

# Uganda



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Logistics: We used Crammy Wanyama with [Avian Safaris](#). Crammy is an excellent guide, he knows all the birds, mammals, reptiles, amphibians and major plants, an all-around great naturalist and with a great conservation ethic. He is extremely professional and handled all of the logistics so the entire trip went smoothly without any problems. All told, we saw 57 species of mammals (plus two more unidentified rats), nearly 400 species of birds, and some good reptiles including the Ruwenzori three-horned chameleon, Nile monitor lizard and several turtles.

The basic route was as follows: Mbamba Swamp, Lake Mburo National Park, Bwindi National Park, Queen Elizabeth National Park, Bigodi Wetlands Sanctuary, Kibale National Park, the Royal Mile in the Budongo Forest Reserve, Murchison Falls National Park, Ziwa Rhino Sanctuary, and Entebbe Botanical Gardens.

All said, we were very impressed with how Uganda's parks and reserves are operated. The only experience that was a bit of a disappointment was inside Kibale National Park. Even though the "habituated" chimpanzee groups are used to people, many of the rangers are far too aggressive in how close they let people get, which forces the chimps (mothers with young) to move away. We had to repeatedly tell the rangers to stop getting too close, and only then really had good experiences watching the chimps behave naturally. If I went back, I would elect to try to see chimpanzees in Budongo instead of Kibale where there are fewer crowds, even if the odds of seeing the chimps is lower.

### Mammal List

- **Checked Elephant Shrew** – one on the road heading out of Murchison National Park near Budongo
- **Bush Hyrax** – one in Lake Mburo National Park
- **Savannah Elephant** – common in Queen Elizabeth National Park and Murchison National Park
- **Forest Elephant** – three seen at night along the road in Kibale National Park
- **Greater Galago** – one seen at night in Lake Mburo National Park at lodge
- **Patas Monkey** – several individuals seen in Murchison National Park
- **Vervet Monkey** – common in most areas visited
- **Tantalus Monkey** – a few individuals seen at Ziwa Rhinoceros sanctuary
- **Red-tailed Monkey** – many seen in Buhoma sector of Bwindi National Park, Bigodi Wetlands Sanctuary, and the Royal Mile
- **L'Hoest's Monkey** – many seen in Bwindi National Park
- **Blue Monkey** – many seen in Bwindi National Park and the Royal Mile
- **Gray-cheeked Mangabey** – common in Bigodi Wetlands Sanctuary
- **Olive Baboon** – common at all locations throughout Uganda
- **Black and White Colobus Monkey** – common in Entebbe Gardens, Bwindi National Park, Bigodi Wetlands, Murchison Falls National Park
- **Angola Red Colobus** – common in Bigodi Wetlands Sanctuary
- **Mountain Gorilla** – walked with the "Bitukura" family group in Bwindi
- **Chimpanzee** – four males seen at Bigodi Wetlands, a dozen more in habituated group in Kibale National Park
- **Bush-rat sp.** – one seen along road near Mbamba swamp
- **Striped Ground-squirrel** – seen at Entebbe Gardens, Lake Mburo National Park, and Murchison Falls National Park
- **Carruther's Mountain Squirrel** – one seen at Bwindi National Park
- **Red-legged Sun-squirrel** – seen at Entebbe Gardens, Bwindi National Park,
- **Ruwenzori Sun Squirrel** – one seen at Bwindi National Park

- **Boehm's Squirrel** – several seen in Bwindi National Park
- **Emin's Gerbil** – one seen at night in Murchison Falls National Park
- **Uganda Grass Hare** – four seen at night in Murchison Falls National Park
- **Scrub Hare** – two seen at night in Queen Elizabeth National Park
- **Cape Hare** – one seen at night in Murchison Falls National Park
- **Egyptian Slit-faced bat** – Seen at Lake Mburo lodge in the dining hall rafters
- **Mauritian Tomb Bat** – Two roosting on wall of west-side visitor center at Queen Elizabeth National Park
- **Yellow-winged Bat** – seen at Queen Elizabeth National Park
- **African Wildcat** – two seen along road at night in Kibale National Park
- **African Lion** – several prides seen in Murchison Falls National Park, no tree-climbing lions seen in Queen Elizabeth
- **Common Leopard** – one seen in Queen Elizabeth National Park, one seen in Murchison Falls National Park
- **African Civet** – one seen along road at night in Kibale National Park
- **Blotched Genet** – four seen at night in Kibale National Park, five more seen at night in Murchison Falls National Park
- **Slender Mongoose** – one seen in Murchison Falls National Park
- **Dwarf Mongoose** – five seen in Lake Mburo National Park
- **Banded Mongoose** – seen in Kibale and Lake Mburo National Parks
- **White-tailed Mongoose** – two seen at night in Murchison Falls National Park
- **Spotted Hyena** – several seen at night and during day in Murchison National Park
- **Side-striped Jackal** – four seen in Murchison Falls National Park
- **Spotted-necked otter** – two seen in Mbamba swamp
- **Common Zebra** – many at Lake Mburo National Park
- **Common Warthog** – common in Lake Mburo, Queen Elizabeth, and Murchison Falls National Parks
- **Bush pig** – two seen before dawn in Kibale National Park
- **Tree rat sp.** – one seen at night in Kibale National Park
- **Hippopotamus** – many at Lake Mburo, Queen Elizabeth, and Murchison Falls National Parks
- **Rothschild's Giraffe** – 15 seen in Lake Mburo (translocated population), and thousands in Murchison Falls National Park
- **Lewel's Hartebeest** – common in Murchison Falls National Park
- **Topi** – several seen in Lake Mburo National Park and Queen Elizabeth National Park
- **Sudan Oriibi** – abundant in Murchison Falls National Park
- **Cape Buffalo** – Common in Queen Elizabeth National Park
- **Lake Chad Buffalo** – common in Murchison Falls National Park
- **Bushbuck** – small numbers seen in Lake Mburo, Queen Elizabeth, and Murchison Falls National Parks
- **Black-fronted Duiker** – several seen in Bwindi National Park
- **Impala** – common in Lake Mburo National Park
- **Defasa Waterbuck** – common in Lake Mburo, Queen Elizabeth, and Murchison Falls National Parks
- **Kob** – abundant throughout main savannah areas in Queen Elizabeth and Murchison Falls National Parks
- **White Rhinoceros** – walked with two moms and their young at Ziwa sanctuary

Unidentified Mammals, the tree rat was in Kibale and the other rat was in a field outside of Queen Elizabeth National Park if anyone can identify them, please contact me!



### Bird List

White-faced Whistling-Duck  
Knob-billed Duck  
Egyptian Goose  
Spur-winged Goose  
African Black Duck  
Yellow-billed Duck  
Helmeted Guineafowl  
Heuglin's Francolin

Scaly Francolin  
Handsome Francolin  
Red-necked Francolin  
Crested Francolin  
Greater Flamingo  
Lesser Flamingo  
Rameron Pigeon  
Speckled Pigeon

Laughing Dove  
Dusky Turtle-dove  
Mourning Collared-Dove  
Red-eyed Dove  
Ring-necked Dove  
Vinaceous Dove  
Emerald-spotted Wood-Dove  
Blue-spotted Wood-Dove

Black-billed Wood-dove  
Tambourine Dove  
African Green-Pigeon  
Denham's Bustard  
Black-bellied Bustard  
Great Blue Turaco  
Black-billed Turaco  
Ross's Turaco  
Bare-faced Go-away-bird  
Eastern Plantain-eater  
Senegal Coucal  
White-browed Coucal  
Greater Black Coucal  
Black Coucal  
Blue Malkoha  
Levaillant's Cuckoo  
Dideric Cuckoo  
African Emerald Cuckoo  
Red-chested Cuckoo  
African Cuckoo  
Verraux's Eagle-owl  
Grayish Eagle-owl  
Freckled Nightjar  
Long-tailed Nightjar  
Black-shouldered Nightjar  
Scarce Swift  
Hourus Swift  
Alpine Swift  
Little Swift  
African Palm-Swift  
White-spotted Flufftail  
Red-chested Flufftail  
African Crake  
Black Crake  
African Finfoot  
Gray Crowned-Crane  
Senegal Thick-knee  
Water Thick-knee  
Black-winged Stilt  
Long-toed Lapwing  
Spur-winged Lapwing  
Senegal Lapwing  
Crowned Lapwing  
Wattled Lapwing  
Kittlitz's Plover  
Three-banded Plover

Lesser Jacana  
African Jacana  
Ruddy Turnstone  
Common Greenshank  
Marsh Sandpiper  
Small Buttonquail  
Collared Pratincole  
Rock Pratincole  
Slender-billed Gull  
Gray-hooded Gull  
Lesser Black-backed Gull  
Gull-billed Tern  
White-winged Tern  
African Openbill  
Woolly-necked Stork  
Saddle-billed Stork  
Marabou Stork  
Yellow-billed Stork  
African Darter  
Long-tailed Cormorant  
Great Cormorant  
Great White Pelican  
Pink-backed Pelican  
Shoebill  
Hamerkop  
Gray Heron  
Black-headed Heron  
Goliath Heron  
Purple Heron  
Great Egret  
Intermediate Egret  
Little Egret  
Cattle Egret  
Squacco Heron  
Striated Heron  
White-backed Night-Heron  
Glossy Ibis  
Sacred Ibis  
Hadada Ibis  
African Spoonbill  
Black-winged Kite  
Palm-nut Vulture  
White-headed Vulture  
Lappet-faced Vulture  
Hooded Vulture  
White-backed Vulture

Rueppell's Griffon  
Bateleur  
Black-breasted Snake-Eagle  
Brown Snake-Eagle  
Martial Eagle  
Long-crested Eagle  
Tawny Eagle  
Augur Buzzard  
Lizard Buzzard  
Dark Chanting-Goshawk  
Gabar Goshawk  
African Harrier-hawk  
African Marsh-Harrier  
Shikra  
Black Kite  
African Fish-Eagle  
Mountain Buzzard  
Blue-naped Mousebird  
Speckled Mousebird  
Narina Trogon  
Bar-tailed Trogon  
White-headed Woodhoopoe  
Common Scimitarbill  
Abyssinian Ground-Hornbill  
Crowned Hornbill  
African Gray Hornbill  
Black-and-white-casqued  
Hornbill  
White-thighed Hornbill  
Malachite Kingfisher  
African Dwarf Kingfisher  
Chocolate-backed Kingfisher  
Gray-headed Kingfisher  
Woodland Kingfisher  
Blue-breasted Kingfisher  
Striped Kingfisher  
Giant Kingfisher  
Pied Kingfisher  
Black Bee-eater  
Red-throated Bee-eater  
Little Bee-eater  
Swallow-tailed Bee-eater  
Cinnamon-chested Bee-eater  
Madagascar Bee-eater  
Northern Carmine Bee-eater  
Southern Carmine Bee-eater

Lilac-breasted Roller  
Broad-billed Roller  
Blue-throated Roller  
Yellow-billed Barbet  
Gray-throated Barbet  
Speckled Tinkerbird  
Yellow-throated Tinkerbird  
Yellow-rumped Tinkerbird  
Yellow-fronted Tinkerbird  
Yellow-spotted Barbet  
Hairy-breasted Barbet  
Spot-flanked Barbet  
Black-billed Barbet  
Double-toothed Barbet  
Red-faced Barbet  
Thick-billed Honeyguide  
Elliot's Woodpecker  
Cardinal Woodpecker  
Golden-crowned  
Woodpecker  
African Gray Woodpecker  
Tullberg's Woodpecker  
Nubian Woodpecker  
Common Kestrel  
Gray Kestrel  
Red-necked Falcon  
Meyer's Parrot  
Gray Parrot  
Grauer's Broadbill  
Brown-throated Wattle-eye  
Black-throated Wattle-eye  
Chestnut Wattle-eye  
Rwenzori Batis  
Black-headed Batis  
African Shrike-flycatcher  
Black-and-white Shrike-  
flycatcher  
Northern Puffback  
Pink-footed Puffback  
Black-crowned Tchagra  
Ludher's Bushshrike  
Tropical Boubou  
Black-headed Gonolek  
Papyrus Gonolek  
Gray-green Bushshrike  
Gray Cuckooshrike

Petit's Cuckooshrike  
Yellow-billed Shrike  
Northern Fiscal  
Gray-backed Fiscal  
Mackinnon's Shrike  
Black-tailed Oriole  
Fork-tailed Drongo  
Black-headed Paradise-  
Flycatcher  
African Paradise-Flycatcher  
Piapiac  
Pied Crow  
White-naped Raven  
Rufous-naped Lark  
Flappet Lark  
White-tailed Lark  
Red-capped Lark  
Angola Swallow  
Lesser Striped Swallow  
Wire-tailed Swallow  
Mosque Swallow  
White-headed Sawwing  
Black Sawwing  
Gray-rumped Swallow  
African Blue Flycatcher  
White-tailed Blue Flycatcher  
Slender-billed Greenbul  
Shelley's Greenbul  
Eastern Mountain-Greenbul  
Joyful Greenbul  
Spotted Greenbul  
Red-tailed Greenbul  
Gray Greenbul  
Ansorge's Greenbul  
Plain Greenbul  
Yellow-whiskered Greenbul  
Little Greenbul  
Cabanis's Greenbul  
White-throated Greenbul  
Yellow-streaked Greenbul  
Common Bulbul  
White-browed Crombec  
Red-faced Crombec  
Moustached Grass-Warbler  
Yellow Longbill  
Chestnut-capped Flycatcher

Red-faced Woodland-  
Warbler  
Mountain Yellow-Warbler  
Evergreen-forest Warbler  
Grauer's Swamp Warbler  
Little Rush-Warbler  
White-winged Swamp  
Warbler  
Rufous-crowned Eremomela  
White-chinned Prinia  
Rwenzori Apalis  
Green-backed Camaroptera  
Olive-green Camaroptera  
Buff-bellied Warbler  
Black-throated Apalis  
Black-faced Apalis  
Buff-throated Apalis  
Gray Apalis  
Tawny-flanked Prinia  
Banded Prinia  
Black-faced Rufous-Warbler  
Trilling Cisticola  
Chubb's Cisticola  
Rattling Cisticola  
Winding Cisticola  
Stout Cisticola  
Croaking Cisticola  
Singing Cisticola  
African Hill Babbler  
African Yellow White-eye  
Brown Illadopsis  
Mountain Illadopsis  
Dusky Babbler  
Black-lored Babbler  
Arrow-marked Babbler  
Cassin's Flycatcher  
Pale Flycatcher  
Dusky-brown Flycatcher  
Swamp Flycatcher  
Yellow-eyed Black-  
Flycatcher  
Northern Black-Flycatcher  
White-eyed Slaty-Flycatcher  
Fire-crested Alethe  
African Stonechat  
Brown-backed Scrub-Robin

Red-backed Scrub-Robin  
White-bellied Robin-Chat  
Archer's Robin-Chat  
Blue-shouldered Robin-Chat  
Gray-winged Robin-Chat  
White-browed Robin-Chat  
Red-capped Robin-Chat  
White-starred Robin  
Red-throated Alethe  
Forest Robin  
Equatorial Akalat  
Spotted Mourning-thrush  
Silverbird  
Sooty Chat  
African Thrush  
Violet-backed Starling  
Waller's Starling  
Narrow-tailed Starling  
Stuhlmann's Starling  
Rueppell's Starling  
Splendid Starling  
Purple-headed Starling  
Lesser Blue-eared Starling  
Yellow-billed Oxpecker  
Gray-headed Sunbird  
Little Green Sunbird  
Collared Sunbird  
Green-headed Sunbird  
Blue-throated Brown Sunbird  
Blue-headed Sunbird  
Variable Sunbird  
Bronze Sunbird  
Beautiful Sunbird  
Olive Sunbird  
Green-throated Sunbird  
Scarlet-chested Sunbird  
Olive-bellied Sunbird  
Tiny Sunbird  
Northern Double-collared  
Sunbird  
Regal Sunbird  
Red-chested Sunbird  
Purple-banded Sunbird  
Copper Sunbird  
Mountain Wagtail  
African Pied Wagtail

African Pipit  
Plain-backed Pipit  
Yellow-throated Longclaw  
Oriole Finch  
Yellow-fronted Canary  
Western Citril  
Streaky Seed eater  
White-rumped Seed eater  
Thick-billed Seed eater  
Gray-capped Warbler  
Golden-breasted Sunbird  
Cinnamon-breasted Rock-  
bunting  
Cabanis's Bunting  
House Sparrow  
Northern Gray-headed  
Sparrow  
Shelley's Rufous Sparrow  
Speckle-fronted Weaver  
Red-headed Malimbe  
Slender-billed Weaver  
Black-necked Weaver  
Spectacled Weaver  
Black-billed Weaver  
Northern Brown-throated  
Weaver  
Northern Masked-Weaver  
Lesser Masked-Weaver  
Vitelline Masked-Weaver  
Vieillot's Weaver  
Village Weaver  
Weyns's Weaver  
Black-headed Weaver  
Golden-backed Weaver  
Brown-capped Weaver  
Compact Weaver  
Chestnut-crowned Sparrow-  
weaver  
Red-billed Quelea  
Cardinal Quelea  
Northern Red Bishop  
Southern Red Bishop  
Black-winged Bishop  
Black Bishop  
White-winged Widowbird  
Yellow-mantled Widowbird

Grosbeak Weaver  
White-breasted Nigrita  
Kandt's Waxbill  
Red-cheeked Cordonbleu  
Red-headed Bluebill  
Brown Twinspot  
Green-winged Pytilia  
Red-billed Firefinch  
Bar-bellied Firefinch  
Black-chinned Quailfinch  
Bronze Mannikin  
Black-and-white Mannikin  
Pin-tailed Whydah  
Village Indigobird