

Often described as the "Pearl of Africa,"

this lush land is celebrated for its primate population and fine scenery. Uganda has been attracting active adventure travelers to the Bwindi Impenetrable Forest to view the **endangered mountain gorillas** for many years. Tread softly and observe these fascinating mammals as they go about their daily grooming and foraging rituals.

Uganda's other pearls include the **Queen Elizabeth National Park**, which offers a complimentary traditional East Africa big game safari experience. This park is

home to lion, elephant, hyena and the giant forest hog, to name just a few. An afternoon boat cruise on the Kazinga Channel is the perfect way to end the day as the animals and birds come to the water.

Kibale Forest National Park is another destination where you put on your hiking boots and set out in hopes of finding the chimpanzees. Murchison National Park's main attraction is **Murchison Falls**, as well as the River Nile, with its resident hippo and crocodile population.

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Kibale Forest NP •

Queen Elizabeth National Park

Entebbe

Bwindi Impenetrable Forest





Meaningful Memories

AFRICAN TRAVEL'S ADDED BENEFITS

- Private boat cruise on the Kazinga Channel
- Gorilla trek permit
- · Chimpanzee trek permit



Endangered mountain gorillas and intriguing chimpanzees are the star attractions in this adventurous safari to lush Uganda. Venture to the lush green Kibale Forest, Queen Elizabeth National Park and Bwindi Impenetrable Forest to track and observe the habituated primates.

Day 1 Arrive Entebbe, Uganda Upon your airport arrival, you'll be welcomed and transferred to your tranquil hotel in Entebbe. Protea Hotel Entebbe

Day 2 Entebbe/Kibale Forest **National Park**

Fly over Uganda's crater lakes region to your idyllic lodge on the outskirts of Kibale Forest. The rest of your day is at your leisure — relax poolside and soak up the surrounding views of Lake Kyaninga and the Rwenzori Mountains. (BLD) Ndali Lodge

Day 3 Kibale Forest National Park

Set out to explore the lush Kibale Forest National Park, which is home to 13 primate species, of which the star attraction is the chimpanzees. Return to the lodge for an afternoon at leisure. (BLD) Ndali Lodge

Day 4 Kibale Forest National Park/Queen Elizabeth National Park

Visit the Bigodi Wetland Sanctuary, a haven for a huge number of bird and butterfly species. Continue

to Queen Elizabeth National Park, boasting one of the highest biodiversity ratings in the world. Kick off your wildlife viewing with an afternoon game drive to seek out elephants, bushbuck and waterbuck, then watch the sun set over Kyambura Gorge. (BLD) Kyambura Gorge Lodge

Day 5 Queen Elizabeth National Park

Explore the Kasenyi Plains, excellent for lion sightings. Board a small boat and cruise the Kazinga Channel. Look out for pink-backed pelicans, hippos and Ugandan kobs, often seen along the riverbank. At your lodge, gather for sundowners and watch wildlife on the savanna plains. (BLD) Kyambura Gorge Lodge

Day 6 Queen Elizabeth National Park/Bwindi Impenetrable Forest

Journey to the Bwindi Impenetrable Forest, renowned for its prized population of about 300 mountain

gorillas. The magic begins with your stay at your stunning eco-lodge. (BLD) Bwindi Lodge

Day 7 Bwindi Impenetrable Forest

Don your hiking boots and rain gear and get ready to conquer the impenetrable forest. Your expert guide will lead you along the steep jungle trails to meet the habituated gorilla families and learn about the ongoing conservation efforts to protect them. Tonight, gather around the fire to share your impressions of these gentle primates with fellow adventurers. (BLD) Bwindi Lodge

Day 8 Bwindi Impenetrable Forest/Depart

Bid farewell to your forest friends and fly to Entebbe for your onward arrangements. (B)