GORILLAS THROUGH THE MIST
3 nights | Volcanoes National Park | Rwanda

Price from: $3417 per person sharing

Regular set departures
"THE LAND OF A THOUSAND HILLS"

A breathtaking and unforgettable land where culture, adventure and conservation envelope you in a journey of ancestral discovery and stunning scenery.

The “Parc National de Volcans” (or PNV as it’s known by locals) lies along the Virunga Mountains, with 8 ancient volcanoes, which are shared by Rwanda, Uganda and the Democratic Republic of Congo. Just a short two hour drive from Rwanda’s capital of Kigali. It’s in these forests where the endangered Mountain Gorilla lives and it is here where you will discover a primeval journey of discovery.

The photographs and memories you take home will remind you of just why Rwanda truly is “the land of a thousand hills”.

VIRUNGA LODGE | PARC NATIONAL DES VOLCANS

3 NIGHTS
The magnificent Virunga Lodge is perched high on a ridge and has stunning views of the Virunga Volcanoes and the twin lakes Bulera and Ruhonda. The premier luxury destination for Rwanda wildlife safaris and tracking the endangered mountain gorillas.

The Virunga safari lodge in Rwanda been described as having ‘the best view in the world’ and as ‘one of the finest lodges in Africa’. The organic, ‘bush-chic’ design reflects the local building style and offers eco-luxury comforts to all guests. Each banda has its own terrace with breath-taking views of the Virunga volcanoes or twin lakes, while sensitive installations such as low-flush toilets and solar power ensure you enjoy luxurious comforts while maintaining a crucial sensitivity to the environment.

ACTIVITIES
- Gorilla trekking … (of course!)
- Golden Monkey trekking
- Visit Dian Fossey’s grave
- Hike a volcano
- Hike to Lake Bulera
- Visit Mwiko school
- Intore Dance performance
- Crater trail
- Complimentary massage

CONSERVATION AWARENESS

Visit the Gorilla Doctors offices and receive an exclusive talk on the endangered Mountain Gorilla and the Gorilla Doctors’ work with these magnificent animals.

PRICE: $500
Cost per group, plus additional transport costs to the Gorilla Doctors
QUICK ITINERARY

DAY 1
Departing from Kigali you will be welcomed by your expert guide who will provide knowledge and assistance throughout your safari. Your journey takes you through the beautiful terraced hills that characterise much of Rwanda’s landscape. Climbing gradually to the base of the spectacular volcanoes of the Virunga range, the five nearest peaks rising high above the verdant countryside, you arrive at the magnificent Volcanoes Virunga Lodge.

DAY 2
Gorilla tracking in Parc National des Volcans, through the light mountain forest on the slopes of the Virunga range, is a magical experience. Once you reach the gorillas, you can spend an hour with them and be back at base in time for a late lunch! Some gorilla families can be more elusive, and tracking can take a full day, especially if it is wet and muddy.

DAY 3
Either go gorilla tracking again (additional permits required, upon payment of supplement, subject to availability), or choose from one of many options. There is much to explore here:

- Track the endangered golden monkeys.
- Trek to Dian Fossey’s grave and the gorilla cemetery, the final resting place of her favourite gorilla, Digit.
- Visit the local school and community projects, supported by the Volcanoes Safaris Partnership Trust.
- Visit Lake Kivu, home to some of the finest inland beaches in Africa.
- Take a guided walk to Lake Bulera, to experience local village life.
- Tour the ex Imbabazi Orphanage and flower plantation; have tea or lunch with staff and volunteers to learn more about founder Ros Carr and the Orphanage history.
- Gorilla Doctors visit, with talk (bookable/payable option)

DAY 4
Your safari ends with your journey to Kigali. Before transferring to the airport, there may be time to tour the city and visit the genocide memorial, a moving testimony to this country’s past that it has courageously overcome. Transfer to the airport in time for your return flight home or onward travel with Captured In Africa.

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ENQUIRE

INCLUDES:
• Accommodation on a shared basis
• Virunga Lodge is on an all-inclusive basis and in addition to accommodation and meals include unlimited consumption of all alcoholic and soft drinks
• Gorilla trekking permit x1 per guest
• Laundry services
• Any activities clients wish to do around the lodges
• Complimentary massage is also offered

EXCLUDES:
• International airfares to Rwanda (Please book flights arriving no later than midday. Please book return flights departing after 5pm)
• Entry visas and airport taxes
• Comprehensive travel insurance
• All gorilla permits need to be purchased at the time of booking or a deposit equivalent to 20% of the cost of the safari paid, whichever is higher. Gorilla viewing is subject to availability of permits, which are limited; any additional permits should be purchased when booking. Gorilla permit prices are subject to change without warning
• Gorilla Doctors talk and transport (if requested)

General Terms & Conditions apply

EXTRA NIGHTS CAN BE BOOKED AT VIRUNGA LODGE, EXTEND YOUR STAY WITH ADDITIONAL TREKKING PERMITS TO REALLY IMMERSE YOURSELF!