



UGANDA CITY TOURS & SHORT SAFARIS





KAMPALA CITY TOURS

From the days [Livingstone](#) explored East Africa and the discoveries by [Speke](#) and [Burton](#) in search of the Source of the Nile, Uganda has always been recognized as a land of contrast and abundant natural beauty. In Uganda, often described as the [Pearl of Africa](#), one can discover natural wonders not found anywhere else on the planet: Island dotted lakes with the [Virunga Volcanoes](#) as a backdrop in southwestern Uganda, the [Bwindi Impenetrable National Park](#) and [Mgahinga Gorilla National Park](#) with the unforgettable opportunity of climbing volcanoes, tracking the endangered mountain gorillas or experience the cultures and traditions of the ancient [Batwa Pygmies](#).

The experience of tracking mountain gorillas in their natural territory in the [Bwindi Impenetrable National Park](#), a [UNESCO World Heritage Site](#) due to its expanse of ancient and undisturbed tropical forests dating back to the last ice age qualifies as a once in a lifetime adventure. Here, the discerning traveller ventures on an exhilarating climb to the mountain gorilla's natural habitat of shady bamboo thickets and relish amazing views of lush tropical rainforests. Nothing however can prepare one for the impact of encountering a mountain gorilla close up, twice the size of an average man, yet remarkably gentle and generally tolerant of human visitors.

In addition, one can visit the mist-shrouded [Mountains of the Moon](#), travel to the famous [Murchison Falls National Park](#), with its massive 43 meter falls of boiling water crashing into the wooded country below and on to the

hazy savannahs of the [Kidepo Valley](#), dappled with an abundance of wild-life. Serene undulating hills of tea plantations, give way to tangled jungle and rainforest - the lush opportunities for exploration that nature has to offer in Uganda appear almost limitless.

With 10 very distinct National Parks to chose from, Uganda is alive with these contrasts and thrives on diversity: The tiniest sun birds, iridescent flashes of colour in the morning light, the massive lumbering forest elephants, disappearing like a mirage in the jumble of a tropical jungle; chimpanzees crashing about in the forest canopy and the mountain gorilla chewing thoughtfully in the bamboo thicket. It's all here, a feast for the senses!

In addition to our regular safaris, we would also like to offer you here a review of city tours and short safaris.

■ [Martyrs and Kings - Historical Kampala](#)

Spend a day exploring the history of Uganda's capital city. We visit both the Protestant and Catholic Shrines in Namugongo, commemorating the 25 Christians martyred there in 1886. After a packed lunch, we travel to the palace of the 29th Kabaka (King) of Buganda kingdom, Ssuuna II.

We then visit Fort Lugard, the seat of the Protectorate when the British first took control, before heading to Lubiri Palace, which was built in 1885 and was home to four kings before it was taken over post-independence, and turned into a military barracks.



Our final stop is a five star hotel in the city centre, that was used as a safe house during the regimes of Idi Amin and Milton Obote. The history of

Kampala is told via Bluetooth headphones on the journey, and our knowledgeable guide will take you around the sites.

Tour Cost

USD 85 per person • Includes packed lunch

■ Mini Kampala Tour

See the highlights of Kampala's history, from the royal palaces and tombs, to the churches of the missionaries who introduced Christianity and the martyrs who died for it. The Mini Tour visits the seat of the Catholic Church, Rubaga Cathedral, before heading to the tomb of Kiweewa, a former king who was overthrown in 1888 and killed by his own brother. We then head to the official palace of the current king, which was used as a military barracks after the kingdoms were temporarily abolished. The final stop is the Muyonyo Martyrs' Shrine, built over the spot where one of Uganda's 22 Catholic saints was killed. Our tour content is delivered via Bluetooth headsets and by our guide.



Tour Cost

USD 65 per person • Includes packed lunch

UGANDA SHORT SAFARIS

■ Half Day - Ngamba Island Chimpanzee Sanctuary

Surrounded by the peaceful waters of Lake Victoria, Ngamba Island Chimpanzee Sanctuary is home to 49 orphaned chimps rescued from throughout Uganda. Island facilities offer day trips and overnight trips which provide exceptional opportunity to closely observe and interact with these

fascinating great apes in this unique setting. Chimpanzee Sanctuary and Wildlife Conservation Trust, an NGO, is responsible for all aspects of the sanctuary at Ngamba Island. Deeply committed to and involved in the conservation education of local communities, CSWCT also works with the Ugandan government and wildlife authorities in their rescue operations of orphaned and confiscated chimps.

Other activities include welfare of individual captive chimps entrusted to its care, long-term management of a sanctuary for individuals that cannot be returned to the wild, interventions to assist individuals in the wild when deemed necessary, conservation education of the general Ugandan public with particular emphasis on chimpanzees, ecotourism, community participation, capacity building through training, as well as building viable regional and international partnerships on chimpanzee conservation.



Departure Times

Morning: 08.45 am - 01.00 pm • Afternoon: 12.45 pm - 05.00 pm

Tour Cost

2 Pax	USD 218 per person
3 Pax	USD 152 per person
4 to 6 Pax	USD 115 per person

■ Half Day - Mabamba Wetlands & Birding Safari

With an area of 16,500 hectares and situated on the shores of Lake Victoria, this large extensive marsh is fringed with papyrus and home to more than 300 bird species. The list includes one of the most famous birds of Uganda, the Shoebill as well as large congregations of migrant bird popu-

lations such as Blue Swallow, White-Winged Tern, Gull-Billed Tern and papyrus endemic bird species such as the Papyrus Gonolek and Papyrus Yellow Warbler. Other species of interest include good numbers of Goliath Heron, Squacco Heron and Lesser Jacana.



Tour Cost

2 Pax	USD 95 per person
4 Pax	USD 75 per person
6 Pax	USD 57 per person

■ **Full Day - Ziwa Rhino Sanctuary**

Ziwa Rhino Sanctuary is a popular destination and many tour operators travelling from Kampala towards Murchison include a stop at the sanctuary as a permanent part of their itineraries. Situated near Nakitoma, the sanctuary is situated 176 km from Kampala and offers on location activities such as Rhino tracking, a Shoebill canoe ride and nature walks.

A security force of 80 rangers of which many are armed, patrols the fence, guard the gates and monitors the rhinos 24 hours per day. The sanctuary is also home to approximately 20 other species of wildlife as well as 300 different bird species highlighting Uganda's unique biodiversity and emphasizing the importance of conserving it.



Tour Cost

2 Pax	USD 125 per person
4 Pax	USD 100 per person
6 Pax	USD 86 per person

■ **Full Day - White Water Rafting on the Nile River**

White water rafting is a popular feature on the Nile near Jinja which is also known as the 'Adventure Capital of Uganda'. Leading the way, Adrift made the first-ever descent of the Nile river in Uganda in 1996 and hit world headlines before introducing commercial white water rafting to the country. Jinja, previously the industrial capital of Uganda, is today better known for the 'Source of the Nile' at the now submerged Rippon Falls with the Owen Falls Dam, located just downstream.



Tour Cost

2 Pax	USD 110 per person
4 Pax	USD 95 per person
6 Pax	USD 85 per person

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NATIONAL PARKS

1. **Mount Elgon National Park**
Area: 1,145 km² Habitat: Montane

2. **Kidepo Valley National Park**
Area: 1,442 km² Habitat: Savannah

3. **Murchison Falls National Park**
Area: 3,900 km² Habitat: Savannah

4. **Semuliki National Park**
Area: 220 km² Habitat: Forest

5. **Rwenzori Mountains National Park**
Area: 996 km² Habitat: Montane

6. **Kibale Forest National Park**
Area: 766 km² Habitat: Forest

7. **Queen Elizabeth National Park**
Area: 1,978 km² Habitat: Savannah

8. **Bwindi Impenetrable National Park**
Area: 310 km² Habitat: Forest

9. **Mgahinga Gorilla National Park**
Area: 33 km² Habitat: Montane

10. **Lake Mbuoro National Park**
Area: 256 km² Habitat: Savannah

