

Queen Elizabeth National Park Safari

5 Days Tailor-made safari | Departure; Any day

Overview

Except for the Rhinoceros, you can still catch four (4) of the critical species of **Africa's Big Five** (African lion, African elephant, Cape buffalo, and African Leopard) on the *Queen Elizabeth National Park Safari*.

Queen Elizabeth National Park is Uganda's most popular savannah reserve consisting of various habitats, including grassland savannah, forests, wetlands, and lakes. This makes for a wide range of large mammals and primates. The Park is set against a backdrop of the Ruwenzori Mountains. Additionally, it has great scenic views, such as the **Kazinga Channel** between *Lake Edward* and *Lake George* and at least ten crater lakes. The most accessible part of the Park is the open savannah, but extensive forest areas are open to the public. These include the forested Kyambura gorge and the extensive Maramagambo Forest in the southeast.

Detailed Itinerary

DAY 01

Arrival at the Entebbe International Airport

Upon arrival at *Entebbe International Airport* or your hotel in *Entebbe/Kampala*, you will be warmly welcomed by an English-speaking guide. For the former, you will be transferred to your hotel, where we will brief you about the safari. Our guide may also acquaint you with your new location with a visit to the town, local Zoo, Botanical gardens, and some places of convenience in case you are not too exhausted from your long flight.

Also, depending on the arrival time, you are advised to have your money changed to the local currency on this day to ease any monetary transactions you may need to make.

Please note: accommodation on arrival is not inclusive but can be arranged upon request.

DAY 02

To Queen Elizabeth National Park

Early departure from Entebbe/Kampala headed west of the country on a scenic view road trip en route to Kasese (Queen Elizabeth National Park). En route to Queen Elizabeth, watch out for the Equator, beautiful scenery, and plenty of fresh vegetables and fruits. After a brief stop at the Equator, we proceed to the Queen Elizabeth National Park, arriving in time for lunch. After lunch, we will proceed for an evening game drive where you will also see the crater Lakes, after which we will return to our accommodation for dinner and overnight.

Driving time: ± 6 hours

Budget Accommodation: Queen Elizabeth Bush Lodge or Simba Camp.

Luxury Accommodation: Mweya Safari Lodge or Jacana Safari Lodge

DAY 03

In Queen Elizabeth National Park

Upon an early morning rise, we embark on an extensive early morning game drive in the Park, pursuing the most wildlife congested tracks, such as the Kasenyi Track. Expect to see; Elephants, Buffalos, Lions, Bush bucks, Kobs, the rare Giant forest hogs, Hyenas, and Waterbucks. After the game drive, we return to have breakfast at the lodge and relax a bit before the next activity.

For the afternoon, we'll take a launch cruise along the unique Kazinga channel, an experience not to miss!! Here you will also appreciate the scores of Hippos, Buffalos, and Crocodiles close to the waterside, but if lucky enough, you could catch sight of the rare Leopard prowling. Many bird species may be spotted while on the cruise, including Pelicans, Cormorants, egrets, herons, and Jacana.

We return to the lodge for dinner and overnight at the end of the launch cruise.

DAY 04

In Queen Elizabeth National Park

Embark on an excursion to the Kyambura Gorge within the Park's vicinity to track the fast-moving and elusive chimpanzees, one of man's closest relations. With a pretty mobile chimp population, viewing is unpredictable, but the walk is enchanting. (Alternatively, you could go for a nature walk in Maramagambo Forest to see other primates.

After the lunch break, we will drive to Katwe salt lake in the afternoon.

DAY 05

End of Safari – Drive back to Kampala

Enjoy a scenic road trip back to Kampala/Entebbe