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Partaking in an adventure tour in Africa involves covering hundreds if not thousands of kilometres and our tours are as much about this journey as they are about the destinations we visit. Use your time during these drives to talk to your fellow travellers, have a drink and take note of the world passing by your window. Some roads you travel on will be smooth and easy while others could take up to an hour to cover 1 kilometre. There is just no telling what could happen with road, weather, traffic and other conditions that may exist that will either increase or decrease the amount of time you spend on the road so take your watch off, put your iPad away, turn off your phone and just relax. An average day could take anything from 5 to 14 hours, it all depends on the day... and that's only an "average"!

Please ensure that you have downloaded and read a copy of the **PRE DEPARTURE INFORMATION booklet as this document contains important information (e.g travel insurance, visas, your money, health etc) you need to know before you depart on tour.**

<http://nomadtours.co.za/media/Pre-Departure-Information.pdf>

Activity Package

This is a compulsory payment on this tour that covers what we consider to be 'essential activities' on our tours. This payment is 100% transparent and is listed below. The Activity Package must be pre-booked along with your tour booking.

Activity	Price
Chimp Trekking Murchison Falls	R 1 750
Ziwa Rhino walk	R 950
	R2 700

This itinerary has been written with the Activity Package items included. If you wish to participate in all the activities listed, you will need to purchase the Activity Package.

Gorilla Permit – USD630 – USD730

The cost of a permit to visit the gorillas is currently as above. Please check actual amount with us closer to departure. You will be pre-invoiced for this non-refundable amount.

Maximum Number of Passengers

20

After hours emergency contact

Our reservations staff are available to receive emergency calls. We would like to request that you respect this emergency number and use it only in the event of emergencies. Please only contact this number if, for example, you have missed your incoming flight, you cannot find your airport transfer or you are running late for your tour departure.

If calling from outside South Africa: 0027 82 578 2199

If calling within South Africa: 082 578 2199

Arrival / Departure

Please be sure to arrive 1 day before your tour is due to depart. This will avoid any unforeseen problems.

We also highly recommend that you book your flights to depart the day after the tour officially ends to allow for delays and changes.

Pre and Post Tour Accommodation

If you require accommodation before or after your tour we can arrange this for you. We can also arrange airport transfers – contact your travel agent or Nomad to make these bookings.

Tour departure point

10:00am Hillside Plaza Hotel, Plot 1A Kira Road – Ntinda II Rd, Kampala, Uganda, Tel: +256 702 608415

<http://www.hillsideplazahotel.co.ug/contact.html>

Please ensure you arrive at the departure point at least 30 minutes before the scheduled departure time.

Tour ending point

Hillside Plaza Hotel, Plot 1A Kira Road – Ntinda II Rd, Kampala, Uganda, Tel: +256 702 608415

<http://www.hillsideplazahotel.co.ug/contact.html>

What's included

Accommodation, meals (Breakfast x 6 / Lunch x 3 / Dinner x 5) (unless otherwise specified, all meals are prepared and served at the Nomad truck), qualified crew / transport in the Nomad truck / included highlights as per the itinerary / entrance fees to National Parks.

What's excluded

Items of a personal nature (snacks, alcohol, bottled water, soft drinks) / entrance fees (associated with optional activities / souvenirs / activity packages and optional activities, tips.

Countries Visited

Uganda

Meals Included on Tour

Day	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	TOT
Breakfast	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	6
Lunch	-	✓	✓	-	-	✓	-	3
Dinner	✓	✓	-	✓	✓	✓	-	5

TOUR ITINERARY

Day 1 - Masindi – Murchison Falls National Park

After meeting your guides in Kampala, we head in the direction of The Murchison Falls National Park. Also referred to as the Kabaraga Falls, Murchison Falls is a waterfall found on the course of the great Nile and is located within the Murchison National Park. The park is recognized as one of the best National Parks in Uganda. After settling into our accommodation in Masindi, your guide will brief you on the activities for the following day.

Accommodation	Kabalega Resort http://www.kabalegaresort.com/
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per room with shared ablutions Camping: Campsite with shared ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Route	Jinja to Masindi

Day 2 - Masindi – Budongo Central Forest Reserve

Budongo Forest is the biggest Mahogany forest found in the whole of East Africa and is home to the largest number of chimpanzees throughout Uganda. It is believed that there are between 600 – 700 chimpanzees in Budongo and this morning we will meet up with our chimp guide who will take us on our trek through the forest in search of the chimps. We will also enjoy a boat cruise in the park. Note: As the Chimp trekking is limited to 12 guests per trek, should there be more than 12 guests on a tour the trekking will be split between the morning and the afternoon. Therefore you may find that you will first do the game drive activity followed by the Chimp trekking or vice versa. Please allow for flexibility.

Accommodation	Kabalega Resort http://www.kabalegaresort.com/
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per room with shared ablutions Camping: Campsite with shared ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Activity Package	Chimp trekking (half day)
Included Highlight	Boat cruise (half day) in Murchison Falls National Park

Day 3 - Kampala

While we spend the night in the bustling capital city of Kampala, this morning we have the opportunity to visit the Ziwa Rhino Sanctuary. These majestic animals are in a literal fight for their survival. Rhino Fund Uganda (RFU) was formed as a Non-Government Organization (NGO) in 1997 and is tasked with overseeing its aim of reintroducing Rhinoceros, a highly endangered species across the globe, back into the National Parks of Uganda through a breeding and release program. Out of this emerged the Ziwa Rhino Sanctuary, 7000 hectares of imminently suitable savannah and native woodlands.

Accommodation	Hillside Plaza Hotel http://www.hillsideplazahotel.co.ug/
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per room with En-suite bathroom Camping: Two per room with En-suites bathroom <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Route	Masindi to Kampala
Activity Package	Ziwa Rhino walk
Optional Activity	Murchison Falls Game Drive

Day 4 - Gorillas (Lake Bunyonyi)

Crossing the Equator once more we travel south to the beautiful scenery of Lake Bunyonyi. With eager anticipation we prepare for the upcoming Gorilla trekking excursion and tonight we will receive a briefing on what to expect.

Accommodation	Lake Bunyonyi Overland Resort http://www.bunyonyioverland.com
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per room with En-suite bathroom Camping: Campsite with shared ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Route	Kampala to Lake Bunyonyi

Day 5 - Gorillas (Lake Bunyonyi)

The mountain gorilla is extremely endangered and while exact numbers vary it is widely assumed that there are only around 650 left. Visiting the gorillas is a great way to support their future on earth as the money spent on permits is used for their protection. An extremely important part of the future conservation of the remaining gorillas rests in the community development work – as local communities change their attitudes towards wildlife and start to protect rather than poach, the future of the mountain gorilla is assured.

As permits granting permission to visit the gorillas are extremely limited we require flexibility in both the tour itinerary and where we actually visit them. The home of the mountain gorillas is completely at odds with man-made borders and so their range encompasses Uganda, Rwanda and the DRC (Democratic Republic of the Congo). Whenever possible we choose to make use of the National Park in Uganda, but this depends on the availability of permits. Should we not obtain permits to visit the mountain gorillas in Uganda then we will inform all passengers beforehand that the tour will travel to Rwanda or DRC.

On your free day in Bunyonyi you will have the opportunity to participate in certain optional activities. You can also go hiking or explore the area on a mountain bike.

Accommodation	Lake Bunyonyi Overland Resort http://www.bunyonyioverland.com
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per room with En-suite bathroom Camping: Campsite with shared ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Route	Lake Bunyonyi National Park to the starting point of the gorilla trek (in safari or smaller vehicles)
Optional Activity	Gorilla Trekking

Day 6 - Gorillas (Lake Bunyonyi)

Although there are 2 days allocated to Gorilla Trekking you will only spend one day on the trek. The other days are there to provide a large enough window in which to obtain permits and to allow the entire group to trek if there are more than 6 of you on the tour. Today we will enjoy a visit to the Nyombi Village, a Pygmy village which is reached by motor boat from Bunyonyi Resort. We will have the opportunity to learn about the culture of the Pygmies and how they live.

Accommodation	Lake Bunyonyi Overland Resort http://www.bunyonyioverland.com
Facilities	Accommodated: Two per room with En-suite bathroom Camping: Campsite with shared ablutions <i>Please visit the website of the accommodation provider for a full list of the facilities offered.</i>
Included Highlight	Pygmy village visit

Day 7 - Lake Bunyonyi – Kampala

This morning we set off on our return journey to Kampala. Your tour comes to an end upon arrival in Kampala.

Accommodation	Own Arrangements / Post tour accommodation can be booked through Nomad.
Route	Lake Bunyonyi to Kampala

The Itinerary is flexible and can be changed without notice in order to accommodate the best possible viewing of the Mountain Gorillas. The Permit price to visit the Gorillas can also change without notice.

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