

13 days Entebbe - Arusha Gorillas & Game Parks

Visiting: Uganda,
Rwanda, Tanzania



what you pay

£320 PLUS the Kitty from \$393 paid in \$US in Africa



The price covers

• A fully equipped and diesel expedition truck/vehicle including all camping and cooking gear, a fridge, gas cooker, tents, sleeping mats etc • Services of a driver and safari leader • The ongoing advice and back up from The Absolute Team • All road tolls and taxes are paid.

The kitty covers

• Queen Elizabeth National Park including a game cruise on Kazinga Channel • Ngorongoro Crater • Maasai village

The kitty is also budgeted to cover camping, and breakfast and dinner whilst with the truck. Kitty is a group fund paid locally on day one in USD cash.

We meet you in Entebbe, Uganda, early morning to take the Sesse ferry to see the cheeky chimps on Ngamba Island in Lake Victoria. The following day we camp in the wild in Queen Elizabeth National Park and take a game cruise to view hippo and crocodile as well as buffalo and elephant by the waters edge. On our way we stop at the drum markets. Reaching the misty Virungas trek through lush forest to spend an hour with the endangered mountain gorilla, the big highlight of our safari. During our time in Rwanda we also stop over at the Genocide memorial and there is time to visit a children's orphanage.

A bumpy drive through to Arusha, Tanzania and we arrive at the gateway of the northern circuit game parks. Heading off on safari with local guides across the vast plains of the Serengeti and into the Ngorongoro Crater in customised land cruisers, this is our next chance to sleep under the African stars. Across the two parks you have a wonderful chance to see all the game you would want – lion, giraffe, elephant, rhino, zebra and so much more. The Serengeti is particularly famous for the migration of over 2.5 million wildebeest, zebra and Thomson's gazelle who usually start to arrive back onto the Serengeti plains in November, heading for the southern plains where calving usually commences around February. The big predators including lion, cheetah and hyena are usually close by.

This is also the land of the cattle-herding Maasai who can be seen throughout the region in their distinctive red blankets. We visit a traditional village and school, and Maasai warriors perform a march by and the traditional adumu, the famous jumping dance. Our last night we enjoy a bbq together in Arusha town to say our good byes.

Shuttle transfers can be arranged the following day through to Nairobi, to Moshi, or to Arusha or Kilimanjaro airports.

Check our website for the latest prices, departure details and dossiers @ www.absoluteafrica.com or phone 0208 742 0226



optional excursions

Approx. guide for the most popular excursions as at Dec 09. Usually paid in USD. The rate used is 1.6.USD.

- Chimpanzee reserve £31
- Mountain gorillas £370
- Golden monkey trek £63
- Hike to Dian Fossey's grave £47
- Serengeti National Park* £153
- Manyara National Park £94

* Some months the truck drives the alternate route through the Serengeti and the Serengeti then comes out of kitty with the resultant price reduction to £115.

TO CONSIDER AFTER YOUR SAFARI:

- Transfer to Nairobi £30
- Climb Kilimanjaro A range of different routes available from 6 to 8 days
- Masai Mara Visit the Masai Mara, incl. a visit to The Elephant Sanctuary, The Giraffe Park and Lake Naivasha. Price £210
- Beach stay on Zanzibar Island Unwind on the palm fringed beaches of Zanzibar Island

For these and other options see pages 42 - 48.

spending money

You will also need spending money to cover lunch, drinks, souvenirs, incidentals costing under £10 eg a donation to the genocide museum, and also if you wish to upgrade from camping. We recommend taking £150 to £190 for this safari.

visas

Between £69 and £100

Remember to also budget for flights, insurance, vaccinations, any pre and post safari costs such as taxis, add on excursions etc, as well as for any equipment you might need to purchase.

safari dates

Depart Entebbe	Finish Arusha
4 Feb 10	16 Feb 10
25 Feb 10	9 Mar 10
10 Apr 10	22 Apr 10
1 May 10	13 May 10
3 Jun 10	15 Jun 10
24 Jun 10	6 Jul 10
24 Jul 10	5 Aug 10
9 Aug 10	21 Aug 10
4 Sep 10	16 Sep 10
30 Sep 10	12 Oct 10
8 Oct 10	20 Oct 10
14 Oct 10	26 Oct 10
26 Nov 10	8 Dec 10
13 Dec 10	25 Dec 10
19 Dec 10	31 Dec 10
3 Jan 11	15 Jan 11
5 Feb 11	17 Feb 11
10 Mar 11	22 Mar 11
8 Apr 11	20 Apr 11
4 May 11	16 May 11
2 Jun 11	14 Jun 11
17 Jun 11	29 Jun 11

Special departure details

- 19 Dec 10 - Christmas at the Gorilla Parks

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