



Secrets of the North (Uganda)

Free cancellation up to 3 day(s) prior departure, after which the tour cancellation policy applies.

- **Activities:**
 - National Parks & Wildlife Sanctuaries
 - Safari
 - Unique Adventure
- **Travel Style:** Budget
- **Guiding Type:** Live Guide/Instructor
- **Activities:**
 - English
- **Tour Vibe:** Active
- **Guiding Type:** Live Guide/Instructor
- **Recommended For:**
 - Couple
 - Family/Kids
 - Senior
 - Solo
 - Women
 - Youth
- **Country:**
 - Uganda
- **Routes:**
 - Entebbe, Wakiso, Uganda
- **Pickup:** Entebbe/Kampala;

From:12:00 AM

To:12:00 AM

- **Drop-off:** Entebbe/Kampala;

From:12:00 AM

To:12:00 AM

- **Age Range:** 7 - 70 (Years Old)

- **Tour Highlights:**

- Exploration of the Sipi Falls and meeting with the Sabinyi tribe

Stay in Uganda's most remote national park: Kidepo Valley, with a visit to a local Karamojong community

Excellent game viewing in Murchison Falls National Park

Jungle experience including chimp tracking in Budongo Forest

Visit to Ziwa Rhino Sanctuary, the only place in Uganda with wild rhinos

Amazing safari combined with community experiences while staying in Uganda's finest lodges

- **Tour Introduction:**

Our secrets of the North tour in Uganda will take you to the most remote national park of Uganda the Kidepo valley national park where you will view all the big five wildlife in one place. Your visit to Sipi falls nestled between mountains of Elgon and waterfalls. The visit to the magnificent Top of the Falls where you can marvel at the mighty Nile will provide a highlight to your safari.

- **Itinerary:**

- Day 1: **Welcome to Uganda**

Arrival at Entebbe Airport where you will be welcomed by a Forever Africa Safari representative and transferred to your accommodation in Entebbe. Overnight at Gorilla guest house or Carpediem guest house (B&B).

- Day 2: **Entebbe – Sipi Falls (6-7 hrs)**

Today we will leave and depart to the unknown east. Via Jinja we proceed to Mbale, a charming town at the foot of the Mount Elgon. This area is full of rich heritage and fascinating culture. We will have a lunch stop at Mbale and with beautiful viewpoints on our way we will reach Sipi Village,

nestled between mountains and waterfalls. Dinner and overnight at Lacam Lodge. (B-L-D)

- Day 3: **Sipi Falls**

In the morning you will enjoy a hike to the lovely Sipi Falls. It is a beautiful walk to the bottom of the famous waterfall, and then continue with a steep climb to a series of caves. As you follow the challenging trail to the other waterfalls, you will pass maize fields, banana plantations and typical bandas.

Return to the lodge for a delicious lunch and some relaxing. In the afternoon you will visit a Coffee Project and find out why Sipi Falls is home to one of the finest coffees in the world. Talk to the farmers, see the plantations and learn more about the process behind coffee making. Then enjoy your freshly brewed cup of coffee as you relax and watch the sunset... Dinner and overnight at Lacam Lodge. (B-L-D)

Note: Want to experience a real thrill and watch the waterfalls from a very close distance? Then go abseiling along the famous Sipi Fall! (available on request)

- Day 4: **Sipi Falls – Kitgum (8 hrs)**

After breakfast we continue our journey and head to the north. It is a long but beautiful drive as we pass different types of landscapes and traditional villages. This area is really off-the-beaten track and not visited by many tourists yet. You will witness what the many years of civil unrest have done to this region, but also how it is slowly but steadily developing again. It is completely safe to travel and with a lunch stop en route you will arrive in the late afternoon in Kitgum. Dinner and overnight at Fulgy's Guesthouse. (B-L-D)

- Day 5: **Kitgum – Kidepo Valley National Park (3 hrs)**

Then we continue towards the border with Sudan and enter Kidepo Valley National Park. Have lunch at your accommodation in the middle of the national park, with beautiful views over the vast plains and go for a game drive in the afternoon for a first introduction with the wildlife. Dinner and overnight at Nga'moru Wilderness Camp. (B-L-D)

- Day 6: **Kidepo Valley National Park**

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A full day in one of the most beautiful and certainly most remote national parks in Uganda! Early in the morning you will explore the Narus River Valley by game drive or safari walk. Go in search of giraffes, ostriches, zebras, elephants and lions. The park is also a birders paradise as it boasts a bird list with over 475 species. Have lunch and relax before going on a visit to one of the local Karamojong communities. The Karamojong tribe is well known for their unique nomadic lifestyle and rich traditions of storytelling. Dinner and overnight at Nga'moru Wilderness Camp. (B-L-D)

- Day 7: **Kidepo Valley National Park – Murchison Falls National Park (7 hrs)**

Today we head south to Murchison Falls National Park. We will enter the park from the north and with a game drive continue south towards the famous river Nile. Look out for buffaloes, hartebeests, Uganda Kobs and elephants while we pass the Savannah dotted with Borassus palm trees. Dinner and overnight at Murchison River Lodge or Fort Murchison Lodge. (B-L-D)

- Day 8: **Murchison Falls National Park**

After an early breakfast we start the day with another game drive on the northern bank of the Nile. In the afternoon the safari will be continued with a boat cruise on the river Nile for game viewing at close quarters. Dinner and overnight at Murchison River Lodge or Fort Murchison Lodge. (B-L-D)

- Day 9: **Game drive and boat ride to the top of the falls**

In the morning we will visit the magnificent Top of the Falls where you can marvel at the mighty Nile. Watch how the fall is being forced into a seven meter crevice to thunder 45 meters below in a series of cascades. After this spectacular scenery we continue to the southern part of the national park, Budongo Forest Reserve. Here you will go for a guided chimp tracking in the forest. Together with your guide you will look out for tracks well hidden in the forest in search of the habituated chimpanzee family. Dinner and overnight at Budongo Eco Lodge. (B-L-D)

- Day 10: **Murchison Falls National Park – Jinja (5-6 hrs)**

After a delicious breakfast in the midst of the tropical rainforest we calmly depart the national park and drive towards the south. En route we can make a stop at Ziwa Rhino Sanctuary, home to the only wild rhinos in Uganda. The reserve was created to reintroduce rhinos to the country which have been extinct since 1982. Together with a guide you will track the rhinos and observe them in their habitat at a very close and safe distance. After this activity continue to Jinja for overnight at the Source of the Nile. Dinner and overnight at The Haven – Honeymoon Bungalow. (B-L-D)

- Day 11: **Jinja**

No better way than to end your safari at the banks of river Nile! You can spend the day at your own leisure and read a book, relax at the natural pool or enjoy the breathtaking views of the Nile. Those who wish to experience some adventure can decide to go rafting the Source of the Nile. After receiving instructions, you will start peddling and enjoy the beautiful scenery and thundering rapids at its fullest! Other optional activities include the Wild Nile Jet, bungee jumping, quadbike safari, horseback riding along the Nile, village walk or a visit to the true origin of the Nile. Dinner and overnight at The Haven – Honeymoon Bungalow. (B-L-D)

◦ Day 12: **Departure**

Enriched with an experience of a lifetime and unforgettable memories you will say goodbye to the Pearl of Africa. In time you will be transferred to Entebbe Airport for your international flight. (B)

WHAT'S INCLUDED

Location	Nights	Type	Property Name	Rating	Occupancy
Entebbe	1	Guesthouse	Gorilla guesthouse	1 Star	Shared
Sipi	2	Lodge	Sipi Lodge	1 Star	Shared
Kitugum	1	Guesthouse	Fulgy's	Unrated	Shared
Kidepo	3	Camping	Ngamoru Wild camp	2 Star	Shared
Murchison	3	Lodge	Fort Murchison	4 Star	Shared
Jinja	2	Guesthouse	The Haven	2 Star	Shared

• **Guide**

12 days

• **Meals**

12 days

• **Transport**

- Private Vehicle

12 days

WHAT'S EXCLUDED

- Flights
- Pickup & Drop-Off
- Insurance
- Transport
- **Other Excluded:**
 - International flight
 - Visa (USD \$50)
 - Optional activities in Jinja
 - Meals and drinks not mentioned in the itinerary
 - Items of personal nature
 - Laundry service
 - Tips

Covid Safety

~~With the current Covid-19 situation, we advise you to make any changes to the tour before departure. For now, we provide you with a mask, sanitiser and hand washing area onboard.~~

Tour Cancellation Policy

Free cancellation up to 3 day(s) prior departure, Or traveler will pay 20 % of the tour amount

All Covid 19 SOP's are being followed through your trip and travel advisors are provided to clients upon booking when there changes. Cancellations due to Covid regulations full refund is given back to the clients.

Good To Know

- Should any of the included accommodations not be available, Forever Africa Safari reserves the right to substitute it with an alternative suitable accommodation, which might affect the final quoted price.
- The estimated travelling hours are based on the actual hours of driving. Stops for lunch and photos are not included.

FAQs