



# *Rwanda* ADVENTURE

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## RWANDA

### *The Land of a Thousand Hills*

OCTOBER 13 - OCTOBER 17, 2024

US \$4,890 per person sharing in a standard room

US \$5,220 per person in single room

Follow in the footsteps of the late activist Dian Fossey and observe the "Gorillas in the Mist" on this extraordinary journey into Rwanda's Virunga Mountains and Volcanoes National Park.

- **ENJOY** gracious Rwandan hospitality and sweeping views at your lovely ecolodge
- **DISCOVER** and observe a mountain gorilla group as they interact and forage in the forest
- **VISIT** the Kigali Genocide Memorial and learn about Rwanda's history
- **EXPLORE** the rich green rainforest environment of Volcanoes National Park







## DAY 1: OCTOBER 13, 2024

### ARRIVE KIGALI

Murakaza neza! Enjoy a fetching Rwandan welcome on your arrival as you are transferred to your hotel. Set in the vibrant heart of Kigali, The Retreat offers easy access to all that is happening in this dynamic city. This eco-friendly getaway is focused on sustainability and invites you to explore Kigali with fresh insights into the city and the warmth of its local communities.

*The Retreat*

## DAY 2: OCTOBER 14, 2024

### KIGALI GENOCIDE MEMORIAL

During a Kigali City Tour learn about Rwanda's past and its exciting future. A moving visit to the Kigali Genocide Memorial offers a lesson in forgiveness and hope. Almost 250,000 victims of the genocide against the Tutsi tribe are buried within the grounds of the Kigali Genocide Memorial. This guided tour serves not only to educate visitors about the horrors of the genocide by means of three permanent exhibitions, but it is also a meaningful tribute to those who perished.

After lunch, travel through the beautiful terraced hillsides, gradually ascending into the Virunga Mountains. Settle into your lodge and let the sights and sounds of the rainforest envelop you. (BLD)

*Virunga Lodge*







### DAY 3: OCTOBER 15, 2024

#### **VOLCANOES NATIONAL PARK**

Rise early to start tracking through the steep and often muddy forest. While you may be lucky and catch up with the gorillas by mid-morning, sometimes tracking them down can take a full day, especially when it is wet. Quietly observe them as they feed on the lush foliage and tend to each other with uncannily human-like mannerisms. Return to the lodge in time for a late lunch and schedule your complimentary massage. Pre-purchase of a gorilla permit is required. (BLD)

*Virunga Lodge*

### DAY 4: OCTOBER 16, 2024

#### **VOLCANOES NATIONAL PARK**

Choose from a variety of optional excursions or perhaps go on a second trek or track the lively golden monkeys. Pre-purchase of a gorilla permit / golden monkey permit is required. Trek in the footsteps of the late activist Dian Fossey on a full-day hike to visit her grave site and the remains of her Karisoke Research Center. Visit Lake Kivu, take a guided walk to Lake Bulera or visit the Imbabazi Orphanage and have tea or lunch with the staff and volunteers. (BLD)

*Virunga Lodge*







**DAY 5: OCTOBER 17, 2024**

**VOLCANOES NATIONAL PARK / DEPART**

Travel back to Kigali. Enjoy lunch, and then transfer to the airport for your onward arrangements. (BL)

## GORILLA

### *Permits*

**Limited availability.  
Guarantee your spot!**

With only 72 gorilla permits sold per day on a first come, first served basis, you will want to secure a non refundable permit as soon as possible.

**GORILLA PERMITS  
USD \$1,500 per person**

**GOLDEN MONKEYS PERMITS  
USD \$100 per person**





# YOUR LUXURY

## *Accommodations*



### *The Retreat*

As one of Kigali's top 5-star hotels, The Retreat offers the perfect combination of leafy tranquility, Rwandan flair, and contemporary buzz.

The Retreat is a luxury boutique hotel and is Kigali's first eco-friendly solar powered resort. The beautifully designed custom-built rooms have private patios, outdoor rain shower, locally crafted teak wood furniture and private salt water plunge pool.

Enjoy fine dining at Fusion or Heaven restaurants. Exotic Rwandan cuisine is blended with culinary traditions from Italy, Mauritius, Morocco and elsewhere to create a fusion of delightful flavor.



Most of all, you will soak up the warmth of Kigali's people and culture. Your time here is sure to promise memories to last a lifetime.





## *Virunga Lodge*

Described as having ‘the best view in the world’, Virunga Lodge is perched high on a ridge with magnificent views of the Virunga Volcanoes and the twin lakes, Bulera and Ruhonda. The natural yet ‘bush-chic’ design reflects the building style of the area and offers eco-luxury comfort. Each “banda” (cottage) has its own stone fireplace, open living room and private terrace with breathtaking views of the Virunga volcanoes or twin lakes.

The main lodge has a wide wrap-around veranda with exceptional views across the lakes. In the evenings, relax in the cozy lounge around a log fire and share stories about the day’s adventures.



The dining room features one large table where all guests dine together.

A relaxing massage is particularly welcome after a day tracking the gorillas.





## INCLUSIONS

- Transfers from Kigali Airport - Kigali Hotel - Volcanoes National Park - Kigali Airport
- Guided Kigali City tour
- Accommodation as stipulated in the itinerary
- Most meals, soft drinks, teas & coffees and bottled water
- Lodge activities, laundry and one 30-minute complimentary massage per guest while staying at Virunga Lodge

## EXCLUSIONS

- International and intra-Africa airfares, air taxes and fuel surcharges
- All items of a personal nature, like curio shop purchases, spa treatments, laundry where applicable etc.
- All meals and drinks not mentioned in the itinerary
- Gorilla trekking permit
- Golden Monkey trekking permit
- Gratuities for meals, tourist guides, drivers, game rangers and trackers not specified in the inclusions
- Costs of obtaining passports and/or Visas
- Travel protection (required)

## TERMS & CONDITIONS

A non-refundable deposit of 35% of the total per person tour costs is required to confirm arrangements. Final payment is due 100 days prior to departure and must be received by June 24, 2024. For full Terms & Conditions click [here](#).

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