



58 Day Nairobi to Cape Town including Gorillas (Ultimate Overland Adventure) CAE2516

Enjoy an audience with the gentle gorillas in Uganda's misty highlands, watch the Zambezi River tumble over the Victoria Falls, view the shimmering dunes and deserts of the ancient Namib. Game parks, beaches, deserts and wetlands - from Lake Victoria to Table bay, this is the ultimate overland safari of east and southern Africa!

DAYS 1 - 14

From Nairobi we head west into the Great Rift Valley and spend the night in Lake Nakuru National Park. This park is well-known for its large population of rhino and wealth of birdlife especially the flamingos that gather in their thousands on the shores of the shallow soda lake. Beyond Nakuru we continue west through Eldoret before crossing into Uganda and the source of the Nile at Jinja. Here you can try white water rafting or quad-biking along the river banks or visiting the surrounding villages. After a brief stop in Kampala where we have the option of taking part in the 'Softpower' charity project, a volunteer programme to uplift and build community schools, we continue to western Uganda in search of the gorillas. Guides lead you through the forests to view these gentle giants. Viewing a family of Gorillas in their natural habitat is one of Africa's very special wildlife encounters. We return to Kenya and the bustling capital of Nairobi.

DAYS 15 - 23

From Nairobi we visit Kenya's best known game park, the Masai Mara Game Reserve. The park is justly renowned for its stocks of wildlife - Africa's Big 5 - and for its scenery. We retrace our steps briefly before crossing into Tanzania for a 3-day excursion to the Ngorongoro Crater, Serengeti National Park and Olduvai Gorge by 4x4. Game viewing opportunities are abundant here, and taken with Kenya's Masai Mara you will have visited three of Africa's greatest game reserves. Our base for the Serengeti / Ngorongoro excursion is Arusha, sitting in the shadow of Mount Meru. Our camp is adjacent to a Snake Park and close to Masai villages.

DAYS 24 - 29

From Arusha we glimpse snow-capped Mount Kilimanjaro en route to the palm-fringed port city of Dar es Salaam. An important and historic Indian Ocean port, Dar is best known today for its ferry connections to the exotic island of Zanzibar. Spend three days on the island exploring Stone Town soaking up the Arab atmosphere, and enjoy the beaches where snorkelling and diving are excellent, as is the abundant fresh seafood. Returning to the mainland, we continue west via Mikumi National Park towards Malawi.

DAYS 30 - 39

Malawi is dominated by the enormous Lake Malawi with an idyllic lakeshore, high escarpments and stunning swathes of deserted beaches. One popular stop is Kande Beach, a lakeside resort where you can swim, snorkel or scuba dive in the lake's clear freshwater. We pass through Lilongwe and cross into Zambia and continue to Livingstone. This is our base to explore



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Victoria Falls, one of Africa most exciting and enduring sights. There are various ways to view the Falls - helicopter or light aircraft, but for the more sedate the view from the lookout points in the surrounding national park is equally inspiring. There are numerous 'adrenaline-pumping' activities available – White water rafting, bungee jumping, gorge swinging, to name a few.

DAYS 40 - 50

Leaving Livingstone we cross into Botswana and the Chobe National Park. We enjoy a game drive and game cruise on the Chobe River before continuing to the Okavango Delta. Explore the channels and floodplains on foot and by mokoro (dugout canoe). We cross the border to Namibia, spend two days in Etosha National Park, for more game viewing, where the waterholes are floodlit at night for unique night time animal watching.



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DAYS 51 – 58

After Etosha, we drive south through Damaraland, making camp amongst the eerie rock formations at Sptizkoppe, before visiting the Cape Cross Seal Colony on the Atlantic Coast. Swakopmund, Namibia's seaside resort has a range of desert based activities on offer, as well as good night life. In southern Namibia the silent and beautiful Namib-Naukluft National Park with its giant sand dunes and dead vleis. Our last sight in Namibia is the impressive Fish River Canyon before we cross to South Africa. We spend a night in the Western Cape area before continuing south into the fertile Cape area to Cape Town itself where after a Cultural Township tour our tour ends.

Start Nairobi Finish Cape Town

HIGHLIGHTS

Fully inclusive day by day tour itinerary

(Subject to change)

Day 1 - Depart Nairobi, Great Rift Valley,

Lake Nakuru (Lunch & Dinner)

Day 2 - Eldoret (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)

Day 3 - Jinja (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)

Day 4 - Jinja (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)

Day 5 - Kampala (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)

Day 6 - Kampala (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)

Day 7 - Lake Bunyoni (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)

Day 8 - Gorilla Viewing, Gorilla Trek, (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)

Day 9 - Gorilla Viewing, Mountain Gorilla Trek (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)

Day 10 - Gorilla Viewing, Mountain Gorilla Trek (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)

Day 11 - Gorilla Viewing, Mountain Gorilla Trek (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)

Day 12 - Kampala (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)

Day 13 - Eldoret (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)

Day 14 - Nairobi (Breakfast & Lunch)



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- Day 15** - Nairobi
- Day 16** - Masai Mara National Park, game drive (Lunch & Dinner)
- Day 17** - Masai Mara game drives (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)
- Day 18** - Nairobi (Breakfast & Lunch)
- Day 19** - Arusha, Snake Park (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)
- Day 20** - Arusha, Masai village walk (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)
- Day 21** - Serengeti NP, afternoon game drive (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)
- Day 22** - Serengeti NP, Olduvai Gorge, morning
game drive, Ngorongoro Crater (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)
- Day 23** - Ngorongoro Crater, morning game drive,
Arusha (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)
- Day 24** - Dar es Salaam (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)
- Day 25** - Ferry, Zanzibar (Breakfast)
- Day 26** - Zanzibar
- Day 27** - Zanzibar
- Day 28** - Ferry, Dar es Salaam (Dinner)
- Day 29** - Mikumi NP, Baobab Valley (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)
- Day 30** - Iringa, Tanzania border area (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)
- Day 31** - Chitimba (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)
- Day 32** - Kande Beach (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)
- Day 33** - Kande Beach (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)
- Day 34** - Lilongwe / Livingstonia Beach (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)
- Day 35** - Chipata (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)
- Day 36** - Lusaka (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)
- Day 37** - Waterfront, Livingstone (Breakfast & Lunch)
- Day 38** - Waterfront, Livingstone (Breakfast)

- Day 39** - Waterfront, Livingstone (Breakfast)
- Day 40** - Waterfront, Livingstone (Breakfast)
- Day 41** - Victoria Falls visit, Kasane (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)
- Day 42** - Chobe National Park,
game drive and cruise (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)
- Day 43** - Maun (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)
- Day 44** - Okavango Delta, Mokoro / walking safari
wilderness experience (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)
- Day 45** - Maun (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)
- Day 46** - Ghanzi, Bushman walk (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)
- Day 47** - Windhoek (Breakfast & Lunch)
- Day 48** - Estoha National Park (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)
- Day 59** - Estoha National Park (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)
- Day 50** - Spitzkoppe, Cape Cross Seal Colony (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)
- Day 51** - Swakopmund (Breakfast & Lunch)
- Day 52** - Swakopmund (Breakfast & Lunch)
- Day 53** - Sesriem, Namib Naukluft NP (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)
- Day 54** - Sesriem, Desert walk (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)
- Day 55** - Fish River Canyon (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)
- Day 56** - Orange River, (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)
- Day 57** - Western Cape (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner)
- Day 58** - Cape Town, Township tour (Breakfast & Lunch)



DETAILS

Duration: 58 Days

Start: Nairobi Finish: Cape Town

Countries: Kenya, Uganda (Rwanda), Tanzania, Malawi, Zambia, Botswana, Namibia, South Africa

Group size: Ave 16 Max 24 Age: 18-45

Included in the price: Fully equipped safari vehicle, camping and cooking equipment, all road tolls and vehicle taxes, all ground transportation, services of driver / tour leader, sleeping mattress, meals as indicated, Snake Park, Masai village walk, Spitzkoppe Bushman paintings, Malawi village walk.

Not included: Local payment excursions, visas, travel insurance, flights, departure taxes, departure airport transfers, sleeping bag, drinks and items of a personal nature, Zanzibar meals and accommodation (3 nights), and Nairobi (2 nights on days 14-15)

EXTRA ADVENTURE ACTIVITIES

White water rafting, bungee jumping, quad-biking at Jinja.. Hot air ballooning over the Serengeti, guided village walks, scuba diving & snorkelling, spice tour, and swimming with dolphins on Zanzibar. Village walk and horse riding in Malawi. White water rafting, canoe, elephant safari, bungee jumping at Livingstone and Victoria Falls. Quad-biking, sand-boarding, skydiving at Swakopmund. See tour dossier for a full range of optional activities. All activities are subject to availability.

NB - Gorilla Trekking Excursion:

The Uganda Wildlife Authority imposes strict regulations regarding the gorilla excursion. One of these is that the permits must be booked and paid in advance. In order for us to do this we must collect your Gorilla Excursion money, in addition to your normal deposit, at the time of booking. Like your deposit the Excursion money is not refundable if you cancel your tour. The permit is currently US\$450-550 (Jul 06), please ask us for the latest amount and equivalent amount in your own currency.

Gorilla Viewing

In order to be sure of obtaining the required trekking permits for gorilla viewing we do not restrict ourselves to Uganda to see the gorillas. Gorillas have also been habituated for viewing in neighbouring countries and occasionally we may visit them there instead.



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