PRIMATE TRAILS!
A PRIVATE WILDLIFE VIEWING SAFARI
IN UGANDA & RWANDA
FEATURING
MURCHISON FALLS, CHIMPANZEE IN THE KIBALE FOREST
THE “ENDLESS PLAINS” OF QUEEN VICTORIA NATIONAL PARK
MOUNTAIN GORILLAS OF THE BWINDI IMPENETRABLE FOREST
AND VOLCANOES NATIONAL PARK

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I am setting off on an incredible journey to Uganda and Rwanda you will not want to miss!

In Uganda, we will go chimp trekking at Kibale, gorilla trekking in Bwindi Impenetrable Forest, and see a variety of wildlife on a Nile River cruise in Murchison Falls National Park and on game drives in Queen Elizabeth National Park. A Uganda Wildlife Authority representative will speak to us about the magnificent efforts to reintroduce giraffe in the Murchison Falls area, and another highlight will be visiting with one of the gorilla doctors who care for these endangered primates. The Columbus Zoo has played an important role in both of these efforts.

Forever, though, my heart belongs to Rwanda with its magnificent scenery, warm people and, of course, gorillas. We will enjoy yet another trek in Volcanoes National Park and visit the Ubumwe Community Center and the Bisate School, both supported by the Zoo. As a Dian Fossey Gorilla Fund board member, I am especially eager to share with you the building taking place at the new Ellen DeGeneres Campus. I look forward to revisiting not only the gorillas of Rwanda, but also the folks who so diligently strive to save and protect them.

I am excited to have this opportunity to share with you some of the Columbus Zoo’s conservation projects. Educating people, providing alternate livelihoods and conducting research are vital.

I invite you to travel with me for an experience that will change you forever!

Tom Stalf
President and CEO
Columbus Zoo and Aquarium and The Wilds
YOUR SAFARI ITINERARY
Mar 9 (Mon): Depart from the USA (flight not included)
Mar 10 (Tue): Arrive at Entebbe, Uganda – private transfer to your accommodations at the Hotel No. 5
Mar 11 (Wed): Private overland transfer to Murchison Falls National Park, with stops along the Great Rift Valley escarpment and views of Lake Albert – accommodations at Baker’s Lodge (BLD with picnic lunch)
Mar 12 (Thu): Private game drives – boat journey on the Victoria Nile River to Murchison Falls (BLD)
Mar 13 (Fri): Private morning game drive -1:15pm scheduled light aircraft flight to Kasese (flight included) – private one-hour transfer to the Kibale National Forest - accommodations at Ndali Lodge (BLD with packed lunch)
Mar 14 (Sat): Early morning chimpanzee trek – afternoon visit to the Bigodi wetlands (BLD)
Mar 15 (Sun): Morning game viewing activity – afternoon overland transfer to Queen Elizabeth National Park - accommodations at Ishasha Wilderness Camp (BLD)
Mar 16 (Mon): Game viewing excursions within Queen Elizabeth National Park and a river cruise on the Kazinga Channel (BLD)
Mar 17 (Tue): Morning game viewing activity - afternoon overland transfer to Bwindi Impenetrable Forest National Park – accommodations at Buhoma Lodge (BLD)
Mar 18 (Wed): Early morning mountain gorilla trek – afternoon activities, such as visits to local villages to be determined in cooperation with your guides (BLD)
Mar 19 (Thu): Private overland transfer to Kinigi, Rwanda – accommodations at Mountain Gorilla View Lodge (BLD)
Mar 20 (Fri): Early morning mountain gorilla trek in Volcanoes National Park – afternoon visit to the Bisate School (BLD)
Mar 21 (Sat): Private visit to the Ubumwe Community Center in Gisenyi and the Dian Fossey Gorilla Fund’s Ellen DeGeneres Campus (BLD)
Mar 22 (Sun): Private overland transfer to Kigali – private tour of the Kigali Genocide Memorial – transfer to the Kigali Airport for your departure (flight not included)
Mar 23 (Mon): Arrive in the USA
**YOUR ACCOMMODATIONS**

The safari lodges of Uganda and Rwanda blend outstanding service and comfort with uniquely rustic charm. Each lodge features a central lounge and both indoor and outdoor dining areas. Your accommodations are in cabins or chalets - made of locally-sourced materials – each with electricity and an en-suite bath, including hot and cold running water, a shower and flush toilet.

**YOUR TRANSPORTATION**

Your overland journeys and game drives take place in custom-designed safari vehicles. These spacious classic Land Rovers and Toyota Land Cruisers have been custom-designed to provide comfortable seating for up to six people. Each person has a window, as well as direct access to an open hatch in the roof to optimize your game viewing opportunities. Flights included in your safari are arranged on scheduled or chartered flight, often using light aircraft, such as the Cessna Caravan.

**YOUR GUIDES**

From the moment you arrive at baggage claim at Entebbe, you are in the hands of our partners in Uganda and Rwanda – the safari professionals at Origins Safaris. Each member of the Origins Safaris staff is dedicated to making sure you safely enjoy every aspect of your safari. After breakfast on your first morning in Africa, you will receive a detailed summary of your safari and will be thoroughly briefed before you set out into the African bush.

We are particularly proud of our personal safari guides. Their knowledge and determination to show you everything you wish to see is matched only by their dedication to your safety and comfort. Your guides will travel with you throughout your safari and you will have their undivided attention, as well as the exclusive use of the safari vehicles. As opposed to many safari companies, we do not limit the number of game drives you may enjoy nor the safari mileage it may take to maximize your game viewing. Your guides will have no restrictions regarding the distances they may need to cover in order to provide you with a truly amazing safari.

**SAFARI LIFE – A TYPICAL DAY**

Just before dawn each day, you are awakened by a gentle voice greeting you with “Jambo” (Swahili for “Hello”). A tray of coffee, tea, and biscuits are left on your verandah to give you a start to the day, before you venture out for your morning game drive or wildlife trek. Africa’s wildlife is most active in the early morning and late afternoon, making these the best times to seek them out. Upon your return from your morning adventure, breakfast awaits you, served in open-air dining rooms. The morning menu tends to reflect East Africa’s British heritage with fresh fruit, cereals, meats, and breads. The chef prepares your eggs to your specifications while delicious locally-grown coffee replaces tea as the primary breakfast beverage. Lunches are often served buffet style and feature fresh salads, soup, and hot entrees. Beef, chicken, lamb, and fish are the primary main dish ingredients, but the menus can be adjusted to meet any special dietary needs. Your meals are made with fresh ingredients, a seemingly overwhelming challenge, considering the remoteness of some of the locations you visit.
Your afternoon schedules will vary, depending on your location. Upon your return to your lodge at dusk, a refreshing hot shower awaits you. You are then invited to conclude your day by gathering around a campfire for refreshments. After toasting the day with a raised glass, you are served a delicious four course meal under candlelight while the sounds of the African night begin to call. After further campfire discussions of the day’s events, you are escorted back to your cozy quarters to rest for another day.

**YOUR SAFARI ITINERARY**

**MARCH 9-10: DEPARTURE FROM THE U.S.A. - ARRIVAL AT ENTEBBE, UGANDA – HOTEL NO. 5**

Upon your arrival into Entebbe, you will proceed through customs and immigration formalities at the Entebbe International Airport where, upon exiting from the baggage hall, you shall be met by our representative who will take you to your accommodations. Nestled in the leafy suburbs of Entebbe, is the stylish boutique Hotel No. 5. With all luxurious rooms opening onto the garden and swimming pool, this is a great option for guests looking for an intimate stay in a tranquil setting. Make yourself at home – unwind beside the swimming pool, pamper yourself with a spa treatment, or work up a sweat in the hotel gym. Attention to detail, outstanding dining and an attentive guest experience are synonymous with Hotel No. 5.

Time permitting, you may visit the Entebbe Botanical Gardens, established during the colonial era, with a superb collection of indigenous trees and shrubs and some of the bird watching for which Uganda is famous. There are good chances of seeing vervet and colobus monkeys. Meals in flight.

**MARCH 11-12: MURCHISON FALLS NATIONAL PARK – VICTORIA NILE RIVER**

Today we set out on a full-day drive to the Murchison Falls National Park. We'll descend the escarpment of the western corridor of the Great Rift Valley, enjoying fine views of Lake Albert. In the late afternoon we arrive at Baker’s Lodge, our home for the next few nights (packed lunches will be provided).

During the course of your stay in Murchison you will take the renowned three-hour launch journey on the Victoria Nile to the base of spectacular Murchison Falls, where the full force of the Nile is channeled into a narrow gorge just 20 feet wide. The wildlife along the river is exceptional: hundreds of hippos, large numbers of enormous crocodiles, a good chance of seeing elephants and vast numbers of birds. And you may see one of the greatest rarities of all: the shoebill, or whale-headed, stork. Your guides then drive you to the top of the falls, where you enjoy lunch, followed by a walk to a place with a great view of the falls. Your return journey to the lodge is a game drive with potential sightings of a wide variety of Uganda’s
wildlife including elephant, oribi, giraffe, waterbuck, hartebeest, topi, buffalo, bushbuck, warthog, bush pig, lion, leopard, mongoose, genet, hyena, jackal and bat-eared fox.

Baker’s Lodge provides your accommodations for your visit to Murchison Falls National Park. Opened in 2015, the lodge boasts ten beautifully appointed safari suites on raised decks, set along the southern bank of the mighty Nile River. Named after the English explorer Samuel Baker – the first European to view and name the Murchison Falls – the lodge rests amongst large shady trees and wetland areas. You’ll enjoy an abundance of bird life along the water’s edge and hippos and elephants are regular visitors.

With a thatched central lounge, dining and bar area, and a refreshing swimming pool, the eco-friendly lodge offers a feel of an age gone by – the classic style adopted by the early explorers and colonists. Built on raised wooden decks to take full advantage of cool breezes and spectacular river views, each spacious thatched cottage includes a fan, room safe, and beautifully appointed bathrooms with solar-heated showers and some also featuring baths. The lodge is well known for its bush breakfasts and multi-course dinners, served by its well-trained and highly attentive staff. BLD

**Baker's Lodge**

**MARCH 13-14: KIBALE FOREST NATIONAL PARK – CHIMPANZEE TREKKING – NDALI LODGE**

In order to avoid a second day of extensive driving, you’ll board a light aircraft for a flight to Kasese (flight included). From there, it’s just an hour’s drive to Kibale Forest National Park.

The Kibale Forest supports one of the highest primate densities in the world including chimpanzees, red colobus, black and white colobus, red-tailed monkeys, blue monkeys, vervet monkeys, L’Hoest’s monkeys, grey-cheeked mangabey, and olive baboons. Each morning, you rise for an early breakfast and drive to Kibale Forest National Park. Here, you’ll meet rangers from the Ugandan Wildlife Authority who are actively engaged in primate research at Kibale. Entering at Kanyanchu, the rangers will guide your treks in search of the park’s chimpanzees and other primates. Several families of chimpanzees have been habituated by the researchers and, while there is no guarantee of seeing chimps, the chances are good. If the chimpanzees are found, you’ll observe the chimp families for up to an hour, watching their fascinating social behavior.
In addition to its world-famous primates, Kibale is also home to over 325 species of birds. As you venture into the forest, the guides will point out the birds they find and identify them for you.

After your chimpanzee trek, you'll visit the Bigodi Swamp accompanied by one of the local community guides. You'll learn about life in this unique habitat while you're always on the lookout for small primates, including the gray-cheeked mangabey. The swamp offers a home to several different species of birds and, with a bit of luck, you may spot one of the forest’s most sought-after birds - the great blue turaco.

Your temporary home for two nights is Ndali Lodge. Situated between two crater lakes, the lodge offers spectacular views of the surrounding area. Each of its thatched-roof cottages are spacious with en-suite bathrooms and a private veranda with views of the Rwenzori Mountains (known in the past as the “Mountains of the Moon”). Four-poster beds draped in mosquito nets and decorated with locally made crafts give each cottage a uniquely individual feel. At night, the lodge is lit with lanterns and candles, including beautiful chandeliers above the central dining area, creating a delightfully cozy atmosphere. BLD
This morning’s adventure will take you to another of the Kibale swamps where you’ll be on the lookout for monkeys, including those species you may not have seen yet. In the afternoon, you’ll drive to Queen Elizabeth National Park, passing the eastern slopes of the Ruwenzori Mountains - the famed “Mountains of the Moon.” When the mountains are covered in clouds, the local residents often say, “The mountains are shy today.” If luck is with you, you’ll catch at least a glimpse of these dramatic peaks.

The following morning you’ll enjoy game viewing drives in Queen Elizabeth National Park, one of Africa's premier national parks, which is known for its prolific wildlife. You’ll search for elephant, African buffalo, waterbuck, bushbuck and their predators, especially lion and leopard. And it is here that you’ll find the Ugandan kob – a gregarious antelope only found in Uganda that has become the national symbol of the country.

Bird watching is remarkable within the park and you’ll be on the lookout for one of Africa’s most unusual birds, the shoe-billed heron.

Two lakes, Lake George and Lake Edward, form part of the Park’s northeastern and western boundaries, respectively. Connecting these two bodies of water is a 20-mile-long waterway - the famed Kazinga Channel. Streams from the Ruwenzori Mountains flow into Lake George, through the Kazinga Channel, and into Lake Edward. The channel attracts a large number of species and boasts one of the world’s largest concentrations of hippos as well as lots of Nile crocodiles. As you explore this important natural canal by motor launch, you’ll also see the local fishermen who make their living harvesting the bounty of the channel.
Ishasha Wilderness Camp will be your “home-away-from-home” during your visit to Queen Elizabeth National Park. Located inside the Southern Ishasha sector of Queen Elizabeth National Park, the camp is nestled on the banks of the Ntungwe River. It is an idyllic retreat for those who truly enjoy the wilderness. This exclusive camp offers exceptionally comfortable accommodations and highly personalized services in this unspoiled remote southern sector of Queen Elizabeth National Park, which is famous for its tree climbing lions that can sometimes be spotted resting in the branches of the large fig trees in the area.

Each of Ishasha’s ten spacious, framed, canvas rooms sits within the wooded area beside the river and is comfortably furnished with large mosquito netted beds, its own private en-suite bathroom and dressing area, hot water “bush” showers and a flushing eco-friendly toilet. BLD

**MARCH 17-18: BWINDI IMPENETRABLE FOREST – MOUNTAIN GORILLA TREKKING – BUHOMA LODGE**

Traveling south, you’ll enter one of the world’s most biologically diverse areas – the Bwindi Impenetrable Forest. This primeval forest is made up of large stands of hardwood interspersed with thick growths of bamboo. The combination of densely growing bamboo and the thick groundcover of ferns, vines and other plants severely hinders direct access on foot. Thus, the local residents apply the term “bwindi,” the Runyakitara word for impenetrable.

The forest’s biological importance led to it being declared a World Heritage Site in 1991. But Bwindi is most famous for its mountain gorillas. Approximately half of the world’s population of mountain gorillas live within Bwindi’s forest.

On the morning of March 17, you’ll take a short drive to the park headquarters and meet with the park’s professional guides and trackers. After a thorough briefing, you’ll begin your trek into the forest, following the trackers in search of mountain gorillas. The terrain is rough and, at times, can be muddy. Although the
hike is physically demanding, the beauty of the forest and surrounding scenery make the trekking worthwhile. It can rain at a few minutes notice; hence, waterproof clothing is essential including zip lock bags for cameras. Once the ranger has led you to one of the gorilla families, you’ll enjoy watching them for approximately an hour before returning to the park headquarters.

Buhoma Lodge commands spectacular and uninterrupted views of the Bwindi Impenetrable Forest National Park - home to the rare and elusive mountain gorilla. Situated within the National Park, Buhoma Lodge is a short distance from the meeting point for gorilla tracking and other activities in the area. Ten comfortable cottages have been carefully built, each with its own private verandah, allowing wonderful views of Bwindi’s forest canopy. Inside the spacious cottages, you will find comfortable beds, and a well-appointed en-suite bathroom complete with flushing toilet and a hot shower. An elevated lounge area, complete with bar and dining facilities offers a cozy, comfortable environment, where you may revisit the day’s activities around the fireplace, which add atmosphere and warmth in the cool evenings. BLD

Buhoma Lodge

MARCH 19-20: KINIGI, RWANDA – MOUNTAIN GORILLA TREKKING - MOUNTAIN GORILLA VIEW LODGE

This morning’s drive takes you to the Uganda/Rwanda border town of Cyanika, where you complete the immigration formalities for your entry into Rwanda. It is then a short 30-minute drive to the small village of Kinigi at the foot of the spectacular Virunga Volcanoes National Park. Your accommodations are at the Mountain Gorilla View Lodge located just a mile and a half from the park entrance. The comfortable cottages have cozy fireplaces and views of the spectacular Virunga volcanoes.
Following an early breakfast, you depart for the Parc National des Volcans. Upon arriving at the Park’s headquarters, meet your gorilla trekking guides and learn about the specific mountain gorilla family you will visit. A short drive takes you to your entry point where you are handed walking sticks and led into the mountain’s rainforest, often crossing fields of potatoes that grow in the fertile, volcanic soil.

We cannot predict the length of your trek for the gorillas are constantly on the move. At dawn, the trackers headed up the mountain to last night’s nesting area. They began tracking the gorilla family and having found them, they now guide you to their present location, using radios.

Following the guidelines given by your guides, you have the rare privilege of sharing the lives of these gentle primates for an hour. Accepted in their world, you are likely to observe the adult gorillas eating or resting while the youngsters, with seemingly unlimited energy, tend to climb, roll around, and chase each other. Your hour passes quickly and you head back down the mountain having experienced one of the most unique wildlife adventures Mother Nature can provide. You return to your accommodations at the Mountain Gorilla View Lodge. Following lunch, you’ll visit the Bisate School which has been the beneficiary of strong support from the Columbus Zoo and Aquarium. BLD

**MARCH 21: GISENYI**

The Columbus Zoo has a long history of partnership with Rwanda’s Partners in Conservation. You’ll visit their Ubumwe Community Center which helps disabled students attend school and disabled adults become economically independent.

Later, you’ll travel to the Dian Fossey Gorilla Fund’s Ellen DeGeneres Campus to learn about the exciting new developments in the Fund’s efforts to promote the conservation of Africa’s gorillas. BLD
MARCH 22-23: KIGALI, DEPARTURE AND ARRIVAL IN THE U.S.A.
This morning, you’ll descend the mountainous roads that lead to Rwanda’s capital, Kigali. You’ll look out over the landscape and quickly understand why Rwanda is known as “The Land of a Thousand Hills.” Following lunch, you’ll visit the Kigali Genocide Memorial where you’ll learn about the tragic circumstances that led to the 1994 genocide and the strong commitment of Rwandans to insure a peaceful future for everyone. At the appropriate time, you’ll be taken to the airport for your departure. As your aircraft lifts off (flight not included), you’ll look out that window and bid farewell to beauty that is the magic of Africa. BL

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$10,795 per traveler for two travelers in shared double or twin accommodations, based on a minimum of ten (10) registered travelers and a maximum of sixteen (12) registered travelers.
Single accommodations may be available with an additional single room supplement of $2,495.
A nonrefundable deposit of $3,595 per traveler is required to confirm your reservations for this safari at these prices. Full payment of the safari balance is due no later than December 15, 2019. Checks are accepted for payments.

We do not include the fees charged by the credit card companies when we calculate the prices of our safaris. These fees can easily end up being in the hundreds of dollars and we've learned that the majority of our travelers prefer to save those fees, rather than have us automatically include them. If you wish to use a credit card for part or all of your balance, we would add the respective fees to your balance at the time of the charge. Those fees are 3.4% for Discover, MasterCard and Visa; 4.4% for American Express.

Estimated optional expenses not included in the safari price:

Tips:
Safari Guide: $10-20 per day per traveler
Camp Staff: $5-10 per day per traveler (for the camp staff as a whole)
Daily laundry service is available at all safari camps and lodges. However, due to cultural considerations, laundry service for underwear may not be offered. We estimate $10-15 per week for laundry services.

To give you maximum flexibility, international air transportation to Entebbe and from Kigali is not included as shown in the above itinerary. We recommend you make your international travel arrangements through Cathy King, an independent air travel professional, so she may coordinate everyone’s flight schedule. You may contact Cathy at 828-421-5000 or adventuretrips@hotmail.com.

Included in the Safari Price:

Land and Air Transportation in East Africa: All your ground transportation is in customized safari vehicles with a maximum of six travelers per vehicle. Each traveler has a window seat and easy access to a roof hatch for game viewing. You will have the exclusive services of your safari guide and use of your safari vehicle, with unlimited mileage, throughout your safari. Air transportation within Africa will be provided through chartered and scheduled airline companies.
Accommodations and Meals: All your hotel, lodge, and tented camp accommodations are based on two people sharing a room. At the permanent camps and lodges, your accommodations will have comfortable beds, flush toilets, hot showers and electricity. We include full-board table d’hôte meals (with some picnic lunches) as shown in the above itinerary.

Safari Activities: All game drives are included. In addition to the traditional early morning and late afternoon game drives, your safari guide and vehicle are available for your exclusive use, including extended game drives throughout your safari.

Miscellaneous Fees and Tips: All service charges, hotel taxes as imposed by government agencies, baggage tips and park and reserve entrance fees are included. In the unlikely event that emergency transportation to a hospital facility is required while you are on safari in East Africa, we will enroll you in the Flying Doctors Service, at no additional charge.

Pre-departure Preparation: You will receive extensive, personalized information on all aspects of your safari including health and safety, passports and visas, packing recommendations, electricity, currency, and local customs.

Not included in the Safari Price:
Transportation between your home and Africa, passports and visas (visas are currently required for U.S. passport holders entering Uganda and Rwanda), travel insurance, immunizations, excess airline baggage charges (total baggage is limited to 33 lbs. per person on all light aircraft flights within Africa), airline fuel surcharges, guide tips, beverages (other than bottled water, coffee & tea, unless indicated otherwise) and items of a personal nature such as medical expenses, laundry and room service, souvenirs, telephone and internet charges, and any activities not included in the safari itinerary or those activities listed as optional.

For the comfort of all safari travelers, smoking is not permitted in safari vehicles or at meals.
SAFARI REGISTRATION FORM

Safari: Primate Trails! Designed for The Columbus Zoo and Aquarium

The price for this safari, as shown in the above itinerary, is based on twin or double occupancy. A limited number of single accommodations may be available at an additional $2,495.

The safari balance is due no later than December 15, 2019

Enclosed is $_______________________ as a deposit for a total of _______ travelers on this safari.

Accommodations requested: ( ) Double ( ) Twin ( ) Single

Name of person sharing accommodations ______________________________________________

International air transportation is not included in the safari price. You may make your own flight arrangements. If you make your own flight arrangements, please provide us with a copy of your flight confirmations.

Optional travel insurance is available to protect your investment. The Columbus Zoo and Aquarium will provide you with information regarding travel insurance.

SCHEDULES & FARES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE AND MAY RESULT IN PRICE INCREASES
I certify that I have read, understand and accept the terms of the "Cancellations" and "Terms and Conditions" included on this sheet, and;
1. I am aware that medical services or facilities may not be readily available during all or part of my trip. This includes emergency medical care, presence of physicians, and adequate medication. I hereby release World Safaris, their staff and safari escorts from liability in case of accident or illness while I am participating in this safari and do further agree to absolve from all responsibility World Safaris and their staff from all loss, damage or expense which I may incur by reason of any such accident or illness.
2. I shall be responsible for all uninsured medical expenses.
3. I hereby authorize necessary hospitalization and/or treatment while I am participating in this safari.
4. I assume the risk for traveling in countries where standards of safety, maintenance, and health may not be common to those in the United States.
5. I understand that weather and other conditions may necessitate changes in the activities and schedule of this safari.

Signature: _______________________________________ Today's Date: ________________________

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Please note: Your signature on this form indicates that you understand and accept the terms and conditions of this safari. Registrations cannot be confirmed without a signature. The signature of a parent or legal guardian is required for anyone under 18 at the time of registration.

Make checks payable and mail to: World Safaris, 101 Zurich Ct., Winston-Salem, NC 27127

Please read the following and complete the traveler information form. Due to requirements in Africa, we are unable to finalize your registration without a completed traveler information form and a copy of your passport.
TRAVEL INSURANCE: The Columbus Zoo and Aquarium strongly recommends that you purchase travel insurance which covers baggage, medical costs, trip interruption and cancellation. World Safaris nor the Columbus Zoo and Aquarium are liable for any accident, injury, or illness, and are not liable for theft, damage, or loss of personal effects or baggage. The Columbus Zoo and Aquarium offers a comprehensive insurance package which allows the Pre-Existing Condition Exclusion to be waived if purchased within 21 days of the initial trip payment. Information will be sent to you upon receipt of your reservation and deposit. For details you can call the Zoo at 614-724-3558, or go to the Zoo’s website at: https://www.travelinsure.com/select/?pcode=33004/.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS –World Safaris and our representatives agree to work for you in the making of reservations and/or other arrangements with travel service providers on the following terms: We do not own, manage, control, or operate any of the travel service providers with whom we make your travel arrangements. We serve as agents for certain travel service providers, including Airlines Corporation carriers and in-country operators and we make your travel arrangements with these travel service providers in accordance with their terms and conditions. Should you have any questions concerning those, please contact either the travel service provider, World Safaris. All coupons, exchange orders, receipts, contracts and tickets issued by us or a travel service provider are subject to applicable tariffs as well as any terms or conditions imposed by the travel services provider. Arrangements in some countries are made using the local currency and are subject to fluctuations in exchange rates. If the exchange rate at the time World Safaris pays for your arrangements varies from the rate at the time your safari itinerary was prepared, the price of your safari may be adjusted accordingly. We are not responsible for events of force majeure including disease, acts of war, terrorist attacks, unfavorable weather conditions, earthquakes, political instability or for inadequate visas or passports. Any and all controversies, claims or disputes of any nature arising before, on and after the date of this agreement and claims brought by or against the client, this travel agency, or a third party, shall be settled by a single arbitrator in Forsyth County, North Carolina in accordance with the rules of the American Arbitration Association. You acknowledge that this agreement involves interstate commerce. Our sole knowledge and the expertise on which you may rely are in the making of travel arrangements. In the case of all travel arrangements the contract in use by the provider of such transportation or lodging, shall constitute the sole contract between the passenger and such travel supplier. World Safaris reserves the right to cancel or withdraw the safari prior to departure and to decline to accept or retain any person as a participant of the safari if their actions impose upon or disturb the other participants of the safari. The right is also reserved to amend the itinerary should it be found necessary for the benefit of the participants of the safari or for other reasons. By accepting these travel arrangements, you confirm that you have read this agreement and understand that it is the sum total of our agreement with you and supersedes all prior arrangements or understandings. This agreement cannot be changed except in writing and signed by Thomas LaRock or Elaine Hartung.
CANCELLATION: All cancellations must be submitted in writing and are subject to the following cancellation fees:

The deposit generally covers the costs of canceling the services already booked, if the cancellation is received in our office no later than October 31, 2019. If the fees charged by our suppliers exceed the deposit, an extra charge will apply.

Cancellations received in our office after December 15, 2019 are subject to cancellation fees of 100% of the safari price.

Refunds for any services that are voluntarily not used will not be issued.

HEALTH RECOMMENDATIONS: To enjoy your travels to the fullest, you should be in good physical and mental health. Any physical disability requiring special attention or treatment must be reported in writing to World Safaris when the reservation is made. World Safaris reserves the right to refuse or revoke travel to anyone who is, in the sole judgment of World Safaris, in such physical or mental condition as to be incapable of group travel or who may require care and attention beyond that which World Safaris can provide.

To assist you in preparing to make the most of your safari, you will receive a detailed personal pre-departure Safari Guide after you register for your safari. We strongly recommend you read it thoroughly when you receive it and, again, a few weeks before your departure. You may call us at any time for answers to your questions.
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Their Phone #: __________________________________________ E-Mail __________________________________________

List the names of any medications you are currently taking, any allergies (including food allergies), any dietary preferences or requirements, or any disability or special health care needs that may affect your ability to fully participate in this safari:
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Please give us any other information you feel would be helpful _____________________________________________________
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