



*Serengeti National Park, Tanzania*

## HEART OF AFRICA

### *The Gorillas, The Serengeti, and The Ngorongoro Crater*

Before the introduction of our motorcycle safaris through East Africa, you'd have to arrange an African vacation with a luxury travel company to experience what we've included in our *Heart of Africa* Adventure.

This 14-day "Luxury Motorcycle Safari" begins and ends in Nairobi, Kenya and offers travel through four different countries that can be described as "the heart of Africa". In addition to stunning riding, amazing landscapes, upscale accommodations and delicious meals, the Adventure includes several of Africa's most popular wildlife experiences - features not found on typical African motorcycle tours.

Although this Adventure takes place almost entirely on paved roads, road conditions are poor at times and we'll encounter some occasional hectic traffic and poor drivers. The tour is intended for experienced riders with a keen sense of adventure and a taste for the unusual.

Key attractions include:

- Two full days "on safari" in the Serengeti. Approximately seventy large mammal species are found in the Serengeti, including elephant, rhino, lion, leopard, hippo, buffalo, zebra, wildebeest, and giraffe. The Serengeti is also famous for its large population of lion.
- A visit to the Ngorongoro Crater, adjoining the Serengeti. This conservation area has the densest known population of lion as well as large numbers of leopards and elephant.
- A free day in Rwanda, including an exclusive gorilla safari. Beginning at our luxurious home base in the jungles of Rwanda, we'll set off on foot to track down the magnificent animals in their natural environment. It's a sight experienced by only a few.
- Stunning views of the Great Rift Valley, which extends more than 3,000 miles from Syria to Mozambique.
- Several crossings of the Equator, as we pass back and forth between the Northern and Southern Hemispheres.

**14 days, Begin/End in: Nairobi, Kenya**

**September 8 - 21, 2018/ September 7 - 20, 2019**

## ITINERARY

- Day 1** - Arrive Nairobi
- Day 2** - Nairobi to Kisumu, 225 miles
- Day 3** - Kisumu to Kampala, 200 miles
- Day 4** - Kampala to Kabale, 260 miles
- Day 5** - Kabale to Ruhengeri, 175 miles
- Day 6** - Ruhengeri Free Day
- Day 7** - Ruhengeri to Kigali, 70 miles
- Day 8** - Kigali to Kahama, 290 miles
- Day 9** - Kahama to Karatu, 310 miles
- Day 10** - Serengeti Free Day
- Day 11** - Serengeti Free Day
- Day 12** - Kahama to Karatu, 130 miles
- Day 13** - Karatu to Nairobi, 250 miles
- Day 14** - Depart Nairobi

**Total** ~ 1,650 miles



*Gorilla Safari, Rwanda*

*If you've never been to Africa, Ayres Heart of Africa tour is certainly a trip of a lifetime. A word of caution: You will want to return to Africa again and again, once you've experienced the wonderful people, riding, wildlife and culture. The highlight of the trip was spending time with the Mountain Gorillas in Rwanda. What a privilege to be a few feet from these magnificent animals. Our tour leaders were outstanding with their attention to details, their wealth of knowledge on the history of the areas and current events, and their willingness to go the extra mile. Ayres Adventures will not disappoint with the premium accommodations, food and activities you'll encounter.*

- Paul McClain and Lisa Mahaffey, Trussville, AL



*Crossing of the Equator*



*Girl in Rwanda*

## PRICING

- Rider:** \$9,975
- Co-rider:** \$7,500
- Single Room Supplement:** \$1,750
- Booking Deposit:** \$1,600 per person
- Includes **BMW F700GS**

Price includes upscale accommodations, gorilla safari, Ngorongoro Crater safari, game drives, ferry, à la carte dining, all breakfasts, all dinners, airport transfers, trip booklet.

## MOTORCYCLE UPGRADE CHARGES

- BMW G310R:** deduct \$700
- BMW F800GS:** \$150
- BMW F800GS Adv:** \$300
- Honda Africa Twin:** \$450
- BMW R1200GS LC:** \$850
- BMW R1200GS Adv LC:** \$1,400

## RIDING CONDITIONS

The route is almost entirely paved, with good, hard-packed gravel making up a very small percentage of the trip. Although paved, Nairobi is characterized by heavy, chaotic traffic. The trip is designed for experienced riders.