

4-Day Murchison Falls Safari

A private short safari with rhinos at Ziwa, the Nile at Murchison Falls, unhurried game drives, and lodge time shaped around your travel style.

Murchison Safari Overview

This four-day safari is for travelers who want Uganda's classic northern wilderness without rushing the experience. The journey begins gently in Entebbe, then turns north through Ziwa Rhino Sanctuary before reaching Murchison Falls National Park, where the Nile narrows, the savannah opens, and the days settle into game drives, river time, and quiet lodge evenings. **It is compact, but not careless:** your guide shapes the road pace, wildlife timing, and lodge rhythm around the way you like to travel.

4-Day Safari Summary

A clear look at the route, overnight style, and meal plan before we refine the final lodge choice around your dates.

Day	Itinerary	Accommodation	Meal Plan
Day 1	Arrival in Uganda	Boma Guest House or similar Entebbe stay	BB
Day 2	Transfer to Murchison Falls and top of the falls visit	Pakuba Safari Lodge, Paraa Safari Lodge, or similar based on your preferred tier	FB
Day 3	Morning game drive and Nile boat cruise to the falls	Same Murchison Falls lodge	FB
Day 4	Ziwa Rhino tracking and departure	No accommodation (end of itinerary)	BB

Starting price: This safari package starts from \$1190 per person. We then refine the final quote around season, group size, room setup, lodge tier, and live lodge availability before any

payment step.

Meal plan legend: BB = Bed and Breakfast, FB = Full Board (breakfast, lunch, and dinner).

Accommodation Options

Preview two lodge styles we often pair with this safari. Your final quote can lean mid-range, luxury, or a carefully balanced mix depending on availability and budget.



Mid-range: Pakuba Safari Lodge

A comfortable wildlife base with strong park positioning and a practical safari rhythm.



Luxury: Paraa Safari Lodge

A polished Nile-side stay for travelers who want softer landings after each safari day.

PLANNING ESSENTIALS

Murchison Safari Planning

This route starts and ends around Entebbe or Kampala, uses private road transfers, and is best priced after checking real lodge space for your dates.

Price guide

This safari package starts from \$1190 per person. The final quote depends on season, traveler count, lodge tier, room sharing, and whether you add an Entebbe night after the safari.

Pickup and drop-off timing

Day 1 pickup is arranged around your confirmed flight or hotel time. Day 4 drop-off is usually late afternoon or evening in Kampala/Entebbe, so same-day international flights should be late evening only.

Drive times

Day 2 is usually 5-6 hours from Entebbe or Kampala to Murchison with stops. Day 4 is usually 6-7 hours including Ziwa Rhino Sanctuary and drop-off timing.

Flight advice

A late evening departure can work on Day 4, but a final Entebbe night is safer if your international

Start and finish

Starts at Entebbe International Airport, Entebbe hotel, or Kampala hotel. Ends in Kampala, Entebbe, or at the airport depending on your onward timing.

Best travel months

June to September and December to February are usually drier and easier for game drives. March to May and October to November can be greener, quieter, and sometimes better value.

Activity timing

Game drives are strongest early and late. The Nile boat cruise to the falls and top-of-the-falls visit are planned around park operations, road conditions, and lodge position.

flight leaves earlier or you prefer a softer ending.

LODGE STYLE

Murchison Safari Lodges

Murchison lodge availability changes quickly, so the professional way to quote this itinerary is to agree on your comfort tier first, then confirm the best available property for your dates.

Budget-conscious

Simple, clean accommodation near the route for travelers who want the wildlife experience protected while keeping costs controlled.

Luxury lodge stay

Stronger setting, service, and leisure space for travelers who want the lodge to feel like part of the safari, not only a place to sleep.

Mid-range comfort

Usually the best balance for this safari: good park access, reliable meals, comfortable rooms, and a practical safari rhythm.

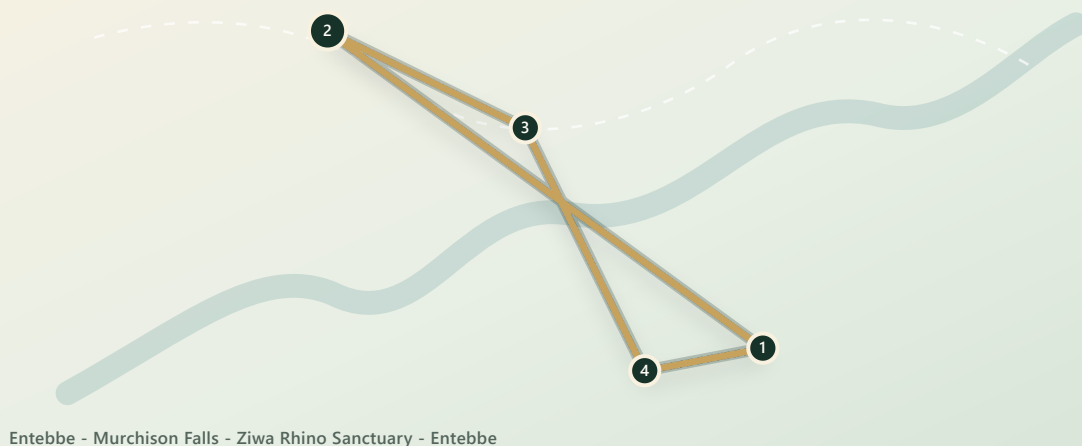
Balanced mix

Use a comfortable Entebbe arrival night and invest more in the Murchison nights, where lodge position and atmosphere matter most.

JOURNEY MAP

Murchison Safari Route

Start near Lake Victoria, spend two safari nights in Murchison Falls, then return through Ziwa Rhino Sanctuary before finishing in Entebbe.



DAY 1

arrival in entebbe

meet your guide and overnight near the airport before the northbound safari drive.

DAYS 2-3

2-night safari base: murchison falls

game drives, the falls and the Nile boat safari are experienced from this park area.

DAY 4 STOP

ziwa rhino sanctuary

DAY 4 FINISH

entebbe departure

rhino tracking breaks the return drive toward Entebbe.

return to the airport or continue with an onward extension.

DAY 1

Welcome to Uganda



Accommodation: Boma Guest House
Meal Plan: BB

Arrive at Entebbe International Airport, where your Gamba Uganda Safaris representative meets you after immigration and helps you settle into the first evening. There is no pressure to begin the safari loudly; this night is for rest, a calm briefing, and a gentle landing after your flight.

If you arrive early, we can add a light Entebbe visit or a short cultural stop around Kampala. If your flight is late, we keep it simple: transfer, dinner, and a quiet overnight before the road north.

DAY 2

Transfer to Murchison Falls National Park and Top of the Falls



Accommodation: Pakuba Safari Lodge, Paraa Safari Lodge, or similar based on your selected tier
Meal Plan: FB

After breakfast, your private guide leads the northbound drive toward **Murchison Falls National Park**. The road day is part of the safari, with comfort stops, countryside views, and time for your guide to set the story of Uganda's northern wilderness.

A guided hike to the **top of Murchison Falls**, a rewarding 1.4 kilometre walk through one of Uganda's most dramatic landscapes. The trail leads you to the powerful point where the Victoria Nile forces itself through a narrow 7 metre gorge before plunging 43 metres below.

Standing above the falls, you feel the force of the river, the thunder of the water, the spray in the air, and the sheer energy of nature unfolding in front of you. It is a moment that photographs rarely capture.

If daylight and road conditions allow, the final stretch toward the lodge becomes a first wildlife window, with your guide watching the

evening movement across the park instead of rushing the arrival.

DAY 3

Morning Game Drive and Boat Cruise

Your day begins early, when the savannah is cooler and wildlife is most active. With your experienced safari guide interpreting tracks, recent sightings, weather patterns, and the changing light, you explore patiently in search of Murchison Falls' iconic wildlife.



Accommodation: Same Murchison Falls lodge | **Meal Plan:** FB

Expect opportunities to encounter elephants, giraffes, buffaloes, lions, leopards, antelopes, and the park's remarkable birdlife. Every **wildlife safari** drive is different, shaped by the movements of the animals and the rhythm of the wilderness.

In the afternoon, experience the park from a completely different perspective on a boat safari along the Victoria Nile. Cruise towards the base of Murchison Falls while watching hippos, crocodiles, elephants, and countless waterbirds along the riverbanks.

If conditions and timing allow, your guide may suggest an evening game drive when the golden light creates another opportunity for wildlife viewing before returning to your lodge.

DAY 4

Ziwa Rhino Tracking and Departure



Accommodation: No accommodation (end of itinerary) | **Meal Plan:** BB

After breakfast, leave Murchison Falls behind and begin your journey south. A stop at Ziwa Rhino Sanctuary adds an important conservation chapter to your safari, where you walk alongside trained rangers to track Uganda's rhinos in their natural habitat.

This experience completes your Big Five journey while offering a deeper understanding of Uganda's wildlife restoration efforts.

Later, continue to Kampala, Entebbe, or the airport depending on your onward travel arrangements. If your flight departure is close, we provide honest advice before confirming the itinerary to ensure a comfortable and stress-free journey.

Best For This Safari

This is a compact private safari with a real wildlife reward, but it still includes two meaningful road days. It works best when that rhythm matches your travel style.

First-time Uganda safari travelers

A strong short route for rhinos, savannah wildlife, the Nile, and the top of Murchison Falls without committing to a long circuit.

Travelers with limited time

Four days gives Murchison enough space for the falls, a boat cruise, a proper game drive, and Ziwa rhino tracking.

Couples and private travelers

The private guide setup allows flexible starts, photo stops, lodge time, and a more personal pace than a fixed group departure.

What Is Included

- Private 4x4 safari vehicle with professional driver-guide
- Park entry fees for listed itinerary activities
- Top of Murchison Falls visit and scheduled boat cruise on the Nile
- Private game drives shaped around sightings, timing, and road conditions
- Wi-Fi on board where network coverage allows
- Ziwa Rhino Sanctuary tracking experience
- Accommodation and meals as listed, confirmed around your chosen lodge tier
- Bottled drinking water during road transfers

What Is Not Included

- International flights and Uganda visa fees
- Travel insurance and personal medical expenses
- Alcoholic drinks and premium beverages
- Tips, souvenirs and optional add-on activities
- Single-room supplement where applicable
- Any activity not specifically listed under "What Is Included"

SAFARI FAQ

Murchison Safari FAQ

A few practical answers before you send dates, choose a lodge tier, or decide whether this short safari should become part of a longer Uganda route.

Is four days enough for Murchison Falls?

Yes, if the route is planned realistically. You get an arrival night, two nights connected to Murchison Falls, and Ziwa Rhino Sanctuary on the return.

Are rhinos guaranteed at Ziwa?

Ziwa is Uganda's main rhino-tracking sanctuary and sightings are generally strong, but it remains a guided wildlife experience affected by conditions on the day.

How does payment work?

We first confirm route fit, lodge availability, room setup, and the final quote. Payment is requested only after you approve the proposal and receive a written invoice link.

Can we extend this safari to gorillas, chimpanzees, or Queen Elizabeth?

Yes. Murchison can stay as a short northern chapter, or we can continue the journey toward Kibale chimpanzees, Queen Elizabeth wildlife, Bwindi gorillas, or a softer Entebbe ending.

Can this safari start without an Entebbe arrival night?

Yes, if you are already in Kampala or Entebbe. If you land late, the arrival night keeps the northbound drive safer and more comfortable.

Can we upgrade or change lodges?

Yes. We can quote budget-conscious, mid-range, luxury, or mixed lodge styles once we know your travel dates, group size, and room preferences.

Are park fees, Ziwa, and the boat cruise included?

Yes, the listed park entry fees, Ziwa Rhino Sanctuary tracking, scheduled Nile boat cruise to the falls, private vehicle, guide, accommodation, and listed meals are included unless your final proposal states otherwise.

Can children or slower-paced travelers join?

Yes, if the road rhythm suits the group. We adjust departure times, comfort stops, room setup, and lodge choices so the safari feels private and realistic rather than rushed.

HOW WE HANDLE THE DETAILS

Private Safari Planning

Four days can feel generous when the route is handled well. We confirm lodge availability before the final quote, keep the transfer timing realistic, and shape the safari around your preferred comfort level instead of pushing one fixed version of the trip.

Private from the first mile

Your guide, vehicle, and daily rhythm are reserved for your party, with room for comfort stops, photography, and quiet lodge time.

Clear next step

Send your dates, traveler count, and lodge preference. We respond with availability, a

Lodges matched to your style

We quote mid-range or luxury options transparently, then confirm the exact lodge once your dates and room setup are clear.

Terms before payment

We share payment timing, cancellation treatment, and any supplier restrictions in

private quote, and practical advice before payment is requested.

writing before you confirm. You can also review our [Terms & Conditions](#) and [Cancellation & Refund Policy](#).

MORE SAFARI OPTIONS

More Uganda Safaris

Many travelers use Murchison as a short wildlife chapter, then compare whether gorillas, Queen Elizabeth, or a longer primate route should carry the next part of the journey.



3 DAY | SHORT GORILLA TREK ESCAPE

STARTING FROM

\$1,838

per person

A compact Bwindi escape built around the hush before the forest moves and a gorilla family comes into view.

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5 DAY | QUEEN ELIZABETH FOCUS SAFARI

STARTING FROM

\$1,960

per person

Follow Queen Elizabeth from crater rims to the Kazinga Channel, where lions, buffalo, hippos, and birds fill the day with movement.

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11 DAY | RWENZORI HIKING & CHIMPANZEE ENCOUNTERS

STARTING FROM

\$3,555

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Walk into mountain air, listen for chimp calls in the forest, and close the journey with the stillness of gorilla trekking.

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Share your dates, preferred stay style, and pace. A safari specialist will reply personally with route guidance, lodge direction, permit support, and the next clear step.

Package: 4 Days Murchison Falls Safari

Duration: 4 days



