



Ronik Services

**Gorillas, savannah  
and cloud forest**

KIGALI · AKAGERA  
NYUNGWE · VOLCANOES

7 DAYS · 6 NIGHTS

PRIVATE GUIDED

# Rwanda Safari Itinerary

A private, fully guided journey through Rwanda's four great landscapes — from the Big Five plains of Akagera to a face-to-face hour with a mountain gorilla family in the Virunga volcanoes.

# One small country, four unrepeatable landscapes.

Rwanda is the rare safari country you can cross in a morning. In seven days you move from open savannah to montane rainforest to a chain of volcanoes, sleeping in a different landscape almost every night — all on good tarmac, in your own vehicle, with your own guide.

Everything below is a starting point. We build the days around your pace, your budget and the season, and we hold the gorilla permits before anything else is confirmed.

- **Two-hour drives**, not two-day transfers
- **English and French** spoken everywhere
- One of Africa's **safest countries** to travel



All four destinations sit within a half-day drive of Kigali.

## Best time to visit

**June–September** and **December–February** are the long and short dry seasons — the easiest trekking underfoot and the best game viewing. The green seasons are quieter, greener and cheaper; gorilla trekking runs all year round.

## SEVEN DAYS AT A GLANCE

### Days 1–2

#### Kigali & Akagera

Arrival, city tour, Big Five game drives

### Days 3–4

#### Nyungwe Forest

Canopy walk, chimp and colobus tracking

### Day 5

#### Lake Kivu

Lakeside rest day on the way north

### Days 6–7

#### Volcanoes NP

Gorilla trek, golden monkeys, return

# Akagera National Park

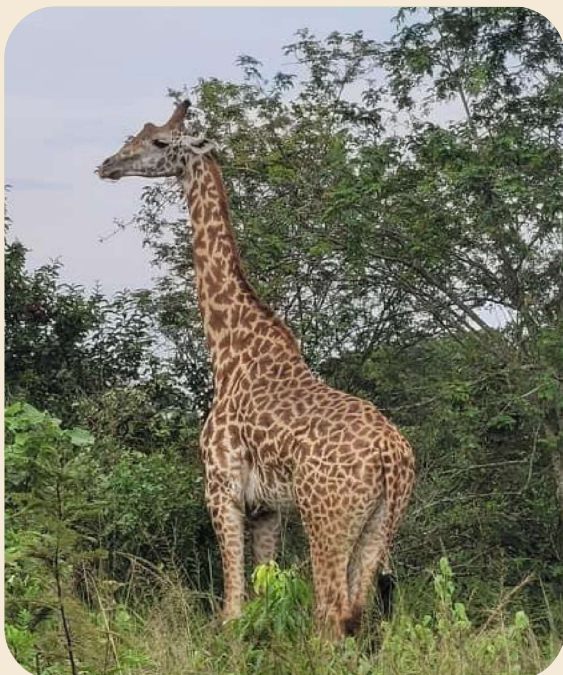
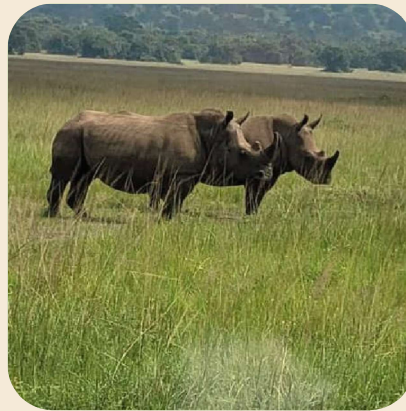
Rwanda's savannah park, a lake-and-papyrus lowland on the Tanzanian border — and one of Africa's great conservation comebacks. Lions and black rhino are back; elephant, buffalo, giraffe, zebra and hippo are everyday sightings.

Big Five

Boat safari

Night drive

2.5h from Kigali



## HOW THE DAYS RUN

1

**Kigali arrival.** Airport pickup, a half-day city tour and the Genocide Memorial, then an early night before the drive east.

2

**Akagera.** Dawn game drive across the northern plains, a lunch stop, then an afternoon boat safari on Lake Ihema among hippo and crocodile.

# One hour with a gorilla family



Trekking starts at Kinigi park headquarters at 7am. Groups of eight are assigned to one habituated gorilla family, and rangers lead you up through farmland into bamboo and cloud forest — anywhere from one to five hours of walking. When you reach the family, you have one hour with them, a few metres away.

The following morning is yours: golden monkeys in the bamboo, the Dian Fossey tomb hike, or a slow walk along the crater lakes before the drive back to Kigali.

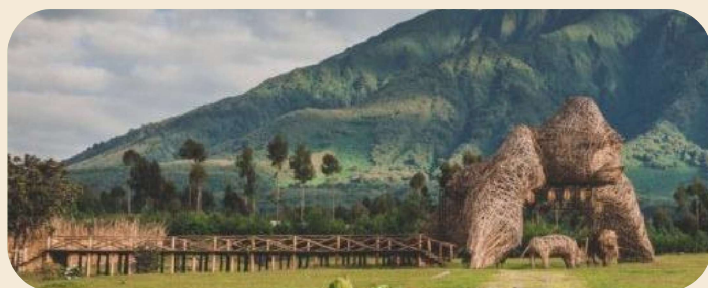
## FITNESS & HEALTH

Moderate hiking fitness at 2,500–3,000m altitude; porters are available and recommended. Long sleeves, gloves and broken-in boots matter. Minimum age 15, and visitors with a cold or flu cannot trek — the gorillas share our infections.

## GORILLA PERMIT

# USD 1,500

Per person, per trek — set by the Rwanda Development Board. One permit buys one hour with one family. Permits are limited and sell out months ahead in the dry seasons, so we reserve yours first and build the rest of the trip around the date.



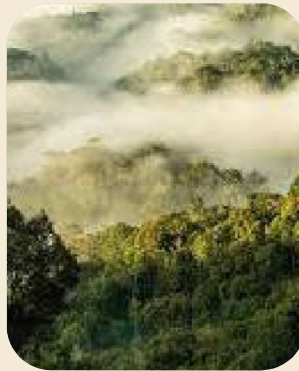
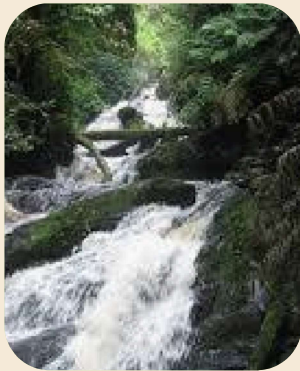
## Nyungwe cloud forest

One of Africa's oldest rainforests, 1,000 km<sup>2</sup> of moss, waterfalls and thirteen primate species. The canopy walkway hangs 70m above the valley floor; chimpanzee tracking leaves before dawn, and troops of a hundred colobus monkeys cross the trails in daylight.

Canopy walkway

Chimp tracking

Tea estates

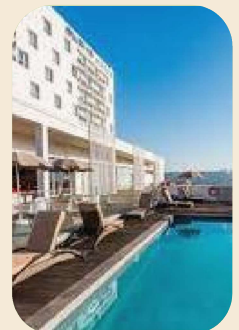
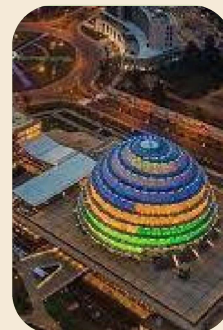


### Day 5 · Lake Kivu

A deliberate pause on the drive north: a bilharzia-free, crocodile-free inland sea ringed by volcanoes. Swim, kayak the shoreline, take a coffee-island boat trip, and sleep to the sound of fishermen singing their way out at dusk.

## Kigali, the capital

Hill-top boulevards, one of Africa's safest and cleanest cities, and the country's real story told properly at the Genocide Memorial. Good coffee, a strong art scene, and the Kironko market on the way out of town.





## Our own fleet, our own guides

Pop-roof safari 4×4s for the parks, VIP transfer cars, and air-conditioned minibuses with a cooler and reclining VIP seats for larger groups. Every vehicle is ours and every driver-guide is on our own team — English, Hebrew and French speaking guides available on request.

### WHERE YOU SLEEP

**Comfort** — good 3-star lodges and guesthouses.

**Premium** — 4-star lodges with views and pools.

**Luxury** — Rwanda's flagship lodges and tented camps. We quote all three so you can choose per night.

### INCLUDED

Private vehicle, fuel and driver-guide throughout · all park entry and activity fees · gorilla and chimpanzee permits · accommodation at your chosen level · daily breakfast and dinner · airport transfers · bottled water in the vehicle.

### NOT INCLUDED

International flights · visa fee · travel and medical insurance · lunches and drinks · porters and tips · optional helicopter or boat charters · anything personal.

### VISA & ENTRY

Most nationalities get a 30-day visa on arrival at Kigali airport, or apply online through Irembo beforehand. A yellow-fever certificate is required from some countries.

### BOOKING

30% deposit confirms the trip; gorilla permits are paid in full at booking and are non-refundable. Balance due 30 days before arrival.

### PRICING

Quoted per party on request — the figure depends on season, group size and accommodation level. Tell us your dates and we'll come back with a full costing.



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