

Uganda Service, Nile & Chimpanzees

8 Day Expedition



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Highlights

- Live on a small island hideaway on the River Nile
- Work on vital ongoing community projects
- Learn about local conservation initiatives
- Visit Ngamba Island Chimp Sanctuary
- Experience Ugandan culture

Create real impact

You're in the hands of the community you live in. You will work collaboratively with them on projects that are based on what they believe needs doing. So one thing is for sure, your work will be purposeful and impactful.

Your only limit is yourself

The support Camps gives you before during and after your experience covers every last detail, so what you make of it, is up to you.

We are a social enterprise

Our business model is designed to have maximum, long term impact in partnership with the communities we are based within. We believe that as a business we have enhanced our impact because we are not reliant on funding or grants.

Overview

Based in a unique location in Uganda "The Pearl of Africa", this trip takes in vital community activities and conservation initiatives. Camp Uganda work in partnership with Kirundi Primary School. This provides students with the opportunity to take part in worthwhile community projects before travelling by boat to Ngamba Island, 23km into Lake Victoria, to visit a chimp sanctuary and learn about primate conservation.

The itinerary encourages students to take on new challenges and provides a unique, educational experience.



Location

Hairy Lemon Island is a small island hideaway on the River Nile. It is a unique and beautiful little Eden in the middle of the river with secluded spots, great bird life and red-tailed monkeys happily play up in the trees. Arrival and departure to the Hairy Lemon Island is by traditional wood canoe.

Accommodation

Our groups will be camping in tents on top of the lookout hill. All power in the Hairy Lemon is generated from solar energy in their efforts to remain as ecologically friendly as possible. There are both flushing toilets and composting toilets offered and open air cold water showers.

8 Day Uganda Itinerary

Day 1: Arrive Entebbe International Airport and transfer to Camp Hairy Lemon (Overnight Camp Hairy Lemon)

Arrive into Entebbe International Airport and transfer to Hairy Lemon Island which takes approximately 4 hrs. Upon arrival, settle into camp and receive a safety and orientation briefing.

Day 2: Project Work (Overnight Camp Hairy Lemon)

After breakfast, the group will head to Kirindi Primary School by crossing the Nile River by canoe. The team will be given a briefing of daily school life and overview of ongoing projects. Work could include building a kitchen or classroom, tree planting, plastering and/or painting.

Day 3-5: Community Project Work (Overnight Camp Hairy Lemon)

The next few days will be spent working on vital projects in the local community. The project work will vary depending on the needs of the community at that time. Evenings will be spent resting in hammocks under the stars, enjoying a home cooked dinner and reflecting on the day's activities.

Day 6: Travel to Entebbe via Jinja (Overnight Entebbe Backpackers)

Today, the group will say goodbye to Hairy Lemon Island and transfer to Entebbe. On the way, there will be a stop off at a local African town called Jinja to buy souvenirs and try local delicacies. Carry on to camp in Entebbe for a well-deserved rest and an evening at your leisure after dinner.

Day 7: Ngamba Island Chimpanzee Sanctuary (Overnight Entebbe Backpackers)

Today is a fun day out in Lake Victoria - where the group will take a motorised canoe and travel to Ngamba Island. Here, the group will learn about man's closest relative - the chimpanzee and learn about their rehabilitation back into the wild. In the afternoon, head to the viewing platform to watch feeding time before heading back by boat to Entebbe for your final evening in Uganda.

Day 8: Transfer to airport and depart

After breakfast, the team will head to the airport to catch their departure flight.

Although it is our intention to operate the itinerary as detailed above, it may be necessary to make some changes as a result of climatic conditions, alterations to flight schedules, or other operational factors.



Overview



Included

- Comprehensive travel insurance
- UK Expedition Leader
- Fully staffed camps and local guides
- Entrance fees for all sights listed in the itinerary
- All transfers listed in air-conditioned vehicles
- Accommodation
- All meals
- Unlimited drinking water
- Project costs and management
- 24 hours support throughout expedition

Not Included

- International flights
- Visa
- Vaccinations
- Spending money
- Additional food and drinks
- Personal equipment

Weather

Situated near the equator, Uganda is known for its tropical climate of fine sunny and rainy weather with very little temperature variation throughout the year. The average annual temperature is 26°C. In the southern part of the country, April is the rainiest month. Rains stretch up to May with another wet season in October to November. Most of Uganda is green all year round.



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