

Virunga National Park Package Updates

Here follow an outline of the 5 packages currently available to visitors to Virunga National Park.

Packages

01.

Nyiragongo

\$356 per person

Nyiragongo volcano trek

The Nyiragongo package is a stand alone Nyiragongo trek. Guests will arrive in Goma, overnight on the volcano and return to Goma the following morning. Trekkers should be at the Grande Barriere border crossing by 7:00am and check-in with Virunga tourism office by 8:00am on the morning of the scheduled trek. The tourism office is conveniently located in the Grande Barriere border post building, opposite passport control. During check-in, guests will be provided with a volcano trek permit that must be presented before climbing.

Once check-in is complete, guests will be transported to Kibati Ranger Post, starting point for the Nyiragongo volcano trek. The ascent up the volcano starts around 10:00am with most climbing groups reaching the summit by 5:00pm. Hikers will spend the night on the crater and start the descent back to Kibati around 6:00am the following morning. Once at the bottom, guests will be taken back to Goma with drop-off at the Grande Barriere.

Included in this package

- Volcano trek permit
- Transport to and from Kibati Ranger Post
- One night stay on Nyiragongo summit

NOT included in this package

- Nyiragongo backpack
- · Porter fees
- Gratuities and anything of a personal nature

Backpacks

\$100 per person

Includes three meals, water and equipment which includes snacks, lunch, and dinner on Day 1 and breakfast and snacks on Day 2. Water is also included for both days. The package includes a sleeping bag, jacket, fleece top, hat and rain poncho.

Porters can be hired at the base of the climb to carry loads for \$25 round trip (gratuity not included). The maximum weight that porters are authorized to carry is 15 kg. Porters can be arranged by speaking with a Virunga National Park ranger at the Kibati station.



02.

Mikeno Mist

\$1,388 single room \$2,436 double room \$3,504 triple room

- Kibumba Tented Camp
- Mountain gorilla trek
- Nyiragongo volcano trek

The Mikeno Mist package includes a three night stay in Virunga: two nights in Kibumba Tented Camp with a gorilla trek and one night stay on Nyiragongo volcano.

- O Day 1. Arrive at Grande Barriere border crossing at 11:45 and ensure check-in with Virunga tourism office by 12:30. The tourism office is conveniently located in the Grande Barriere border post building, opposite passport control. Guests will receive gorilla and volcano trek permits at check-in which must be presented at the start of each trek. Once check-in is complete, visitors will be transported to Kibumba.
 - Day 2. After an early breakfast at Kibumba Tented Camp, trekkers will head down the hill to meet their Ranger guides and have a briefing before the gorilla trek. Treks usually require 1-2.5 hours of hiking each way, depending on location of the gorilla group being trekked and the difficulty of the terrain. After spending the allotted hour with the gorilla family group, trekkers will make their way

back to camp, enjoy a late lunch and have the rest of the day at leisure, including time for nature walks and bird watching.

- Day 3. After breakfast in Kibumba, guests will be transported to the Kibati Ranger Post at 8:15am, departure point for the Nyiragongo volcano trek. On arrival to Kibati, guests will receive a briefing and will have the opportunity to hire porters. The climb up the volcano will take around four to six hours and trekkers will overnight on the summit.
- Day 4. In the early morning, guests will leave the crater rim and start the descent back to Kibati. Average descent time is four hours. Once at the bottom, guests will be transported back to Goma with drop-off at the Grande Barriere.

Included in this package

- Two nights' accommodation at Kibumba Tented Camp
- Gorilla trek permit
- Volcano trek permit
- One night stay on Nyiragongo
- All transport to, from and within the Park once in country.

- Drinks
- Nyiragongo backpack
- Porter fees
- Gratuities and anything of a personal nature



03a.

Le Petit Virunga Mikeno

\$1,730 single room \$3,090 double room \$4,620 triple room

- Mikeno Lodge
- Gorilla trek
- Nyiragongo volcano trek

The Le Petit Virunga package includes three nights' stay in Virunga National Park: two nights' accommodation at Mikeno Lodge, mountain gorilla trek, volcano trek and one night on Nyiragongo volcano.

This package departs Goma 13:00am on a Friday.

- Day 1. Arrival at Grande Barriere border crossing by 11:45 and ensure check-in with Virunga tourism office by 12:30. The tourism office is conveniently located in the Grande Barriere border post building, opposite passport control. Staff will provide guests with gorilla and volcano trek permits at check-in. These permits must be presented before the start of each trek. Once check-in is complete, guests will be transported to Mikeno Lodge at the Park headquarters in Rumangabo. On arrival to Mikeno, a late lunch will be served and the afternoon can be enjoyed at leisure, including exploring Rumangabo's several nature trails, bird watching or paying a visit to the Congohounds.
 - Day 2. After an early breakfast at Mikeno Lodge, guests will set off for the gorilla trek at Bukima Ranger Post. On arrival to Bukima, trekkers will meet their Ranger guides and local pisteursto receive a briefing before starting the gorilla trek. Treks usually require 1-2.5 hours of hiking each way, depending on location of the group being trekked and the difficulty of

the terrain. After spending the allotted hour with the gorillas, trekkers will return to Bukima camp and then will be transported back to Mikeno Lodge where the remainder of the day can be spent relaxing on the lodge terrace or visiting the gorilla orphans at the Senkwekwe Center.

- Day 3. After breakfast at Mikeno Lodge, guest will be transported to the Kibati Ranger Post, departure point for the Nyiragongo volcano trek. On arrival to Kibati, climbers will receive a briefing and have the opportunity to hire porters. The climb up the volcano takes around four to six hours and trekkers will overnight on the summit.
- Day 4. Early in the morning, climbers will leave the crater rim and start the descent back to Kibati. Average descent time is four hours. Once at the bottom, guests will be transported back to Goma with drop-off at the Grande Barriere border crossing.

Included in this package

- Two nights' accommodation at Mikeno Lodge
- Gorilla trek permit
- Volcano trek permit
- One night stay on Nyiragongo
- All transport to, from and within the Park once in country.

- Drinks
- Nyiragongo backpack
- Porter fees
- Gratuities and anything of a personal nature



03b.

Le Petit Virunga Bukima

\$1,537 single room \$2,699 double room

\$3,966 triple room

- Bukima Camp
- · Mikeno Lodge
- Gorilla trek
- Nyiragongo volcano trek

The Le Petit Virunga package includes three nights' stay in Virunga National Park: one night's accommodation at Bukima Camp, one night's accommodation at Mikeno Lodge, mountain gorilla trek, volcano trek and one night on Nyiragongo volcano.

This package departs Goma at 13:00 on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

- Day 1. Arrival at Grande Barriere border crossing by 11:45 and ensure check-in with Virunga tourism office by 12:30. The tourism office is conveniently located in the Grande Barriere border post building, opposite passport control. Staff will provide guests with gorilla and volcano trek permits at check-in. These permits must be presented before the start of each trek. Once check-in is complete, guests will be transported to Bukima Camp in the Gorilla sector. On arrival at Bukima, lunch will be served and the afternoon can be enjoyed at leisure.
 - Day 2. After an early breakfast, guests will set off for the gorilla trek directly out of their camp. Trekkers will meet their Ranger guides and local pisteursto receive a briefing before starting the gorilla trek. Treks usually require 1-2.5 hours of hiking each way, depending on location of the group being trekked and the difficulty of the terrain. After spending the

allotted hour with the gorillas, trekkers will return to Bukima camp and then will be transported back to Mikeno Lodge where the remainder of the day can be spent relaxing on the lodge terrace or visiting the gorilla orphans at the Senkwekwe Center.

- Day 3. After breakfast at Mikeno Lodge, guest will be transported to the Kibati Ranger Post, departure point for the Nyiragongo volcano trek. On arrival to Kibati, climbers will receive a briefing and have the opportunity to hire porters. The climb up the volcano takes around four to six hours and trekkers will overnight on the summit.
- Day 4. Early in the morning, climbers will leave the crater rim and start the descent back to Kibati. Average descent time is four hours. Once at the bottom, quests will be transported back to Goma with dropoff at the Grande Barriere border crossing.

Included in this package

- One night accommodation at Mikeno Lodge
- One night accommodation at Bukima Camp
- Gorilla trek permit
- Volcano trek permit
- One night stay on Nyiragongo
- All transport to, from and within the Park once in country.

- · Drinks
- Nyiragongo backpack
- · Porter fees
- Gratuities and anything of a personal nature



04.

The Virunga Classic

\$2,911 single room \$5,077 double room \$7,518 triple room

- Mikeno Lodge
- Gorilla trek
- Bukima Tented Camp
- Nyiragongo volcano trek

The Virunga Classic is a five-day trip into Virunga: one-night initial accommodation at Mikeno Lodge, one-night accommodation at Bukima Tented Camp, two gorilla treks, two additional nights' accommodation at Mikeno Lodge and one night stay on Nyiragongo volcano.

This package departs Goma on Monday and Wednesdays at 13:00.

- O Day 1. Arrival at Grande Barriere border crossing by 11:45am and ensure check-in with Virunga tourism office by 12:30. The tourism office is conveniently located in the Grande Barriere border post building, opposite passport control. Tourism staff will provide guests with gorilla and volcano trek permits at check-in. These permits must be presented before the start of each trek. Once check-in is complete, guests will be transported to Mikeno Lodge at the Park headquarters in Rumangabo. On arrival to Mikeno Lodge, a late lunch will be served and the afternoon can be enjoyed at leisure, including exploring Rumangabo's several nature trails, bird watching or paying a visit to Virunga's Congohounds.
 - Day 2. After an early breakfast at Mikeno Lodge, guests will set off for the first gorilla trek at Bukima Ranger Post. On arrival to Bukima, trekkers will meet their Ranger guides and local pisteursto receive a briefing before starting the gorilla trek. Treks usually require 1-2.5 hours of hiking each way, depending on location of the group being trekked and the difficulty of the terrain. After spending the allotted hour with the gorillas, trekkers will return to Bukima camp where a late lunch will be served. Guests will have the rest of the afternoon off to explore Bukima, including bird watching and visiting the Park's bamboo project.

- Day 3. At 8:30am, guest will start their second gorilla trek. Upon return, a quick lunch will be served at Bukima and when all gorilla trekkers have returned, guests will be transported back to Mikeno Lodge. On arrival to Mikeno, guests have the afternoon at leisure, free to explore the Park HQ or cosy up with a nice book by the fire.
- Day 4. This is a day to relax, explore and enjoy the peaceful surroundings of Mikeno Lodge.
- Day 5. After breakfast at Mikeno Lodge, guests will be transported to the Kibati Ranger Post, departure point for the Nyiragongo volcano trek. On arrival to Kibati, climbers will receive a briefing and have the opportunity to hire porters. The climb up the volcano takes around four to six hours and trekkers will overnight on the summit.
- Obay 6. Early in the morning, climbers will leave the crater rim and start the descent back to Kibati. Average descent time is four hours. Once at the bottom, guests will be transported back to Goma with drop-off at the Grande Barriere border crossing.

Included in this package

- Three nights' accommodation at Mikeno Lodge
- One night accommodation at Bukima Tented Camp
- Two Gorilla trek permits and one Volcano trek permit
- One night stay on Nyiragongo summit
- All transport to, from and within the Park once in country.

- Drinks
- Nyiragongo backpack
- Porter fees
- Gratuities and anything of a personal nature

05.

The Great Ape \$2,555 single room \$4,365 double room \$6,450 triple room

- Mikeno Lodge
- Bukima Tented Camp
- · Two gorilla treks

The Great Ape package offers the opportunity to see two great ape taxa in Virunga National Park. It consists of one initial night accommodation at Mikeno Lodge, one night accommodation at Bukima Tented Camp, two gorilla treks with an additional two nights' accommodation at Mikeno Lodge.

This package departs Goma on Monday and Wednesdays at 13:00.

- Day 1. Arrival at Grande Barriere border crossing by 11:45 and ensure check-in with Virunga tourism office by 12:30. The tourism office is conveniently located in the Grande Barriere border post building, opposite passport control. Tourism staff will provide guests with gorilla permits at check-in. These permits must be presented before the start of each trek. Guest will then be transported to Mikeno Lodge at the Park headquarters in Rumangabo. On arrival to Mikeno Lodge, a late lunch will be served and the afternoon can be enjoyed at leisure, including exploring Rumangabo's several nature trails, bird watching or paying a visit to Virunga's Congohounds.
- Day 2. After an early breakfast at Mikeno Lodge, guests will set off for the gorilla trek at Bukima Ranger Post. On arrival to Bukima, trekkers will meet their Ranger guides and receive a briefing before starting the gorilla trek. Treks usually require 1-2.5 hours of hiking each way, depending on location of the group being trekked and the difficulty of the terrain. After spending the allotted hour with the gorillas, trekkers will return to Bukima campwhere a late lunch will be served. Guests will have the rest of the afternoon off

to explore Bukima, including bird watching and visiting the Park's bamboo project.

- Day 3. At 8:30am, guests will start their second gorilla trek. Upon return from the trek, a quick lunch will be served at Bukima camp and when all gorilla trekkers have returned, guests will be transported back to Mikeno Lodge. On arrival to Mikeno Lodge, guests have the afternoon at leisure, free to relax on the lodge terrace or visit the gorilla orphans at the Senkwekwe Center.
- Day 4. At 6:00am, guests will head out for a chimpanzee trek. A trek with these animals is a unique experience that allows visitors to join our team as they study and habituate the family of chimpanzees found in the Mahura Forest surrounding Rumangabo. Returning for a late breakfast, guests will be invited to spend the rest of the day exploring the Park headquarters or just relaxing with a book on the terrace of Mikeno Lodge.
- Day 5. After breakfast, guest will be transported back to the Goma with drop-off at the Grande Barriere border post.

Included in this package

- Three nights' accommodation at Mikeno Lodge
- Two Gorilla trek permits
- One night accommodation at Bukima Tented Camp
- All transport to, from and within the Park once in country.

- Drinks
- Gratuities and anything of a personal nature



Tchegera per day

\$218 single room

\$276 double room

\$400 triple room (per night full board accommodation)

The perfect spot to unwind after a trip in Virunga, Tchegera is a small horseshoe shaped island on Lake Kivu. Activities include swimming, kayaking, snorkelling and paddleboarding, or just relaxing by the Lake with great views across the Lake and Nyiragongo.

Includes transport from Grande Barriere.

Rates exclude visas, drinks and gratuities.



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