



CLASSIC WILDLIFE AND PRIMATE ADVENTURE

Overview:

A safari to **Queen Elizabeth** & **Kibale National Park**.

The diverse ecosystems covering the sprawling savanna, shady, humid forests, sparkling lakes and wetlands of Queen Elizabeth are habitats to classic big game, over 10 primate species and over 600 species of birds. **The jagged Rwenzori Mountains**, popularly known as Mountains of the moon, gives this park a perfect backdrop!

Kibale National Park; The evergreen rain forest has got the highest concentration of primates in the world. The Bird life is prolific with about 335 species. Go track the Chimpanzees and hike to the top for breathtaking views.

Itinerary at a glance

Day 1: Drive from Entebbe to Kibale National Park.

Day 2: Chimpanzee tracking – Afternoon community walk/hike.

Day 3: Drive to Queen Elizabeth National Park – Afternoon game drive.

Day 4: Game drive in Queen Elizabeth NP & Boat cruise on the Kazinga channel.

Day 5: Drive back to Kampala/Entebbe.

Detailed itinerary:

DAY 1: Entebbe– Kibale Forest National Park. Driving time: ± 5-6 hours

0730 hours or earlier, meet your guide at the lobby, briefing on the day's adventure and start the journey to western Uganda.

You will drive via the new express highway and avoid Kampala traffic. The drive to Fort portal is relatively smooth, with busy towns and roadside markets. Part of the journey is green as you enter the ever-green Kibale forest and Tooro tea plantations.

You will have stops on the way to buy fresh fruits (mangos, pineapples, sugarcane and more). Proceed to the lodge arriving in time for lunch.

Afternoon at leisure or go for a crater walk where you will enjoy the village farmlands, homesteads, Birds or play soccer with the friendly Ugandans.

Meals and Overnight at Turaco treetops Lodge or similar.

Inclusions: All Meals (Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner).

Exclusions: All drinks.

Day 2: Chimpanzee Tracking - Kibale Forest NP and Bigodi swamp walk.

After Breakfast, transfer to the park headquarters, arriving in time for briefing then later head out to the forest for chimpanzee tracking.

Scientifically known as Pan Troglodyte's schweinfurthii, the Eastern chimpanzees are found in the moist evergreen Kibale Forest National Park with over 1500 individuals. This 795 square-kilometer Protected Area is popular for sheltering the highest concentration of primates in the world - 13 species, including the very 'localized' Red Colobus as well, red-tailed monkeys, L'Hoests monkeys, Olive baboons, red-tailed monkeys, vervet monkeys, Grey-cheeked mangabey, to mention but a few.

During the chimpanzee trek, the Ranger guide will provide detailed information on more than just primates. The forest is endowed with some of the oldest trees in Africa out of which some are medicinal, and others are used by Chimpanzees for communication. Your walk will be interestingly informative and exciting. You don't have to be a birding enthusiast to enjoy the competition of Chimpanzee calls and bird sounds.

Today, you have an option for a Uganda meal to give you a true feel of Africa. At Tinka's homestay, food is served in a grass thatched hut while seated on a mat. You however have an option for other international cuisines or dishes at any of the

lodges in Kibale area (discuss with the guide on the type of preferred type of lunch). In the afternoon, you may simply relax at the lodge or go for a nature walk in the Bigodi swamp for primate and bird viewing. The approximately 4.5 Km round walk takes you through a swamp that shelters over 200 species of birds that include Great Blue Turacos, Papyrus gonolek, Blue, Crowned eagles, Purple-breasted sunbirds, African Pitta, Papyrus Canary, and many more swamp endemics. During this wetland walk, you are likely to see more primates such as Olive baboons, Black and White Colobus, Red Tailed monkeys, L'Hoests Monkeys, Vervet Monkeys, and Blue Monkeys among others.

The local guides will share exciting details of the local lifestyles, history, and culture of the community. On returning to the Lodge in the evening, you can relax while watching the sun as it dips down in the forest canopy.

Meals and Overnight at Turaco treetops Lodge or similar.

Inclusions: All Meals (Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner).

Exclusions: All drinks.

DAY 3: Kibale Forest National Park – Queen Elizabeth. App. 3 hours' drive.

After breakfast, head to Queen Elizabeth National Park, via the frontier town of Kasese, surrounded by the breathtaking snow-capped Rwenzori Mountain Range. You will arrive at the lodge early afternoon.

After lunch, go for a game drive. This savannah park is a haven for about 95 species of mammals that include Defassa waterbucks, Uganda Kobs, Lions, Topis, Hippos, Leopards, Bushbucks, side-striped jackals, warthogs, spotted hyenas, African bush elephants, and Cape buffaloes among others.

Meals and Overnight at Mweya Safari Lodge or similar.

Inclusions: All Meals (Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner).

Exclusions: All drinks.

DAY 4: Game drive & Boat cruise on the Kazinga channel.

Make sure you are up by 06:00 hours so that you don't miss out the colorful sunrise session!

After a cup of coffee/tea, go for a game drive. As the sun peeps out of the broken clouds, it reflects on the savannahs, creating shady moments. The sparkling sunlight reflection on the lakes and green wetlands gives the best moment for classic big game and colourful birds to hang out.

The game tracks here, never disappoint! There are high chances of sighting the Leopard, African bush elephants, Hippos, Lions, Cape buffaloes, and several antelope species.

Enjoy a Picnic Breakfast at a beautiful site by the community craft market, facing Lake Bunyampaka. Depending on the season, you might see the colorful flamingos in a distance.

After lunch, drive to the Mweya pier in time for the 2 pm boat cruise on the Kazinga Channel. The channel is a 32-kilometer- long natural water stretch that links Lake Edward and George.

The boat cruise on the channel provides the best opportunities for up-close animal viewing and photography with lots of hippos and numerous Nile crocodiles. Queen Elizabeth National Park's bird life is rich, colorful, and stupendous totaling to 600 recorded species.

We normally book scheduled boats. The type of boat to use (either big or small) is to be determined on the day of the boat trip. Private/exclusive boats are available on payment of supplement.

Weather permitting, go for a sundowner and have a taste of Uganda's finest gin, and a mix of both local and premium drinks as you look at the sun dipping in the horizon. Note that snacks and soft drinks on house, all alcoholic drinks are on own account.

Meals and Overnight at Mweya Safari Lodge or similar.

Inclusions: All Meals (Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner).

Exclusions: All drinks.

DAY 5: Queen Elizabeth - Entebbe or Kampala – app. 8 hours' drive.

After breakfast, drive out of the park, keeping an eye out for game. With stops at places of interest, proceed to Kampala, drop off at your residence or proceed to the airport in time for your return flight or drop off.

Please book return flights departing after 6 pm to avoid a rushed day.

PS – Today, you have an option to take a one-hour flight and will be payment of supplement – USD 338 per person including hotel-airport transfer. You need to book this in advance.

Per person cost (depending on number of participants).

2 pax: US\$. 2,201 3 pax: US\$. 1,868 4 pax: US\$. 1,701

5 pax: US\$. 1,602 6 pax US\$. 1,535 SRS: US\$. 288

SRS is Single room supplement, applicable to single room occupants.

Per person price is determined by number of guests sharing a vehicle/safari package. We strictly consider window seats.

Quoted price is based on a specific property as mentioned in the itinerary. If budget is an issue, we can always offer a less costly facility to suite your ideal/planned budget.

Quoted price is subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances like change of government taxes or tariff revision by service providers. When a trip is confirmed with a deposit before any changes are published, the given price shall be honored.

SAFARI PRICE INCLUSIONS: Accommodation with meals as indicated in the itinerary, Ground transport in a custom-built safari Land cruiser/s with fuel and English-speaking driver/guides, all activities as mentioned in the itinerary (unless specified as extras), and Government taxes.

SAFARI PRICE EXCLUDES: International flights, Visas where applicable, airport departure taxes, insurance, costs related to itinerary changes after confirmation any services, activities not included in itinerary, any costs incurred due to canceled or delayed flights, acts of nature, insecurity or other circumstances beyond our control, any related costs of personal nature like gratuities, drinks (other than those included at particular properties) telephone calls, internet services and laundry.

PAYMENT SCHEDULE: You are required to make a deposit payment of 20% of the safari price plus cost of Gorilla & Chimp permits (where applicable) to consider the safari confirmed. Final payment to be paid 60 days prior to safari start date. Note that this schedule is based on service providers' booking terms and conditions.

PAYMENT MODE: We accept payments by Telegraphic Transfers, cheques or Cash. Please get in touch with accounts@adventureconsults.com for more details or if you have any queries.

We recommend that you read and understand our **booking terms and conditions** together with our cancellation policy. Please request for these terms if you do not have them or ask for further clarification if not clear before making any form of payment.

INSURANCE: We strongly recommend the purchase of comprehensive travel insurance in case of any unforeseen eventualities.

AIR FARES: We do not arrange or book international flights but we can recommend reliable travel agencies or carriers. Feel free to get in contact for advice on recommended flight schedules suitable for different packages or a particular safari of your interest.

CHANGE OF ITINERARY: Additional charges or fees may apply in cases where you want to change a confirmed booking.

Please get in contact for your safari arrangements. Advance reservations are highly recommended.