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GORILLA SAFARI RWANDA 4 DAYS GORILLA TREKKING ITINERARY

Unforgettable encounter with the endangered Mountain Gorillas of Rwanda

HIGHLIGHTS:

DAY	DESTINATION	STANDARD ACCOMMODATION	MEAL PLAN
1	Arrival in Kigali	The Retreat by Heaven	HB Basis
2	Kigali City Tour – Volcanoes NP	One&Only Gorilla Nest Lodge	AI Basis
3	Gorilla Trek – Ibyi Wacu Cultural	One&Only Gorilla Nest Lodge	AI Basis
4	Golden Monkey - Kigali depart	Depart	Breakfast

DAY 1 : ARRIVE KIGALI

Upon arrival at Kigali international airport, you will be met by a Gemsbok Safaris representative. Outside customs and immigration hall, Safari briefing and introduced to your driver guide. Transfer to The Retreat by Heaven.

Overnight at The [Retreat by Heaven](#) – Deluxe Rooms (Dinner, Bed and Breakfast)

DAY 2: CITY TOUR – ROAD TRANSFER TO VOLCANOES - APPROX 2Hours 30 Minutes

After your breakfast you will check out and head for your city tour which includes the Gisozi Genocide Memorial center.

The Kigali Memorial exists is a permanent memorial to those who fell victim to the genocide in 1994. It deals with a topic of international importance, with far-reaching significance, and is designed to engage and challenge an international visitor base. Here you will be able to visit the

three permanent exhibitions, the largest of which documents the genocide and pay tribute to the victims of the genocide.

After city tour, you will drive to the volcanoes and lunch will be at Mille collins Restaurant.

Arrive and check in, freshen up and relax for the rest of the evening.

The 30 individual stone and thatch cottages have been built on 4 acres of land on the slopes of Mt Sabyinyo and each have en-suite facilities, a small lounge with a fire place and a private veranda. The cottages are of a good size and are well positioned to give them privacy from one another. There is a separate restaurant and bar area where meals served to the guest

Dinner and overnight at [One&Only Gorilla Nest](#) – Luxury Cottages (All Inclusive Basis)

DAY 3: GORILLA TRACKING

After an early breakfast at 6:30 am, you will head to RDB offices for a briefing on your gorilla trekking that starts at **07:00am**. Your guided walk



Volcanoes National Park protects the steep slopes of this magnificent mountain range - home of the rare mountain gorilla - and the rich mosaic of montane ecosystems, which embrace evergreen and bamboo forest, open grassland, swamp and heath. You may spot a wide variety of bird life but the high point will be spending an hour with the remarkably peaceful gorillas despite their size and appearance as they go about their daily life, feeding, playing, resting and raising their young.

The cost, US\$10 per person/per day for a porter. We advise that you utilize this service.

You will be allowed an hour with these wonderful creatures. After the trek you will return to the lodge for lunch then in the evening you will have an option **visit to Ibyi wacu cultural village**.

Optional Extra:

evening you will visit Ibyi wacu cultural village. Ibyi wacu cultural village. Ibyi lwacu is changing the traditional perception of what constitutes tourism by turning fate into fame through sharing various aspects of rural cultures and livelihoods into tourist attractions and creating income-generating activities for rural poor people that have reformed from living on bush meat and poaching for generations.

Dinner and Overnight at One&Only Gorilla Nest – Luxury Cottages (All Inclusive Basis)

DAY 4: GOLDEN MONKEY, VOLCANOES – KIGALI - DEPART

Today, you have an early breakfast and transfer to the park headquarters for **Golden monkey trekking** briefing. The Tracking usually takes about **4 hrs**. Once you come to the habituated families, you will spend the allowed one hour with them as they go about their daily life.



Trekking to see the golden monkeys is another highlight of Volcanoes National Park. The Golden Monkey (Cercopithecus Mitis Kandti) is a local subspecies of the widespread Sykes Monkey, also known as the “Blue Monkey” and is endemic to the high-altitude forests. The monkeys are playful and inquisitive and often spend their time leaping from bamboo branches or frolicking on the forest floor. There are two habituated groups of Golden Monkey, one group comprises around 80 - 100 members and has its home at the foot of Mt Sabyinyo.

After the trek you will return to the lodge for lunch check out and transfer to Kigali.

Depart: upon arrival transfer to the airport for your departure flight depending on the departure time.

END OF SAFARI WITH GEMSBOK SAFARIS

TOUR PRICE IN US DOLLARS / PER PERSON

NETT & NON-COMMISSIONABLE – VALID FOR 2026

DOUBLE/TWIN ROOM	06 JAN – 28 FEB 2026	1JUN - 31OCT 22 DEC – 01 JAN 2027	1MAR - 31MAY, 1NOV - 15DEC
Based on 02 Per Person (PP)	US\$ 8610.00	US\$ 11,050.00	US\$ 7,265.00
Based on 03 Per Person (PP)	US\$ 8,395.00	US\$ 10,837.00	US\$ 7,052.00
Based on 04 Per Person (PP)	US\$ 8,289.00	US\$ 10,731.00	US\$ 6,946.00
Based on 05 Per Person (PP)	US\$ 8,225.00	US\$ 10,666.00	US\$ 6,882.00
Based on 06 Per Person (PP)	US\$ 8,182.00	US\$ 10,623.00	US\$ 6,838.00
Single Room Supplement	US\$ 4,824.00	US\$ 4,579.00	US\$ 2,992.00

ADDITIONAL SURCHARGES

(TO BE ADDED TO THE TOUR PACKAGE PRICE)

Gorilla Tracking Permit – One Entry	US\$ 1,500.00
Golden Monkey Trekking – One Entry	US\$ 100.00

Included in the price:

- Airport transfers
- Ground transport per private 4WD safari vehicle
- English speaking driver/guide
- Accommodation in places mentioned in the itinerary
- Meals as described in the itinerary
- Bottled mineral water in the safari vehicle
- Activities and excursions mentioned in the program
- AMES Flying Doctor Insurance

Exclusions:

- Gorilla and Golden Monkey Permits – please add cost to package
- International flights
- Visa for Rwanda
- Meals and drinks not mentioned above
- Items of personal nature
- Tips

Terms and Conditions Apply.

TERMS & CONDITIONS

NOTES, TERMS, AND CONDITIONS

BAGGAGE INFORMATION

Hand Luggage Inclusion: The baggage allowance includes hand luggage. For significant excess baggage, guests may book a "freight" seat at an adult rate (Y class fares) to accommodate an additional 75 kg. Freight seats are only available on safari routes and are subject to Gemsbok Safaris' discretion. Alternatively, excess baggage can be purchased in advance in bundles of 10, 20, or 30 kg.

Overweight Baggage: Check-in staff may allow a leeway of up to 2 kg at the captain's discretion, depending on the aircraft payload and space availability. Charges apply for any additional excess baggage.

Soft Bag Requirement: Due to limited and irregularly shaped luggage compartments on most flights, rigid suitcases may need to be sent on the next available flight.

Sports Equipment: Large sports equipment (e.g., surfboards, bicycles, golf bags) is not accepted unless requested in advance. Golf bags may be allowed on a case-by-case basis on Dash 8 aircraft with a fee of \$20 per bag per sector.

RATES

All bookings are subject to availability. Rates include accommodation with meals, tours, transport, driver/guide, park entrance fees, hotel taxes, and service charges. Rates exclude medical air rescue services, portage, domestic air charters, visa fees, beverages, laundry, telephone calls, scheduled flights, gratuities, and personal expenses unless specified otherwise. Optional flying doctor services are available for \$20 per person (subject to change).

CHILD POLICY

Child rates apply for one or two children under 12 sharing a room with two adults. When two children share a room with parents, they may require an interconnecting room and be considered as in their room due to accommodation limitations. One child sharing with one adult will be charged at the child rate, and the adult pays the per-person sharing rate plus a single room supplement.

SINGLE ROOM POLICY

Single rooms are available at an additional cost but cannot be guaranteed. Only three single rooms are allowed per group; if unavailable, a refund may be issued.

BOOKING ALTERATIONS

Changes to Bookings: For any changes to confirmed bookings, Gemsbok Safaris will assist if notified in writing at least 65 days before scheduled services. A \$70 fee per person applies for administrative costs, plus any additional charges from suppliers.

Itinerary Changes: Gemsbok Safaris reserves the right to amend itinerary details or substitute comparable hotels as necessary. Clients will be informed at the earliest opportunity.

CANCELLATION POLICY

Cancellations require written notification. Charges apply as follows:

- More than 60 days prior: Full deposit is forfeited.
- 60 days or fewer prior: 100% cancellation charges apply.
- Unused portions of any tour are non-refundable.

FORCE MAJEURE

In cases of events outside our control, such as war, civil strife, or natural disasters, Gemsbok Safaris and its suppliers are not liable for any expenses, losses, or delays arising from such circumstances.

COMPLAINTS

Any issues during a safari should be reported immediately to the local representative, hotel, lodge, or camp management. Unresolved complaints must be submitted in writing to Gemsbok Safaris within 30 days of tour completion, including reference details.

TRANSPORTATION

Transportation may include Land Cruisers or coaches, depending on the route and group size. Gemsbok Safaris may use subcontractors when necessary. Multi-lingual guides are available upon request. For flying package clients, vehicles may be shared with other hotel guests unless exclusive use is requested in advance.

RESPONSIBILITY OF GEMSBOK SAFARIS

Gemsbok Safaris acts as an agent for suppliers and is not liable for their actions or omissions. Tour members are responsible for reviewing supplier terms. Gemsbok Safaris' liability is limited to the tour price in cases of negligence or breach of contract.

CONTRACT

A binding contract is established once Gemsbok Safaris and the client agree upon the itinerary and pricing and confirmed upon invoicing. This contract is governed by the laws of the supplier's country and subject to its jurisdiction.

PAYMENT POLICY

Deposit to Secure Booking: 25% of the total cost is due at confirmation to secure room availability.

Second Payment: A further 25% of the total cost is due 60 days before the start of the tour.

Final Payment: The remaining 50% of the total cost is due 31 days before the tour begins.

Failure to adhere to these terms may result in cancellation of services without refund or liability for Gemsbok Safaris.

Payment Method: Bank Transfer

For international bank transfers, all banking charges are the responsibility of the sender. Gemsbok Safaris Ltd must receive the full invoice amount. Any discrepancies due to transfer fees or other charges will require a supplementary invoice.