



Uganda Community Connection

10 Day Trip,
October 14 - 28 Base trip
October 14- 29 includes gorilla trek and safari

Community visits, Hands-on project, Shabbat, African-style,
White water rafting, Hike Sipi Falls, African music and dance,
Optional Gorilla trekking and Safari

The Pearl of Africa

Explore Uganda on a 10-day journey to the Pearl of Africa. Engage with partner communities, learn traditional dance and drumming, witness breathtaking natural wonders, and encounter mountain gorillas up close. We'll be staying in the eastern part of Uganda, where we'll have a real connection with communities we've been working with for years. We'll visit Buyanga Primary School, teach, meet students and teachers, learn to cook Ugandan style, meet with women's groups, hike Sipi Falls, white water raft in the Nile and you'll have the option to spend Shabbat with the Abayudaya community. You can add on a 3-day gorilla trek in Bwindi Impenetrable National Forest and a 2-day safari in Queen Elizabeth National Park. Enjoy the beautiful surroundings and an average summer-time temperature of 78 degrees Fahrenheit.

Itinerary

Uganda 10 day



Day 1-2 | October 14-15, 2023

Depart U.S. > Arrival in Entebbe

Welcome to Uganda! After your international flight lands, a representative will be waiting for you at the exit gate. Overnight in Entebbe.

Accommodation: Papyrus Guest House or similar

Day 3 | October 16, 2023

Drive to Mbale, stop en route to tour Tikkun Olam School

Head to Mbale, where we'll be staying for the next few days. Cross the Nile, have lunch in Jinja, and stop en route to visit one of our partner schools, Tikkun Olam Primary School.

Accommodation: Mbale Resort or similar

Day 4-5 | October 17-18, 2023

Full day at Buyanga Primary School Project

We'll be doing a hands-on project, experiencing village life and Ugandan culture, and spending time with the students. Buyanga Primary School, in eastern Uganda, enrolls 14600 children aged 5-16. Visit their 13-acre farm which provides meals for students, their goat farm, classrooms and meet some of the students who were given goats which help pay their school fees. You'll have an opportunity to visit local families in their homes.

Accommodation: Mbale Resort or similar



Itinerary

Uganda 10 day (continued)



Hope Troupe

Day 6 | October 19, 2023

Meet Global Village Connect's beneficiaries, African drumming and dancing

Meet GVC's beneficiaries and learn about vocational and business training programs. You'll have a traditional African drumming and dance lesson. There's an option to spend a musical Shabbat with the Abayudaya, Ugandan style.

Accommodation: Mbale Resort or similar

Day 7 | October 20, 2023

Hike Sipi Falls and visit a local coffee farm, Optional Shabbat Ugandan style

Hike Sipi Falls and visit a local coffee farm where you can participate in shucking and roasting your own coffee with Patrick's dad and his family. Alternatively, you can spend Shabbat with the Abayudaya community. Visit one of the Synagogues for Saturday services.

Accommodation: Sipi Falls or or Shabbat at Mbale Resort

Day 8 | October 21, 2023

White water rafting

Home to some of the world's finest whitewater rafting, the water is warm, the scenery is beautiful, and you can choose to do a wild rafting adventure with #5 rapids or a mild float with no rapids at all. Spend the day on the river, and enjoy lunch on an island in the Nile.

Accommodation: Haven Lodge or similar, Jinja



Hike to Sipi Falls

Itinerary

Uganda 10 day (continued)



White Water Rafting on the Nile

Day 9 | October 22, 2023

Visit the women entrepreneurs & Ndere Dance performance

Meet the women who are empowering themselves and their families through their small businesses. These women graduated from our business training program and are thankful to be earning income and able to pay for their children's school fees.

Accommodation: Le Petit Village Hotel or similar, Kampala

Day 10 | October 23, 2023

Kampala historical visits & departure

Take a historical tour of Kampala and gain insight into the politics and history of Uganda, including the role of the Kabukah (the king who currently resides in Uganda), and the tragic reign of Idi Amin, and learn about the effects of colonialism in Uganda.

Accommodation: Depart Uganda or overnight at Papyrus Guesthouse or similar in Entebbe for gorilla trekking

Begin Optional Add-ons

Day 11 | October 24, 2023

Fly to Bwindi Impenetrable National Park

Fly to Bwindi Impenetrable National Forest, with it's 350 square Kilometers of pristine rainforest. It's a sanctuary for approximately 400 mountain gorillas (almost half of the world's total population) and is also the only forest on the continent where mountain gorillas and chimpanzees coexist. You can spend the afternoon relaxing or walking to the nearby village.

Staring into the eyes of a silverback is an amazing and heart-pounding adventure through tangled vines, bush and bamboo.

Accommodation: Nkuringo Mountain Lodge, Bwindi



African Dancing

Itinerary

Uganda Add-ons (continued)



Mountain Gorilla Bwindi National Park

Day 12 | October 25, 2023

Gorilla trekking in Bwindi Impenetrable National Park

After breakfast, drive to Bwindi National Park for your encounter with endangered mountain gorillas. Trekking can range from 30 minutes to 6 hours depending on the location of the gorillas. There are 3 groups of 8 trekkers per day and many rangers to lead the way and accompany you. Upon return, relax at the lodge or visit the "Top of the World" for some stunning views of Uganda.

Accommodation: Bwindi

Day 13 | October 26, 2023

Return to Entebbe for night departure or continue on to safari

Fly back to Entebbe in the morning and spend the day in Entebbe before departure or continue on to a wildlife safari in the Queen Elizabeth National Park. Enjoy the ride. When you enter the park you'll pass through the Ishaka sector, with its tree-climbing lions, and then drive on through to your accommodations with plenty of opportunity to view the animals along the way.

Day 14 | October 27, 2023

Queen Elizabeth National Park

Head to Kyambura Gorge, where you'll get out to look for the chimpanzees. In the afternoon, you'll take the boat down the Kazinga Channel to see the animals come to drink at the river's edge.

Accommodation: Queen Elizabeth National Park

Day 15-16 | October 28-29, 2023

Back to Entebbe for departure > U.S. Arrival

Fly back to Entebbe from Queen Elizabeth, spend the day in Entebbe and evening departure back to the U.S.



Safari - Queen Elizabeth National Park

Trip Details



Elephants in Queen Elizabeth National Park

Trip Costs:

Per Person

\$3519: Double Occupancy

\$600: Single Supplement

Gorilla Trek Add-on:

\$2952: Double Occupancy

\$300: Single supplement

Gorilla Trek & Queen Elizabeth Safari Add-on:

\$4505: Double Occupancy

\$350: Single supplement

Add-ons include local RT flights, a \$700 gorilla permit, accommodation and meals as indicated

All costs are based on double or triple occupancy and a minimum of 10 total participants

What's included in the cost?

- Accommodations.
- Transportation with our own local guide.
- Transport for emergencies is available at all times.
- American guide
- Bottled water at hotels and in the vehicle
- All meals
- Pre-departure information session

What's not included in the cost?

- Airfare to and from Uganda
- Gratuities
- Visa
- Health and travel cancellation insurance (medical evacuation and cancellation insurance required)
- All items of a personal nature
- Alcoholic and other drinks and snacks between meals
- Laundry



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