

R1: Gorilla Trekking Safari (Group)



Kigali, Gorilla Trekking & Volcanoes National Park

2017 SCHEDULED GROUP DEPARTURE DATES (16 clients per group):

14 – 17 Jun 2017	<i>8 places available</i>
12 – 15 Jul 2017	<i>10 places available</i>
9 – 12 Aug 2017	<i>(fully booked)</i>

SAFARI ITINERARY:

DAY 1: | Johannesburg / Kigali Airport / Kigali

Southern African clients:

Meet and greet by a representative of eXplore Plus Travel & Tours at OR Tambo airport at the **RwandAir** check-in counter (2 hours before the scheduled departure time).

The cost includes return economy airfare with **RwandAir** from **Johannesburg** to **Kigali Airport** (depart: 16h45 – arrive: 20h45).

Southern African & International clients:

Meet and greet by our representative at the Gregoire Kayibanda International Airport with a transfer to the hotel. Overnight at the **Flame Tree Village** with breakfast included.

DAY 2: | Kigali / Volcanoes National Park

After breakfast we visit **the Genocide Museum & enjoy a City tour:** Learn about Rwanda's history from the pre-colonial era to the 1994 genocide war that shocked the world. No matter which part of the world you come from, this is the one place you must visit in your lifetime – to be reminded and re-educated of life's fragility and the danger of the human vulnerability. In 100 days, an estimated 1,000,000 Rwandans were killed in the genocide. Visit the **Kandt Museum**, 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 mankind's resilience. Travel from Kigali to the Volcanoes National Park driving through stunning scenery of flourishing green hills and valleys. Almost the entire country is 5 - 7 thousand feet high, and incredibly lush. Huge indigenous forests, enormous tea plantations and other types of farming stretch as far as the eye can see.

Overnight at the **Mountain Gorilla View Lodge** with lunch, dinner & breakfast included.

DAY 3: | Volcanoes National Park
GORILLA TREKKING

Early morning departure from the lodge to the Volcanoes National Park headquarters in Kinigi for your **mountain gorilla trekking** experience. After the briefing from the authorities of the park set off into the tropical rainforest covering the hills surrounding Virunga Volcanoes. Volcanoes National Park is home to six of the Virunga volcanoes. You can stay close to the gorillas for a **maximum of one hour** allowing for observation and photography. In the



afternoon we visit the nearby **ex-poachers village** (*entry fee for your account*). As part of overall conservation endeavours, former poachers renounced their old ways and became conservation activists. Overnight at the **Mountain Gorilla View Lodge** with lunch, dinner & breakfast included.

DAY 4: | Volcanoes NP / Kigali / Johannesburg

Enjoy a morning at leisure with **lunch** at the lodge or enjoy the opportunity to engage in another activity in the Volcanoes area (*activity cost will be for your account*) e.g. gorilla, visiting the Dian Fossey grave or golden monkeys trekking. Late afternoon drive to Kigali with en-route stops at curio shops (where beautiful Rwandan baskets can be purchased).

Southern African clients:

Your flight home departs at **18h45** (Rwanda time) arriving **22h35** (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: (per person)

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 (cost is \$750.00 per permit)
 - Professional trackers whilst gorilla trekking
 - National Park Entrance Fees
- Travel information pack

EXCLUDED:

- Entry visa to Rwanda
- 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 rate of exchange fluctuation or any unforeseen 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:

Flame Tree Village (Kigali)

Rating: Midrange



Flame Tree Village is strategically located in the quiet suburb of Nyarutarama in Kigali. It boasts villas that are not only comfortable but provide a tranquil, homely experience.

Total rooms: **20 villas**

Mountain Gorilla View Lodge (near Volcanoes)

Rating: Midrange



The hotel is near the Volcanoes National Park. It is located close (about 15 minutes) to the main headquarters of Rwanda's Volcanoes National Park. It provides an excellent base from which to access the Park and the guided tours to see endangered Mountain Gorillas and Golden Monkeys. The lodge covers four acres of the beautiful landscape on the slopes of Mount Sabyinyo and it has incredible views of the nearby Virunga Volcanoes.

Total rooms: **30 cottages**

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