



# 4 DAYS RWANDA GORILLA EXPERIENCE 2021/22



**RWANDA:** Lying at the heart of Africa, Rwanda is one of the most dynamic leisure destinations, offering vibrant cities, pristine wilderness and an exceptionally hospitable people. A unique and largely undiscovered venue, Rwanda also offers unrivalled biodiversity, beautiful mountains, some of the oldest and most precious rain forest on earth, five volcanoes, 23 lakes, numerous waterfalls and three stunning national parks. Regarding wildlife, Rwanda boasts 13 species of primates (25% of the total number in Africa) and 670 species of birds, many of which are globally endangered. Sports lovers, meanwhile, can enjoy walking, trekking or mountain biking along thousands of pristine trails, mountaineering, volcano exploration, fishing, boating and a plethora of water sports, while cultural options include a traditional dance, historical sites and displays of ethnic art and heritage.

# DAY 1: KIGALI-RWANDA

Upon your arrival at Kigali international Airport you will be met by Kosen Safaris & Expeditions Tour Director and together with your driver will whisk you to your luxury hotel in Kigali- The most beautiful, safest and the cleanest city in the whole of Africa!

# DINNER & OVERNIGHT -KIGALI SERENA MEAL PLAN-B & B DAY 2:

### **CITY TOUR OF KIGALI/ VOLCANOES NATIONAL PARK**

This morning we will do a city tour of Kigali before we depart for Volcanoes National Park. We will arrive in the evening in time for check in and enough time to settle into your beautiful room before settling down for a delicious dinner and drinks. Drive time about 3 hrs.

## DINNER & OVERNIGHT – BISHOPS HOUSE OR SIMILAR MEAL PLAN-BREAKFAST & DINNER

# **DAY 3:**

#### **GORRILLA TREKKING**

Today after an early breakfast you will drive a short distance to the park headquarters for a briefing where you will be assigned a family of gorillas to visit. The trek takes about 2 to 4 hrs.



When visiting the 'Land of a thousand Hills, one should not miss out on the magnificent opportunity to visit Volcanoes National Park consisting of 125 km2 of mountain forest and home to the six Virunga Volcanoes and the world-famous mountain gorillas. Protected within the PNV, the lushly forested slopes of the mountains form an appropriately dramatic natural setting for what is arguably the most poignant and memorable wildlife experience in the world: gorilla trekking.

The exhilarating climb to the gorilla's natural habitat of shady bamboo forest offers fantastic views in all directions, before the trackers are immersed in the mysterious intimacy of the rainforest, alive with the calls of colorful birds and the chattering of rare golden monkey. Nothing can prepare one for the impact of encountering a fully-grown

silverback gorilla, up to three times the size of an average man, yet remarkably peaceable and tolerant of human visitors.

Please remember to bring your passport for registration, appropriate, waterproof hiking boots and a light raincoat. To protect from stinging nettles, we recommend long pants and long-sleeved tops. A pair of old gardening gloves can help grabbing onto the vegetation while most hotels/lodges provide a walking stick that come in very handy especially when hiking downhill. A small waterproof backpack is an excellent idea to carry a light snack, bottled water as well as protection for your camera.

Upon sighting the gorillas, you spend the allowed one hour with them as they go about their daily life; feeding, moving, playing, raising their young and sometimes wrestling by the juveniles – it is a totally unique and unforgettable experience! DINNER & OVERNIGHT – BISHOPS HOUSE OR SIMILAR MEAL PLAN-FULLBOARD



Gorilla permits are only confirmed upon payment of deposit. The total amount is paid 60 days before the travel date. (Non-refundable).

# **DAY 4:**

# MUSANZE/KIGALI /OUTBOUND

After a leisurely breakfast, depart from foothills of the volcanoes and drive on a scenic drive back to Kigali. Everything and everywhere, sheer green and hanging on the hills; Rwanda truly is a land of a thousand hills.

Later you will be transferred to the airport for your departure flight. (Cost of flight not included). A flight after 6PM is recommended.

**MEAL PLAN: BED AND BREAKFAST** 

# **End of service**



## Karisimbi Mountain

#### **Costs Includes:**

- Airport transfers and assistance
- Accommodations in Kigali on bed and breakfast basis
- Accommodation at the lodge on Full board basis.
- Private transport in a 4x4 Land cruiser
- City tour of Kigali
- Iby'iwacu cultural visit
- Services of an English-speaking driver-guide
- Bottled drinking water while trekking and in vehicle

#### **Costs Excludes**:

- Meals and beverages, other than specified.
- International, regional and local flights.
- Airport taxes.
- Passport and visa fees and service charges for obtaining visas.
- Excess baggage charges levied by airlines.
- Gratuities to driver/guides and other conveyance attendants.
- Laundry and other items of a personal nature such drinks, telephone calls ETC
- Personal and baggage insurance.
- Cost for anything not specifically mentioned in the listing above.
- Insurance coverage is available for Baggage, Accident and Trip Cancellation/Interruption at special low-cost group rates.