



*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 East African motorcycle safari begins and ends in Nairobi, Kenya and takes riders through four of the six countries that make up East Africa – the “heart of Africa”! In addition to great riding, stunning scenery and upscale accommodations, this Adventure includes incredible wild-life experiences. Gorilla trekking and a two-night stay inside the Serengeti National Park, with a side trip to the Ngorongoro crater, are highlights of this Adventure that are not typically found on African motorcycle tours. You will also get to see and experience the hustle and bustle of East African life as we ride through many small African towns and interact with the locals. 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:

- 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.
- A free day in Rwanda, including an exclusive gorilla safari. Beginning at our 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.
- 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 lions as well as large numbers of leopards and elephants.

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

**September 2 - September 15, 2023**

**August 31 - September 13, 2024**

## ITINERARY

- Day 1** - Arrive Nairobi, Kenya  
**Day 2** - Nairobi to Kisumu, ~220 miles  
**Day 3** - Kisumu to Kampala, Uganda, ~195 miles  
**Day 4** - Kampala to Kabale, 260 miles  
**Day 5** - Kabale to Ruhengeri, Rwanda, ~140 miles  
**Day 6** - Free day in Ruhengeri (Gorilla trekking)  
**Day 7** - Ruhengeri to Kigali, ~80 miles  
**Day 8** - Kigali to Kahama, Tanzania, ~285 miles  
**Day 9** - Kahama to Karatu, ~310 miles  
**Day 10** - Karatu to The Serengeti (Game drive)  
**Day 11** - Free day in Serengeti (Optional game drive)  
**Day 12** - Serengeti to Karatu via Ngorongoro Crater (Game drive)  
**Day 13** - Karatu to Nairobi, Kenya, ~265 miles  
**Day 14** - Depart Nairobi, Kenya
- Total** ~1,755 miles

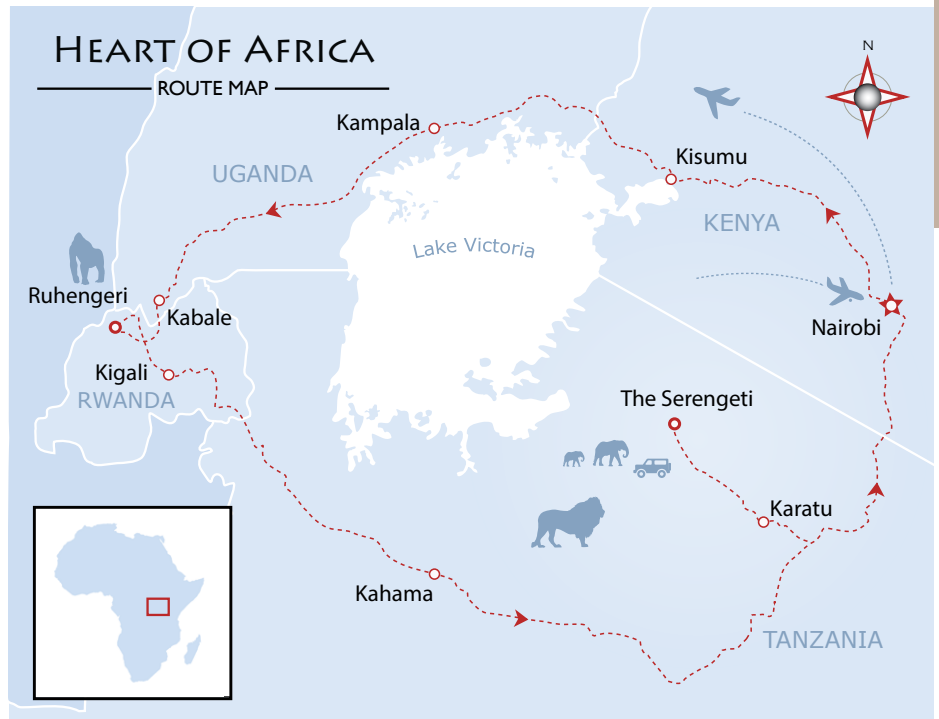
## PRICING

- Rider:** \$11,475  
**Co-rider:** \$9,000  
**Single Room Supplement:** \$1,750  
**Booking Deposit:** \$1,600 per person  
Includes BMW F750GS. Check our website for a full list of available bike upgrades and low seat/suspension options.

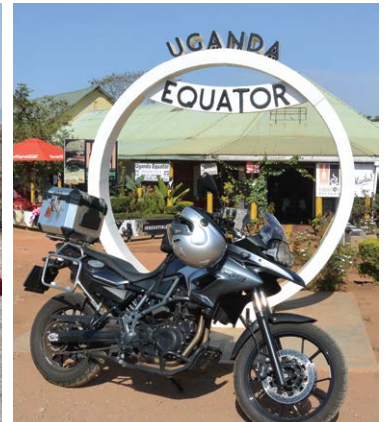
In addition to the standard inclusions on all of our premium tours, the tour price includes silverback gorilla trekking, entry fees for the Serengeti and the Ngorongoro Crater, several game drives, all national park fees, all breakfasts, several lunches, and 13 dinners.

## RIDING CONDITIONS

The route is almost entirely paved but road conditions are constantly changing. There will be beautiful twisty roads and scenic straight roads, however, riders will also encounter areas of road construction which will be unpaved and roads with numerous potholes. Expect a lot of traffic with people and animals on and next to the roads, especially in small towns and cities. We will ride through wildlife reserves where animals may be seen next to and on the road. The trip is intended for experienced riders but is suitable for two-up riding.



The Maasai Tribe



Equator Crossing, Uganda

*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*