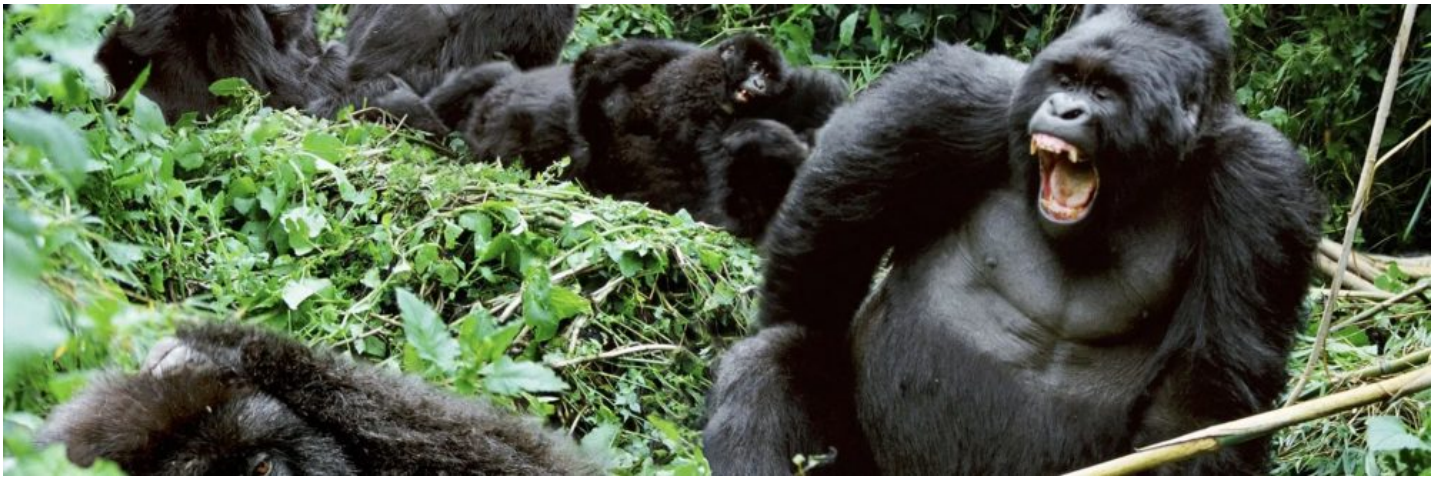
3-Day Chimpanzee Trekking or Habituation in Kibale

Uganda



DURATION	COUNTRY	STARTING FROM
3 days, 2 nights	**Uganda**	**USD 1,150 per person**

TOUR SUMMARY

This 3-day, 2-night safari takes you to Kibale Forest National Park near Fort Portal for chimpanzee tracking or the chimp habituation experience.

Tracking gives you one hour with a habituated chimpanzee group. Habituation lets you join researchers and follow a group for much of the day, from when the chimps wake to when they build their nests. You travel to Fort Portal on day 1, take part on day 2, and drive to Entebbe or Kampala on day 3.

ITINERARY

Arrival

You'll be picked up from the airport (or hotel)

Accommodation before the tour departs can be arranged for extra cost

Day 1

Transfer to Fort Portal – Kibale Forest

Depart Entebbe\Kampala for a 5-hour picturesque drive through western Uganda to Fort Portal Town. A beautiful drive with scenic views of tea plantations, green mountain backdrops, and the people and their cultures along the road.

Once in Fort Portal, you can decide with your private Chimp Habituation driver/guide to visit the amazing caves that are surrounded by the creator lakes. Inside these beautiful caves are historical myths about the Bachwezi people with associated geographical features such as the breast-like pointed pillars, stalactites, and the stalagmites locally called the “Amabeere ga Nyinamwiru”? This mythical story about the Bachwezi people and their culture will blow your mind. You’ll retire to your booked lodge and prepare for the following day, which will equally be exciting as you spend time with the Chimps.

Main Destination: Kibale Forest National Forest

Accommodation: Chimpanzee Forest Guest House – Budget lodge located just outside Kibale.

Meals: Lunch & Dinner (Breakfast Not Included)

Drinks: Drinking Water

Day 2

Chimp Habituation Experience or Chimpanzee Tracking

After breakfast, head to Kibale Forest National Park headquarters for a briefing, and you'll be assigned a chimp group that you’ll either be tracking or going for a habituation experience. For Chimpanzee habituation, you’ll have to wake up very early to be able to meet the Chimps before they wake up from their nests to embark on a breakfast foraging. You will then follow these animals throughout the day.

This 3-Day Chimp Habituation or Trekking tour will expose you to Chimpanzees, the black and white colobus monkeys, the bush baby, grey-checked mangabey, red tailed monkeys, as well as the different bird species that you encounter along your trekking journey. There are about 138 species of birds, including the black bee-eater and the crowned eagle, that have been recorded in Kibale National Park.

You will have a late lunch at your lodge (particularly for those who will have opted for Chimp tracking). After lunch, you will visit the Bigodi swamp, which is privately owned by the local community. This swamp is home to more than 10 primate species and is also an excellent place for bird watchers. Some animals like the Warthogs can also be seen in this swamp. Since this walk in the Bigodi wetland is designed and managed by the local community surrounding the park, all the fees you pay for the walk directly go to benefit the local community living around Kibale National Park. As Namib Safaris, we encourage our clients to take part in this walk as the money raised from it helps the communities to sustainably manage and utilize this wetland

Main Destination: Kibale forest National Forest

Accommodation: Chimpanzee Forest Guest House

Meals: All Meals Included

Drinks: Drinking Water

Day 3

Drive to Entebbe/Kampala or Entebbe Airport

After your breakfast, you will be driven to Kampala or Entebbe for your post tour accommodation or you may choose to fly out of Uganda today. You will use the same route enabling you to have a second stop over at the Equator.

Main Destination:Entebbe

Accommodation: End of Tour, No accommodation

Meals: Breakfast & Lunch

Drinks: Mineral Water

End of 3 Day Chimp Habituation

Additional accommodation can be arranged for extra cost

You'll be dropped off at the airport (or hotel)

WHAT IS INCLUDED

Cost includes

- Park fees (For non-residents)
- Chimp Habituation permits (One per person, non-resident)
- All activities (Unless labeled as optional)
- All accommodation (Unless listed as upgrade)
- A professional driver/guide
- All transportation (Unless labeled as optional)
- All Taxes/VAT
- Meals (As specified in the day-by-day section)
- Drinking water (On all days)

Cost excludes

- International flights (From/to home)
- Round-trip airport transfer
- 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
- Some meals (As specified in the day-by-day section)

GOOD TO KNOW

- Accommodation is Inclusive
- Chimp Permit $300, Habituation Permit $300
- Small Group Safari: Max 6 People per group
- Tour Can Depart any day
- Tour can be customized
- Solo travelers can join this tour
- Age Limit: 15 years and above
- 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/3-day-chimpanzee-trekking-or-habituation-in-kibale/**

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