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RWANDA GORILLA TREKKING

Safari Snapshot

Date	Destination	#/Nights	Accommodation	Country
Days 1 & 2	Kinigi/Volcanoes National Park	2	Gorilla Mountain View Lodge	Rwanda
Day 3	Volcanoes National Park/Kigali	1	Laico Umubano Hotel	Rwanda
Day 4	Depart			



KEY

B – Breakfast | L – Lunch | D – Dinner

***Please note that premium import brands are not included with beverages**

Detailed Itinerary

DAY 1 KIGALE/KINIGI

Today you will arrive at Kigali airport where you will be met for a two hour drive to Kinigi via Ruhengeri. The road to Ruhengeri is sealed offering stunning scenery of the hills and valleys of this green and lush country, taking a little less than two hours. From Ruhengeri, it will be a 20 minute drive to Kinigi at the base of Sabinyo Mountain, with excellent views of the rest of the Virunga Volcanoes.

Overnight: Gorilla Mountain View Lodge (B, L, D)

DAY 2 VOLCANOES NATIONAL PARK

Gorilla trekking day. After breakfast take a short drive to Park Headquarters and meet with excellent local guides and trackers who will give a talk on the etiquette of gorilla trekking. We then hike into the forest where the gorillas were seen the night before and track from that point. The trekking can take from 1 to 6 hours and climb to altitudes in excess of 7,500 feet. The terrain is rough and at times muddy. Although the hike is physically demanding the beauty of the forest and surrounding scenery make the trekking worthwhile. Once the gorillas are located all fatigue is forgotten, as the experience is often described as being the most profound natural history experience in the world. Picnic lunches are provided and it is important to take plenty of water. Cameras and plenty of fast speed film are recommended. It can rain at a few minutes notice; hence waterproof clothing is a good essential including zip lock bags for cameras and film.

Overnight: Gorilla Mountain View Lodge (B, L, D)

DAY 3 VOLCANOES NATIONAL PARK/KIGALI

Today will be your second gorilla trekking day. After trekking, you have a two hour drive to Kigali.

Overnight: Laico Umubano Hotel (B)

DAY 4 DEPART

Today you will take a half day city tour, including the genocide museum/memorial. You will then be transferred to airport for your flight out this afternoon to continue on to your next destination.

ACCOMMODATION UPGRADE OPTIONS:

Sabyinyo Silverback Lodge (Days 1 & 2)

Sabyinyo Silverback Lodge is situated on the edge of the Parc National des Volcans in North Western Rwanda, in an undulating area of 11 hectares with fabulous views towards the Parc National des Volcans, its 5 volcanoes (comprising part of the Virunga Volcano range) and distant lowland agricultural areas. All guest cottages are discretely situated in the folds of the hills, and each has its own unique view. The altitude of the lodge is approximately 7,000 feet above sea level so the climate is generally cool, and the volcanoes rise to a height of almost 15,000 feet.

The lodge is owned by a community trust called SACOLA. SACOLA is using the money generated from the lodge to finance its socio-economic development and conservation objectives in the area. Sabyinyo Silverback Lodge is therefore an exciting combination of a top quality lodge and a power for driving socio-economic development and conservation in the areas adjacent to the Parc National des Volcans in Rwanda.

The lodge comprises of a central building, with reception, bar, dining room, library/game room, community awareness center and shop. Both the bar and dining room have extensive outdoor decks from which our clients can enjoy the spectacular views.

Kigali Serena Novotel (Day 3)

Kigali Serena Hotel is situated in central Kigali, the ambassadorial and commercial heart of Rwanda and the city's pre-eminent meeting place for diplomats and business people. The hotel is only 10 km from Kigali International Airport.

Accommodation comprises of air conditioned rooms, ranging from deluxe rooms and luxury studio suites to the Presidential suite. The elegant Diplomat Restaurant is open for breakfast, lunch and dinner, while the Lounge Bar offers a choice of three purpose designed areas: the bar, the lounge and the terrace. The hotel has a Gymnasium, swimming pool and WiFi internet access.

Rwanda Gorilla Trekking 3-Night Cost – 2010

From: \$1,745 per person sharing double occupancy, plus \$1,000 per person for 2 gorilla permits

A Magical Journey Awaits!