

Day 1: Early morning departure from Kampala to **Bwindi Impenetrable National Park**. Stop over at the Uganda Equator, and in Mbarara for lunch. The road to **Bwindi** is long and will take approximately 10 hours on a sometime dirt road. However there is a panoramic view of the Ankole region and the finest coffee and banana plantations in Uganda.

BUHOMA LODGE: Located in the heart of Bwindi Impenetrable Forest National Park, the lodge has 8 comfortable cottages, each with its own private veranda and a beautiful view of the forest. Inside the cottages you will find an en suite bathroom.

Overnight at Buhoma Lodge (FB)

Day 2: Wake early for a hearty breakfast to give you the energy needed for gorilla trekking. Before 8:00am, report to the ranger station for registration and a talk by one of the rangers. The guides will then take you through the bush, pushing your way through the undergrowth, to track the gorillas. (Please note this trek can take from 30 minutes to 5-6 hours). A reasonable degree of fitness is required, as well as a sturdy pair of walking shoes. Sit in the forest among the gorillas, listening to them 'talk' to one another, and marvel at the sheer size of the dominant male, the Silverback. It is an extraordinary feeling sitting in the dense rainforest knowing you are with a few of the last remaining mountain gorillas. It's amazing to think there are only about 650 of these beautiful creatures left.

Overnight at Buhoma Lodge (FB)

Day 3: After breakfast, we move on to **Queen Elizabeth National Park**. Depending on the road conditions, we pass via the Ishasha sector of the park for a game drive in search of the typical tree climbing lions, a phenomenon which is characteristic of this part of Uganda, as well as Tanzania. A packed lunch will be provided. In the afternoon we will go for a

boat trip in Kazinga

channel in the northern part of

Queen Elizabeth

. While on the boat you can see water birds, hippos, crocodiles, fish eagles and many other species of bird, which makes

Queen Elizabeth

a fantastic place to visit.

MWEYA LODGE: At Mweya Lodge, located in the national park, you may choose between the following types of rooms: luxurious, deluxe, suites, triple share and double or twin accommodation. All the rooms have balconies overlooking the Kazinga Channel and Lake Edward, with private bathrooms (and electricity).

Overnight at Mweya Lodge (FB)

Day 4: With an early cup of coffee or tea in hand, see the sunrise as you exit the lodge for a

game drive along the trails of the northern sector of the park. Expect to see lions, elephants, buffaloes, spotted hyenas, waterbucks and Uganda Kobs. Return for breakfast at the lodge and a rest, after which you can have lunch.

Spend the afternoon driving through the trails of the National Park, heading towards the crater lakes area for beautiful vistas and the panorama of the Albertine Rift valley.

Overnight at Mweya Lodge (FB)

Day 5: After an early breakfast, drive to Kyambura Gorge in the national park. This is a natural gorge created along the escarpment of the Rift Valley, with lush forests, crossed by the river Kyambura. The gorge is home to a population of lively chimpanzees and many other monkeys, like black and white colobus and red tailed monkey. You and the ranger will trek down into the gorge following the sounds of the chimpanzees.

After the trek it is time to depart for Kampala. The T2U guide will drive you back to your accommodation.