

UGANDA & RWANDA QUEST



Day 1 : Arrive Entebbe

Upon arrival at the Entebbe airport transfer to your hotel and time to relax from the flight.

Day 2 : Entebbe - Murchison Falls

After breakfast drive to Murchison Falls where you arrive in time for lunch at the lodge. Murchison Falls National Park lies at the northern end of the Albertine Rift Valley and is Uganda's largest and oldest conservation area, hosting 76 species of mammals and 451 birds. The park is bisected by the Victoria Nile which plunges 45m over the remnant rift valley wall, creating the dramatic Murchison Falls, the centrepiece of the park and the final event in an 80km stretch of rapids.

Day 3 : Murchison Falls National Park

After breakfast enjoy a morning game drive at Murchison Falls National Park. The abundant wildlife here includes lions, leopards, elephants, giraffes, hartebeests, oribis, Uganda kobs, chimpanzees, and many bird species. In the afternoon you have a boat ride to the bottom of the Murchison Falls and then hike to the top which offers breathtaking views.

Day 4 : Murchison Falls - Kibale Forest Park

After breakfast make your way to Kibale Forest National Park, home to some 13 species of primates including the red colobus, chimpanzee and L'Hoest's monkeys as well as 70 mammal species. On the way to Kibale you pass by tea plantations along the way and visit one if time allows.

Day 5 : Kibale Forest - Queen Elizabeth Park

After breakfast you have a briefing before you embark on a Chimpanzee tracking. On the trek you can see other primates such as grey-cheeked mangabeys along with red tailed and blue monkeys. Your expert guide shares the secrets of the forest's flora and fauna, ensuring that the trail is both informative and enjoyable. In the afternoon drive to Queen Elizabeth National Park through scenic volcanic crater lakes. On a clear day one can see the famous "Mountains of the Moon", The Rwenzori Mountains. Later enjoy a game drive before dinner.

Day 6 : Queen Elizabeth National Park

Today after breakfast head for a morning game drive in the Queen Elizabeth National Park whose diverse ecosystems include sprawling savanna, shady, humid forests, sparkling lakes and fertile wetlands. This makes it the ideal habitat for classic big game, primates 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 and the panoramic views of the Kazinga Channel. After lunch at the lodge take a boat trip on the Kazinga Channel. The water system has the highest concentration of Hippo in the world. You see also crocodiles, buffalos and other game that drinks from the channel and you can marvel at the abundant ornitho-life here as well.

Day 7 : Queen Elizabeth Park - Bwindi Impenetrable Park

After breakfast today make your way to Bwindi Impenetrable National Park is a sanctuary for colobus monkeys, chimpanzees and many birds such as hornbills and turacos. It is most notable for the 340 Bwindi gorillas, half of the world's population of the critically endangered mountain gorillas. It is accessible only on foot and is a United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization designated World Heritage Site. In the afternoon you visit the Batwa and learn more about their culture and live in the forest.

Day 8 : Bwindi Impenetrable National Park

This morning after an energizing breakfast you embark on your gorilla trek. Before 8 am report to the ranger station for registration and briefing by one of the rangers. The guides then lead you through the undergrowth, parting thick creepers, to track the gorillas. It is an extraordinary feeling sitting in the dense rainforest knowing you are with a few of the last remaining mountain gorillas. In the afternoon depart to Volcanoes National Park in Rwanda.

Day 9 : Volcanoes National Park

After an early breakfast enjoy a hike to Dian Fossey's tomb. This hike is one of the most sought after experiences while visiting the Volcanoes National Park.

Day 10 : Kigali Departure

After breakfast start the Golden Monkey trekking before your transfer to Kigali airport for your international departure flight.