



**NEW** MARCO POLO JOURNEYS

## Rwanda: Land of a Thousand Hills 2020

9 days from \$15,795

Limited to 18 guests

Encounter the vanishing mountain gorilla and learn the history of a resilient and welcoming people on this extraordinary Rwandan adventure.

### A&K Advantages

Experience "The Land of a Thousand Hills," venturing between sophisticated cities and primeval jungles filled with exotic wildlife

See three of the world's most iconic primate species up close: chimpanzees, mountain gorillas and golden monkeys

Visit the Rwandan Genocide Memorial, and discover how Rwanda has worked to move beyond its troubled past

Learn the art of making the perfect cup of Rwandan coffee with a visit to a coffeehouse

Meet the scientists of the Dian Fossey Gorilla Fund to learn about ongoing efforts to preserve this vanishing primate

# Itinerary

## DAY 1 ARRIVE KIGALI, RWANDA

This evening, arrive at Kigali International Airport, where you are met by an Abercrombie & Kent representative and transferred to your hotel.

The Retreat

## DAY 2 KIGALI | TIME TO REFLECT

The Rwandan capital of Kigali underwent a significant renaissance as it emerged from the horrors of the 1994 genocide, a tragedy that shook the city's very foundations. This morning, pay an emotional visit to the Genocide Memorial Site, and learn how the country has dealt with its past and recovered to stand today as a testament to humankind's resilience. After lunch at a local restaurant, explore Kigali's emerging fashion scene as you meet with a local designer. Tour her workshop to learn about her creative process and mix of traditional and modern influences. Then, pick out your favorite material and get fit for your very own, custom-tailored garment.

The Retreat | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## DAY 3 NYUNGWE FOREST NATIONAL PARK | TRAIL ADVENTURE

After breakfast, drive south to Nyanza, the historical seat of the Rwandan kingdom, to visit the King's Palace Museum. Continue to Nyungwe Forest National Park, a pristine, biodiverse rainforest filled with intriguing wildlife. After lunch, experience the park's Igishigishigi Trail and Canopy Walkway adventure. This easy hike traverses walkways suspended some 130 feet off the ground, offering a bird's-eye view over the park.

One&Only Nyungwe House | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## DAY 4 NYUNGWE FOREST NATIONAL PARK | CHIMPANZEE ENCOUNTER IN THE WILD

Early this morning, partake in a chimpanzee tracking excursion. Home to one of East Africa's last intact chimpanzee populations, Nyungwe is an ideal place to observe chimps in their natural habitat. They are most active in the morning, making for an exhilarating encounter of the chimps playing free in the wild. Return to your lodge for lunch and the remainder of the day is at leisure.

One&Only Nyungwe House | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## DAY 5 LAKE KIVU | LAKESIDE RELAXATION

After breakfast, drive to the Lake Kivu Serena Hotel in time for lunch. Set in northwestern Rwanda's Albertine Rift Valley, the resort town of Gisenyi fronts the shores of serene Lake Kivu, one of the deepest and most voluminous lakes in the world. The town's tropical-fringed beaches, laid-back atmosphere and languid pace draw local and international visitors alike. Relax and enjoy your hotel's amenities for the rest of the day.

Lake Kivu Serena Hotel | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

## DAY 6 VOLCANOES NATIONAL PARK | GORILLA CONSERVATION

This morning, drive to Volcanoes National Park, one of precious few remaining sanctuaries for the region's endangered mountain gorillas. This afternoon, meet with scientists at the Dian Fossey Gorilla Fund's Karisoke Research Center for a behind-the-scenes look at ongoing gorilla research and conservation activities. A senior gorilla expert leads you through the exhibits and into the lab, where you can meet with scientists at work.

One&Only Gorilla's Nest | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## DAY 7 VOLCANOES NATIONAL PARK | GORILLA TRACKING

After breakfast, begin your trek through the park's dense vegetation in search of families of mountain gorillas. Your experienced trackers use their knowledge of the gorillas' habits to locate their whereabouts. Upon sighting the gorillas, you stay with them for a magical hour as they go about their daily lives feeding, playing, resting and raising their young. Afterward, drive back to your lodge for lunch and the remainder of the day at leisure.

One&Only Gorilla's Nest | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## DAY 8 VOLCANOES NATIONAL PARK | GOLDEN MONKEYS

Return to the forest for a golden monkey tracking excursion. These endangered creatures love to frolic and chatter among the tree branches, their infectious playfulness making them a joy to watch. Return to your lodge for an afternoon at leisure.

One&Only Gorilla's Nest | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## DAY 9 DEPART KIGALI

Drive back to Kigali and transfer to your hotel. Later, visit a coffeehouse for a tour and tasting. Transfer to the airport for your departure.

Kigali Serena Hotel (dayroom) | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch



## Extensions



## Explore Dubai: Stopover Package

3 days from \$1,795  
Single Supplement from \$1,195

Take advantage of an incredible opportunity to spend two nights in Dubai before or after your journey.

### Hotel Options:

Park Hyatt Dubai, from \$1,795 | Single Supplement from \$1,195  
Taj Dubai, from \$1,895 | Single Supplement from \$1,195  
Mandarin Oriental Jumeira, Dubai, from \$2,195 | Single Supplement from \$1,495

*International air not included.*

3 Days

Fly to Dubai and check in to your luxury hotel. Discover the best of this dazzling city, viewing its remarkable architecture, visiting the Spice Market and colorful shops at the Deira Gold Souk, and ascending the Burj Khalifa, the world's tallest skyscraper. On the last day, continue on to your journey or board your flight home.

Park Hyatt Dubai or Taj Dubai or Mandarin Oriental Jumeira, Dubai | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch (Day 2); Breakfast (Day 3)

## Dates & Prices

Prices are in USD, per person, based on double occupancy.

Dates	Prices	Single Supplement	Availability
Jun 16 - Jun 24, 2020	\$15,795	\$4,295	Available
Oct 06 - Oct 14, 2020	\$15,795	\$4,295	Available

### Journey Details

Primate permits are priced from an additional \$1,690.

This journey contains some active elements.

Minimum age is 15 years.

Each guest on this journey will receive an A&K Safari Duffel.

First group event: welcome briefing at 7:30 a.m. on Day 2.

Last group event: coffeehouse visit and tour at 2:00 p.m. on Day 9.

Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

**Program Note:** This journey entails active elements such as hiking through isolated jungle regions.

Prices are per person based on double occupancy. Internal and international air not included. See complete terms and conditions [here](#).