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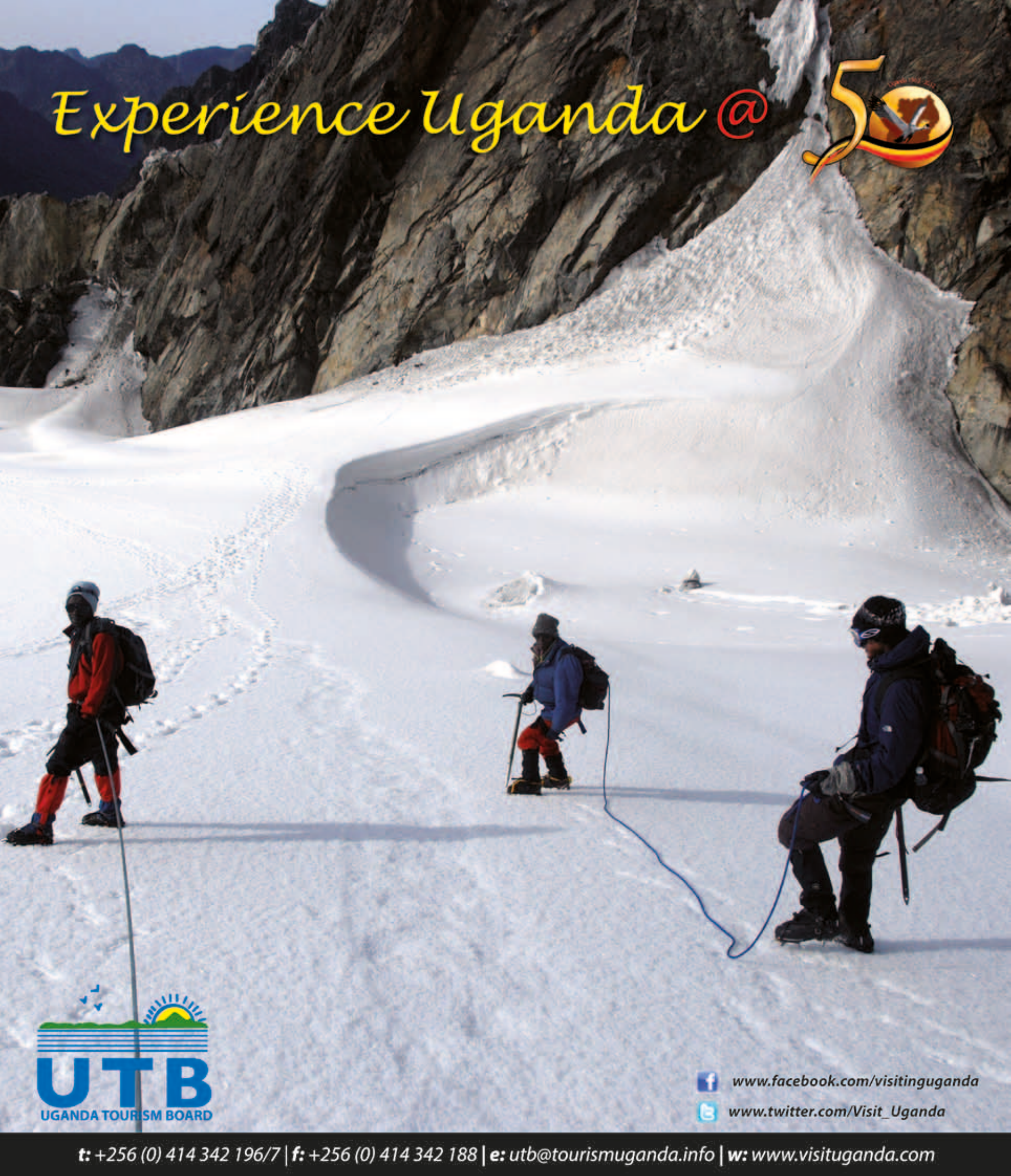
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- A GREAT ONE FOR UGANDAN TOURISM

BY UGANDA TOURISM BOARD

The year 2012 has been a great one for Uganda. Our country received several accolades including Best Destination for 2012 by the leading travel publication Lonely Planet. In the same year, Bwindi and Murchison Falls National Parks were voted among Africa's top 10 destinations for bird-watchers, with Bwindi in first place and Murchison ranked ninth.

In addition, the Virunga Massif was voted one of the world's 'must visit places in a lifetime' and the Rwenzori Mountains were voted among the top hiking places in Africa. In March 2012 Uganda won 3rd Best Exhibitor Award at the ITB Berlin tourism and travel exhibition; and in October 2012 Uganda celebrated 50 years of independence.

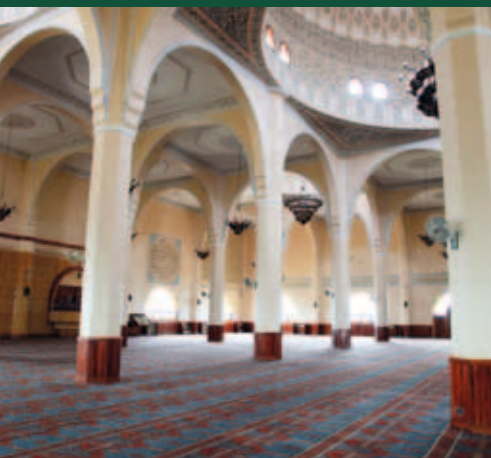
It is with the utmost delight and gratitude that we wish to introduce the second edition of Destination Uganda in this remarkable year for our country. In 2011 Uganda received more tourist arrivals - with a total of 1,151,356 visitors recorded - while tourist expenditure was put at US\$ 805 million.

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EXPERIENCE UGANDA @ 50

'PEARL OF AFRICA' SHINES AGAIN AS AFRICA'S TOP DESTINATION

The year 2012 was a great one for Uganda. On 9 October we celebrated 50 years since the Union Jack was lowered and the independent Republic of Uganda was born. Those of us involved in the country's tourism sector were justly proud of what has been achieved since our independence from Great Britain; perhaps all the more so, since our youth was characterised by some sharp growing pains.

Our favourite 50th birthday present came from Lonely Planet publications, which placed Uganda top of its 'Best in Travel for 2012' list. We interpret this accolade twofold. Firstly, in recognition of the progress since the end of our turbulent first quarter century. When stability was restored to Uganda in 1986, tourism activity was limited to the occasional wary backpacker. We take pride that the sector now provides our main source of foreign exchange. A second message – of more significance to the potential visitor – is that Uganda remains a fresh and unspoilt destination to visit, unblighted by mass tourism. Encounters with wildlife and interactions with local people retain a refreshing degree of exclusivity. The suggestion is that the time to visit is now.

RENAISSANCE

Those who choose to do so will find themselves well informed by the Bradt Travel Guide to Uganda, a book that further illustrates our tourism renaissance. Back in 1993, writer Philip Briggs struggled to complete 182 pages for this book's first edition. Today, as co-writer Andrew Roberts tackles a seventh edition, he expects to fill 544 pages (of rather smaller print, too).





Not everything of significance in Ugandan tourism indicates change or expansion: our most successful marketing slogan remains as appropriate today as in 1907 when Winston Churchill famously described Uganda as the 'Pearl of Africa'. It does not take long for visitors to appreciate why the great man, who traversed Kenya, Sudan and Egypt and served in South Africa, was captivated by Uganda in particular. For now – as it did then – this compact, landlocked East African country contains an astonishing diversity of wildlife, vegetation, landscapes and cultures. Here, western and eastern Africa merge; rainforests bristling with Central African birds and primates adjoin savannas roamed by big game favourites. The appeal is enhanced by a remarkable number and variety of wildlife species. Though no larger than the United Kingdom, Uganda boasts Africa's longest bird list (with 1,040 species recorded to date) and more species of primate than any other African country: 18, including chimpanzee and mountain gorilla.

Uganda's 240,000 sq km area is also home to members of traditional kingdoms and tribes, each with its own history and culture. Add the fact that these people have long been considered Africa's most friendly and hospitable hosts,



EXPERIENCE UGANDA @ 50

and we can justly claim to be the continent's most welcoming and varied safari destination.

MAGNIFICENT LANDSCAPES

These impressive lists of species are due to Uganda's location between east and central Africa at the lacustrine headwaters of the River Nile. The result is a wide range of habitats – forest, woodland, wetland, moorland, savannas, rivers and lakes – spread across some genuinely magnificent landscapes. To traverse Uganda is to witness the floor of the Western Rift Valley,

the vast plains of Kidepo, the slopes of the world's largest freestanding volcano and the continent's highest mountain range. These flank the island-studded expanse of the world's second-largest freshwater lake and the turbulent headwaters of its longest river. Despite its landlocked location,

GAME VIEWING

Coming full circle, large mammal populations in the grassland parks are once again worth watching – happily so, for there is more to game viewing in Uganda than game drives. In the 1960s, launch trips on the Nile below Murchison Falls and on the Kazinga Channel in Queen Elizabeth National Park were highlights of a visit to these parks. Today, refurbished launches once again expose visitors to memorable concentrations of waterside wildlife.

a full fifth of Uganda is covered by water. In addition to Lake Victoria and the River Nile, Uganda is dotted with hundreds of other lakes. Some fill extinct volcanic craters, flood river valleys dammed by lava or simply inundate large tracts of the rift valley's huge trough.

This theme of variety extends to the climate. In Kidepo Valley, in the arid extreme north-east, daytime temperatures regularly exceed 30°C (85°F) while at night on the high Rwenzori, just miles from the equator, they fall below freezing. In general, however, the effect of altitude bestows a singularly pleasant tropical climate with temperatures averaging 21-25°C (70-77°F).

NATURAL ATTRACTIONS

It has always been easy to describe Uganda's natural attractions, but attracting visitors has not always been so simple. What had been Africa's foremost safari destination in the 1960s dropped off the tourist map during the difficult years in the 1970s and 1980s. By the time stability was restored in 1986, Africa's pearl was tarnished; big game had been heavily poached, while hotel infrastructure was run down or ruined.

Uganda's response was to draw on a remarkable variety of alternative natural attractions. While big game populations recovered, new activities were developed. Visitors can track the endangered mountain gorilla in the forests of Bwindi and Mgahinga – the equally rare golden monkey can also be reliably found in the latter – and chimpanzee in the forests of Kibale, Kaniyo Pabidi and Kyambura Gorge. The potential for adventure has also been exploited: trekkers climb to the giant caldera of Mount Elgon and the glacial peaks of Mount Rwenzori, the legendary snowy source of the Nile. At the more conventional source of the Nile, rafters and kayakers negotiate Africa's finest white water rapids below the river's exit from Lake Victoria.





This is a birdwatchers' paradise too. They seek the talismanic shoebill in wetlands and roam forests ticking off Albertine Rift endemics and rare Congo-Guinea biome species. Prime birdwatching destinations include Bwindi Impenetrable National Park and The 'Royal Mile' near Murchison Falls National Park, ranked number one and nine respectively by Travel African Magazine in its list of the top 10 birdwatching sites in Africa. Other major birding sites include Queen Elizabeth National Park, home to 604 bird species, and Semliki Forest, which contains 46 Central African birds found nowhere else in East Africa.

Cultural tourism sites and events celebrate the diversity of some 40 ethnic groups and the rich history of the traditional

kingdoms. And if the excitement gets too much, travellers can rest and recuperate at one of the comfortable retreats on the shore of Lake Bunyonyi, beside the white beaches of the Ssesse Islands, or overlooking the crater lakes of Fort Portal.

STANDARDS

Indeed, the standard of accommodation has improved nationwide. Older, historical hotels have been refurbished and new ones built. The 2007 Commonwealth Summit in Kampala was preceded by a dramatic increase in quality hotels in the capital, while luxury lodges and tented camps serve all the major protected areas.





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For communities in and around Uganda's protected areas, well planned tourism can create employment and improve livelihoods, providing local people with an incentive to defend and protect important ecosystems on which they and tourism activities depend.

Working towards this goal is not an easy task. There are many factors at play, including conflicts between communities and parks leading to poaching and other illegal activities.

EXPERIENCE

Communities need to benefit from the parks that border them. By hiring local guides, buying locally made crafts or participating in a community tourism experience, you contribute directly to the well-being of that community and encourage its support of conservation.

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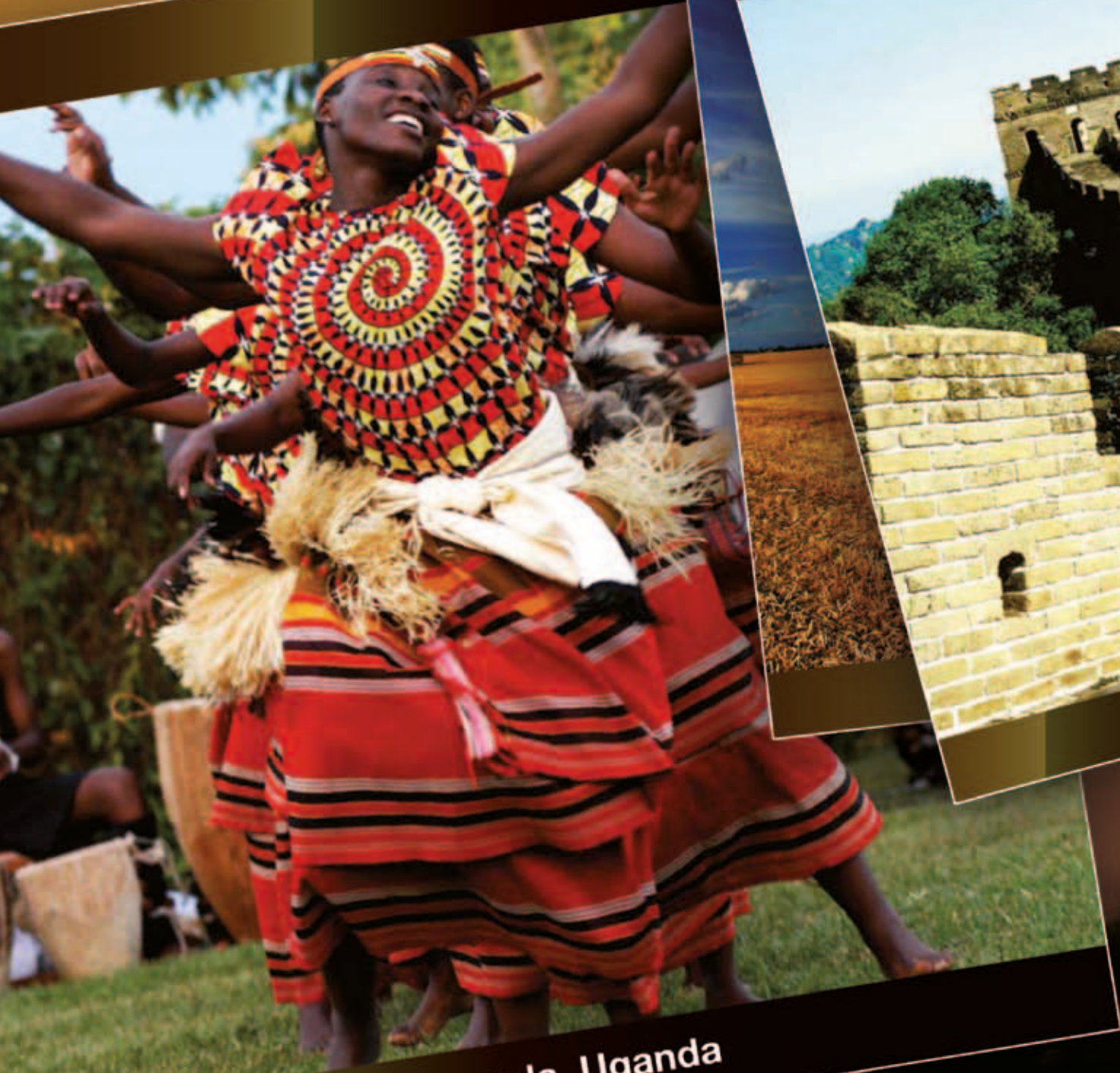
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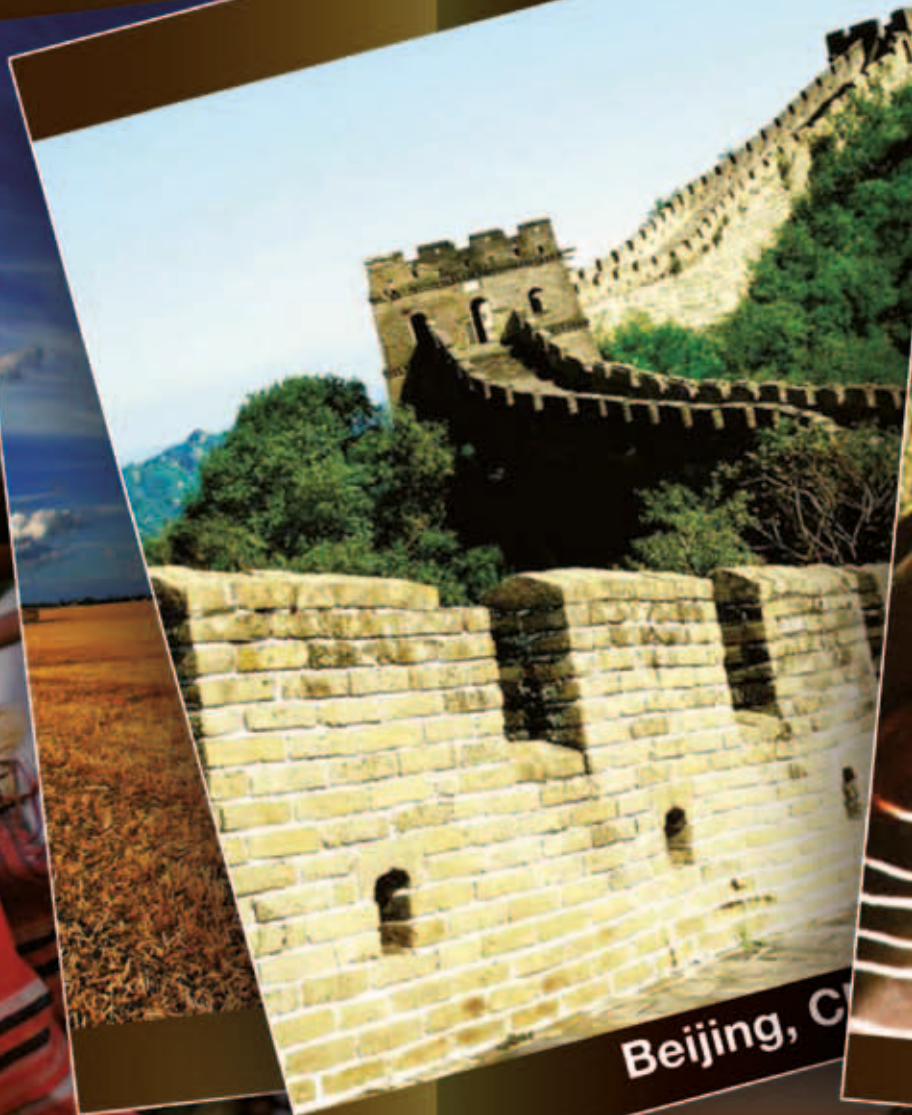




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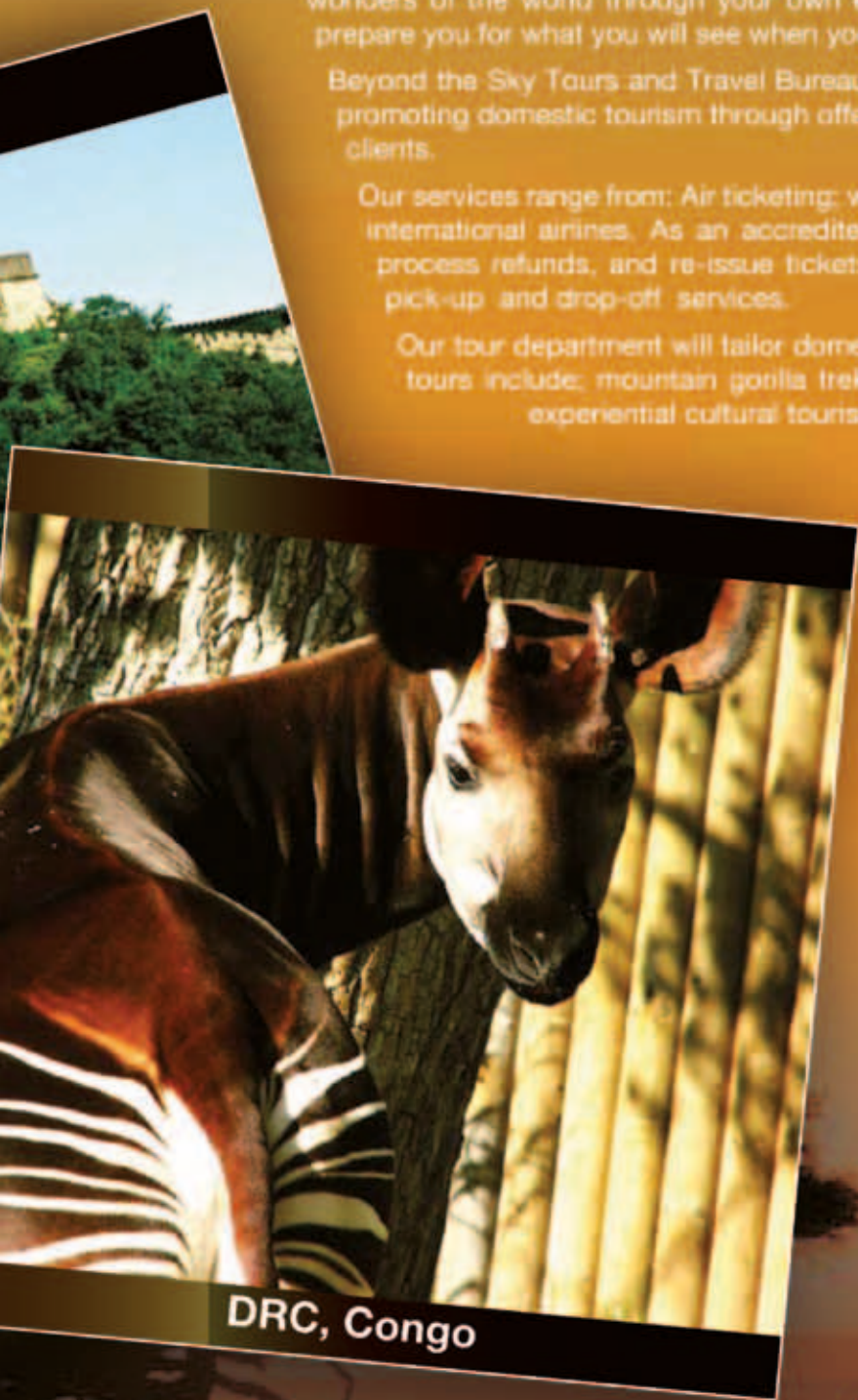
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CENTRAL UGANDA

MODERN AMENITIES, RELAXING RETREATS, HISTORIC SITES



Uganda's primary gateway for international tourists is Entebbe International Airport, close to Entebbe town, the old colonial capital, 35 km south of Kampala, the busy modern capital city.

For tourists with fixed itineraries, these towns are primarily staging points before and after a safari to western Uganda. However, visitors with more time will find a multitude of diversions to occupy them in Central Uganda.

RELAX

Kampala offers all the amenities of a modern capital, while Entebbe and Jinja provide relaxing retreats beside Lake Victoria and the Source of the Nile respectively. Although the national parks lie several hours' drive from Kampala, the capital is surrounded by tracts of tropical forest, wetland and lake shores where birds and primates can be found.

Climate: Tropical, tempered by altitude (1,200 metres above sea level). Temperatures rarely rise above 30°C (85°F) or fall below 18°C (65°F). January is the hottest month.



Landscape: The scenery of Central Uganda is dominated by low, flat-topped hills between which broad wetland valleys drain into lakes Victoria and Kyoga.

MAJOR ATTRACTIONS

Kampala: Uganda's bustling capital: With a population exceeding a million, Kampala is by far Uganda's largest urban centre. The fast-growing city has a distinctive setting, spread across a series of prominent hills close to Lake Victoria. Although Kampala has long outgrown its historical title of the City of Seven Hills, the original seven summits remain important

focal points, topped by distinctive landmarks of cultural, religious and colonial significance.

Kampala is an extremely safe city to explore and visitors should be sure to experience the striking contrasts within the city centre on the slopes of Nakasero Hill. Above Kampala Road, the main thoroughfare, leafy avenues are lined by restored colonial buildings – many occupied by quality restaurants and hotels – and brand-new office buildings while, downhill, congested streets

CULTURE AND PEOPLE

The people of Kampala – and Ugandans in general – are friendly and approachable. Although, today, Kampala is a social and cultural melting pot, it remains the historical capital of the regional kingdom of Buganda, home of the Baganda, Uganda's most numerous people. The Baganda are intensely proud of their Kabaka (king) and history and traditions that date back to the 16th century.

CENTRAL UGANDA

descend to colourful markets, chaotic bus parks and a permanent gridlock of vehicles, boda bodas (moped taxis) and pedestrians.

Kampala offers a wide choice of accommodation including several five-star hotels – this sector was greatly expanded prior to the Kampala Commonwealth Summit in 2007 – decent mid-range hotels and popular back-packer hostels.

CULTURAL AND HISTORICAL SITES

A number of historical sites in and around Kampala relate to a time of dramatic change in the late 19th century when the Baganda encountered Islamic traders and British colonialists and missionaries. Several stand on the city's original seven hills, notably, the Protestant Cathedral on Namirembe Hill, the Catholic Cathedral on Rubaga, Fort Lugard in Old Kampala and the Kabaka's Palace at Lubiri. Further afield are the Kasubi and Wamala Tombs, Katereke Prison Ditch, Naggalabi Coronation Site and the Namugongo Martyrs' Shrine. Contemporary culture comes to life at Kampala's Ndero Centre, where a regular programme of events presents colourful displays of music and dance from around the country.

Entebbe: Offering tranquillity on the shores of Lake Victoria, Entebbe is a small, quiet town with a diminutive centre laid out between the hilltop State House, the official residence of the President of Uganda, and the lake-shore golf course. A



century ago, it was the gateway to Uganda when steamers conveyed visitors, among them Winston Churchill and Theodore Roosevelt, across Lake Victoria from the Uganda Railway terminus at Kisumu in Kenya. Although this role ended when the railway reached Kampala in 1931, proximity to Uganda's main airport means that Entebbe is still the primary entry point for international arrivals. There is a wide selection of large hotels and guesthouses to accommodate tourists and other travellers.

Attractions: Entebbe's lake-shore Botanical Gardens are home to tropical trees, birds and monkeys, while the nearby Wildlife Education Centre provides a sanctuary for rescued wildlife.

Entebbe is also the launching point for trips to Ngamba Island Chimpanzee Sanctuary, resorts on the Ssesse archipelago and for sport fishermen seeking the mammoth Nile perch.

The Mabira and Mpigi Forest Reserves, an hour's drive from Kampala, are conveniently located to allow visitors to experience a tropical forest.



WESTERN UGANDA

SPECTACULAR PEAKS, CRATER LAKES AND COOL DAYS

Foreign visitors have been entranced by the Mount Rwenzori area of Western Uganda since Henry Stanley and Emin Pasha passed through in 1889.

For this is, arguably, Uganda's most dramatic and scenic region. Between Lake Albert in the north and Lake George in the south, the terrain rises above the plains of the Semliki Valley for over 4,000 metres to the snow-capped summits of the Rwenzori.

Between these extremes, the landscape is pocked by crater lakes and covered with tea plantations, tropical forests, savanna and farmland. Varied and abundant flora and fauna include big game on the rift valley floor in Queen Elizabeth National Park, rare forest birds in Semliki National Park, primates in the depths of Kibale Forest, and the bizarre, giant Afro-alpine plants that grow in the shadow of the Rwenzori snow peaks.



LANDSCAPE

This distinctive region is dominated by the 5,100 metre Rwenzori mountain, the western and southern slopes of which drop into the drier plains of the Western - or Albertine - Rift Valley (620 to 900 metres above sea level). The green and hilly Fort Portal plateau to the east is dotted with volcanic craters.

Opportunities for exploring without a vehicle include trekking on the Rwenzori, chimpanzee tracking in Kibale forest and scenic walks among the Ndali crater lakes.



Climate: Altitude affords the Rwenzori region a pleasantly cool climate. Conditions are hotter - with a mean maximum of 28°C (80°F) - and drier on the low-lying rift valley floor.

Culture and people: The Rwenzori is home to the Bakonzo mountain people, while the Semliki valley is inhabited by the Bwamba tribe and a community of Batwa Pygmies. The countryside east of the mountain lies in the Kingdom of Toro, home of the Batoro.

MAJOR ATTRACTIONS

Explosion crater fields: The scenic Ndali crater field, 20 km south of Fort Portal, is the largest of Western Uganda's several clusters of extinct volcanic craters.

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Dozens of craters, including 30 lakes, await discovery by vehicle or bicycle or on foot. A smaller sprinkling of craters north of Fort Portal town is notable for the cliff-lined Lake Kyaninga, arguably Uganda's loveliest lake.

Kibale National Park: This mainly forested park, 795 sq km in area, is best known for its primate populations. Thirteen species, nine of them diurnal, are present including chimpanzee, L'Hoest's monkey and red colobus. Chimpanzee tracking is the main activity, while birdwatchers are drawn to the park and the community-run Bigodi Wetland Sanctuary by a bird list of 335 species.

Rwenzori Mountains National Park: Africa's highest mountain range, the 5,100 metre Rwenzori or Mountains of the Moon is the snowy source of the Nile referred to by early geographers, 17 centuries before European explorers marked it on their maps. The high Rwenzori is a wonderland of glacier-carved valleys filled with fantastically coloured mosses

and gigantic forms of lobelias, heathers and groundsels. Expeditions use a chain of basic huts and campsites to ascend the mountain. Global warming seems set to melt East Africa's equatorial snows within 25 years, so the time to climb the Rwenzori is now.

Semliki National Park: The easternmost tract of the Congo's great Ituri Forest, Semliki is an exciting destination for primate and bird watchers. Fifteen primate species – more even than Kibale – live within 6 km of the primeval hot springs at Sempaya, while the 441 recorded bird species include 216 forest birds and 80 Central African species found in few, if any, other East African forests. Black dwarf hornbill, shining blue kingfisher, Nkulengu rail and yellow-throated nicator are just a few random highlights cited by the park's experienced guides. Although birdwatchers stay overnight in basic UWA bandas, most travellers visit Semliki as a day trip from Fort Portal.

Fort Portal: Generally held to be Uganda's most attractive town, Fort Portal is surrounded by tea plantations and enjoys a scenic Rwenzori backdrop and a pleasant climate. A selection of good hotels makes it an ideal base for exploring the region.

ACCOMMODATION

Kibale Forest and the Ndali Crater Field is served by a wide range of lodgings, from the upmarket Primate Lodge at the chimp tracking trailhead and the engagingly eccentric Ndali Lodge, through a range of mid market cottages and tented units, to budget rooms and campsites. Fort Portal's accommodation menu is dignified by the historic Mountains of the Moon Hotel, while the monumental, crater-rim edifice of the log-built Kyaninga Lodge is one of the sights of Uganda.





Fort Portal and Kampala are connected by 300 km of surfaced road. Mweya, in the centre of Elizabeth National Park, lies 120 km south of Fort Portal.

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GORILLA TRACKING

- A CLOSE ENCOUNTER YOU WON'T REGRET

Uganda's foremost tourist attraction and, indeed, one of the world's most remarkable wildlife encounters is tracking the rare mountain gorilla in the remote forests of south-western Uganda. These magnificent animals, found only in the forests of Bwindi Impenetrable and the Virunga volcanoes, number less than 800, over half of them in Uganda.

PRIVILEGE

Mountain gorilla tracking is one of the world's most exclusive and remarkable wildlife encounters. To minimise disturbance to these endangered great apes, only eight people may track each of the habituated gorilla group each day, while viewing time is strictly limited to one hour. As wildlife viewing goes, it is difficult to conceive how or where on earth 60

minutes could be more rewardingly spent. Gorilla tracking offers the privilege of encountering one of the world's rarest animals in its natural habitat and, by doing so, helping to fund its continued survival. Although gorillas

are undeniably intelligent and impressive creatures to watch – a silverback can weigh over 200 kg (450 lb) – the greatest rewards are less tangible. The gorilla is one of our closest relatives and few observers emerge from the magic hour without feeling an unfathomable and often profoundly moving connection.

Climate: The driest months are January and February and June to September, although heavy rain can fall at any time of year. Evening temperatures are cool.

Landscape: Bwindi Forest constitutes an island of remnant forest in a densely cultivated region of hills and deep valleys adjoining the Albertine Rift Valley and the Virunga volcanoes.

ATTRACTIONS

Bwindi Impenetrable Forest: A unique wildlife experience. Biologically, the Bwindi Impenetrable is one of Africa's richest forests, owing to its great age (over 25,000 years) and an altitudinal range spanning 1,400 metres. The impressive list of species includes 350 birds, 310 butterflies, 200 trees, 51 reptiles, 88 moths and 120 mammals including several primates, among them chimpanzees, black-and-white colobus, blue monkeys,



CULTURE AND PEOPLE

The Bwindi hills are inhabited by the Bakiga, hard-working farmers who have shaped the region's distinctive landscape of steep, terraced hills. Batwa Pygmies inhabit the margins of Bwindi and Mgahinga forests. Fascinating forest walks provide insights into their traditional lifestyle.

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grey-cheeked mangabey, L'Hoest's monkey and our star attraction, the mountain gorilla. Bwindi has 10 habituated gorilla groups, which are tracked from four trailheads. Eight permits are available for each group, giving a daily maximum of 80 permits. Tracking the mountain gorilla takes two to eight hours depending on the location of the group. The adventure requires a reasonable level of fitness, as the Impenetrable Forest is well named – the gorilla's homeland comprises dense, tangled vegetation on a mountainous landscape of deep valleys and steep ridges.

INSIGHT

Bwindi is also one of Uganda's top bird-watching destinations, with 350 types of bird including many localised Albertine

Rift endemic species. Outside the forest, Community Walks provide an insight into the lives of the Bakiga people living beside the forest. A walk through nearby Buniga Forest with a Batwa Pygmy guide demonstrates the traditional hunter-gatherer existence of Uganda's oldest extant tribal group.

Mgahinga Gorilla National Park: This small park, covering just 38 sq km, has a magnificent setting on the northern slopes of the Virunga volcanoes. Two rare primates, mountain gorillas and golden monkeys, can be tracked, although the gorillas frequently roam 'out of bounds' into neighbouring Rwanda and Congo. The park's three dormant volcanoes can be climbed; and on the summit of Mount Sabinyo, you can stand simultaneously in Uganda, Rwanda and the Democratic Republic



 **TRAVEL**

The Bwindi trailheads are eight to 10 hours' drive from Kampala. Tarmac extends to the towns of Kabale, Kisoro and Rukungiri, beyond which dirt roads wind into the hills. The journey is best covered over two days, stopping overnight in Lake Mburo. Daily flights from Kampala to Kihiki (40 km from Buhoma) take just 90 minutes.

of Congo. The guided Batwa Trail illustrates aspects of forest life before descending into Garama Cave, once home to the Batwa king, where underground acoustics add resonance to a memorable musical finale.

Lake Mburo National Park: Our smallest savanna park (370 sq km) provides a welcome break on the long drive between Kampala and the gorilla parks of south-western Uganda. Mihingo Lodge, perched atop an ancient

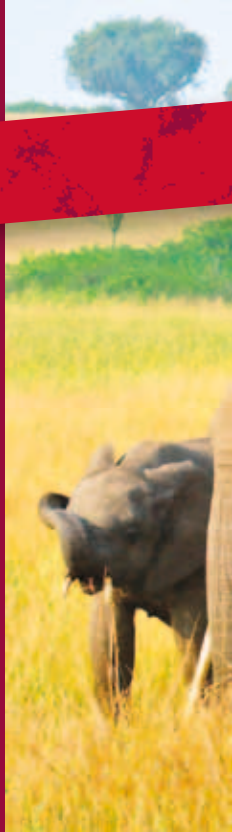
granite kopje, provides a perfect base to explore a mosaic of habitats including open water, wetland, grassland, woodland and forest patches. Wildlife species such as impala, zebra, eland and topi that are rare or absent from other Ugandan parks can be viewed on game drives, a boat cruise and on horseback.

Lake Bunyonyi: Dotted with islands and enclosed by steep, terraced hills, Africa's second-deepest lake is unforgettably scenic. Island lodges and camps provide perfect settings to recuperate after the exertion of tracking gorillas.

Accommodation: Lake Mburo and the Bwindi and Mgahinga trailheads are all provided with upmarket and mid-range option lodges. Comfortable mid-range lodges and hotels are also available at Lake Bunyonyi and the regional towns of Kabale and Kisoro.

QUEEN ELIZABETH NATIONAL PARK

HUGE VARIETY OF WILDLIFE IN A STUNNING LOCATION



Uganda's most scenic and diverse park has a fabulous location on the floor of the Albertine Rift Valley, 914 metres above sea level, at the foot of the 5,100 metre Rwenzori Mountains.

Varied habitats such as lakes, rivers, open savanna, acacia woodland, tropical forest and vast wetlands support an impressive 95 mammal species and over 600 species of bird – a remarkable total for a park covering less than 2,000 sq km and one that is surpassed in Africa only by the neighbouring and larger Virunga National Park in Congo.

SPECTACULAR

With boat trips on the 40 km Kazinga Channel, a meandering drive among spectacular volcanic craters, lion viewing on the Kasenyi

LANDSCAPE

The national park lies on the floor of the Albertine Rift Valley where it is enclosed by the valley's bounding escarpments, the Rwenzori Mountains and lakes Edward and George.





Plains, chimpanzee tracking in the depths of Kyambura Gorge, walks into the dark depths of Maramagambo Forest and game drives beneath the vast skies of the remote wilderness of Ishasha, Queen Elizabeth National Park has plenty to interest any visitor.

Climate: The park experiences two rainy seasons during March-May and August-November. Its location on the low-lying rift valley floor is hotter and drier than most parts of Uganda with a mean maximum temperature of 28°C (80°F).

People: The plains beneath the Rwenzori Mountains to the north are inhabited by Basangora pastoralists while Bakiga, Banyaraguru and Ankole people live south of the Kazinga Channel.

ATTRACTIONS

Channel cruise: The park's most enduring activity is the two-hour return launch trip from Mweya Peninsula along the Kazinga Channel to Lake Edward. The shoreline is home to crocodiles, hundreds of hippo and a variety of waterbirds, while herds of elephant, buffalo, leopard, waterbuck and Uganda kob are regular visitors from the plains beyond.

BIRDWATCHING

Opportunities range from easy waterbird sightings on the comfortable Mweya launch to careful searches for rare species in the Maramagambo Forest. The following is just a small selection of rare or remarkable birds: black-rumped buttonquail, broad-billed roller, papyrus gonolek, western-banded snake eagle, African fish eagle, white-backed night heron, Pel's fishing owl, black bee eater, shoebill, rufus-bellied heron, great blue turaco, black and white casqued hornbill and African finfoot.



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Game viewing: East of Mweya, the Kasenyi grasslands are known for the lion prides that prey on large herds of Uganda kob. Lion encounters are guaranteed by accompanying the park's Predator Research Project as its members monitor radio-tagged prides. In the far south of Queen Elizabeth National Park lie the remote grasslands of Ishasha. These are home to elephant, topi, buffalo and the

park's most famous residents, the tree-climbing lions of Ishasha.

Volcanic craters:

A 24 km Crater Drive winds through a scenic cluster of extinct volcanic craters filled, variously, with lakes, forest and savanna. Flamingos regularly visit additional craters at Kyambura and Katwe. At Katwe Salt



Lake, just outside the national park, visitors can see salt being produced, using a centuries-old method, from evaporation pans.

Forest walks: In the shady Maramagambo Forest birdwatchers can add forest species to their water and grassland sightings. Chimpanzees and other primates are found in the depths of the nearby Kyambura Gorge.

OPTIONS

Accommodation: Hotels and lodges exist for all budgets. Options include upmarket lodges and tented camps as well as basic hostels, cottages and campsites. Mid-range and budget options are found outside the park boundary.



Two roughly equidistant routes, both on good tarmac, lead from Kampala to Mweya in the heart of the park. A northern approach runs via Fort Portal and the Rwenzori (410 km) and a southern route passes Lake Mburu (420 km). Ishasha, in the southern part of the park, is just 63 km from Bwindi Impenetrable National Park. Daily flights from Kampala to airstrips near Mweya and Ishasha take 90 minutes.



RIVER NILE ADDS MAGIC TO FAVOURITE GAME PARK



LANDSCAPE

The Murchison terrain is bisected by a steep escarpment that drops down from the Bunyoro plateau to Lake Albert and the Albertine Rift Valley. Within the park, the plateau is vegetated by woodland and tropical forest while the hot rift valley plains are covered by savanna and bush. Beyond the Nile, the landscape is flat and increasingly dry.

Over a century has gone by since Winston Churchill famously described the game-rich plains around Murchison Falls as 'Kew Gardens and the Zoo on an unlimited scale' – and his words still hold true today.

Although wildlife was hit hard by poachers during the 1970s and 1980s, the 5,000 sq km wilderness of Uganda's largest conservation area once again contains healthy populations of its 76 mammal species, including elephant, giraffe, hartebeest, buffalo, lion, leopard, Uganda kob and hippo. Varied habitats, such as savanna, open water, papyrus swamp, woodland and tropical forest, are also home to 450 bird species.

The Nile is the lifeblood of Murchison Falls National Park,



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MURCHISON FALLS



ACCOMMODATION

Murchison Falls National Park contains two upmarket hotels and a tented camp and a choice of mid-market and budget options.

sustaining large numbers of resident hippo, crocodile and waterbirds as well as other regularly visiting animals. After dropping into the national park at Karuma Falls, the river races down 80 km of rapids before crashing 40 metres (130 ft) onto the rift valley floor over the thunderous Murchison Falls. River launches ply the broad, tranquil stream below the falls to provide a novel, reliable and comfortable means of game viewing.

Traditional game drives are available as well as forest walks in search of birds and primates. Outside the

park, the rich history of the ancient Bunyoro Kingdom can be explored at a number of cultural sites.

Climate: The Nile corridor below Murchison Falls is the lowest part of Uganda and temperatures are hot, with a mean high of 29°C (80°F). Wet seasons occur during mid March-June and August-September.



Landscape: Culture and people: The Murchison Nile separates two distinct ethnic groups, the Bantu-speaking Bunyoro and the Nilotic peoples of northern Uganda. South of the river, the Bunyoro Kingdom was once one of Africa's greatest empires. More recently, thousands of Acholi and Langi people living north of the Nile were displaced during a prolonged rebellion. Although the region has been at peace since 2006, these societies are struggling to return to normal.

MAJOR ATTRACTIONS

The park contains three virtually mandatory visitor activities. First is the morning game drive across the beautiful Buligi grasslands to the shores of the Albert Nile. Game drives are, of course, a standard component of any East African safari. Game cruises,



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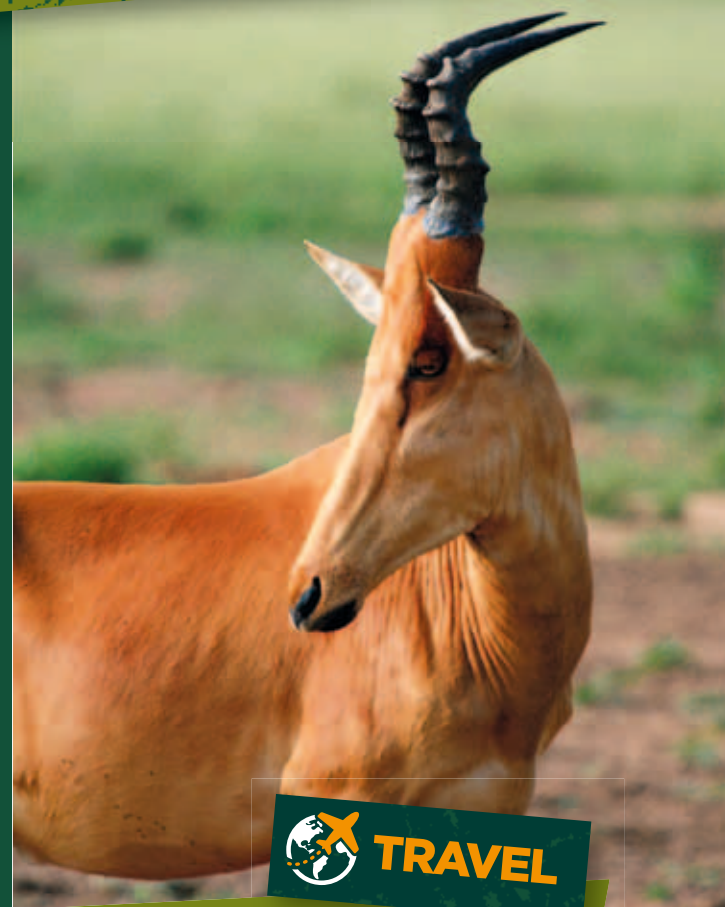
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on the other hand, are considerably rarer, while those who travel between wildlife-rich river banks to the base of the highest waterfall on the Nile can be counted on a single finger. The Murchison launch trip is as unique as the sight of the falls is unforgettable. Even so, the prospect must certainly be supplemented by a visit to the Top of the Falls to see, hear and feel the waters of the mighty Nile exploding through a 6 metre gorge.

POPULAR

Murchison is a popular birdwatching destination, with 450 species recorded. Additional craft cruise downriver towards Lake Albert to seek waterbirds, most notably the shoebill, while 59 'restricted range' species, including Albertine rift endemics and rare Central African species, await in the Budongo and Kaniyo Pabidi forests. Primates, including chimpanzee, can also be tracked in Kaniyo Pabidi forest.



Paraa, the park's main tourism hub, is 310 km from Kampala. A surfaced road extends as far as Masindi town, 85 km before Paraa. Daily flights from Kampala to Murchison take one hour.

Cultural sites: Hoima town, south of the park, contains cultural attractions related to the Bunyoro Kingdom: Mparo Tombs, Hoima Palace and Katasiha Fort. At Kibero Salt Gardens beside Lake Albert, salt has been produced since the 13th century.

Bringing rhinos home: Guided walks in the 70 sq km Ziwa Rhino Sanctuary provide the only opportunity to encounter rhinos in the wild in Uganda. Heavy poaching during the 1980s had left Uganda without rhinos, until animals from Kenya and the United States were brought to Ziwa in 2004-5. The sanctuary's first baby was born in 2009 from a Kenyan father and American mother. His name? Obama, of course!



EASTERN & NORTHERN UGANDA

FARAWAY LAND OF MOUNTAINS, FORESTS AND WATERFALLS



While the beaten tourist track runs south-west from Kampala, those heading in the opposite direction can discover some equally beautiful but far from crowded destinations.

Eastern Uganda's most distinctive geographical feature is the 4,321 metre high Mount Elgon, the world's largest free-standing volcanic mountain. On its slopes, walkers will find waterfalls, montane panoramas and vast forests. Far to the north, on the border with South Sudan, an exciting diversity of wildlife is found in Kidepo Valley National Park, one of Africa's last great wildernesses.

Climate: Mount Elgon experiences dry seasons from June to August and December to March. Night-time temperatures are cold at high altitude. Kidepo Valley is hotter and drier, with a single, prolonged dry season between October and March.

Culture and people: The Bagisu people on the southern slopes of Mount Elgon are known for their biannual imbalu ceremony in which boys are initiated into manhood through circumcision. The Karamojong, who live between





Mount Elgon and Kidepo Valley, are pastoralists who continue to resist change in favour of their traditional, semi-nomadic lifestyle.

MAJOR ATTRACTIONS

Mount Elgon: Mount Elgon National Park is an ideal setting for both short and extended hikes. The park's Forest Exploration Centre at Kapkwai offers guided walks through montane forest and bamboo to reach caves and waterfalls. Longer treks, several days in duration, ascend to the 4,321 metre summit of the mountain. The main peaks form the fractured rim of the world's largest caldera, 8 km in diameter, containing glacial lakes and hot springs.

Marvellous opportunities for walking also exist outside the park, notably at Sipi village, where

LANDSCAPE

Uganda's eastern frontier is covered by extensive plains dotted with extinct volcanoes and isolated mountain ranges. The highest and most extensive of these is the 4,000 sq km Mount Elgon. Moving north through the remote region of Karamoja towards Kidepo Valley, the landscape becomes progressively drier.



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Many visitors travel between Kampala and Kidepo by plane, preferring the 1 hour 45 minute flight to a 590 km drive. However, growing numbers are travelling overland, stopping overnight in Murchison Falls National Park or the towns of Gulu or Kitgum.

the Sipi River plunges in quick succession over three lofty waterfalls. If rambling seems rather too pedestrian, longer distances and greater heights can be achieved by mountain biking and tandem paragliding.

Accommodation: Mount Elgon National Park offers basic cottages at Kapkwai, while mid-range lodges, backpacker cottages and campsites surround Sipi village. At the foot of the mountain, below the towering Wanale Cliffs, Mbale town contains several good hotels and is an ideal base for exploring the region.

Travel: Mbale is 230 km (four hours' drive) from Kampala on good tarmac roads and Sipi another 50 km (one hour's drive).

Kidepo Valley National Park: Located on the Sudan border in the farthest corner of wild Karamoja district, Kidepo is one of Africa's most magnificent wildernesses. Big game

favourites – elephant, giraffe, zebra, eland, hartebeest, lion, hyena and cheetah, and perhaps Africa's largest single herd of buffalo – roam extensive grasslands surrounded by distant mountain ranges. Wildlife includes species that are rare or absent from other Ugandan-protected areas such as aardwolf, bat-eared fox, cheetah, striped hyena and ostrich. Its isolation means that Kidepo is little visited and visitors can expect a high degree of solitude.

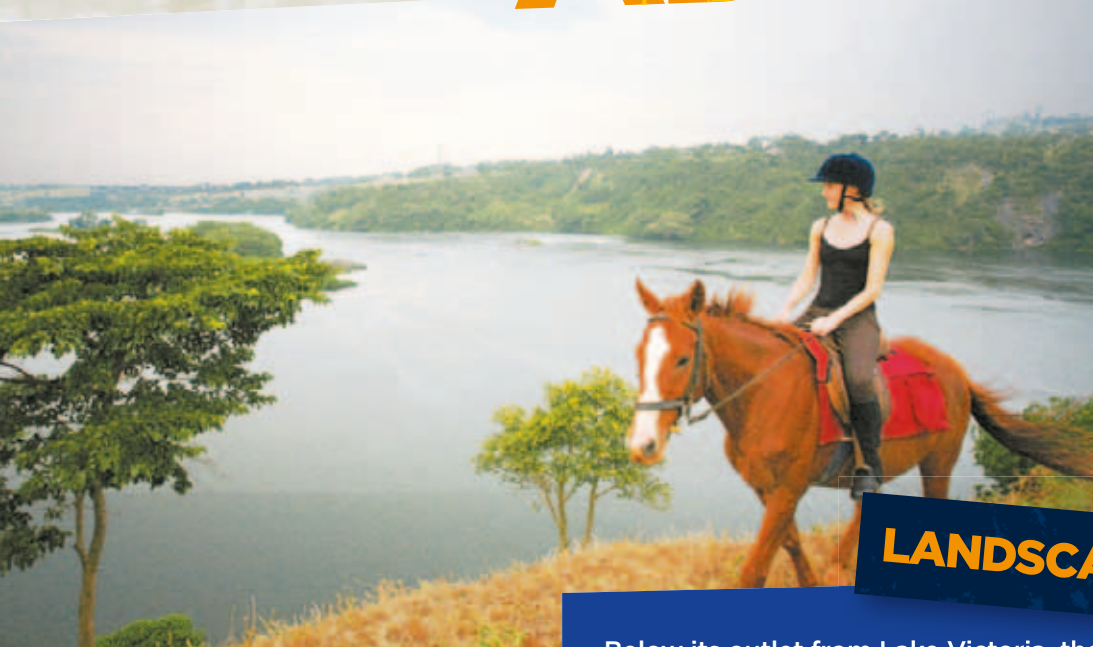
Accommodation: Includes two lodges (one upmarket and one mid range), basic cottages and wilderness campsites.

Other attractions: Nyero Rock paintings near Kumi.





WHERE COLONIAL HISTORY MEETS HIGH-OCTANE ADVENTURE



Jinja town stands beside the sole outflow from Lake Victoria, the location which John Speke reached in 1862 and proclaimed the source of the River Nile, thus settling a geographical conundrum dating back to the Ancient Egyptians.

Today, the source attracts thousands of visitors each year. Some are drawn by a sense of history and a fondness for geography; others by the knowledge that exploring the headwaters of the Nile is considerably more comfortable and entertaining than it was in 1862.

LANDSCAPE

Below its outlet from Lake Victoria, the Nile passes between high, cultivated banks over a series of rapids marked by forested mid-channel islands.

RESTORATION

Many of Jinja's fine colonial-era buildings have been restored as hotels and restaurants, while the riverbank can be enjoyed with equipment as basic as a set of golf clubs. The prospect

JINJA AND THE NILE

of adventure still persists and the turbulent headwaters of this iconic river can also be experienced with kayaks, rafts, jet boats, quad bikes and – this may not be for everyone – with a bungee rope strapped around one’s ankles.

Climate: The Nile corridor enjoys good weather all year round.

Culture and people: The Nile at Jinja divides two tribes; the Baganda live on the west bank and the Basoga on the eastern or Jinja side. The Nile is of great cultural importance to both groups and rituals are performed at shrines at Bujagali Falls and Kalagala Falls.

MAJOR ATTRACTIONS

Jinja: With a combination of high-octane activities and relaxing excursions, decent hotels and restaurants, pleasant scenery and an enduring historical significance, the Jinja Nile is one of Uganda’s main tourism destinations, offering relaxation, history and adventure.

The main attraction in the quiet, riverside town of Jinja is a visit to Speke’s Source of the Nile. Seven kilometres to the north, the pace of life



is very different at Bujagali, now firmly established as East Africa’s adventure tourism hub. Each year, thousands of tourists, backpackers and overland truckers flock to the river to raft a sequence of high-grade rapids on what is considered one of the world’s finest tracts of white water.

ACTIVITIES

Rafting is no longer the only high point, however. Other activities to keep the adrenaline flowing include kayaking, quad biking, jet boating, and a 44-metre bungee jump over the river. The full menu caters for mild as well as wild tastes. The creation of Lake Bujagali behind a new hydro-power dam in 2012 has opened the way for gentler excursions such as family boat trips, fishing excursions, sundowner cruises and paddle boarding. On shore, horse riding and mountain biking provide alternative means of exploration.



ACCOMMODATION

Jinja town offers upmarket guesthouses and mid-range and budget hotels. Bujagali Falls has backpacker accommodation and a mid-range tented camp while, upriver, superior lodges overlook the rapids at Overtime and Kalagala. Mabira Forest has an upmarket lodge and backpacker accommodation.

Mabira Forest: Mabira Forest, between Kampala and Jinja, offers a taste of a tropical forest just an hour from the capital. Central Uganda's largest forest reserve offers guided and unguided forest walks, specialist bird-watching and mountain biking.

Travel: Jinja is 80 km east of Kampala on a tarmac road. Travel time is about two hours.



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SUPPORTING THE RISE IN QUALITY AND CHOICE

The Uganda Hotel Owners' Association (UHOA) has been in operation for over 12 years and has more than 200 members.



Uganda Hotel Owners' Association

The association was founded in order to provide a common thread for Uganda's hotel owners by promoting and protecting accommodation services nationwide. The constant aim has been to provide up-to-date information about the standards of accommodation and hospitality being offered to both domestic and international tourists.

VISION

Year by year, the tourism and hotel sector in Uganda has continued to grow, with a notable increase in both the number of new properties and the room capacity of existing hotels.

The expansion of tourism activities, such as gorilla and chimpanzee trekking, birdwatching, bungee jumping, fishing and rafting, has helped support the standards and demand for new hotels. The association constantly monitors all improvements in the hotel industry, from infrastructure to staff training and the quality of hospitality.

MEMBERSHIP

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Administrative divisions: 111 districts across four administrative regions

Area: 93,065 sq km (land: 76,101 sq km, water 16,965 sq km)

Borders: 2,698 km (Democratic Republic of Congo 765 km, Kenya 933 km, Rwanda 169 km, South Sudan 435 km, Tanzania 396 km).

Banking hours: Mon to Fri 8.30 am to 6.00 pm; Sat 9.00 am to 4.00 pm.

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Capital: Kampala.

Climate: Tropical. Rainy seasons, March to May, and September to November; dry seasons, December to February and mid June to mid August. Mean annual temperatures range from about 16°C (61°F) in the southwestern highlands to 25°C (77°F) in the northwest; but in the northeast, temperatures exceed 30°C (86°F) about 254 days per year.

Currency: The Uganda Shilling (UGX).

Elevations: Highest point: Margherita Peak on Mount Stanley at 5,110 metres.

Ethnic groups: Buganda, Iteso, Basoga, Banyankore, Banyarwanda, Bakiga, Lango, Acholi, Lugbara, Banyoro, Batoro, Karamojong and European.

Electricity: 240 volts AC 50 Hz. Square-pin plugs mostly used.

Exchange rate: UGX 2,350 per US dollar (2011)

History: Uganda gained independence from Britain in 1962, maintaining its Commonwealth membership.

Industries: Cotton, coffee, tea, sugar, tobacco and textiles.

Geography: Uganda is landlocked. The south of the country includes a substantial portion of Lake Victoria. The centre is dominated by Lake Kyoga.

Languages: The official language is English, although many other languages are spoken in Uganda.

Public holidays: 1 January, 26 January (Liberation Day), 8 March (International Women's Day), Good Friday, Easter Monday, 1 May (Labour Day), 3 June (Martyrs' Day), 9 June (National Heroes' Day), 30 August (Eid al-Fitr/End of Ramadan), 9 October (Independence Day), 6 November (Eid al-Adha/Feast of the Sacrifice) 25 December (Christmas Day), 26 December (Boxing Day).

Population: 34.5 million (2011 estimate)

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Religions: Christian 84 per cent, Muslim 12 per cent, other 1 per cent, none 0.7 per cent (2002 census).

Topography: The greater part of Uganda consists of a plateau. Along the western border are the Rwenzori Mountains. The eastern frontier is dominated by Mount Elgon, while the Western Rift Valley runs from north to south through the western half of the country.



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