



DEEPER AFRICA

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Welcome to the most diverse primate habitat on Earth.

Colobus monkeys, golden monkeys, L'Hoest's monkeys, grey-cheeked Mangabey monkeys, chimpanzees and the incomparable mountain gorillas in the mist. In fact, there are 13 different primate species here. View and trek mercurial monkeys and vocal chimps through dazzling natural landscapes of rainforests and mahogany set against a spectacular soundtrack of more than 300 bird species. Sit serenely and contemplate amongst the mountains of bamboo with the awe-inspiring mountain gorillas — an experience as reflective and transformative as this country.



Primates of Rwanda

DAY-BY-DAY ITINERARY

Primate viewing safari



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Welcome to Deeper Africa

Wildlife encounters, at once spontaneous and beyond imagination, result from our in-depth knowledge of seasonal wildlife migrations and patterns. Our guides possess a lifetime of African lore and all the skills of a master tracker. *It's being in the perfect place at the perfect time.*

As a worldwide team with vast experience, we provide you with exceptional personal service. We attend to every detail. We help you learn about Africa's important conservation issues. *Arrive in Africa fully prepared and ready to explore.*

We believe that local African communities must benefit and prosper from the conservation and enjoyment of Africa's wildlife. They ensure the future. Your dollars protect wildlife and wild lands, as well as support and nurture local small businesses that, in turn support our safari business. *Your dollar makes change.*

Experience wondrous wildlife, enjoy local culture and discover more about the vibrant people and complicated politics unique to Africa. *We love this wild continent.*

Primate viewing with Deeper Africa

Stand within feet of mountain gorillas as they accept you into their community without a sideways glance. Trek with confidence, knowing you'll have success watching these gentle creatures. Hear chimpanzees bounce through the trees, rustling leaves, breaking branches and maybe even calling out to family members with their loud hooting.

IT STARTS WITH THESE SOUNDS AND THEN SUDDENLY...YOU ARE AMONG THEM.

Safari schedule at a glance

International flight #1

Departs: TBD

Arrives: TBD

International flight #2

Departs: TBD

Arrives: KGL

Day 1:

Arrival in Kigali, Rwanda
Overnight at The Retreat

Days 2, 3 & 4:

Drive to Parc National des Volcans
Overnights at Kwitonda Lodge

Days 5, 6 & 7:

Drive to Nyungwe Forest National Park
Overnights at Nyungwe House

Day 8:

Drive to Kigali for international flights

DAY 1

The Retreat Kigali

Upon arrival in Kigali, Rwanda's vibrant, sophisticated capital city, a Deeper Africa guide holding a sign with your name awaits. He will transfer you to The Retreat, a fitting name that encapsulates the gentle, regenerative spirit of Rwanda. This is Kigali's first 100% solar powered, luxury boutique hotel known for its excellent restaurant that features quality ingredients and an onsite organic garden.



Includes:
Breakfast
Swimming Pool
WiFi

Fusion Resturant

The Retreat

Merging diverse culinary legacies from across the globe with the rich essence of Rwandan ingredients, Fusion offers an exquisite blend of flavors that transcends borders.

Alissa and John Ruxin moved from New York City to Rwanda after the genocide determined to help the country rebuild. That was in 2008. Alissa opened their first restaurant Heaven, soon after with staff who had never eaten in a restaurant. They hired the right people, but training had to be the focus. Heaven became Kigali's first international restaurant and training facility. Since then, she and her husband, Josh have trained over 3,000 Rwandans to be part of Rwanda's new tourism industry. Their second restaurant, Fusion, opened ten years later with a focus on fine dining combining culinary traditions from around the world with locally sourced Rwandan ingredients. Alissa's favorite item on the menu: Thai-style banana flower salad and filet of beef served with cassava leaf chimichurri.



DAYS 2, 3 & 4

Kwitonda Lodge

Parc National des Volcans

Gorillas share at least
97% of our DNA.

One third of the world's remaining mountain gorillas live in the high-altitude, cloud forests of Parc National des Volcans. Coming face-to-face with these gentle giants of the bamboo forest is an often transformative, contemplative experience.

The gorillas' day—where to forage, when to rest, depends on the decisions of the silverback. It's a lovely, winding hike to a gorilla family through the verdant green forest, dotted with towering volcanic peaks. Terrain is hilly and the air is cool. Quietly settle in for a full hour of close observation as a guest in their home. Females groom each other and carry sleeping babies on their backs. Juveniles cavort, rolling and tugging at each other. The silverback stands tall, watching over and protecting them. Respectfully keep a distance.

Wildlife viewing <i>Get your checklist ready</i>	Activities included <i>Keep your camera close</i>
Mountain Gorilla Golden Monkey	Gorilla trekking Golden monkey trekking

Includes:
Breakfast
Lunch
Dinner
Alcohol & Beverages
Laundry
Plunge Pools
WiFi

Kwitonda Conservation

The lush cloud forests that tumble down the slopes of the Virunga Massif are divided by the borders of Uganda, Rwanda and the Democratic Republic of Congo, but together form a 113,670 acre (46,000 hectare) trans frontier conservation area rich with plant and animal life.

The 178-acre piece of land on which Singita Kwitonda sits was once part of the park itself, and now forms part of an ambitious reforestation project. The land in question has been under agriculture for many years, one of the priorities for its inclusion in the park is for it to be rehabilitated and reforested with appropriate local vegetation. To support this initiative, Kwitonda has established an on-site nursery that already holds more than 60,000 plants. Many of these plants have been purchased from neighboring communities, including a co-operative of 71 people running a nursery that Kwitonda helped establish, and continues to support through the sharing of skills and knowledge. Whilst large numbers of plants rehabilitate the land around the lodge, the next phase will require exponentially more specimens, as Kwitonda scales the project up on its entire property as well as supports the government in the greater park expansion program. The enormous scale of this reforestation initiative ensures that the co-operative, and others like it, will be in business for a long time to come, whilst the ultimate success of the program will be an expanded range and increasing population of mountain gorillas in the park.



DAYS 5, 6 & 7

Nyungwe House Nyungwe Forest National Park

- Includes:*
 Breakfast
 Lunch
 Dinner
 Alcohol & Beverages
 Laundry
 Swimming Pool
 WiFi

Drive south with your guide to Nyungwe Forest. Then learn an ancient tradition, spear throwing, on a hill or join in hilltop archery. Get out into the fresh mountain air with a guided hike along a Jurassic track surrounding the tea plantation. Walk amongst some of Africa’s tallest Mahogany trees, whose trunk can measure more than 65 feet (20 metres) across or hike to Nyungwe’s largest waterfall — 55 feet fall (17 metres), surrounded by a plethora of wildflowers and wildlife. Prepare to be awed by the sights and sounds of this remote and authentically wild jungle landscape, filled with life.



<p>Wildlife viewing <i>Get your checklist ready</i></p>	<p>Activities included <i>Keep your camera close</i></p>
<p>Chimpanzee, Colobus monkey, Grey-cheeked Mangabey monkey, Butterfly, Bush pig, Giant forest hog, L’Hoest’s monkey, Lord Darby’s flying squirrel, Serval (Wild cat), 300 bird species including Rwenzori turaco & Grey-chested kakamega</p>	<p>Chimpanzee trek Colobus monkey trek Guided nature walks Canopy walk Birding Hiking Yoga Stargazing Spear throwing & Archery Chef’s garden tour African tea plantation tour</p>

Nyungwe Forest National Park

The Nyungwe Forest is one of Africa's oldest rainforests and mountainous ecosystems. It has Africa's most diverse primate populations— 13 species, including chimpanzees, Colobus monkeys (one of the very few places in Africa) and L'Hoest's monkeys (one of the few places on Earth). Primate trekking here is ideal. Arise early and embark on an exhilarating chimp trek. Listen to hooting, clanging and playing, while following this quick moving species, accompanied by expert guides and trackers.



Gorilla Doctors

Critically endangered mountain gorillas are the only great apes whose wild populations are increasing, largely due to the work of Gorilla Doctors and the Mountain Gorilla Veterinary Project.

Gorilla Doctors provides medical care to ill and injured gorillas in Uganda's Bwindi Impenetrable Forest, Rwanda's Parc National des Volcans and the DRC's Virunga National Park. Veterinarians, rangers, guides and conservationists monitor each gorilla's health, note any developing problems and intervene in emergencies. Gorilla Doctors owns its own vet school.

This work has helped save the species from extinction and even contributed to a baby boom. We're happy to arrange a meeting with Gorilla Doctors for you after you trek, with the option to privately join the doctors on their rounds. This conservation success story demonstrates how your visit can change the future of an endangered species for the better.

480

mountain gorillas in
the Virunga Massif
2010

1,063

total mountain gorillas in the
wild NOW, largest
population recorded

604

mountain gorillas in the
Virunga Massif 2016

The world's only endangered animal to receive
regular vet care.

Follow a gorilla family online and learn more at
www.gorilladoctors.org

Gorilla Porter Program

Porters are available to carry your daypack, water, and lunch. You may not feel you need one, but we recommend hiring a porter anyway.

\$20 cost

\$5 Gratuity recommendation

Porters are typically young people without many opportunities. They need work. They only get the opportunity to porter once a month. Typically, their other days are spent working on the family subsistence farm. That's essential work, but it doesn't help them with the cash and the learning they get from helping international guests. A porter doesn't just carry your gear. Like any good caddy, the porter gives you pro tips and shares the kind of local lore that will enlighten your adventure. They are familiar with the trails, terrain, and the condition of the forests.

Hiring a porter is so much more than just lightening your load. It's important that all community members benefit from gorilla conservation through work and learning opportunities. They will make a hard trek possible by pulling and pushing you through; a much needed hand.

The porter program is one of the initiatives that the gorilla rangers developed to build community support for mountain gorilla protection. The survival of gorillas and the welfare of local communities are inextricably linked. Support the people, as well as the primates. The money porters earn is one of the direct benefits of tourism in communities.

DAY 8

Flights & International Travel

Head back to Kigali. Visit the Gisozi Genocide Museum commemorating the 1994 Rwandan genocide. This museum is an international effort—built with funds from Belgium, Sweden, and the US-based Clinton Foundation. From there, your guide will transfer you to Kigali International Airport for your international flight.

Flight #1 (Day 8)

Departs | Kigali, Rwanda

Arrives | TBD

Flight #2 (Day 9)

Departs | TBD

Arrives | TBD

Includes:
Breakfast
Lunch

2025 Pricing: \$22,900 - \$28,500

2025 Custom Pricing & Departures

Jun 1 – Oct 31

- 2 guests: \$28,500 USD per person
- 4 guests: \$27,500 USD per person
- 6 guests: \$27,000 USD per person
- Single supplement: \$8,000 USD

Jan 7 – May 31

Nov 1 – Dec 15

- 2 guests: \$24,000 USD per person
- 4 guests: \$23,200 USD per person
- 6 guests: \$22,900 USD per person
- Single supplement: \$3,900 USD

Call for holiday pricing.

All pricing is in US dollars. Arrivals and departures through Kigali, Rwanda. Prices do not include international airfare. Gorilla and chimpanzee permit prices & park fees fluctuate. All itineraries and prices are subject to change.

Primates of Rwanda safari includes:

- Start-to-finish safari expertise
- Accommodation in all lodges & tented camps
- All meals as specified in itinerary
- All gorilla, chimp and golden monkey permits, park fees and entrance fees
- Safari guide & private Land Cruiser
- Visit Akarabo Nursery to learn about reforestation, explore local cuisine by participating in cooking class, enjoy a wine experience, throw pottery in the pottery studio, traditional spear throwing, visit a tea plantation and learn how to make a perfect cup of tea, mountain bike in Nungwe Forest
- All safari activities as specified in itinerary
- All in-country transportation
- Vaccinations and Visa support
- Safe drinking water available at all times
- Enrollment with Flying Doctors Evacuation Service
- Alcohol & beverages at some camps and lodges
- Laundry at some camps and lodges
- Beverages in your safari vehicle
- Extensive pre-departure briefing & materials including health information, reading list & map
- Curated list of Cultural Resources

International airfare and gratuities not included. Certain brands of alcohol and beverages not included in some camps.

We plan your adventures in areas where wildlife habitats are known to exist for the season and time you're traveling. Still, animals are not in a zoo. They run freely and we cannot always anticipate their movements.



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