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## THE PEARL OF AFRICA

### 8 DAYS/ 7 NIGHTS: BWINDI, QUEEN ELIZABETH AND KIBALE NATIONAL PARKS

#### DAY 1: ENTEBBE.

On arrival at the Entebbe Airport, meet your Crystal safari representative after passport control. Transfer to **Boma Guest house or upgrade to Protea Hotel Entebbe for Upmarket for over-night.** BB

#### DAY 2: ENTEBBE TO BWINDI – 550 kms / 9 hr. drive

After an early breakfast AT 0700, depart for Bwindi Impenetrable Forest national park .This journey takes you through the “Banana Republic” with banana plantations surrounding your horizon, steep hills, small rivers.....just amazing scenery. Have a lunch stop on the way. Arrive at the lodge late evening  
**Dinner and Over- night Gorilla safari Lodge.**

#### DAY 3: GORILLA TREKKING

Today is a definite highlight – guaranteed to leave you in awe! AT 0730 armed with your parked lunch and drinking water, proceed to the briefing brief center. at 0800hrs together with ranger guides, proceed on your trek through the rainforest and bamboo covered slopes, accompanied by other trackers, in search of a mountain gorilla family. The walk can be long and tough, however, as you catch a glimpse of the magnificent silverback, any discomforts will be totally forgotten. When sighted, visitors will be guided to within 6 meter from the gorillas, sit around them and gaze into their big round eyes.

**Return to Gorilla Safari lodge for dinner and overnight.**

#### DAY 4: BWINDI TO QUEEN ELIZABETH NATIONAL PARK 250 KMS – 5 hrs. drive.

This morning, we depart for the Queen Elizabeth National Park through Uganda's beautiful green countryside en-route as well as plenty of fresh vegetables and fruits. Have a lunch break on the way.

**Dinner and overnight at Ihamba Lake side safari lodge or upgrade to Mweya Safari Lodge for Up Market.**





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### **DAY 5: Queen Elizabeth Park**

Early wake up for an early morning game drive in the northern part of the Park, along the Kasenyi Track in search of lions, elephants, solitary buffaloes and the magnificent cats, in action owing to the vast population of Uganda Kobs. Here, you have an excellent chance to view just about every animal at a very close range. On return, a delicious breakfast followed by some time at leisure by the pool at the lodge

In the afternoon take a boat cruise along the amazing Kazinga channel and you will appreciate the scores of Hippos, Buffalos and Crocodiles close to the waterside as well as the rare Leopard prowling. There is a variety of bird species especially the famous Shoebill, pelican. Return to the lodge for dinner.

**Overnight, Ihamba Lake safari lodge or upgrade to Mweya Safari Lodge for upmarket.  
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### **DAY 6 KIBALE FOREST NATIONAL PARK**

Early morning after an early breakfast, transfer to the Kibale National park. Your adventure is far from finished. You will sight crater lakes, breathtaking scenery with views of the shadows of the mountains of the moon – the Rwenzoris. Enjoy the drive through large expanses of savannah grasslands as you spot more wildlife en-route to Kibale park.

**Dinner and overnight, Crater safari lodge. FB.**

### **DAY 7 CHIMPS AND PRIMATE SEARCH – KIBALE**

After breakfast drive to park office for briefing at 0730. At 0800 start on walk through the Kibale Forest in search of chimpanzees and other primates. Kibale is inhabited by three large “communities” of chimps, each numbering more than 100 individuals. Each community has a complicated social structure. Chimps are very social, highly vocal, communicating with a large variety of sounds and gestures. The excitement as the whole group suddenly bursts into a cacophony of wild hooting is most entertaining. You will have one hour in their presence.





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After lunch the walk takes 2-3 hours. After lunch go for Bigodi swamp walk where you may see a variety of bird species and other smaller mammals. The walk will take about 2 to 3 hours. Return to the lodge to seat in the lodge and enjoy the spectacular sunsets. Dinner and over night **Crater Safari lodge .FB**

### **DAY 8**

After breakfast, transfer to the Entebbe Airport via Fort Portal and Kampala for your international flight home.

## **HAVE A GREAT SAFARI!**

### **Safari Inclusions.**

- All Airport and airstrip transfer
- Full board accommodation throughout the safari, except in Entebbe where it is on BB.
- 1 Chimpanzee permit per person in Kibale forest
- 1 Gorilla permit per person in Bwindi impenetrable forest as per the price outline above
- Guided community and nature walk
- Game drives
- Boat ride
- 1 Litre of water per day while on safari
- 4 wheel land cruiser with fuel and driver throughout the safari

### **Safari exclusions**

- International Air tickets
- Entry visas and airport taxes
- Personal insurance
- All personal expenditure such as tips, telephone calls, laundry and drinks.
- For extra activities a supplement has to be paid

