

## **'A Celebration of African Wildlife & Tribal Life'**

### **Extension Opportunities**

You may wish to add the following trip either as an extension to the 'Celebration of African Wildlife', or to be taken before your visit to the Masai Mara.

#### **Sabyinyo Silverback Lodge – Rwanda**

Four day, three night trip to see the Mountain Gorillas

Sabyinyo Silverback Lodge is situated on the edge of the Parc National des Volcans in North Western Rwanda, at an altitude of over 8,000ft. The rainforests of the five Virunga Volcanoes are the last refuge of the Mountain Gorilla – the lush slopes providing an appropriately dramatic natural setting for what is perhaps one of the most poignant and thrilling wildlife experience to be had anywhere. Roughly half of the world's wild population of Mountain Gorilla's is resident on the Rwandan slopes of the Virungas, and Gorilla trekking (which can be strenuous) is not the only activity on offer. Sabyinyo Silverback Lodge provides the perfect base from which to explore this fascinating corner of Africa. You can visit the nearby market town of Ruhengeri, beautiful lakes, and the community and conservation projects are designed for you to take maximum advantage of this unique area, its wildlife and its culture.



#### **Day 1**

Upon arriving in Kigali you will be met by your driver and driven to Sabyinyo Silverback Lodge where lunch will be served in the main lodge with its scenic vistas of the Virunga Volcanoes. Afternoon will be at leisure in order to allow you to settle in and acclimatise to the altitude – perhaps taking in a surprisingly fascinating guided bird walk in the surrounds of the lodge, before returning for dinner.

#### **Day 2**

After an early breakfast, you will depart by road to the Parc National des Volcans headquarters. Here you will be greeted by your guide who will give you a safety briefing before your gorilla trek in the forest. The amount of time spent walking will be dependent upon the gorilla family you are allocated and where they are likely to be found on that day. Once your family is sighted you will spend a maximum of an hour with the gorillas, after which you will return to your vehicle and onto the lodge for lunch. Afternoon is spent at leisure, perhaps visiting the beautiful lakes of Kivu, Burera, Ruhondo and Karago. Return for dinner and overnight at the Lodge.



### **Day 3**

An early breakfast once again prior to departing for your second gorilla trek, with the possibility of visiting a different gorilla family. Return to the Lodge for lunch. In the afternoon there is an opportunity to relax or take a drive to the nearby bustling market town of Ruhengeri. Return to Sabyinyo for dinner and overnight.

### **Day 4**

After breakfast at the Lodge you will be driven to Kigali in time for your onward or return flight.

Your package includes:

- Three nights full board and accommodation at the Sabyinyo Silverback Lodge
- Two Gorilla trekking permits, one on each day (the cost of these is US\$1,500 per person)
- Visits to Ruhengeri, any of the nearby lakes, and any community projects.
- All transfers

Please note that this safari is bookable for a minimum of 2 adults only

#### **Not included:**

- Visa fees or departure taxes
- \*Return flights from Kigali
- Bar account
- Insurance

**The Price per person is £2,888.00**

#### **Re Flights: *here is the good news!!***

\*International flights from London/Kigali/Nairobi/London (if booking the extension to take place before the 'Celebration') or London/Nairobi/Kigali/London (if booking the extension after the 'Celebration) are the same price (or slightly cheaper) than just booking the London/Nairobi/London flights for the Celebration of African Wildlife itself! If you would like assistance with booking your flights we can source these through our preferred agent, and East Africa specialist, World Express Travel (ATOL No. 73648).