“A sense of calm came over me. More and more often I found myself thinking, “This is where I belong. This is what I came into this world to do.” - Jane Goodall
3 DAY GORILLA TRACKING TOUR

DAY 1: Transfer to Bwindi

After breakfast, you will leave Kampala/ Entebbe and drive to Bwindi impenetrable Forest National Park, home to the mountain gorillas. We will drive along Masaka highway for at least four hours to get to the equator. This will be our first stop to stretch and experience the two hemispheres that split the earth. At the equator, there will be performances by locals to show the Coriolis Effect which happens when water is placed in a basin on the equator. This experience is not to be missed. You will also take photos on either side of the world.

After a snack, we continue to Mbarara where we will again stop over for lunch at the Igongo cultural center which has also been converted into a museum. Igongo Cultural Centre & Country Hotel is a leading recreational complex comprising of the captivating & one of the best museums in Uganda, Eriijukiro (the museum of South Western Uganda), a traditional restaurant, bar, luxurious & a spacious 5 star hotel located exactly 12km along the scenic Mbarara Masaka highway. It is the ultimate destination for lovers of history, art, culture and comfort. A staple of ultimate African luxury, Igongo merges comfort, relaxation and recreation in an environment offering gorgeous scenery & beautiful gardens that capture the imaginations of both the young and the old. The complex is an attraction to a diversity of people and cultures both local and international.

After lunch, we continue to Bwindi via Kabale, referred to as the “Switzerland of Africa”.

Arrive at the lodge in the evening and overnight there. FB Accommodation options.

High end: Mahogany springs

Medium: Buhoma Haven lodge OR Engagi Lodge

Day 2: Gorilla tracking

Up relatively early for a hearty breakfast to give you the energy needed for your gorilla trek. Before 8 am report to the ranger station for registration and a talk by one of the rangers; the
guides will then take you through the bush pushing your way through the undergrowth, parting thick creepers, to track the gorillas. The trek can take from half an hour to 7 hours—a reasonable degree of fitness is required as well as a sturdy pair of walking shoes. Once you are close to the group the guides will ask you to leave behind your bags as no food items should be carried close to the gorillas. Just take your cameras with you as you are about to meet the gentle giants! Sit in the forest amongst the gorillas, listening to them grumble to each other and marvel at the sheer size of the dominant male; the silverback. It is an extraordinary feeling sitting in the dense rainforest knowing you are with a few of the last remaining mountain gorillas—sadly enough there are only about 650 of these beautiful creatures left. You are allowed exactly one hour with the gorillas before returning to the base station.

In the afternoon you can choose to relax at the lodge or engage in optional activities like the Batwa community experience, Buniga forest walk, to mention but a few

Overnight at the lodge. FB

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Day 3: Return to Kampala/Entebbe

After your breakfast, your guide will drive you back to your hotel in Kampala/ Entebbe or drive you to the airport to catch your flight back home.

**NOTE:**

We have scheduled domestic flights from Entebbe to Bwindi. In case of any need, this can be worked out at an extra cost.
Costs:

High end lodge:

If there 2 pax, cost is $1,255 per person + $600 for gorilla permit

If there 4 pax, cost is $968 per person + $600 for gorilla permit

Single supplement is $170

Budget lodge:

If there 2 pax, cost is $1,025 per person + $600 for gorilla permit

If there 4 pax, cost is $738 per person + $600 for gorilla permit

Single supplement is $150