



## 4 Days Jinja-Sipi Safari

### Visited countries

#### Uganda

Although Uganda is famous for The Mountain Gorillas and Chimpanzees it is also home to, The longest river in the world, the River Nile. The most powerful waterfalls in the world, Murchison Falls, The third largest lake in the world, Lake Victoria. Those natural wonders coupled with The Ruetanzori Mountains in western Uganda and Mount Elgon in Eastern Uganda create an incredible habitat for animal and birds that is unrivalled in East Africa. However, we know that despite all those breathtaking attractions it is The People of Uganda that make this country the wonderful destination that it is.



### Central Uganda

The Central Region of Uganda is home to the two principal cities, Kampala which is the capital city and Entebbe. Although the distance between the two cities is only around 40kms the journey time is severely traffic dependant. This region of Uganda is characterised by hilly terrain with marshland valleys. Due to the curved shoreline of Lake Victoria, both cities are close to the Lake and can act as a gateway to the rest of Uganda's other principal cities to the east, west and north of Uganda. The region also acts as a good starting point for shorter weekend breaks to islands on Lake Victoria.

The Central Region is the historical seat of the Baganda Kingdom with the Kabakas Palace, Kisubi Royal Tombs and other Royal sites found here.



### Eastern Uganda

The Eastern Region of Uganda is home to one of the most important geographical discoveries by John Hanning Speke, the " Source of the Nile ", which is located in Jinja. It is incredible to think that the River Nile flows from this location all the way to the Mediterranean Sea. Well before the Nile reaches its destination it offers adventure lovers in Uganda a chance to Kayak and raft down the world famous rapids. The Region is also home to Mount Elgon National Park, Sipi Falls and Pian Upe Wildlife Reserve.

The predominant Kingdoms within this region are the, Busoga and Bagisu.



## Itinerary map



## Travel summary

- ☆ Day 1: Kampala - Jinja
- ☆ Day 2: Jinja - Sipi Falls
- ☆ Day 3: Sipi Falls
- ☆ Day 4: Sipi Falls - Entebbe

## Day 1:Kampala- Jinja

The trip from Kampala to Jinja is a well trodden one, especially on the weekend when thrill seekers from Kampala escape to Jinja, in search of adventure and a chance to be close to The River Nile and Lake Victoria.

The journey itself is a pleasant one which will take you through the outskirts of Kampala and in to the more rural areas of the eastern Buganda Kingdom. As you get closer to Jinja you will cross in to the Busoga Kingdom, which is one of the 5 constitutional monarchies in Uganda today. Jijna Town itself is accessed by crossing over Owen Falls Dam which was completed in 1954.

Your journey will be approx; 90km, 2hrs 30min drive

Widely regarded as the best half-day rafting trip on the planet. This is the safest and most popular trip down the Nile, challenging legendary rapids in the hands of those who know the river best.

For thousands of years, the source of the Nile River has been a subject of constant speculation. The Ancient Egyptians believed that the river had its source in two great mountains with eternal springs. From here one branch was said to flow north, dividing Egypt, and another south into Nubia and Ethiopia.

Some also believed that the Nile River's annual inundation was caused by snowfall at its source. In August 1858 explorer John Hanning Speke became the first European to see Lake Victoria. He claimed this largest lake in Africa to be the source of the Nile River and today is you get your chance to visit the Source of the Nile.

Overnight at 2 Friends Beach Hotel - Jinja | Full board Standard room



## Day 2:Jinja- Sipi Falls

Having enjoyed the beauty of Jinja and the Nile you will begin your journey Eastwards to Sipi in Kapchorwa. On this drive you will enjoy views of the countryside past sugarcane plantations, rice plantations and village homesteads with architect common within the Eastern region of Uganda.

Your journey will be approx; 200km, 3.5hrs drive

Overnight at Sipi River Lodge | Full board Cottage



## Day 3:Sipi Falls

Winding trails lead hikers through local communities to roaring waterfalls, lush farms and forests, and magnificent views of the Karamoja plains. Sipi Falls is a hiker's paradise waiting to be explored. The hike is guided by friendly, knowledgeable and professional guides from the Sipi Falls Tour Guides Association.

Overnight at Sipi River Lodge | Full board Cottage



## Day 4:Sipi Falls- Entebbe

Having had a wonderful time in Sipi, it will be time to head back to Entebbe. You will drive westwards towards the Busoga Kingdom via Jinja which was once an industrial town of the country before continuing to Entebbe.

Your journey will be approx; 320km. 7hrs drive

Lunch en-route

*As your time in Uganda has come to an end, we truly hope you have had a memorable experience that you will remember for many years to come. Have a safe onward journey and we hope that Uganda will always be close to your hearts!*



# Hotels & Lodges

## 2 Friends Guest House - Jinja

Jinja

Category: Hotel 3\*

<http://www.2friends.info/>

2 Friends provides you with all the comforts necessary for a relaxed and enjoyable holiday. You will feel at home and is conveniently located We are located close to some of Jinja's most attractive places. 10 min walking to Jinja centre and the source of the Nile. A 15 minute walk to Jinja Golf Club, Tennis and Squash. A 15 minute car-ride to Bujagali Falls.

Information:

Info: 2 Friends Guesthouse is located in Jinja

Number of rooms: 18 rooms

Swimming pool: Yes

Wi-Fi: Yes



## Sipi River Lodge

Sipi Falls

Category: Hotel 3\*

<http://www.sipiriverlodge.com/>

Sipi River Lodge offers a variety of accommodation styles. Within the main house guests will find an intimate dining room with a log fire, stylish bar, comfortable reading lounge, and airy veranda. They grow their own vegetables and fruits in our garden and this is reflected throughout the season on our menu and they locally source cheeses and the finest coffee growing

A little secret up here in Sipi is that in the bar you will find a selection of around 14 different whiskeys - we try and keep a stock of eight or more of our favourite single malts. It's a great choice to have on a cold evening after a full day of hiking, and if you can't choose you may just have to try them all!

Information:

Info: Sipi River Lodge is located at Sipi in Kapchorwa

Number of rooms: 5 Cottages, 3 Bandas

Swimming pool: No

Wi-Fi: Yes in the main House



## Jinja-Sipi - Rates per person in double room

for 2 persons: **1 271 \$us** per person - Total **2 542 \$us**

for 4 persons: **975 \$us** per person - Total **3 900 \$us**

for 6 persons: **882 \$us** per person - Total **5 292 \$us**

Sup. single room: 200 \$us

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### Total - Rates per person in double room

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for 2 persons : **1271 \$us** per person - Total **2542 \$us**

for 4 persons : **975 \$us** per person - Total **3900 \$us**

for 6 persons : **882 \$us** per person - Total **5292 \$us**

Sup. single room: 200  
\$us

#### **Package Includes :**

- Transfers and transportation in a 4x4 Safari Vehicle with an English-speaking driver guide
- Half day rafting
- Visit to the source of the Nile
- Sipi falls Hike
- Accommodation as stated above or similar depending on availability at the time of booking
- Meals as stated above, Full board on safari
- 1 liter of drinking water per person per day in the vehicle.
- Face mask and hand sanitizer

#### **Package Excludes :**

Optional activities and activities not mentioned in above  
Tips  
Personal expenses  
Drinks  
International Airfare  
Visas to Uganda  
Travel insurance