their natural habitat and learn about conservation efforts

In the afternoon, continue the journey to Murchison Falls National Park

Overnight stay in Murchison Falls National Park

Main Destination:

Ziwa Rhino Sanctuary

Accommodation:

Pakuba Safari Lodge

A mid-range lodge located inside Murchison Falls NP

Meal & Drinks:

All meals included

Day 3

Murchison Falls National Park - Nile River Boat Safari and Top of the Falls Hike

Take a morning game drive on the northern banks of Murchison Falls which is home to the 4 of the “Big 5” and the rare Rothschild Giraffe.

Afternoon boat safari to the base of the Murchison Falls, embark on a hike to the top of Murchison Falls for breathtaking views

Overnight stay in Murchison Falls National Park

Main Destination:

Murchison Falls National Park

Accommodation:

Pakuba Safari Lodge

A mid-range lodge located inside Murchison Falls NP

Meal & Drinks:

All meals included

Day 4

Murchison Falls National Park - Game Drives and Lake Albert Delta Boat Safari

Enjoy a full day of game drives in Murchison Falls National Park, searching for wildlife such as elephants, lions, giraffes, and more

In the afternoon, take a boat safari on Lake Albert Delta, where the Nile River enters the lake

Overnight stay in Murchison Falls National Park

Main Destination:

Murchison Falls National Park

Accommodation:

Pakuba Safari Lodge

A mid-range lodge located inside Murchison Falls NP

Meal & Drinks:

All meals included

Day 5

Transfer to Kibale Forest National Park

After breakfast, drive to Kibale Forest National Park through many villages and towns. Meandering through luminescent green tea plantations and towering Kibale Forest.

Overnight stay near Kibale Forest National Park

Main Destination:

Kibale Forest National Park

Accommodation:

Primate Lodge

A luxury lodge located next to Kibale Forest NP

Meal & Drinks:

All meals included

Day 6

Chimpanzee Tracking in Kibale Forest National Park and Bigodi Wetland Sanctuary

Embark on a chimpanzee tracking adventure in Kibale Forest, home to a large population of chimpanzees

Observe the chimps in their natural habitat and learn about their behavior and conservation

In the afternoon, visit the Bigodi Wetland Sanctuary for a guided swamp walk, observing primates and birdlife

Overnight stay near Kibale Forest National Park

Main Destination:

Kibale Forest National Park

Accommodation:

Primate Lodge

A luxury lodge located next to Kibale Forest NP

Meal & Drinks:

All meals included

Day 7

Transfer to Queen Elizabeth National Park

After breakfast, we will head for Queen Elizabeth National Park. Arrive to Mweya Peninsula for a midday two-hour boat safari along the Kazinga Channel. The channel is famous for its close sightings of hippos, crocodiles, buffalo, elephant and countless bird species.

Enjoy an evening game drive to Ishasha section of Queen Elizabeth National Park, an area famous for the tree climbing lions and occasionally we may find the elusive leopard.

Overnight stay in Queen Elizabeth National Park

Main Destination:

Queen Elizabeth National Park

Accommodation:

Ishasha Wilderness Camp

A luxury lodge located next to Queen Elizabeth National Park

Meal & Drinks:

All meals included

Day 8

Queen Elizabeth National Park – Ishasha Safari

Embark on a game drive in the Ishasha sector of Queen Elizabeth National Park, famous for its tree-climbing lions

Observe these unique lions as they rest in the tree branches

Visit a local community near Ishasha to learn about their culture and way of life

Overnight stay in Queen Elizabeth National Park

Main Destination:

Queen Elizabeth National Park

Accommodation:

Ishasha Wilderness Camp

A luxury lodge located next to Queen Elizabeth National Park

Meal & Drinks:

All meals included

Day 9

Transfer from Queen Elizabeth National Park to Bwindi Impenetrable NP

Today we will enjoy a final safari before heading to the mountains. This will be a stark contrast from the previous days savannah plains.

We will then head for the famous Bwindi Impenetrable National Park.

En-route, we will enjoy a community visit and learn more about the local lifestyle of Uganda.

From here, we will drive deep into the mountains of Bwindi Impenetrable Forest and arrive at a lodge perfectly located for the bucket list activity you have all been waiting for.

Main Destination:

Bwindi Impenetrable National Park

Accommodation:

Buhoma Lodge

A luxury lodge located next to Bwindi Impenetrable National Park

Meal & Drinks:

All meals included

Day 10

Gorilla Trekking in Bwindi Impenetrable National Park

Embark on a thrilling gorilla trekking experience in Bwindi Impenetrable Forest

Trek through the forest with experienced guides and trackers to find a gorilla family

Spend an unforgettable hour observing the gorillas in their natural habitat

Overnight stay near Bwindi Impenetrable National Park

Main Destination:

Bwindi Impenetrable National Park

Accommodation:

Buhoma Lodge

A luxury lodge located next to Bwindi Impenetrable National Park

Meal & Drinks:

All meals included

Day 11

Bwindi Impenetrable National Park

Today you have a few optional activities in the Bwindi Impenetrable National Park:

Batwa Cultural Tour

Bwindi Forest Walk

Community Visit

Bird Watching Walks

Main Destination:

Bwindi Impenetrable National Park

Accommodation:

Buhoma Lodge

A luxury lodge located next to Bwindi Impenetrable National Park

Meal & Drinks:

All meals included

Day 12

Flight to Entebbe and Departure

Today we will head to the town of Kihihi to take a short flight back to Entebbe.

After the amazing mix of bucket list adventures and off the beaten track experiences, you will arrive at Entebbe International Airport for your flight back home or onwards.

Please enquire about any additional services, we would be more than happy to help!

Main Destination:

Entebbe International Airport

Accommodation:

No Accommodation

Meal & Drinks:

All meals included

WHAT IS INCLUDED

Cost includes

- Park fees
- Gorilla permits
- Chimp Permits
- All activities
- All accommodation
- A professional driver/guide
- All transportation
- All Taxes/VAT
- Round-trip airport transfer
- Meals
- Drinking water

Cost excludes

- International flights (From/to home)
- Additional accommodation before and at the end of the tour
- Tips (Tipping guideline US$10.00 pp per day)
- Personal items (Souvenirs, travel insurance, visa fees, etc.)
- Government imposed increase of taxes and/or park fees
- Travel Insurance

GOOD TO KNOW

- Packing for Safari? Keep it simple!
- Bring comfortable, lightweight clothes in natural colors like khaki, olive, sand, and earth tones. Pack layers too: mornings can be surprisingly chilly, while the middle of the day gets hot. You don't need a fresh outfit for every day, since most lodges and camps can arrange laundry service.
- Don't forget your sun protection: a good hat, sunglasses, and sunscreen. Comfortable shoes are enough for most safaris. Heavy hiking boots are only needed if you're doing a walking safari, primate tracking, or mountain climbing.
- A good pair of binoculars is a must. A camera is great, but binoculars will transform the way you experience wildlife, especially birds and animals that are far away.
- For luggage, we recommend a soft-sided bag over a hard suitcase. It fits much more easily into safari vehicles and small aircraft, where space is tight and weight is often limited to 15 kg.
- Most importantly, don't overpack. Travel light and enjoy the adventure!

Ready to book this safari?

Request a quote and we will tailor it to your dates and group: **gorillatreking.com/safari/12-day-uganda-safari-gorillas-chimpanzees-and-murchison-falls/**

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