

R1: Uganda/Rwanda Gorilla Trekking (Group)



Kigali, Gorilla Trekking & Bwindi National Park

2017 SCHEDULED GROUP DEPARTURE DATES (6 clients per group):

16 – 19 September 2017

13 – 16 June 2018

11 – 16 July 2018

11 – 14 August 2018

SAFARI ITINERARY:

DAY 1:	Johannesburg / Kigali Airport / Bwindi Impenetrable National Park (Uganda) Driving time: 4 ½ hours (estimate)
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Southern African clients:

The cost includes return economy airfare with **RwandAir** from **Johannesburg** to **Kigali Airport** (depart: 02h55 – arrive: 06h45).

Southern African & International clients:

Meet and greet by our representative at the Gregoire Kayibanda International Airport from where you'll depart to Uganda for your gorilla trekking experience! Don't let the length of the drive put you off: this is one of the most spectacular drives you'll ever undertake (*driving from Entebbe to Bwindi will take between 8 to 9 hours*). Your journey will take you through mountain valleys, along the shores of glistening lakes, and deep into the steaming jungles of southern Uganda. Crossing the border into Uganda at the Cyanika board posts from where you will continue to Kisoro to enjoy **lunch** at a local restaurant! Continue to the lodge near Bwindi Forest National Park, with great views of the volcanoes and Lake Mutanda.

Breakfast in Kigali on arrival & lunch in Kisoro included.

Overnight at the **Chameleon Hill Lodge** dinner & breakfast included.

DAY 2:	Bwindi Impenetrable National Park GORILLA TREKKING
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Early morning departure from the Lodge to the trailhead at Bwindi Impenetrable National Park for your **mountain gorilla trekking** experience. After the briefing (touches on aspects of gorilla behaviour, details on the gorilla family you'll trek as well as safety precautions) your adventure will start! Gorilla trekking can be strenuous, and a certain level of fitness is required. Trekking can take from 30 minutes to three-quarters of the day, so one needs to prepare for both. Afterwards, return to base where your driver will be waiting to transfer you to the lodge.

Overnight at the **Chameleon Hill Lodge** with lunch, dinner & breakfast included.



DAY 3:**Bwindi****OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES**

Enjoy a day at leisure or enjoy the opportunity to engage in activities in the area (*cost will be for your account*). You can include a second gorilla trek in Bwindi Impenetrable NP, Golden Monkey trekking at Mgahinga NP, boat ride on Lake Mutanda, mountain biking or engage on one of the cultural activities.

Overnight at the **Chameleon Hill Lodge with lunch, dinner & breakfast included.**

DAY 4:**Bwindi / Kigali / Johannesburg**

Enjoy a morning at leisure before driving back to Kigali (Rwanda) across beautiful landscape of rolling verdant terraced hills. On arrival in Kigali, we'll stop for **lunch** at a local restaurant (included). During the afternoon you'll enjoy a **City Tour of Kigali** and visit the **Genocide Museum**. The **Kigali City tour** offers one an in-depth view of Kigali; past and present, assuring that one feels the genuine heartbeat of the city. **Tour old Kigali and the craft centres. You will also tour more recent developments in Rwanda. The nation's recovery is incredible and a testimony to humankind's resilience.** "Cleanliness and Security" is the motto of Kigali. By this motto, the city is a safe and secure place to live, visit, and to explore! We'll stop for dinner at a restaurant in Kigali (*will be for your account*) before your transfer to Kigali Airport.

Southern African clients:

Your flight home departs at **22h20** (Rwanda time) arriving **02h10** (South African time).

International clients:

Flights need to be arranged to depart late afternoon or an extra night in Nairobi must be added.

End of service**GORILLA TREKKING SAFARI COST:**

Due to currency fluctuation, please contact us for current prices!

INCLUDED (Detailed itinerary below):**Southern African clients:**

- Return economy airfares with **RwandAir** from **Johannesburg** to Kigali airport
 - Including **airport taxes**

Southern African & International clients:

- ALL transfers to and from Kigali Airport in 4x4 vehicle with English speaking driver/guide
 - Mineral water in vehicle
- **Accommodation** and meals as per itinerary
- **City tour of Kigali**
- **Genocide museum visit in Kigali**
 - Including entry fees
- **X1 Gorilla trekking permit** per person in the Bwindi Impenetrable National Park - Uganda (cost is \$600.00 per permit)
 - Professional trackers while gorilla trekking
 - National Park Entrance Fees
- Travel information pack
- **Free postage** of travel documents

EXCLUDED:**International clients:**

- Entry visa to Rwanda & Uganda (**SA passport require visas for both countries and can apply for an East Africa visa – cost is US\$100.00**)
- Yellow fever inoculation certificate or exemption letter – compulsory (+/- R550-00)
- Travel Insurance (Highly recommended)
- Meals and drinks not specified
- Activities not specified
- Laundry services
- Gratuities to the driver/guide and hotel staff
 - Driver guide – suggested at USD \$5 per person per day
 - Waiters at lodges / Porter / Room stewards – \$1.00
- All expenses of a personal nature

PLEASE NOTE:

- **All prices are subject to change due to the rate of exchange fluctuation or any unexpected price increase.**
- Prices are based on 4/5 persons per vehicle (if less than 4 persons per vehicle there might be a price increase on transportation).
- Term & Conditions apply.



HOTEL INFORMATION:

Chameleon Hill Lodge (Uganda – near Bwindi)

Rating: Midrange



This exclusive, colourful and vibrant lodge enjoys spectacular views across Lake Mutanda with the Virunga Volcanoes as a magnificent backdrop. Each chalet flaunts its identity and colour scheme along with high quality; hand made furnishings that boast a unique Euro-African style. The lodge offers an extraordinary blend of comfort and relaxation, where attention to detail and personalised service are paramount. As well as being the perfect base to visit the mountain gorillas, one can also enjoy a trip on the hand built boat available for excursions.

Total number of rooms: **10 chalets**



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