9 Days of Primate Experience

Day 1: Arrival

You will be welcomed by a representative of Phil of Africa safaris who will take you to your hotel. Depending on your time of arrival, you can visit the Uganda Wildlife Education Centre for an introduction with the extraordinary flora and fauna of Uganda. Overnight at **Boma Hotel / Best western Premier**

Day 2: Ngamba Island

In the morning, you will depart from Entebbe, heading for a visit to the Ngamba Island of the chimpanzees. After a pleasant boat ride you will reach Ngamba Island, where you will be directed to the visitor's center to learn more about the chimps and their lifestyle. You will be able to view and photograph these fascinating apes from only a few meters away! In the afternoon you will take a boat ride back to Entebbe and drive to Kampala. Overnight at **Protea Hotel and Bougainvillea hotel or any other (BB)**

Day 3: Kampala – Kibale National park

After breakfast depart Kampala and head west to Fort Portal. This lovely town rests in the shadow of the Rwenzori mountain range the biggest mountain range in Africa. Fort Portal is the capital town of Tooro kingdom one of the oldest monarchies in Uganda, it's a path way to many amazing places offering sublime scenery, nature and a great place for adventure. Lunch en route. From Fort Portal continue to Kibale National Park for your experience the tropical forest. Dinner and overnight at *Primate Lodge or Crater Safari Lodge (C)* or *Chimpanzee Forest Guest House or Isunga Lodge (E) FB*

Day 4: Chimpanzee trekking

After a hearty breakfast, go for a nature walk in Kibale Forest National Park, in a typical rain tropical forest, sounds of the birds welcome you and the best encounter is the chimpanzees as the call out and swing from tree to tree. Other primates you might see include black and white colobus, red tailed monkey and velvet monkey. Return to lodge in time for lunch, there after visit the eco-tourist site of Bigodi for village walk (you also have the opportunity to taste and participate in making the dish of the day) is an initiative of the local community and takes approximately two hours. The swamp is known for its rich diversity of birds and primates. Return at

leisure to your lodge for dinner and the night at *Primate Lodge or Crater Safari Lodge (C) or Chimpanzee Forest Guest House or Isunga Lodge (E) FB.*

Day 5- Tooro Kingdom and Queen Elizabeth National park

After breakfast visit the kingdom of Tooro palace the `Karuzika 'Toro kingdom is one of the four traditional kingdoms located within the borders of Uganda. Toro Kingdom was part of the large empire of Kitara. As with Buganda, Bunyoro, and Busoga, Toro's monarchy was abolished in 1967 by the government of Uganda, but was reinstated in 1993. The incumbent monarch is King Rukirabasaija Oyo Nyimba Kabamba Iguru Rukidi IV. Since the old days, the Batooro have always considered themselves as one people, under the unifying leadership of the Omukama (king). Learn about how the pet names or Empaako is given, their culinary history and many more. Proceed to Queen Elizabeth for the boat launch on Kanzinga channel. Lunch after which you will take a boat cruise on Kazinga Channel which connects Lake Edward and Lake George. This offers an excellent opportunity for photography moments of Hippos, Buffaloes, Elephants and magnificent bird species by the water. Check in to your lodge for Dinner and overnight at *Elephant plains (L) Bush Lodge (M), Simba lodge (B) on Full board basis.*

Day 6 – Ishasha sector-Bwindi

Today you will depart at 7 am for the morning game viewing at Kasenyi sector view the big 4 Elephants, buffalos, lions, and if lucky you may sight the leopard .proceed to Ishasha sector in search of the tree climbing lions observe their unique behavior. Drive to Bwindi through the changing landscape arrive at your lodge in the evening for you deserved rest at *Ruhija Gorilla safari Lodge(L) Bakiga Lodge(M) Broadbill forest camp(B) FB*

Day 7-Bwindi Impenetrable Forest –Gorilla tracking

In the morning after breakfast, you will go to the park headquarters for briefing from the park rangers about the dos and don'ts while with the gorillas. Then start the trek within the jungles, the activity involves hiking through the thick forest searching for the mighty apes. And after meeting them, you are only allowed to stay with the gorillas with only one hour then descend to the park headquarters then after to your lodge for refreshment and lunch. You will spend the evening at your lodge. *Ruhija Gorilla safari Lodge (L) Bakiga Lodge (M) Broadbill forest camp (B) FB*

Day 8- Transfer to Bunyonyi

Today you will visit the communities that live around the borders of Bwindi, participate in their lifestyle /activities of the day like digging, grazing food harvesting return to the lodge for lunch. Later, proceed to Lake Bunyonyi is one of the most beautiful places in western Uganda. It is the second deepest lake in Africa [900 meters deep] and also one of the few places in the country where it is considered safe to swim as it is bilharzias free. The landscape around the lake is made up of terraced hills protruding from the water's edge. Bunyonyi means "place of little birds" and as the name suggests, there is plenty of birdlife around the lake. Arrive in the late evening check in into your lodge for overnight and dinner at *Bird Nest resort (L) Arcadia cottages (M) Bunyonyi overland resort (B) – Full board basis*

Day 8- Bunyonyi

After breakfast go zip lining swing on top of the calm waters of Lake Bunyonyi, the second deepest lake in Africa after a brief on the dos and the don'ts. The zip line will definitely give you an enormous adrenaline rush as you glide across, cold water breezes and excellent views of local communities, islands and rolling hills of Kigezi region. Return to the lodge for lunch and relaxation in the evening take on the canoeing experience under the spectacular sunset. Return to the lodge for dinner and overnight *Bird Nest resort (L) Arcadia cottages (M) Bunyonyi overland resort (B) – Full board basis*

Day 9- Transfer to Kampala via Mburo national park

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End of trip