



**15 Days / 14 Nights**

## **Luxury in Botswana and Rwanda**

Johannesburg | Moremi Game Reserve | Okavango Delta | Kigali | Twin Lakes Burera & Ruhondo

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## Your Consultant

### | Neville Jones



Neville has been planning and leading tours to Africa since 2007. He visits the continent at least once a year to find the best experiences for his clients. He prefers small, owner-operated lodges and camps run by families with a long history in providing unique, safe and personalised experiences.

### | Countries Visited

Antarctica, Argentina, Australia, Botswana, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Canada, China, Croatia, Egypt, England, Ethiopia, Fiji, Finland, France, Greece, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Italy, Kenya, Madagascar, Malaysia, Namibia, New Zealand, Norway, Qatar, Rwanda, Scotland, Singapore, South Africa, Spain, Tanzania, Thailand, Turkey, Uganda, United Arab Emirates, United States, Zambia, Zanzibar, Zimbabwe

### | Favourite Destinations

Southern and East Africa

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## Trip Summary

| Day       | Accommodation   | Room Type and Basis |
|-----------|---|---------------------|
| Day 1 - 2 | Peermont D'oreale Grande Hotel at Emperors Palace (1 Night) in Johannesburg | B&B                 |
| Day 2 - 5 | Setari Camp (3 Nights) in Moremi Game Reserve                               | FI                  |
| Day 5 - 9 | andBeyond Xaranna Okavango Delta Camp (4 Nights) in Okavango Delta          | FI                  |

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|-------------|--|------|
| Day 9 - 10  | InterContinental Johannesburg O.R. Tambo Airport (1 Night) in Johannesburg | B&B  |
| Day 10 - 12 | Kigali Serena Hotel (2 Nights) in Kigali                                   | B&B  |
| Day 12 - 15 | Virunga Lodge (3 Nights) in Twin Lakes Burera & Ruhondo                    | FI   |
| Day 15      | End of Itinerary   | NONE |

#### Key

**B&B:** Bed and Breakfast

**FI:** Fully Inclusive - Bed, All Meals, Fees and Activities

## | Price

From USD 17,819 per person sharing in the High Season

## | Included

- Seat-in-charter flights between Maun and camps in Botswana
- Accommodation on the basis indicated

## | Excluded

- All International airfares (ie transcontinental and regional)
- All items of a personal nature
- Anything not mentioned in this itinerary

# Daily Information



Day 1 - 2

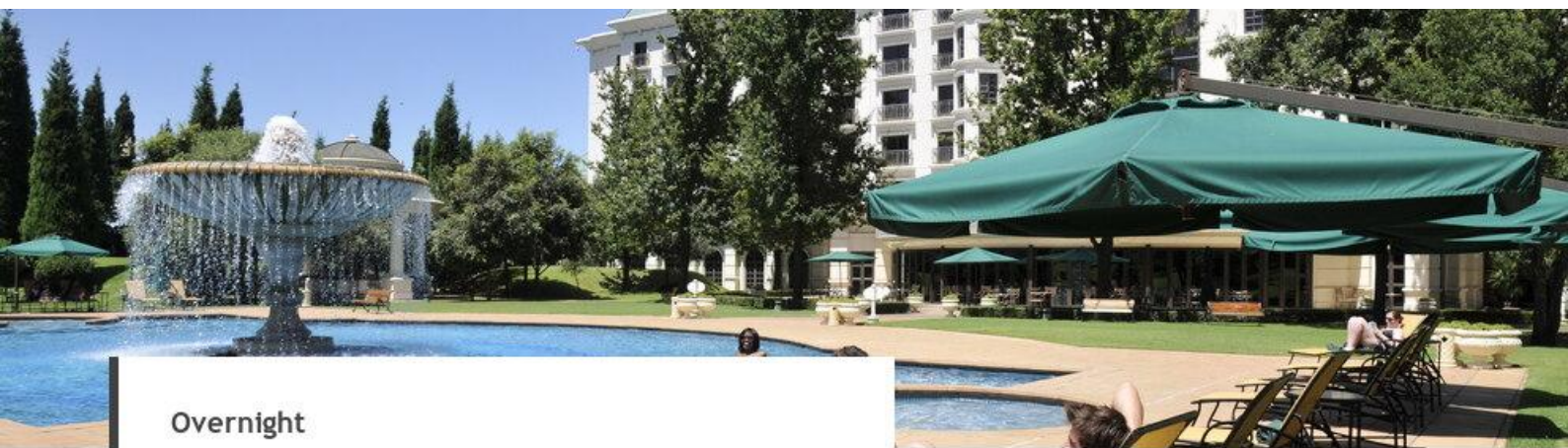
## Johannesburg

Johannesburg is one of Africa's largest and most vibrant cities. It is the economic capital of Africa and the gateway to Southern Africa. This bustling city offers a wide range of activities, attractions and plenty to do in and around the city including nearby Pretoria. Downtown is a multi-cultural mixture of traditional medicine shops, Chinese restaurants, taxi ranks and ultra-modern skyscrapers. There are excellent museums, art galleries and organised tours of historical and political interest. The shopping is Southern Africa's best and the many restaurants cater for all tastes. The nearby township of Soweto is Johannesburg's most popular tourist attraction.

### | Day Notes

Check in to D'oreale Grande after your long-haul flight, and rest up! Or enjoy the bright lights and fun of Emperors Palace.





Overnight

## Peermont D'oreale Grande Hotel at Emperors Palace

Discover untold luxury and regal comfort ... the 5-star Peermont D'oreale Grande hotel at Emperors Palace is conveniently located next to O.R. Tambo International Airport in Johannesburg. The hotel features 182 beautifully designed and impeccably appointed rooms and suites that are fitted with plush, state-of-the-art indulgences. The hotel's comfort levels are enhanced by superior levels of service and guest relations, as well as international language and culture proficiencies, while the Club Floor and Lounge offers a full bouquet of personal and concierge services dedicated to the discerning business traveller. A complimentary shuttle service to and from the airport is available. Dine in the newly-styled Aurelia's restaurant, indulge your senses at Octavia's Sensorium Day Spa or sip a cocktail while watching the African sunset at Neptune's Pool Bar at the spectacular pool terrace with its Roman water fountain cascading into clear waters.

### | Basis

**B&B:** Bed and Breakfast



Day 2

## Moremi Game Reserve

Situated in the east of the Okavango Delta, Moremi Game Reserve ranks as one of the most beautiful reserves in Africa. It covers more than 4871 square kilometres of pristine wilderness, and this varied terrain includes savannah, winding waterways, and dense forest. The diverse ecosystem supports an incredibly wide spectrum of wildlife, ranging from large herds of buffalo, wildebeest and zebra, to the rare sitatunga and lechwe antelope, lion, cheetah and packs of wild dog in the open grasslands. The birdlife is prolific and includes most of the 550 bird species recorded on Botswana's national bird list. A range of luxury lodges in the reserve offers visitors the perfect base to experience this corner of paradise.

### | Day Notes

A relaxed day of travel to Setari Camp. We chose this camp because it is high in the Delta and is certain to have water. In fact, the activities here are exclusively water-based, including boat cruises and mokoro rides. This is a very relaxed camp. Great to decompress after city life and long haul travel.



Overnight

## Setari Camp

Setari Camp is located on a picture-perfect palm island in the very heart of the Okavango. Situated within a private concession of 120,000 acres of unspoilt wilderness, exclusivity and seclusion are guaranteed. Enjoy a pure Delta experience, inhabited by a myriad of birdlife and wildlife unique to this exceptional ecosystem. The area is a birder's paradise, boasting a huge number of migrant birds, aquatic birds, raptors, a seasonal heronry and to top it all, the hauntingly beautiful Pel's Fishing Owl.

Setari Camp accommodates 20 guests in 8 light and airy tents and 1 suite designed for families. Each tent cleverly combines understated luxury with an authentic and relaxed home-from-home atmosphere. The camp resembles an enormous tree-house where the entire construction is elevated with wooden walkways linking the impressive sitting and dining areas, pool-with-a-view, gym and curio shop. All of the tents have private decks with spectacular views over the Okavango. Safari activities available at Setari include bushwalking, boating or gliding gently through the waterways in a traditional Mokoro (dug-out canoe). Delicious home-cooked food, super-comfy accommodation and superb guiding all combine to making Setari a hidden treasure in the iconic Okavango Delta.

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## | Basis

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Day 3

## Moremi Game Reserve

## | Basis

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## | Activities

Safaris on Water at Setari Camp. What better way to become acquainted with the Delta than on the water where it all happens! Boating trips are a fantastic way to explore the intricate waterways and immense flood plains.

Planned

Day 4 - 5

**Moremi Game Reserve**

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## | Activities

Mokoro Day Trips at Setari Camp. We offer a chance to glide through the waters of the Okavango in a traditional Mokoro which is a dug-out canoe navigated by an expert poler. Spot the exquisite Malachite Kingfisher or marvel at the crystal clear waters.

Planned





Day 5

## Okavango Delta

Situated in the northwestern corner of Botswana, the Okavango Delta is a World Heritage Site as it is the largest inland delta in the world. The magnificent Okavango River sprawls out over the dry sands of the Kalahari Desert forming this flourishing waterlogged oasis featuring countless meandering waterways and crystal clear lagoons studded with water lilies, as well as fertile floodplains and reeded islands inhabited with abundant wildlife. The Okavango Delta stretches over an impressive 15,000 square kilometres. Visitors can enjoy a number of wonderful activities such as game viewing, fishing, bird watching or taking an authentic guided Mokoro excursion through this wetland paradise in a traditional dugout canoe. Commonly spotted animals include: lion, rhino, leopard, giraffe, hippos, elephants, crocodiles and countless species of bird.



Overnight

## andBeyond Xaranna Okavango Delta Camp

andBeyond Xaranna Okavango Delta Camp enjoys luxurious solitude on its own Delta island within a 272 000 hectare (672 125 acre) exclusive wildlife concession. Taking its inspiration from the water lily, Xaranna is a delightful camp with just nine ensuite safari tents that combine canvas and bleached timber. The overall atmosphere of the camp is cool, light and airy, in keeping with the gentle beauty of its environment. The safari tents are organic in design and are delicately decorated in shade of khaki and soft lily pink. Each tent boasts a romantic outdoor sala, private plunge pool, indoor bathtub and al fresco shower. The guest areas are all carefully positioned to maximise the sweeping views out across the channels, with classic Delta tree-line silhouettes. The camp celebrates Botswana's iconography, with humorous design touches used throughout. The intimate guest sitting area boasts a spacious reading area, perfect for afternoon relaxation. The elevated dining area features shady verandas with mesmerising views leading out onto an open-air boma where exotic candlelit dinners are served beneath the stars. A fully-stocked Safari Shop offers chic outdoor gear, African art and jewellery.

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### | Basis

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Day 6

## Okavango Delta

### | Basis

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Day 7

## Okavango Delta

### | Basis

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Day 8 - 9

## Okavango Delta

### | Basis

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Day 9 - 10

## Johannesburg



Overnight

## InterContinental Johannesburg O.R. Tambo Airport

InterContinental Johannesburg O.R. Tambo Airport is a safe, easy walk from the international arrivals hall at Johannesburg's O.R. Tambo International Airport. We are perfectly located for business travellers and just a 14-minute train ride from the Sandton CBD. Enjoy unlimited complimentary Wi-Fi, quiet soundproofed rooms, quick check-in and a host of services designed to meet the needs of the modern business traveller. Refurbished in 2008, we offer the most sophisticated airport accommodations on the African Continent.

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### | Basis

**B&B:** Bed and Breakfast





Day 10

## Kigali

Rwanda's capital and biggest city stretches across lush undulating hills surrounded by towering mountains, the largest of which is Mount Kigali, rising 1850 metres above sea level. Kigali is the country's financial, commercial and cultural hub, served by an international airport and featuring a wide range of accommodation options. It also offers a collection of restaurants and points of interest, including the Kigali Genocide Centre, an atmospheric market and numerous craft shops. With its interesting architecture, busy streets, meandering boulevards, and green hillsides, Kigali is said to be one of the most attractive cities in Africa and is definitely worth a visit.

## | Day Notes

Travel day.



Overnight

## Kigali Serena Hotel

Ideally located on one of Kigali's most charming boulevards, the five-star Kigali Serena Hotel is built around a polished granite atrium, which showcases the very best of Rwandese cultural art. Relaxed yet elegant, the hotel centres on the Executive Lounge and Bar, which opens onto a wide sundeck overlooking the newly refurbished swimming pool. Also overlooking the pool, the popular Milima Restaurant offers a wide range of all-day buffet choices, while the relaxed Sokoni Café offers inside and outside poolside seating. The capital's natural business hub, the hotel also boasts its own extensive conference centre, 500-seater auditorium and lavish ballroom.

The hotel features 148 rooms. Guests can choose from a selection of 60 Standard Rooms, 37 Superior Rooms, 19 Deluxe Rooms, 18 Junior Suites, 7 Prime Rooms, 6 Executive Suites and a luxury Presidential Suite. In-room facilities include 24 hour room service, air-conditioning, Wi-Fi, tea/coffee making facilities, mini fridge, hair dryer, private safe and a flat screen satellite TV.

## Basis

**B&B:** Bed and Breakfast

Day 11 - 12

## Kigali

## Day Notes

The **Hôtel des Mille Collines** (French pronunciation: [otel de mil kɔlin]) (English: *Hotel of the Thousand Hills*) is a large hotel in Kigali, Rwanda. It became famous after 1,268 people took refuge inside the building during the Rwandan genocide of 1994. The story of the hotel and its manager at that time, Paul Rusesabagina, was later used as the basis of Terry George's film *Hotel Rwanda* in 2004. - Wikipedia

We recommend a visit to the Genocide Memorial and Museum in the morning, followed by lunch at Hotel des Mille Collines.

## Basis

**B&B:** Bed and Breakfast

## | Activities



### Kigali Genocide Memorial & Museum

**Recommended, Morning:** Located just outside of Kigali City Centre in the Gasabo district, Kigali Genocide Memorial & Museum was created by a joint partnership of the Kigali City Council and the UK-based Aegis Trust. The centre is an extremely moving, challenging, educational and ultimately inspiring as well as a great place to understand the cause, tragedy and successful rebuilding post-genocide.

The memorial hosts a tour which is transparent and educational but very sombre and humbling when guests realise that over 250,000 deceased are buried on the site of the memorial.



### Hotel des Mille Collines

**Recommended, Lunch:** This Sabena owned hotel offers a total of 113 rooms including eight suites with a bathtub, balcony, cable TV, phone, mini-bar, Internet access, toiletries, work desk area, wake up service, and voicemail. Some rooms offer a bathrobe, ceiling fan, connecting rooms, hairdryer, trouser press, and a kitchenette. Non smoking rooms are also available. The hotel was built in 1972, opened in 1974, and was renovated in 1987 as

the leading hotel in Rwanda with large meeting facilities.

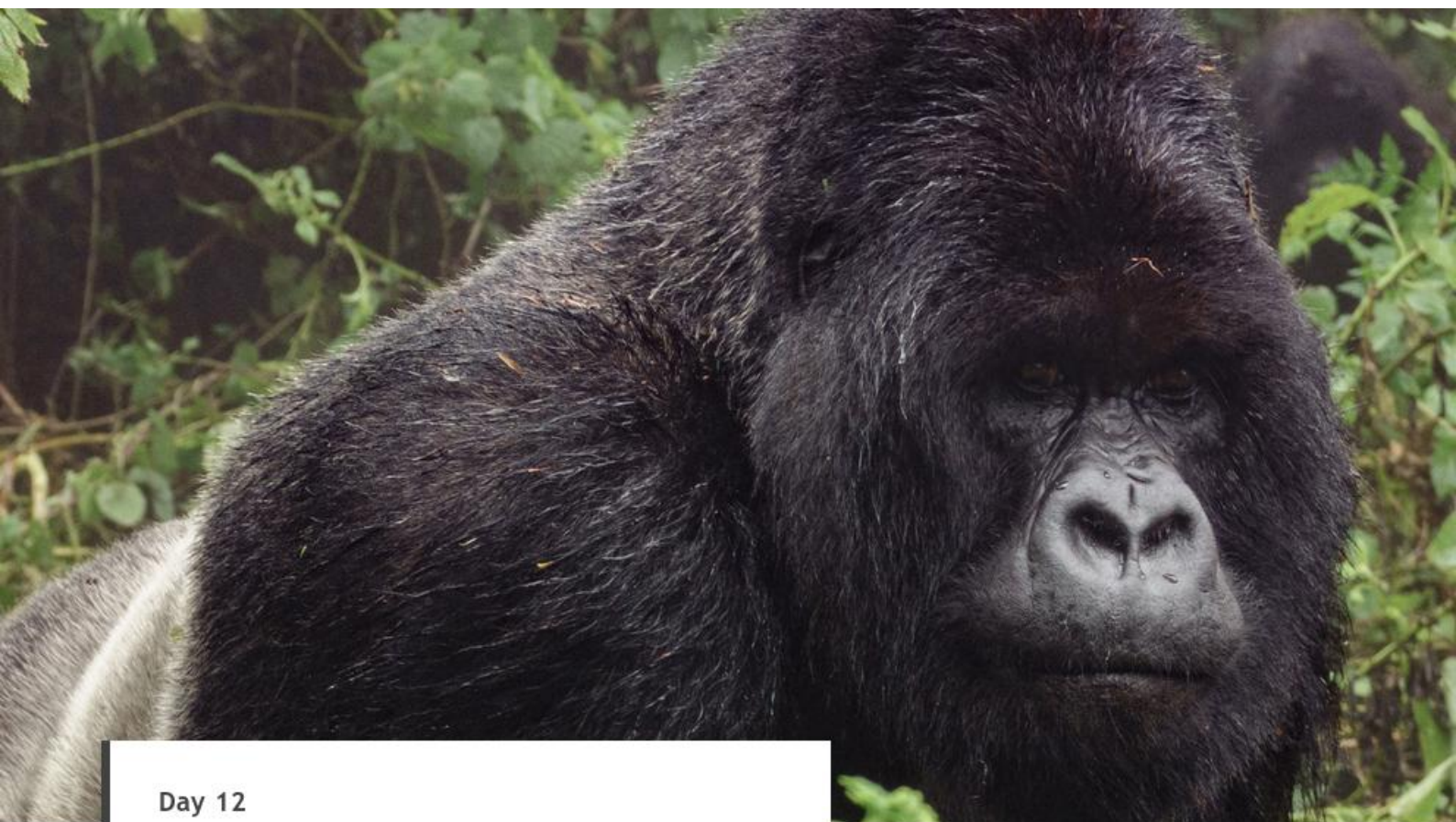
Facilities included: Business center, Tennis court, Golf, Swimming pool, Wheel chair access, Fitness facility, Dining, Meeting room, First class, Car rental desk



### Kigali City Tour

**Planned:** Get to know this beautiful and amazing city. The Go Kigali City Tour is the best way to see and experience Kigali! Stops include: a trip to the top of Mt. Kigali for views of the city and the countryside, a milk bar, a neighborhood market, a mural walk, a great Rwandan lunch, the best coffee around, a ride on a water taxi, a neighborhood walk and ends at the Kigali Genocide Memorial.





Day 12

## **Twin Lakes Burera & Ruhondo**

Located at the base of the Volcano Muhabura in northern Rwanda, the Twin Lakes of Burera and Ruhondo are picturesque blue water masses surrounded by the virunga high hills and separated by a one kilometre strip of land. Visitors can take canoe or boat trips along the waters to take in the magnificent views. Other activities include gorilla trekking or golden monkey tracking in the neighbouring Volcanoes National Park, taking fascinating cultural tours from Iby'iwacu Cultural Village, or visiting the intriguing, tropical Musanze Caves. The lakes' Swamp Rugezi is one of the most important birding areas of Rwanda, and provides a photogenic, serene area to see a number of species. The lakes provide a wonderful opportunity to see people fishing along the shorelines with traditional methods, such as using self-made canoes (consisting of a single piece of wood), fish nets and hooks.

### **| Day Notes**

Today you take the 3 hour drive to Virunga Lodge on (mostly) paved roads. You will notice how pristine the city and countryside are. This is a consequence of plastic bags being banned and the mandatory cleanup and maintenance day on the last Saturday of every month. Even the President takes part.

(Please do not give anything to children from the vehicle. This has had tragic consequences in the past.)





## Overnight Virunga Lodge

The magnificent Virunga Lodge is the premier luxury gorilla lodge of Rwanda and one of Africa's finest and most renowned lodges. The lodge is perched high on a ridge with stunning views of the Virunga Volcanoes and the Musanze valley to the west and Lake Bulera and Ruhondo to the east.

Following the celebrations of the 15th anniversary in 2019, plans to re-imagine the lodge have been unveiled.

It offers the finest views in Africa, uniquely decorated rooms in the Rwandese style, fantastic food and exceptional and personalised service by our carefully trained staff. It is the first accommodation choice for the luxury traveller tracking the endangered mountain gorilla.

Each of our ten luxurious bandas has a private terrace from which our guests can watch the sunrise over the dramatic landscape of mountains and lakes. Luxuriously appointed, with the accent on vibrant Rwandese fabrics and stylish locally inspired furniture.

Each Banda has an individual fire place, a luxury shower room with a double vanity, and charging station.

The two deluxe bandas – called Ibirunga and Ibiyaga have their own private sitting room and more refined interiors.

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Day 13

## Twin Lakes Burera & Ruhondo

## | Day Notes

Gorilla trek day.

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## | Activities



### Gorilla Trekking Volcanoes National Park

**Planned:** Gorilla Trekking in the Volcanoes National Park offers visitors the unique opportunity of discovering the 10 families of gorillas that live within the national park. Visitors can enjoy a cup of coffee before the trek starts and will be separated into groups of 8 depending on their physical abilities. Each group is guided by a guide and two scouts who are well trained in emergency situations. The amount of time set aside per trek is different

depending on where the gorilla family is situated. Some trips may take as little as half an hour and some taking the better part of the day.

Day 14 - 15

### Twin Lakes Burera & Ruhondo

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## | Activities

### Volcanoes National Park Golden Monkey Trekking

**Planned:** Volcanoes National Park in Rwanda offers Golden monkeys trekking. This unique experience allows guests in groups of up to eight to look for and discover golden monkeys within their natural habitat.

The monkeys are incredibly active and enjoy showing off for tourists and researchers that they encounter daily. The monkeys can be found closer to the base of the volcano and enjoy eating the bamboo vegetation in the area.



### Iby'Iwacu Cultural Village

**Planned:** Offering an adventurous stay in a traditional rural, Rwandan village that has existed for centuries living with and next to mountain gorillas in Parc National des Volcans. Iby'Iwacu Cultural Village gives you a rare chance to meet local people, in their environment, with a taste of our culture and traditions. The community you visit will genuinely welcome you as a special guest while they proudly present to you aspects of their

traditions and beliefs. This will truly be an experience of a lifetime as you home stay with the community and become part of their family

## Day Notes

Transfer back to Kigali airport for your flight home.

# Transport

## Flights

| Date & Time                    | Route  | Flight  |
|--------------------------------|--|---|
| Day 2, 12:05<br>Day 2, 13:40   | <b>Depart:</b> OR Tambo International Airport [JNB]<br><b>Arrive:</b> Maun Airport [MUB]                 | South African Airlink [4Z], 300<br>(Scheduled Flight) |
| Day 2<br>Day 2                 | <b>Depart:</b> Maun Airport [MUB]<br><b>Arrive:</b> Jedibe Airstrip                                      | Charter Flight  |
| Day 5<br>Day 5                 | <b>Depart:</b> Jedibe Airstrip<br><b>Arrive:</b> Kwara Camp Airstrip                                     | Charter Flight  |
| Day 9<br>Day 9                 | <b>Depart:</b> Kwara Camp Airstrip<br><b>Arrive:</b> Maun Airport [MUB]                                  | Charter Flight  |
| Day 9, 14:15<br>Day 9, 15:50   | <b>Depart:</b> Maun Airport [MUB]<br><b>Arrive:</b> OR Tambo International Airport [JNB]                 | South African Airlink [4Z], 301<br>(Scheduled Flight) |
| Day 10, 16:50<br>Day 10, 22:10 | <b>Depart:</b> OR Tambo International Airport [JNB]<br><b>Arrive:</b> Kigali International Airport [KGL] | RwandAir [WB], 107 (Scheduled Flight)                 |

## Transfers

| Date & Time    | Route  | Vehicle  |
|----------------|--|----------|
| Day 1<br>Day 1 | <b>Pick Up:</b> OR Tambo International Airport [JNB]<br><b>Drop Off:</b> Peermont D'oreale Grande Hotel at Emperors Palace | Transfer |
| Day 2<br>Day 2 | <b>Pick Up:</b> Peermont D'oreale Grande Hotel at Emperors Palace<br><b>Drop Off:</b> OR Tambo International Airport [JNB] | Transfer |
| Day 5<br>Day 5 | <b>Pick Up:</b> Kwara Camp Airstrip<br><b>Drop Off:</b> andBeyond Xaranna Okavango Delta Camp                              | Transfer |
| Day 9<br>Day 9 | <b>Pick Up:</b> andBeyond Xaranna Okavango Delta Camp<br><b>Drop Off:</b> Kwara Camp Airstrip                              | Transfer |
| Day 10         | <b>Pick Up:</b> Kigali International Airport [KGL]   | Transfer |

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|--------|---|----------|
| Day 10 | <b>Drop Off:</b> Kigali Serena Hotel                |          |
| Day 12 | <b>Pick Up:</b> Kigali Serena Hotel                 | Transfer |
| Day 12 | <b>Drop Off:</b> Virunga Lodge                      |          |
| Day 15 | <b>Pick Up:</b> Virunga Lodge                       | Transfer |
| Day 15 | <b>Drop Off:</b> Kigali International Airport [KGL] |          |

### Voyages

| Date & Time | Route                             | Boat |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|------|
| Day 2       | <b>Embark:</b> Jedibe Airstrip    |      |
| Day 2       | <b>Disembark:</b> Setari Camp     |      |
| Day 5       | <b>Embark:</b> Setari Camp        |      |
| Day 5       | <b>Disembark:</b> Jedibe Airstrip |      |

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## Hotel des Mille Collines

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## Gorilla Trekking Volcanoes National Park

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Volcanoes National Park, Rwanda

## Volcanoes National Park Golden Monkey Trekking

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### Address

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Volcanoes National Park

Rwanda

## Iby'Iwacu Cultural Village

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