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GORILLAS OF BWINDI

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Tailor-Made Journeys, Suggested Itineraries, Luxury African Safaris

Africa, Uganda

5 days from AU$9,145 pp

Private

Journey Overview

This is a unique and remarkable opportunity for encounters with the rare and endangered gorillas of Uganda’s Bwindi Impenetrable National Park. Spend two days tracking through the forest to locate one of the four habituated gorilla families and bed down in a luxury forest camp.

Journey Highlights

- Enjoy three luxurious nights in Bwindi's premier safari camp, with two days of expertly guided gorilla trekking
- Encounter endangered mountain gorillas under the biodiverse canopy of Bwindi Impenetrable Forest National Park
- Optional visit to Uganda Nursing School Bwindi, an A&K Philanthropy-supported project enhancing health care in this remote region

Itinerary

Day 1: Arrive Entebbe

Arrive into Entebbe where you are transferred privately to your hotel.

Hotel No 5

Day 2: Entebbe – Bwindi

This morning transfer to the airport for your flight south west to Bwindi Impenetrable National Park. On arrival you will be met and transferred to your luxury camp, located in rainforest on a mountainside in the park. Enjoy some time at leisure, with the option of visiting a nursing school supported by A&K Philanthropy.

Sanctuary Gorilla Forest Camp | Meals: BLD

Days 3–4: Bwindi Impenetrable National Park

Bwindi is home to many primates including colobus monkeys and chimpanzees, however is most notable for its population of the critically-endangered mountain gorilla. Spend the next two days trekking through the forest to locate one of the four habituated gorilla families. The walk is demanding, up and down steep forested slopes and through thick jungle vegetation, but sighting the gorillas in the undergrowth is an inspiring moment! Spend time observing the family as they interact with each other, play and forage.

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Day 5: Bwindi – Depart Entebbe

Transfer to the airstrip this morning for your flight to Entebbe, to connect with your onward flight.

Meals: BL

Map

UGANDA
Entebbe
LAKE
VICTORIA
Bwindi Impenetrable
National Park
ARRIVE/DEPART
AIR

Accommodation

Hotel No 5, Entebbe

A quaint suburban retreat within the bustling city of Entebbe, the boutique Hotel No.5 makes for an elegant base to relax at the start or end of a trip to Uganda. Tucked away on a quiet path, the hotel is home to just 10 luxurious rooms and five apartments.

Each feature calming décor and light airy spaces. Large patio doors flood the bedrooms with natural light, opening onto private balconies which overlook the charming gardens and pool area: a great spot to sit back and enjoy the sunshine in peace and quiet.

Relax in the lounge and dining area or sample so delicious local fare from the restaurant, with a carefully planned menu and paired with an international wine list. Take a dip in the swimming pool, unwind in the gardens or indulge in the spa treatments on offer.

Located just ten minutes from Entebbe airport, consider a stay at the beginning of your safari adventure.

Sanctuary Gorilla Forest Camp, Bwindi Impenetrable Forest

Located deep in the Bwindi Impenetrable Forest in western Uganda, this intimate lodge offers luxury in the midst of one of Africa's most amazing natural environments. A UNESCO World Heritage site, Bwindi is one of the most biologically diverse areas on earth including 113 species of mammals (including a herd of the rare forest elephant), 200 species of butterfly and over 360 species of birds. In addition, Bwindi is home to seven species of primates of which the most endangered is the elusive mountain gorilla. Only 700 of these magnificent animals remain worldwide and Bwindi is home to just over half of them.

Gorilla Forest Camp has a bar and dining cottage as well as a natural raised platform for open-air dining. At night, a traditional African campfire is lit where the gorilla briefings take place. Cuisine and service has been described as the best in Uganda. Experienced guides will accompany you on your gorilla trekking where a maximum of eight visitors are allowed to each gorilla family group. Tracking can take anything between half an hour and up to nine hours dependent on the family you are visiting. You will also be trekking at altitudes of 5200 feet so a good level of fitness is required.

Why we like it

- Perfect luxury base to go gorilla tracking
- Other activities on offer include bird watching, forest tracking and visits to the local market and villages
- Eight spacious tents on raised wooden platforms with en suite bathrooms
- A superb mini spa offering various treatments and massages
- Children are welcome at the camp but only children aged 15 and above are able to track the gorillas

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