



Mountain gorilla in Bwindi Impenetrable National Park | Photo: Diego Delso · CC BY-SA 4.0 · cropped

Uganda Gorilla Safari

Forest primates, savannah & the Kazinga Channel

10 DAYS / 9 NIGHTS / YOUR OWN PRIVATE PARTY

Families · Couples · Solo travellers · Groups of friends

RECOMMENDED TRAVEL MONTHS

June to September

Choose your own dates. Private quotation on request.

A SAFARI MADE FOR YOU

The journey

Uganda brings a remarkable variety of wildlife into one journey. Track chimpanzees in Kibale, watch hippos and elephants along the Kazinga Channel, and walk into Bwindi's forest to spend time with a mountain gorilla family.

This ten-day route also leaves space for the country around those headline experiences: crater-lake scenery, village visits, birds and unhurried time at your lodges. Three nights in Bwindi give the gorilla encounter a relaxed place at the heart of the trip, followed by a flight back to Entebbe.

Tour highlights

- **Mountain gorillas**

Join a guided gorilla trek in Bwindi Impenetrable National Park.

- **Kazinga Channel**

Watch wildlife and waterbirds during a boat excursion.

- **Forest & community**

Add Bigodi wetlands and a locally guided visit around Bwindi.

- **Kibale chimpanzees**

Follow forest guides in search of an active chimpanzee community.

- **Queen Elizabeth safari**

Explore open savannah and the Ishasha sector on game drives.

- **An easy finish**

Fly from Kihhi to Entebbe at the end of the journey.

Your people. Your pace.

Gorilla trekking is for travellers aged 15 and above; Kibale chimpanzee tracking is for ages 12 and above. For families with younger children, we create a parallel nature and community programme. Park-led primate treks take place in the park's designated groups.

PLAN YOUR PRIVATE SAFARI

When to go & where to stay

BEST TIME FOR THIS ROUTE

June to September

June to September is a recommended drier-season window for combining Uganda’s forest walks with its savannah parks. June and September are particularly useful starting points for this route; January and February also suit a private journey.

SUGGESTED DATES A

5–14 June 2027

SUGGESTED DATES B

4–13 September 2027

These are sample private travel dates. We can arrange another start date in the recommended season.

Suggested lodges & hotels

Entebbe / Kibale Forest / Queen Elizabeth National Park / Ishasha / Bwindi / Entebbe

DESTINATION	NIGHTS	SUGGESTED STAY
Entebbe	1	The Boma Hotel
Kibale / crater lakes	2	Papaya Lake Lodge
Queen Elizabeth NP	2	Mweya Safari Lodge
Ishasha	1	Ishasha Wilderness Camp
Bwindi / Buhoma	3	Mahogany Springs Lodge

We confirm the selected lodges, rooms, guiding and transport with your personal quotation. The final arrangements are tailored to your party and travel dates.

PRIVATE QUOTATION ON REQUEST



Uganda's crater-lake scenery | Photo: Fiktube · CC BY-SA 4.0 · cropped

DAY 01

A: 5 June 2027 | B: 4 September 2027

Arrive in Entebbe

Arrive at Entebbe International Airport, where our representative welcomes you and transfers you to The Boma Hotel. Settle into the garden setting and take time to rest. Meet your guide for an introduction to the route and the wildlife experiences ahead. If your arrival leaves time, enjoy a gentle local walk arranged around your interests. Dinner at the hotel makes a relaxed start to your Uganda safari.

Overnight: The Boma Hotel

DAY 02

A: 6 June 2027 | B: 5 September 2027

Across western Uganda to Kibale

After breakfast, drive west with your private guide through towns, farmland and tea-growing country towards Kibale. Break the journey for lunch and selected views along the way. As you approach the Fort Portal region, the scenery changes to green hills and crater lakes. Arrive at Papaya Lake Lodge for two nights, settle into your room and enjoy the views before dinner and a briefing for tomorrow's chimpanzee experience.

Overnight: Papaya Lake Lodge



Chimpanzee in Kibale National Park | Photo: Giles Laurent · CC BY-SA 4.0 · cropped

DAY 03

A: 7 June 2027 | B: 6 September 2027

Chimpanzees in Kibale & Bigodi wetlands

Travel to the park meeting point for your ranger briefing, then enter Kibale Forest with the tracking team. Listen for the chimpanzees and follow the guides as they locate the community. The forest walk also offers birds, trees and other primates to notice along the way. After lunch, explore Bigodi on a locally guided wetland walk, with time for birdwatching and learning about the community's conservation work. Return to the lodge for dinner.

Overnight: Papaya Lake Lodge

DAY 04

A: 8 June 2027 | B: 7 September 2027

From crater lakes to Queen Elizabeth National Park

Enjoy breakfast before travelling south towards Queen Elizabeth National Park. Stop for selected views of the crater-lake country and the changing landscape near the Rwenzori foothills. Continue into the park, looking for wildlife as you approach Mweya Safari Lodge. After lunch and time to settle in, take a first game drive or a shorter wildlife outing according to your arrival. Spend the evening overlooking the park's waterways and savannah.

Overnight: Mweya Safari Lodge



Tree-climbing lions in Ishasha | Photo: Charles J. Sharp · CC BY-SA 4.0 · cropped

DAY 05**A: 9 June 2027 | B: 8 September 2027**

Savannah game drive & Kazinga Channel cruise

Start early with a game drive across the park's open plains, looking for lions, elephants, buffalo and antelope. Return for breakfast or continue with a packed meal according to the day's plan. In the afternoon, board a boat on the Kazinga Channel. From the water, watch hippos, crocodiles and birds, as well as animals coming down to drink. Return to the lodge with time to enjoy the view before dinner.

Overnight: Mweya Safari Lodge

DAY 06**A: 10 June 2027 | B: 9 September 2027**

The Ishasha sector

Travel through the park towards Ishasha, a quieter-feeling landscape of open grassland and broad fig trees. Your guide searches for the lions for which this part of the park is known, checking branches and shaded resting places as well as the plains. Enjoy lunch at camp and an afternoon game drive, with attention to topi, buffalo, elephants and birds. Spend the night at Ishasha Wilderness Camp in its riverside setting.

Overnight: Ishasha Wilderness Camp



Mountain gorilla in Bwindi's forest | Photo: Charles J. Sharp · CC BY-SA 4.0 · cropped

DAY 07

A: 11 June 2027 | B: 10 September 2027

Into the hills of Bwindi

After a final morning look around Ishasha, continue into the cultivated hills and forested country around Bwindi. The changing scenery makes this a rewarding drive, with stops for views and lunch along the way. Arrive in Buhoma and settle into Mahogany Springs for three nights. In the afternoon, meet your local team and prepare for tomorrow's gorilla trek, then enjoy a restful evening at the lodge.

Overnight: Mahogany Springs Lodge

DAY 08

A: 12 June 2027 | B: 11 September 2027

Your mountain gorilla encounter

After an early breakfast, go to the park headquarters for the ranger briefing and allocation to a trekking group. Walk into the forest with experienced guides and trackers, taking time as the route unfolds. Once your gorilla family is located, spend the permitted viewing time watching its interactions at close quarters. Return to the lodge for a late lunch or a relaxed afternoon, with the rest of the day kept free to enjoy the experience.

Overnight: Mahogany Springs Lodge



A closer look at Bwindi's mountain gorillas | Photo: Giles Laurent · CC BY-SA 4.0 · cropped

DAY 09

A: 13 June 2027 | B: 12 September 2027

Bwindi beyond the gorilla trek

Keep today flexible after your trek. Join a locally guided village and community visit, take a forest-edge birding walk, or simply enjoy a slower morning at the lodge. Your guide can focus on crafts, daily life or the smaller wildlife around Buhoma according to your interests. Lunch and afternoon time at the lodge make this an unhurried final day in the forest region. Enjoy a farewell dinner with your travelling companions.

Overnight: Mahogany Springs Lodge

DAY 10

A: 14 June 2027 | B: 13 September 2027

Fly from Kihhi to Entebbe

After breakfast, transfer to Kihhi airstrip for the scheduled flight back to Entebbe. The flight brings your journey across western Uganda to a comfortable close. On arrival, our representative assists with the arrangements for your international departure. A day room or an extra Entebbe night can be added to your private quotation when it helps your flight connection.

Departure: Private airport transfer

YOUR PRIVATE JOURNEY WITH MIDASIA ROUTES

Your safari arrangements

Included in your proposal

- 9 nights in the selected lodges, camps and hotels.
- Breakfast, lunch and dinner from dinner on arrival to breakfast on departure.
- Airport transfers, planned touring transport and experienced English-speaking guides.
- Park fees and the scheduled activities described in your agreed programme.
- One gorilla trekking permit and one chimpanzee tracking permit per eligible traveller.
- Kazinga Channel boat excursion, Bigodi walk and planned community visit.
- Kihiki-Entebbe domestic flight.

Additional personal costs

- International flights to and from the safari's start and end points.
- Visas and international travel / medical insurance.
- Personal shopping, laundry, spa treatments and premium drinks.
- Optional extensions and activities added to the agreed programme.
- Gratuities for guides, camp teams and any Midasia Routes Tour Leader.

Your quotation sets out the private guiding and vehicle arrangements, along with any camp-based activities and scheduled safari flights.

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