

# Red Chilli...

the hottest place to chill in Uganda !



## Red Chilli 4 days Safari and Mountain Gorillas!

On this tour you have the opportunity to experience the best of two very contrasting national parks: Lake Mburo National Park and Bwindi Impenetrable Forest. The stop at Lake Mburo also helps break up the long and sometimes arduous journey to Bwindi Impenetrable Forest, where you will set off early in the morning for the privilege of tracking the critically endangered mountain gorilla.



## Basic Itinerary in a Nutshell

- Day 1: Kampala to Lake Mburo National Park
- Day 2: Lake Mburo National Park and onward to Bwindi Impenetrable National Park
- Day 3: Bwindi Impenetrable National Park – gorilla tracking
- Day 4: Bwindi to Kampala

## Day 1: From Kampala to Lake Mburo National Park

At 260 Km<sup>2</sup>, Lake Mburo National Park is the smallest of Uganda's savannah parks, however its myriad of habitats supports a surprising diversity of plants and animals. Underlain by ancient pre-Cambrian metamorphic rocks, dating back more than 500 million years, it is the only national park in Uganda to contain an entire lake. Lake Mburo lies at the centre of the park, which together with 14 other lakes, forms part of a wetland system – in fact almost a fifth of the park's area consists of wetlands. The park is home to over 300 different bird species as well as zebra, leopard, hippo, buffalo, hyena and numerous

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antelope species including impala, eland, oribi, reedbuck, topi and Defassa waterbuck. In addition a small population of Rothschild's giraffe was introduced from Murchison Falls in 2015.

- 07:30 Meet at the Red Chilli Kampala reception for a briefing from your driver-guide before departing on your Safari and Mountain Gorilla Tour.
- 08:00 Depart Red Chilli Hideaway in a customized 4x4 pop-top safari vehicle and head south-west out of the capital city towards Lake Mburo National Park.
- 10:30 Equator visit – a great opportunity to have your photo taken in both hemispheres! Short snack/coffee & toilet break.
- 14:00 Arrive at Rwakobo Rock, situated on the periphery of Lake Mburo National Park, where you will be staying in safari tents with shared bathrooms (upgrades to self-contained accommodation available on request). Enjoy lunch and maybe a swim in the lodge infinity pool whilst looking out over the park surrounds.
- 16:30 Head out into the park, where you will take a late afternoon boat trip on Lake Mburo to look for hippo and crocodile, as well as the abundant bird species of the lake and papyrus swamps.
- 18:00 Arrive back at the lodge at approx 18.00, where you will have dinner and stay the night.

## Day 2 – From Lake Mburo National Park to Bwindi Impenetrable National Park

Bwindi Impenetrable National Park lies in South-Western Uganda, on the edge of the Rift Valley and alongside the border of the Democratic Republic of Congo. Classed as a UNESCO world heritage site due to its ecological importance, it is one of Uganda's oldest rainforests, dating back over 25,000 years. The park provides a rich and diverse habitat for almost 350 bird species and 120 different species of mammal - most famously an estimated 340 critically endangered mountain gorillas: roughly half of the world's population.

The region also provides shelter for several other primate species, such as baboon, black and white colobus and chimpanzee, as well as elephant and antelope.

- 07:00 After breakfast at Rwakobo Rock, you will depart for a 3 hour game drive in Lake Mburo National Park.
- 11.00 Depart for Bwindi Impenetrable Forest, taking lunch en route in Mbarara. Total driving time will be around 6 hours.
- 18.00 Check into Rushaga Gorilla Camp, just inside the park, where you will be sleeping in basic twin cabins with shared bathrooms (please enquire for more luxurious accommodation). Dinner at the camp.

## Day 3 – Bwindi Impenetrable National Park

- 06:30 Rise early for breakfast before your 7am gorilla tracking briefing and departure. Exact tracking duration depends on which group you are tracking and where they happen to be situated at the time of your visit. Whilst you will be treated to a full magical hour with these magnificent

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creatures, the entire experience may take anything from 2 to 8 hours. Lunch will be a packed lunch from the Community Camp, enjoyed in the forest. After your gorilla trekking, you will return to Rushaga Gorilla Camp for dinner and another night.

**Optional Extra:** If your gorilla trekking experience is short enough, it may be possible to add on a waterfall hike - this may take anything from 2 to 5 hours depending on how much you stop along the way. Take a plunge into the bottom of the icy waterfall if you are brave enough! (*Additional Cost: \$30 per person*).

## Day 4 – Bwindi Impenetrable National Park to Kampala

06:00 Rise early and take a packed breakfast with you on the long drive back to Kampala. A lunch break will be taken en route.

18:00 Depending on traffic and exact time of departure, you should be back at the Red Chilli, Kampala by nightfall.

NB This is an extremely long day of driving and many people, who have time, prefer to break up the journey further. If interested, please enquire with us about making a stopover in Lake Bunyonyi, the second deepest lake in Africa, where you can relax and chill after some serious trekking and driving! Or to see where else we would suggest you stop over in the area, making your driving days shorter.

**From only US\$1,150 per person.**  
**Price dependant on number of people on Safari**  
**(Excluding food and drinks)**

## The best value safari in East Africa!

### Detailed Pricing

Please note that all prices are based on a per person sharing basis and are dependent on the number of people on the safari. All activities as specified in the itinerary above is included as well as vehicle, fuel park entry etc. Meals, drinks and other personal items are not included in the price.

	1 Person	2 People	3 People	4 People	5 People	6 – 8 People
<b>Standard Price (Per person)</b>	\$ 1,840	\$ 1,405	\$ 1,305	\$ 1,225	\$1,200	\$1,150

Accommodation upgrades are available for this safari, please let us know if you would be interested in upgrading to an en-suite room on your safari.

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## What we suggest you bring

A photocopy of your passport (including the visa page), torch, malaria prophylaxis, insect repellent, sun block, towel, sturdy walking shoes and long trousers for the walks; plenty of drinking water/snacks; any other personal affects.

## The small print

- Trip cost excludes all food/drink/other personal items.
- Cost includes all park entry fees, game drive ranger fees (when available), boat cruise, guided walk fees, transport/fuel, shared accommodation as per the itinerary. Towels are not provided but can be rented for a small fee.
- A **50% deposit or payment in full is required in order to secure your reservation**. Please see our payment terms and conditions for further information.
- Staff tips are never expected but always appreciated.
- Pick-ups en route may be considered if **FULL PAYMENT** is made in advance – please enquire before booking.
- The price includes a free night's camping/dormitory bed at Red Chilli Kampala the night before departure (subject to availability and not transferable to another person or to be used as part payment for a room upgrade. Not redeemable for cash). **Please reserve in advance if required**.
- Discounts are available for East African residents and Ugandan Nationals, subject to presenting a valid UWA recognised ID. Please inform us when booking if you are seeking to claim a discount.
- Baggage is limited to **1 medium backpack** per person. Excess baggage can be stored at Red Chilli Kampala free of charge.
- If you are arriving at Red Chilli Kampala on the morning of departure please report to the reception by **7.15am**. We cannot wait for latecomers and will not refund deposits should this occur.
- Take all sensible precautions against malaria.
- Do not approach any wild animals you may see around the camp/park, & do not startle them with flash photography.
- Drink plenty of water at all times & protect yourself from the sun.
- Take care of your valuables at all times. We cannot accept responsibility for any loss.
- We can supply packed lunches on request from Red Chilli Kampala for Day 1. However last orders are taken at 21.00 the night before the trip departs. If you are unable to meet this deadline, please email or call ahead with your order..
- Please leave yourself plenty of time between the scheduled return of the trip and any ongoing travel connections. We cannot accept responsibility for any missed connections due to late return.

## Tour cancellation Policy

If you have to cancel your booking, please get in touch with us as soon as possible. Deposits made prior to the arrival date will be refunded on the following basis:

Cancellation – Days before booking date:	Cancellation fee (% of total tour bill due):
1. More than 31 days	0%
2. 14 – 30 days	10%
3. 7-14 days	20%
4. 4-7 days	35%
5. 3 days or less	50%

Please note that if you have made a deposit by bank transfer and require a refund by the same method, you will be responsible for all bank charges for both transfers.

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